

Florence Morning News

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Approving Pages/Newsday

» The Florence Morning News approves pages in the Florence, S.C. Newsday system. The Florence, S.C. Newsday system can be accessed at:

» **URL:** <http://florimpl/newsday/distrb/default.asp>

» **Username:** newsroom

» **Password:** **INFORMATION ONLY**

Falcon Access/Building Pages

» Florence Morning News content and pages can be found in Falcon under the **FMN** folder/heading in the Dashboard. Here, you will find different content sections including Advance Ready, Features Ready, News Ready, Opinion Ready, Outdoors Ready, Special Sections Ready and Sports Ready. Only remove content from these folders and **do not** remove content from these sections in the Editors folders.

» Florence Morning News pages can be found under the **FMN** folder/heading under its appropriate day of the week. **Pages are built a day in advance**, so if you are working on a Tuesday, your pages will be built inside of the Wednesday section. Name your pages by **publication, date and page number**. Example: FMN_1012_1-5A or FMN_1012_1-4A, 5B.

» Florence Morning News pages are built using the **SC Master** template. Do not use another template or your pages will print the wrong size. If you are asked to do a special section, the **SC Master** template will still be used unless otherwise noted.

Layouts

» Layouts will be provided for the Florence Morning News daily, both by email and in office. Please email **Kimberlee Kosinski** to be added to the South Carolina Layout distribution list. Being added to this list is vital in case advertisements are changed or updated.

» If a daily layout has not been email or placed in the Page Assignment folder at \\hky-file1\Data\Groups\Editorial\Page Assignments please contact Matt Smith or Michelle Bloomfield.

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Building Advertisements

» When creating your pages, advertisements should be placed first before adding any content. Before opening Falcon Editorial and InDesign, click the **FLORENCE_PageLink_Prefs.bat** command prompt on your desktop multiple times so that the advertising script can load. This will automatically connect you to the **South Carolina ad base** when InDesign opens. Click this prompt multiple times so that the script will be read correctly.

» To add advertisements on your page in InDesign, click **PageLink » Place/Replace Element**. This will open a window that will connect you to the **South Carolina ad base**. Click login to connect to the South Carolina ad base.

» To place advertisements after linking to the **South Carolina ad base**, click the drop down arrow under Product and select **SCA Morning News**. This will connect you to the Florence Morning News ads. Then, select the **month/year** and **date** the paper is being published. Under Product Part, select **ROP**. After selecting **ROP**, choose your **Section** (ignore the center-cut selection). In the **Destination** location, select the page that you want ads to begin to flow onto in your InDesign document. In the **Source** location, select the Morning News page that needs to be flowed into the document.

» If an advertisement is not ready, it will appear on your page as an ad blocker until the advertisement is ready. Replace your ads before **5 p.m.** to make sure that your ads are completed. If your ad does not appear before 4:45 p.m., or if an ad does not appear on the page at all, please contact **Amanda Taylor, the Florence Traffic Desk, or Drew Kellis.**

» After flowing in advertisements, your **page must be re-centered and ads must be moved** to fit the pages. In InDesign, click **Window » Pages** to bring up the **Page Plane**. From the **Page Plane**, select the **B-6 Column Master Page**. Drag and drop the **B-6 Column Master Page** on top of your existing page in the **Page Plane**. This will re-center your page and fit it to Newsway specifications.

» After re-centering your page with the **B-6 Column Master Page**, you must move your ads to their respective spots on the page. First, select your ads, then right click your selection. On the right-click menu, select **Unlock Position**. This will allow you to move your ads into their new spots.

Log-in Information

» The following are important log-in credentials for websites vital to Florence Morning News production:

» AP Newsroom

» <http://newsroom.ap.org>

» Log-in Name: Hickory Email Address

» Password: Password you set up for AP Newsroom

» Budget Bank

» <http://wmeintranet/>

» Log-in Name: CEC Username

» Password: **INFORMATION ONLY**

» Weather

» <http://newspaper.accuweather.com>

» Log-in Name: scflo

» Password: **INFORMATION ONLY**

» MetroCreative

» <http://mcg.metrocreativeconnection.com/publish/index.php>

» Log-in Name: jb132022

» Password: **INFORMATION ONLY**

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Deadlines

- » The Florence Morning News is a daily paper. There are two sets of deadlines for the paper:
 - » **Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:** 11:45 p.m.
 - » **Tuesday, Saturday:** 10:45 p.m.
- » Florence only runs the front page of each section in color. All other pages will be created in black and white. If there are color ads on the page, overlines and photos need to be greyscaled to remain black and white when the page is sent through the color folder in Newsway.

Daily Budget

- » The Florence Morning News uses **Budget Bank** to post their daily budgets. Full budgets usually come in between 3:30 and 4 p.m. **Budget Bank** can be accessed by visiting <http://wmeintranet/> and selecting **Budget Bank**.
- » Once **Budget Bank** has been selected, login using your computer credentials. Once logged in, under Other Budgets on the left-hand side, select **Florence/WBTW**. To pull up your budget, select the edition's date in the Begin Date and against in the End Date. Then click Find Budgets to pull up your edition's budget.
- » The Florence Morning News budget will include different sections, including what should be placed on the Front Page, Page Two, Inside Wire, Editorial Page, Food, Currents, Pee Dee Living, and Business, depending which sections are included in the paper.
- » The Florence Morning News will have a **budget call** daily during the normal working week between 4 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. During this meeting, the editors will go over the budget, select promos and change the budget if needed. There is **no budget call** on Saturday or Sunday.

Photos

- » Local photos can be found inside of the folder: M:\Groups\EDITORIAL\InFromFlorence\Photos. Inside of the folder, you will find folders for each specific daily issue. Open the folder for your issue and your local photos will be inside if they have been placed by the Florence Morning News Editorial Staff. This folder will include both **news, sports** and **feature** photos.
- » Local photos should be attached to their corresponding stories in Falcon. The story will be attached as a **subelement** to the story. To view a story's **subelements**, right click the story and select **subelement**. You can add a photo to a story by clicking the "Insert From File" button inside of the **subelement** window pane.
- » To tone photos, right click the photo you wish to tone in the **subelement** folder and select "**Quick Send.**" Select either "**Color Tune**" or "**Greyscale Tune**" to send the photo to the toning folder. Photos will returned toned to your palette in six minutes and will be denoted with a blue "T" symbol. Do **NOT** resend photos through the system until 10 minutes past when you sent the original folder. It will lock up the system. Photos should be attached as JPGs. PNG files will not be toned by the system.

Logos/Columnist Mugs

- » Florence news logos can be found in the folder: \\hkryfil1\CEC_USE\CEC Teams\Carolina Team\Florence Morning News (CNC)\News logos. If a logo is not available in the folder, please contact your editor or team leader.
- » Many columnist mugshots can be found in the folder: \\hkryfil1\CEC_USE\CEC Teams\Carolina Team\Florence Morning News (CNC)\News mugs. If a mug is not available in the folder, please check the CEC Columnist folder: \\hkryfil1\CEC_USE\CEC Teams\CEC Columnists. If a mug is not available in either folder, please contact a team leader.

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Comics

» Comics for weekday and Saturday editions are placed in the folder: M:\Groups\EDITORIAL\InFromFlorence\Photos. The daily comics will be labeled with the day's date. The comics will come in a PDF form that just has to be dropped onto the page with the appropriate page folio. If comics are not available, please contact Richard Mozingo in the press room.

» The Hickory CEC is not responsible for Florence's Sunday comic section.

Obits

» Obituaries are emailed directly from Richard Mozingo in the press room daily. Obituaries and milestones will come in a PDF format. Obits can also be found in the M:\Groups\EDITORIAL\InFromFlorence\Photos folder. If the PDF does not completely fill the obituary page, AP obits or AP news articles can be used to fill up space.

Page Two

» Florence's Page Two is a template that runs daily on the second page of the news section. It uses the templates GRID 2A NON-POLL RESULT or GRID 2A POLL RESULT template found in the Florence Library. The page features the newspaper's daily poll question, top online stories, a news article, Today in History, Celebrity Birthdays, Lottery, Thought for Today and the Weather.

» The daily poll question will run Thursday through Tuesday, with poll results running on Wednesday.

» The top online stories will be emailed daily by Florence's Online Coordinator Matthew Robertson. To receive these emails, email Robertson at mrobertson@scnow.com and ask to be placed on the mailing list.

» The daily news article, Today in History, Celebrity Birthdays and Thought for the Day are pulled from the AP Exchange.

» Monday editions will feature a weekly Box Office news article highlighting the top movies over the weekend. This news story will also include a breakout fact box that includes the top-10 movies of the week and their total gross income.

» Lottery numbers should be pulled daily from the South Carolina lottery website: <http://www.sceducationlottery.com/>

Opinion

» Florence's Opinion page runs inside of the news section daily on the GRID OPINION EVEN or GRID OPINION ODD template pages found in the Florence Library. It typically has one or two editorial cartoons, an editorial, a columnist and letters to the editor.

» Editorial cartoons are placed in the Florence photos folder: M:\Groups\EDITORIAL\InFromFlorence\Photos. They are placed in their specified day.

» Editorial copy is placed in Newsway in the FMN Opinion Ready folder.

Classifieds/Puzzles/Full-Page Ads

» The CEC is not responsible for sending Florence Classifieds pages. If a classified page has not been submitted, contact Richard Mozingo in the press room. Puzzles are included in the classified section.

» The CEC is not responsible for sending full page advertisements. If a full page ad has not been sent before 6 p.m., contact Richard Mozingo in the press room.

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Lottery

- » Lottery numbers run daily on Page 2A of the Florence Morning News.
- » South Carolina Lottery numbers can be found on the official S.C. Lottery website: <http://sceducationlottery.com/>.

» The following are which lotteries run on which days:

» Sundays

- » PICK 3 (Midday)
- » PICK 3 (Evening)
- » PICK 4 (Midday)
- » PICK 4 (Evening)
- » CASH 5

» Monday

- » PICK 3 (Evening)
- » PICK 4 (Evening)
- » CASH 5
- » POWERBALL

» Tuesday

- » PICK 3 (Midday)
- » PICK 3 (Evening)
- » PICK 4 (Midday)
- » PICK 4 (Evening)
- » CASH 5

» Wednesday

- » PICK 3 (Midday)
- » PICK 3 (Evening)
- » PICK 4 (Midday)
- » PICK 4 (Evening)
- » CASH 5

» Thursday

- » PICK 3 (Midday)
- » PICK 3 (Evening)
- » PICK 4 (Midday)
- » PICK 4 (Evening)
- » CASH 5
- » MEGAMILLIONS
- » POWERBALL

» Friday

- » PICK 3 (Midday)
- » PICK 3 (Evening)
- » PICK 4 (Midday)
- » PICK 4 (Evening)
- » CASH 5

» Saturday

- » PICK 3 (Midday)
- » PICK 3 (Evening)
- » PICK 4 (Midday)
- » PICK 4 (Evening)
- » CASH 5
- » MEGAMILLIONS

Newseum

- » The front page of the Florence Morning News is automatically sent to Newseum daily.

Weather

- » Florence's Weather downloads as a PDF. The weather will be ready to pull from the website around 7 p.m. nightly.

» To access the weather information, visit:

- » <http://newspaper.accuweather.com>
- » Log-in Name: scflo
- » Password: **INFORMATION ONLY**

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Daily Front Page/1A

» Daily editions of the front page of the Florence Morning News use the GRID 1A DAILY, GRID 1A DAILY COUPON or GRID 1A DAILY W/CENTS templates. The editor will specify when template to use.

» The GRID 1A DAILY template is a standard front page template. Designers are responsible for filling in the month and day in the masthead, as well as a promo. The price for the standard daily edition is \$0.75. Promos for inside stories and weather are often used in the masthead as well.



GRID 1A DAILY Masthead

» The GRID 1A DAILY COUPON template is a special template that features coupon savings inside of the paper. It will feature the same masthead information as the standard daily template, but includes a green savings note for the coupons.



GRID 1A DAILY COUPON Masthead

» The GRID 1A DAILY W/CENTS template is a special template that features subscription savings. It will feature the same masthead information as the standard daily template, but includes a photo and pricing option for subscription services.



GRID 1A DAILY W/CENTS Masthead

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Daily Front Page/1A

» The front page will often have a banner ad at the top of the page. For front pages that feature a banner ad, use the GRID 1A DAILY template beneath the ad, unless otherwise requested.

Morning News

WEDNESDAY APRIL 22, 2015

www.scnw.com The Voice of the Pee Dee 75 cents

GRID 1A DAILY with banner ad Masthead

» The bottom of the grid will feature a Facebook online reference, a story promo, the index for the page's edition, and a barcode. You will need to update the Volume number (yearly) and Edition number (daily).

BOX OFFICE

'Furious 7' maintains speed in second week.
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PAGE 5B. CALL 317-SELL

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Daily Front Page Banner Ad Example



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10:00-3:00 PM • Tickets: *\$5 (Children under 2 are free)

A FAMILY EVENT!
A unique interactive outdoor family festival to allow children to climb on, explore, and discover their favorite big trucks and vehicles!

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TODAY'S WEATHER
Mostly sunny High 79, low 58
DETAILS 2A

Morning News

WEDNESDAY APRIL 22, 2015

www.92now.com The Voice of the Pee Dee 75 cents

With his family by his side, Rep. Jay Jordan, R-Florence, takes the oath of office from House Speaker Jay Lucas, R-Hartsville, in the S.C. House of Representatives chamber.



Rep. Roger Kirby, D-Florence, shakes hands with Rep. Jay Jordan, R-Florence, while Rep. Terry Alexander, D-Florence, gives Jordan's wife, Tara, a hug moments before the swearing-in ceremony.

S.C. HOUSE

Jordan sworn in

It's 'such a privilege to be in this room filled with history'

BY GAVIN JACKSON
Morning News
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COLUMBIA — A week after winning a special election, Jay Jordan was sworn in Tuesday as Florence's newest state representative in the House of Representatives.

"I think it will sink in today, and then I'll get to work and make good on promises made," Jordan said before taking the oath in the Statehouse. "That's something I take very seriously. The fact I'm starting later in the session, I think it's an opportunity to learn my way around here a little bit with the goal to participate in meaningful legislation that helps people."

His wife, Tara, held the family Bible while his three children watched him take the oath of office, administered by House Speaker Jay Lucas, R-Hartsville, more



Rep. Jay Jordan, R-Florence, waves to family and friends in the balcony of the S.C. House of Representatives chamber Tuesday moments after he was sworn in to the House District 63 seat.

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Teach for America

Duke Energy awards grant to teachers

BY NICOLE CARTRETTE
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FLORENCE — Teach for America of South Carolina received a \$25,000 grant from Duke Energy on Tuesday at Southside Middle School in Florence.

Duke Energy's first-time donation to Teach for America is in support of the organization's effort to increase statewide STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) educational opportunities.

The funds will be used to help recruit, train and support Teach for America teachers in STEM classrooms in South Carolina and support leadership development for teacher alumni.

Tim Boyle is a math teacher and Teach for America teacher at Southside Middle.

In celebration of Math Awareness Month, Duke Energy representatives awarded the grant in Boyle's eighth-grade math classroom.

Mike Rallings, an electrical engineer with Duke Energy, encouraged students in Boyle's class to pursue STEM-related careers and discussed the role math plays in his job.

"I was very interested in math at your age," Rallings told students. "It proved to work well for me, as I went on to Clemson."

A lot of engineering, math and science are behind the energy produced at the company's nuclear power plants.

"The biggest change in my career with the company has been our technology," Rallings said. "We do so many things today with electronics

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Florence native shares 'nattitude'

American Cancer Society benefits from event

BY MELISSA ROLLINS
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FLORENCE — On Tuesday night, a Florence native shared her experience with cancer and how her journey gave her the power to help others going through similar circumstances.

Natalie Hahn spoke to an audience of almost 400 people at the Overcoming Cancer event hosted by the Carolinas Hospital

System at the Southeastern Institute of Manufacturing and Technology Center.

Diagnosed with ovarian cancer at 19 years old, Hahn encouraged the audience, which included some cancer survivors and others who are currently battling cancer, to take on the disease with "nattitude."

"Basically what I like to define 'nattitude' as is having a go-getter attitude with a little bit of sass," Hahn said. "It is also driving full speed at those road blocks that catch you off guard and never letting those slow you down and get in your way."

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Natalie Hahn shared her story of beating ovarian cancer at 19 years old with a packed house Tuesday night at the Overcoming Cancer the Nattitude Way event sponsored by Carolinas Hospital System.

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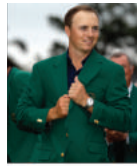
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Daily Front Page No Banner Ad Example



SPORTS Jordan Spieth, 21, captures Masters victory for the ages. **Page 1B**

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MONDAY APRIL 13, 2015

The Voice of the Pee Dee

TODAY'S WEATHER

A p.m. shower or thundershow
High 77, low 58
DETAILS 2A

75 cents

Need for speed



Romnie Siders (right) chats with Justin Corbin, who helps run operations on the racetrack proper. "It's great," Corbin said. "I love it. He showed me, and I just take off with it."

Love of racing keeps Dragway owner going

BY VEASEY CONWAY
Morning News
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HARTSVILLE — There's an irony in drag racing. People who love it love being behind the wheel. They'll pour thousands of dollars into their custom cars to make them go faster. But a faster car means less time behind the wheel.

Romnie Siders, owner of the Darlington Dragway, describes those few seconds spent racing over 100 miles an hour simply as "the thrill." He's been around cars his entire life; he was 11 when he went to a drag strip for the first time and was racing before he had his driver's license.

Back then, Siders was living in Long Island, New York. He was adopted when he was 1 and immediately thrust into proximity to cars. His father owned a gasoline station and garage. Familiar customers would bring him to races.

"Go ask your dad if you can go to



Romnie Siders clears small debris from the surface of the Darlington Dragway on April 4.

the drag strip with us," he remembers them saying. "He said, 'Go ahead.' So I went — and the rest is history."
He was hooked.

"I was like: This is the best thing

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Each Monday, the Morning News features a good news story on a person, place or organization in the Pee Dee. If you have a suggestion for someone or something to profile, send it to news@scnow.com.

Ordinary lives of officer, driver crossed at shooting

The Associated Press

NORTH CHARLESTON — But for a series of split-second decisions that followed a traffic stop, Walter Scott might still be alive and police Officer Michael Slager still patrolling the streets.

When the two men's lives intersected April 4, Scott had just purchased a used car from a neighbor. Slager was starting a routine weekend shift on a warm spring day. In a matter of minutes, one man was dead. Within days, the other was charged with murder.

A third man on his way to work captured the encounter on cellphone video that shocked the world and added fuel to the national debate about race and aggressive police tactics that began in August 2014 with the shooting death of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri.

Family members say Scott was so fearful of returning to jail over late child-support payments that he tried to outrun the law. And the officer, amid the adrenaline of a short foot chase, fired a fatal volley of eight bullets at the back of a fleeing suspect who appeared to pose no immediate threat.

Just a traffic stop

It all began with a traffic stop along a busy stretch of commercial road in North Charleston, a city that, not unlike Ferguson, has a large working-class black population policed by a force that is overwhelmingly white.

Scott was buying a nearly 25-year-old Mercedes-Benz sedan from a neighbor, and he knew in advance that it needed a few repairs. But it was still better than his van, a beater that would break down on the way to his job as a forklift operator at a distribution warehouse.

So that Saturday morning he jumped into his car, picked up a friend from work and headed to an auto-parts store a few miles away. He called his girlfriend: He wouldn't be long.

Slager had been with the North Charleston Police Department for about five years, after a stint in the Coast Guard. He was watching out for traffic violations and waiting to answer trouble calls over the radio. If things went right, maybe he'd get home early enough to enjoy the rest of the day with his wife, who was eight months pregnant, and their two children.

A few blocks away, 23-year-old Feidin Santana was getting ready for work. As usual, the immigrant from the Dominican Republic planned to walk to his job at a barbershop, passing storefronts, houses and empty lots.

The three men did not know each other when they left their homes, but their lives collided shortly after 9:30 a.m., when Slager flipped on his blue lights to pull Scott over. Police said it was for a burned-out taillight.

Fog of war

Scott knew he was in trouble. The father of four children had fallen behind, again, on child support owed to his ex-wife.

So while he was still in the car, he called his mother to tell her he might be heading to jail, according to his older brother, Anthony Scott.

"He wanted to let her know he was

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Run for Brighter Days returns for fourth year

Jonathan Foundation fundraiser helps suicide prevention, Palmetto Pee Dee Behavioral Health center

BY MELISSA ROLLINS
Morning News
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FLORENCE — Lynn Brown-Bulloch and several hundred people will Run for Brighter Days on May 2 when they take part in the fourth annual Jonathan C. Smith Foundation 5K/10K at the Clemson University Research and Education Center.

Brown-Bulloch established the foundation after her son, Jonathan, committed suicide in 2011. Now each year, a race is held in his honor and in the honor of all people touched by suicide.

Though several years have passed, Brown-Bulloch said the pain is still

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Lynn Brown-Bulloch started the Jonathan Foundation to raise awareness about suicide and mental illness, after losing her son, Jonathan.

For more information

To register, visit strictlyrunning.com. Early registration, before April 15, is \$25. Late registration is \$30. The race begins at 8 a.m. May 2 at Dangan's Pond, 2200 Pocket Road, Florence. A \$1,000 scholarship will be given to the church, school, civic group or running club that has the most participants. Make sure to mention the group at the sign-in area. Show your university pride by wearing a T-shirt with your favorite school's name. Bring a friend. During the sign-in process, mention you brought someone and be entered to win \$100. Lynn Brown-Bulloch can be reached at lbulloch@thejonathanfoundation4teens.org or 843-229-4235.

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Daily Page 2 Poll Question Example

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The 2016 presidential race has kicked off, and the Republican pool of candidates already has three people officially running, with others expected to join. If you had to vote today, who would you choose?

- » Ted Cruz
- » Rand Paul
- » Marco Rubio
- » Jeb Bush (unofficial)
- » Scott Walker (unofficial)
- » Other

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 - 5: Florence native shares her 'naïtitude' for overcoming cancer



Chris Evans (left) and Robert Downey Jr. pose during a portrait session for 'Avengers: Age of Ultron' at Walt Disney Studios in Burbank, Calif. on April 11.

'Avengers' actors set stage for a 'Civil War'

BURBANK, Calif. — There's a conflict brewing in "Avengers: Age of Ultron," and it doesn't involve megalomaniac robots. After reaching a peace with their structure and roles on the superhero fighting team, Tony Stark/Iron Man and Steve Rogers/Captain America have begun to clash ideologically.

The stoic Steve, still reeling from revelations of widespread corruption in "The Winter Soldier," is starting to question the precepts he's followed blindly for so long. Tony, meanwhile, is drifting toward the desire for order and control.

"Morality hits Tony, humanity hits Tony. All of a sudden he feels responsible," said Chris Evans, who plays Rogers for the fourth time in the billion dollar Marvel franchise.

"Neither one of them are blindly convicted. It's blurry and that's what makes it great. No one's right, no one's wrong," said Evans in a recent joint interview with Robert Downey Jr., back for a fifth turn as Stark.

"It's going to make it even harder for them to come to an agreement, which I'm really excited about," said Downey.

While the seeds of a fight are scattered throughout "Ultron," the second gathering of the "Avengers" on the big screen last May 1, it's also setting the

stage for next year's "Captain America: Civil War." Plot details are sparse, but any casual comics fan knows that "Civil War" is where the "Avengers" fracture, divided down lines set by Tony and Steve.

"It's also the only upcoming Marvel film for which Downey and Evans have been confirmed.

"It's like a marriage," said Evans. "We love each other but it's explosive. You're working toward the same goal but you have very different approaches to it."

Added Downey: "I'm really stoked to see when we have more stuff to actually do together besides like art like we're about to have a fight

one day."

Off screen, the dynamic is, of course, a bit more polite. Sitting on a patio at the Walt Disney Studios in Burbank, Downey and Evans were calm and casual with each other.

When Evans tried to explain how others on set are more talented and smarter than he is, Downey quickly jumped in to offer some reassurance.

"I have stood toe to toe with some of the greatest folks of all time and I Spencer Tracy is right — you know, hit your mark and tell the truth — nobody that I've worked with does it the way that (Evans does)," said Downey.

"God, I tinkled a little bit," laughed Evans in response.

Today in History

Today is **Friday, April 24**, the 114th day of 2015. There are 251 days left in the year.

In **1800**, Congress approved a bill establishing the Library of Congress.

In **1898**, Spain declared war on the United States. (The United States responded in kind the next day.)

In **1916**, some 1,600 Irish nationalists launched the Easter Rising by seizing several key sites in Dublin. (The rising was put down by British forces almost a week later.)

In **1932**, in the Free State of Prussia, the Nazi Party gained a plurality of seats in parliamentary elections.

In **1953**, British statesman Winston Churchill was knighted by Queen Elizabeth II.

Birthdays

Author **Sue Grafton** is 75. Actress-singer-director **Barbra Streisand** is 73. Country singer **Richard Sterban** (The Oak Ridge Boys) is 72. Rock singer-musician **Rob Hyman** is 65. Actor **Michael O'Keefe** is 60. Actor-comedian **Cedric the Entertainer** is 51. Actress **Melinda Clarke** is 46. Rock musician **Brian Marshall** (Creed; Alter Bridge) is 42. Singer **Kelly Clarkson** is 33.

S.C. Lottery

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PICK 4 (Monday): 7-9-4-9
CASH 5: 3-9-30-35-36
PICK 3: 1-0-0
PICK 4: 8-6-3-3
POWER UP: 1-4

Thought for Today

"The door to the past is a strange door. It swings open and things pass through it, but they pass in one direction only. No man can return across that threshold, though he can look down still and see the green light waver in the water weeds."
— **Loren Eiseley, American anthropologist**

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| Today | Tonight | Saturday | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | |
| H: 62° to 71° L: 6-12 mph Winds: SWW 4-4 mph | H: 50° to 54° L: 5-8 mph Winds: SWW 4-4 mph | H: 65° to 69° L: 55° to 59° Winds: SSE 4-12 mph | H: 77° to 81° L: 48° to 52° Winds: W-8-16 mph | H: 71° to 75° L: 49° to 53° Winds: N-7-14 mph | H: 67° to 73° L: 50° to 54° Winds: ENE 7-14 mph |

ALMANAC

Florence through 5 p.m., yesterday

Temperature
High/Low: 75°/56°
Normal high/low: 79°/55°
Record high: 93° in 1980
Record low: 35° in 1985

Precipitation
24 hrs, ending 5 p.m. yesterday: 0.00"
Month to date: 2.94"
Normal month to date: 2.01"
Year to date: 13.27"
Normal year to date: 11.48"
Departure: +1.78"

SOUTH CAROLINA

| City | Hi | Lo | Prep. | Hi | Lo | W |
|--------------|----|----|-------|----|----|---|
| Anderson | 74 | 66 | 71 | 43 | pc | |
| Beaufort | 83 | 60 | 75 | 56 | pc | |
| Charleston | 83 | 61 | 74 | 52 | pc | |
| Columbia | 79 | 61 | 74 | 48 | pc | |
| Greenville | 72 | 51 | 70 | 43 | pc | |
| Greenwood | 75 | 54 | 72 | 45 | pc | |
| Marble Beach | 75 | 63 | 70 | 52 | pc | |
| Orangeburg | 80 | 56 | 73 | 50 | pc | |
| Rock Hill | 72 | 51 | 69 | 41 | pc | |
| Spartanburg | 72 | 53 | 72 | 41 | pc | |
| Sumter | 77 | 54 | 73 | 46 | pc | |

SUN AND MOON

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Sunrise today: 6:38 a.m. | First: April 25 |
| Sunset tonight: 7:57 p.m. | Full: May 3 |
| Total daylight today: 13 hrs, 19 min. | Last: May 11 |
| Sunrise tomorrow: 6:37 a.m. | New: May 18 |
| Sunset tomorrow night: 7:58 p.m. | |

TODAY'S NATIONAL FORECAST



Busiest U.S. Airports

| City | Yesterday | Today | Tomorrow |
|------------------|-----------|-------|----------|
| Atlanta | 88 | 87 | 85 |
| Boston | 57 | 60 | 57 |
| Charlotte | 72 | 53 | 88 |
| Chicago | 53 | 52 | 58 |
| Dallas-Ft. Worth | 73 | 65 | 50 |
| Denver | 66 | 43 | 60 |
| Detroit | 42 | 35 | 35 |
| Honolulu | 82 | 81 | 85 |
| Houston | 86 | 89 | 84 |
| Miami | 86 | 76 | 88 |
| Minneapolis | 53 | 29 | 51 |
| New York | 50 | 41 | 53 |
| Orlando | 81 | 68 | 87 |
| Phoenix | 88 | 62 | 83 |
| St. Louis | 65 | 58 | 61 |
| San Francisco | 87 | 51 | 82 |
| Seattle | 53 | 45 | 50 |

LAKE LEVELS

| City | Full | Last | Chg |
|-----------|-------|--------|------|
| Greenwood | 439.0 | 439.76 | +0.1 |
| Hartwell | 660.0 | 660.54 | +0.1 |
| Kennesaw | 199.0 | 199.67 | +0.3 |
| Marion | 78.8 | 75.77 | -0.9 |
| Northline | 75.5 | 74.56 | -0.8 |
| Murray | 386.0 | 386.42 | +0.2 |
| Thrummond | 330.0 | 330.58 | +0.2 |
| Waltham | 158.0 | 158.46 | +0.3 |

RIVER STAGES

| River/Station | Flood Stage | Last | Chg |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------|------|
| Black @ Kingstree | 12 | 9.21 | +0.3 |
| Congaree @ Columbia | 18 | 10.15 | +5.6 |
| G. Pee Dee @ Cheraw | 30 | 24.14 | +5.6 |
| G. Pee Dee @ Pee Dee | 19 | 19.75 | +1.2 |
| L. Pee Dee @ Galvanville Fy | 9 | 7.84 | +0.1 |
| Lynchee @ Kingham | 14 | 9.02 | +0.2 |
| Waccamaw @ Conway | 11 | 3.11 | na |
| Watauga @ Camden | 27 | 21.09 | +5.6 |

NATIONAL SUMMARY

Unseasonably chilly air will hold in the Northeast and Midwest today with showers in New England and the Upper Midwest. Severe storms will erupt over Texas and the southern Plains. Storms will dot the Four Corners states with spotty showers forecast for the Northwest.

MYRTLE BEACH TIDES

High tide: 12:25 a.m., 1:06 p.m.
Low tide: 6:50 a.m., 6:51 p.m.

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Daily Page 2 Poll Result Example

Morning News POLL

The 2016 presidential race has kicked off, and the Republican pool of candidates already has three people officially running, with others expected to join. If you had to vote today, who would you choose?

- Ted Cruz 59 percent
- Rand Paul 9 percent
- Marco Rubio 8 percent
- Job Bush (unofficial)
- Scott Walker (unofficial)
- Other 11 percent

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Poll Results:

S.C. Sen. Gerald Malloy, a Democrat from Darlington, has backed a bill that would require all law-enforcement officers to wear body cameras while on duty. What do you think of this idea?

- It's a great idea! Who would be against that? 59 percent
- It's a good idea, but the bill's current wording is too broad. 9 percent
- It's an OK idea, but there are privacy concerns to straighten out first. 21 percent
- It's a bad idea. What are they thinking? 11 percent

Most popular at SCNOW.COM
The five most-read stories at scnow.com, the Morning News 24-hour news site.

- 1: Florence man arrested after exchanging explicit Facebook messages with minor, officials say
- 2: Francis Marion University vandalism determined to be a prank
- 3: Police seek two suspects in Florence burglary ring
- 4: Florence teen's 'proposals' can only be seen from 28,000 feet
- 5: Five charged with Hartsville burglary, shooting a dog

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After absence, 'Guitar Hero,' 'Rock Band' to return

The Associated Press

SANTA MONICA, Calif. — The publisher of "Guitar Hero" is readying a comeback tour. Activision Blizzard Inc. announced plans Tuesday to resurrect the once-popular video game franchise, which involved players rhythmically tapping guitar-shaped controllers along to music. The new entry scheduled for release this fall is titled "Guitar Hero Live" and introduces a redesigned guitar, live-action actors and an online music video network to the series.

"We said we would bring it back when we've got true innovation," said Jamie Jackson, creative director at "Guitar Hero Live" developer FreeStyleGames, who previously worked on "Sing Party" and the "DJ Hero" series. "We wouldn't have come back if we didn't think we were giving you a new experience. We genuinely feel like we've nailed it with innovation."

"Guitar Hero Live" will cast players as an up-and-coming guitarist in a fictitious band. Instead of playing along with computer-generated characters on screen, wannabe rockers will see a first-person view of their band mates and audiences portrayed by human actors. The virtual crowd will boo or cheer players on, depending if they're hitting the right notes. "We want you to feel like a



Freddie Wong of Seattle, Wash., plays Guitar Hero II July 7, 2007 on stage at the World Series of Video Games, in Grapevine, Texas.

rock star again," said Jackson. "We want to put you onstage whether it's in front of 100 people, 1,000 people or 100,000 people. We want you to experience what it feels like to perform onstage. That's why we've turned the camera around and made it first person. As we were working on this, we actually code-named it 'Stage Fright.'" Despite featuring music from such artists as the Rolling Stones, Ed Sheeran and Green Day, "Guitar Hero Live" will forgo digital likenesses of real musicians in favor of actors portraying phony band members. Jackson declined to specify why the game's made-up acts would sound just like such real-world bands as the Black Keys, the

Killers, and Fall Out Boy. "It's cool, man," said Fall Out Boy bassist Pete Wentz at a event promoting the game in New York's Best Buy Theater. "The anxiety of having band members mad at you — on hand doesn't really work like that — but in the game it seems terrifying."

FreeStyleGames' other major switch-up is adding another row of buttons to the top of the guitar's neck. They eliminated the series' color-coded five-button system in favor of mirroring icons displayed on screen, with guitar picks pointing up and down. Jackson said the new six-button configuration would provide veteran players with a bigger challenge

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, April 15, the 105th day of 2015. There are 260 days left in the year.
In 1715, the Yamasee War began as members of the Yamasee tribe attacked English settlers in colonial South Carolina.
In 1865, President Abraham Lincoln died nine hours after being shot the night before by John Wilkes Booth at Ford's Theatre.

In Washington.
In 1912, the British luxury liner RMS Titanic foundered in the North Atlantic off Newfoundland more than 2 1/2 hours after hitting an iceberg; 1,514 people died, while less than half as many survived.
In 1945, during World War II, British and Canadian troops liberated the Nazi concentration camp Bergen-Belsen.

Birthdays

Author and politician Jeffrey Archer is 75. Actor Michael Tucci is 69. Actress Lois Chiles is 68. Actress Amy Wright is 65. Actor Sam McMurray is 63. Bluegrass musician Jeff Parker is 54. Singer Samantha Fox is 49. Actor Flex Alexander is 45. Rock musician Patrick Carney is 35. Actor-writer Seth Rogen is 33. Actress Alice Braga is 32. Actress Emma Watson is 25. Actress Maile Williams is 18.

S.C. Lottery

PICK 3 (Midday): 2, 4, 2
PICK 4 (Midday): 4, 2, 1, 3
CASH 5: 5, 9, 14, 24, 26

PICK 3: 7, 0, 6
PICK 4: 8, 0, 3, 1
POWER UP: 4

Thought for Today

"We do not know what we want and yet we are responsible for what we are — that is the fact."
— Jean-Paul Sartre, French philosopher

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| TODAY | TONIGHT | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|---|---|---|
| A look at it, but not so warm. | Rain at times. | Breezy with periods of rain. | Clouds, but warm in spots, warmer. | Mostly cloudy, a shower, then. | A touch of it, but not so warm. |
| Hi 68° to 72° Lo 50° to 54° Winds: NE 7-14 mph | Lo 50° to 54° Winds: NE 6-16 mph | Hi 65° to 69° Lo 50° to 63° Winds: NNE 10-20 mph | Hi 78° to 82° Lo 59° to 63° Winds: WNW 7-14 mph | Hi 78° to 82° Lo 65° to 69° Winds: SSW 6-12 mph | Hi 74° to 78° Lo 62° to 66° Winds: WNW 7-14 mph |

BUSIEST U.S. AIRPORTS

| City | Yesterday | Today | Tomorrow |
|------------------|------------|--------|----------|
| Atlanta | 81,660 | 83,757 | 87,587 |
| Boston | 65,537 | 62,398 | 57,418 |
| Charlotte | 87,885 | 83,587 | 83,584 |
| Chicago | 96,381 | 84,438 | 86,478 |
| Dallas-Ft. Worth | 59,595 | 77,598 | 80,803 |
| Denver | 75,480 | 58,308 | 49,348 |
| Detroit | 83,438 | 62,492 | 59,494 |
| Honolulu | 82,700 | 83,839 | 83,698 |
| Houston | 76,677 | 83,868 | 78,681 |
| Los Angeles | 72,581 | 82,800 | 84,578 |
| Miami | 86,786 | 87,876 | 85,758 |
| Minneapolis | 71,388 | 68,488 | 68,488 |
| New York | 65,555,001 | 88,478 | 57,478 |
| Orlando | 88,688 | 82,478 | 70,478 |
| Phoenix | 83,687 | 86,588 | 79,588 |
| St. Louis | 68,588 | 69,587 | 76,588 |
| San Francisco | 83,688 | 71,588 | 81,588 |
| Seattle | 51,337 | 65,541 | 62,448 |

ALMANAC

Florence through 5 p.m., yesterday
Temperature
High/Low: 62°/57°
Normal High/Low: 70°/52°
Record High: 90° in 2006
Record Low: 32° in 1950
Precipitation: 24 hrs., ending 5 p.m., yesterday: 0.33"
Month to date: 1.22"
Normal month to date: 1.22"
Year to date: 10.66"
Normal year to date: 10.70"
Departure: -0.04"

SOUTH CAROLINA

| City | Hi | Lo | Prob. | Hi | Lo | W |
|--------------|----|----|-------|----|----|---|
| Anderson | 81 | 65 | 1.10 | 79 | 59 | r |
| Beaufort | 86 | 71 | 0.01 | 79 | 66 | c |
| Charleston | 82 | 68 | 0.05 | 75 | 64 | c |
| Columbia | 85 | 68 | 0.17 | 74 | 63 | i |
| Greenville | 81 | 68 | 0.38 | 69 | 57 | r |
| Greenwood | 83 | 66 | 0.03 | 70 | 59 | i |
| Myrtle Beach | 74 | 66 | 0.70 | 70 | 59 | i |
| Charleston | 82 | 68 | 0.17 | 73 | 63 | c |
| Rock Hill | 83 | 68 | 0.13 | 69 | 57 | r |
| Spartanburg | 79 | 65 | 0.33 | 71 | 57 | r |
| Sumter | 84 | 68 | 0.17 | 72 | 61 | i |

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today: 6:49 a.m.
Sunset tonight: 7:50 p.m.
Total daylight today: 13 hrs., 01 min.
Sunrise tomorrow: 6:47 a.m.
Sunset tomorrow night: 7:51 p.m.

TODAY'S NATIONAL FORECAST



NATIONAL SUMMARY

Shows heavy thunderstorms and the risk of flooding will continue over large part of the South today. Rain will retreat southward in the lower mid-Atlantic. A push of chilly air will bring clouds, rain and snow showers to the northern and central Rockies.

LAKE LEVELS

| Lake | Full | Last | Chg. |
|------------|-------|--------|------|
| Greensboro | 436.0 | 436.98 | +0.7 |
| Hartwell | 625.0 | 625.03 | +0.3 |
| Keweenaw | 100.0 | 97.99 | -0.9 |
| Merion | 76.8 | 75.94 | -0.7 |
| Moultrie | 75.5 | 75.35 | norm |
| Murray | 360.0 | 358.03 | -0.6 |
| Thames | 330.0 | 329.36 | -0.4 |
| Walter | 100.0 | 97.99 | -0.7 |

RIVER STAGES

| River/Station | Flood | Last | Chg. |
|--------------------------|-------|------|------|
| Black @ Kingtree | 12 | 7.49 | -0.1 |
| Catawba @ Columbia | 19 | 4.18 | +0.1 |
| G. Pee Dee @ Cheraw | 20 | 3.73 | +0.1 |
| G. Pee Dee @ Pee Dee | 19 | 5.78 | -1.1 |
| L. Pee Dee @ Calhoun Cr. | 9 | 7.10 | -0.1 |
| Lynchies @ Ellingham | 14 | 5.19 | -0.1 |
| Waccamaw @ Conway | 11 | 3.11 | norm |
| Watauga @ Camden | 27 | 4.50 | +0.1 |

MYRTLE BEACH TIDES

High tide: 4:58 a.m., 6:24 p.m.
Low tide: 11:19 a.m., 11:58 p.m.

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Daily Page 2 Box Office Example



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- Florence man charged after shooting near Lamar Way.
- Missing man found, Darlington officials say.
- Florence County Judicial Center moving forward.
- Person dies at Hartsville YMCA.
- Minister: Shooting of black man by white officer racist.

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'Furious 7' keeps speed, tops box office with \$60M

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The high-octane thriller "Furious 7" maintained speed in its second week, racing away with \$60.6 million at North American theaters and bringing its box-office total to a robust \$252.5 million, according to studio estimates Sunday.

Universal's "Furious 7" more than lapped the competition. The only new wide release of the weekend, the rodeo romance "The Longest Ride," opened with \$13.5 million.

That was good enough for third place for the Fox release, which stars Clint Eastwood's son, Scott Eastwood. In second was the DreamWorks animated alien adventure "Home," which pulled in \$19 million in its third week of release.

But "Furious 7" continued to dominate the marketplace, dropping only 59 percent from its remarkable \$147.2 million debut last weekend. Globally, it has already crossed \$800 million in its first two weeks of release, according to Universal.

The weekend international total — an eye-popping \$195 million — was boosted by the film premiering in China on Sunday, where it earned an estimated \$68.6 million in just one day.

Over 10 days, "Furious 7," which prominently features a tribute to the late actor Paul Walker, has already out-grossed



Shown (from left) Tyrese Gibson as Roman, Michelle Rodriguez as Tej, in "Furious 7," Paul Walker as Brian and Chris Ludacris as Tej.

Box Office

- "Furious 7," \$60.6 million (\$195 million international).
- "Home," \$19 million (\$35.2 million international).
- "The Longest Ride," \$13.5 million (\$3 million international).
- "Get Hard," \$8.6 million (\$1.4 million international).
- "Divergent," \$7.2 million (\$12.6 million international).
- "The Divergent Series: Insurgent," \$6.9 million (\$7.9 million international).
- "Woman in Gold," \$5.9 million.
- "It Follows," \$2 million.
- "Danny Collins," \$1.6 million.
- "While We're Young," \$1.4 million.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to Rentrak. Where available, the latest international numbers for Friday through Sunday are also included. Final domestic figures will be released Monday.

Today in History

Today is **Monday, April 13**, the 103rd day of 2015. There are 262 days left in the year.

- In 1861**, at the start of the Civil War, Fort Sumter in South Carolina fell to Confederate forces.
- In 1970**, Apollo 13, four-fifths of the way to the moon, was crippled when a tank containing liquid oxygen burst. (The astronauts managed to return safely.)
- In 1975**, the President of Chad, Francois Tombalbaye, was killed in a military coup.
- In 1986**, Pope John Paul II visited the Great Synagogue of Rome in the first recorded papal visit of its kind to a Jewish house of worship.
- In 1992**, the Great Chicago Flood took place as the city's tunnel system and adjacent basements filled with water from the Chicago River.

Birthdays

Movie director **Stanley Donen** is 91. Actor **Edward Fox** is 78. Actor **Paul Sorvino** is 76. Rock musician **Jack Casady** is 71. Actor **Tony Dow** is 70. Singer **Al Green** is 63. Actor **Ron Perlman** is 65. Comedian **Gary Kroeger** is 58. Actress **Sandra Santiago** is 58. Actress **Page Hannah** is 51. Rock musician **Marc Ford** is 49. Actor **Ricky Schroder** is 45. Actor **Bobben Woodbine** is 42. Actor **Kyle Howard** is 37.

S.C. Lottery

PICK 3: 1, 9, 1
PICK 4: 5, 8, 6, 8
CASH 5: 4, 5, 7, 25, 31
POWER UP: 2

Thought for Today

"Happiness is not the absence of problems but the ability to deal with them."
— Charles Louis de Montesquieu, French philosopher

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FIVE-DAY PEE DEE FORECAST

| TODAY | TONIGHT | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|---|--|--|---|---|--|
| | | | | | |
| Hi 75° to 79° Lo 66° to 70° Winds: ESE 7-14 mph | Hi 69° to 74° Lo 59° to 63° Winds: SSW 4-8 mph | Hi 80° to 84° Lo 59° to 63° Winds: SSW 4-8 mph | Hi 69° to 73° Lo 53° to 57° Winds: NE 10-20 mph | Hi 71° to 75° Lo 60° to 64° Winds: ENE 8-16 mph | Hi 77° to 81° Lo 61° to 65° Winds: SE 6-12 mph |

ALMANAC

Florence through 5 p.m., yesterday

Temperature
High/Low: 77°/52°
Normal high/low: 79°/52°
Record high: 90° in 1981
Record low: 32° in 1989

Precipitation
24 hrs. ending 5 p.m. 'yest: 0.00"
Month to date: 0.33"
Normal month to date: 1.06"
Year to date: 10.86"
Normal year to date: 10.54"
Departure: +0.12"

SOUTH CAROLINA

| City | Hi | Lo | Prep. | Hi | Lo | W |
|--------------|----|----|-------|----|----|---|
| Anderson | 73 | 56 | 72 | 61 | | |
| Beaufort | 78 | 64 | 79 | 66 | | |
| Charleston | 75 | 56 | 77 | 65 | | |
| Columbia | 75 | 54 | 76 | 64 | | |
| Greenville | 72 | 55 | 70 | 59 | | |
| Greenville | 74 | 54 | 73 | 61 | | |
| Myrtle Beach | 72 | 54 | 73 | 61 | | |
| Charleston | 75 | 54 | 77 | 63 | | |
| Rock Hill | 73 | 47 | 74 | 61 | | |
| Spartanburg | 75 | 52 | 69 | 57 | | |
| Sumter | 75 | 52 | 74 | 61 | | |

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today: 6:51 a.m.
Sunset tonight: 7:49 p.m.
Total daylight today: 12 hrs. 58 min.
Sunrise tomorrow: 6:50 a.m.
Sunset tomorrow night: 7:49 p.m.

TODAY'S NATIONAL FORECAST



BUSIEST U.S. AIRPORTS

| City | Yesterday | Today | Tomorrow |
|------------------|-----------|-------|----------|
| Atlanta | 70 | 56 | 71 |
| Boston | 68 | 39 | 65 |
| Charlotte | 73 | 59 | 74 |
| Chicago | 67 | 41 | 62 |
| Dallas-Ft. Worth | 77 | 65 | 76 |
| Denver | 67 | 42 | 70 |
| Detroit | 65 | 37 | 60 |
| Honolulu | 80 | 69 | 81 |
| Houston | 81 | 68 | 79 |
| Los Angeles | 75 | 57 | 73 |
| Miami | 85 | 76 | 86 |
| Minneapolis | 75 | 51 | 64 |
| New York | 66 | 43 | 66 |
| Orlando | 86 | 67 | 86 |
| Phoenix | 65 | 51 | 62 |
| San Francisco | 74 | 54 | 71 |
| Seattle | 54 | 42 | 53 |

LAKE LEVELS

Full, fall pool. Last stage in feet as of 7 a.m. yesterday. City change in previous 24 hours.

| Lake | Full | Last | Chg |
|------------|-------|--------|-------|
| Greenswood | 438.0 | 436.89 | +1.11 |
| Harwell | 650.0 | 650.05 | -0.05 |
| Keowee | 100.0 | 99.91 | +0.09 |
| Marion | 76.8 | 75.52 | +1.28 |
| Moultrie | 71.5 | 71.38 | +0.12 |
| Murray | 360.0 | 357.88 | +2.12 |
| Thurmond | 330.0 | 329.05 | +0.95 |
| Watson | 102.0 | 97.43 | +4.57 |

RIVER STAGES

Point foot stage. Last stage in feet as of 7 a.m. yesterday. City change in previous 24 hours.

| River/Station | Flood | Last | Chg |
|---------------------------|-------|------|--------|
| Black @ Kingstree | 12 | 7.81 | -4.19 |
| Cannon @ Columbia | 19 | 4.48 | -14.52 |
| G. Pee Dee @ Cheraw | 20 | 2.87 | -17.13 |
| G. Pee Dee @ Pee Dee | 19 | 7.22 | -11.83 |
| L. Pee Dee @ Calverta Ry. | 9 | 7.32 | -1.68 |
| Lyndes @ Ellingham | 14 | 5.18 | -8.82 |
| Waccamaw @ Conway | 11 | 3.11 | -7.89 |
| Watson @ Camden | 27 | 4.68 | -22.32 |

MYRTLE BEACH TIDES

High tide: 2:56 a.m., 3:22 p.m.
Low tide: 9:18 a.m., 9:47 p.m.

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NATIONAL SUMMARY

Showers and thunderstorms will encompass the South and southern Plains today. The accompanying downpours threaten to cause flash flooding. Showers will expand to the Great Lakes as the Northeast enjoys a mild day. Rain will push across the Pacific Northwest.

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Opinion

Enjoy the water, but respect its dangers

Two parts hydrogen, one part oxygen. That isn't the recipe for a cocktail. It's the formula that everybody should know. H₂O should bring back memories of chemistry class. Two atoms of hydrogen combined with one atom of oxygen equals one molecule of water.

Put some molecules together and you have a raindrop. Put some raindrops together and you have a puddle. Put some puddles together and you have a pool. Put some pools together and you have a pond or a lake. Put enough lakes together and you have an ocean.

H₂O is a formula for life. Without water, we would die.

But this brings us to a paradox. With water, we could die.

Water can be dangerous. It's a lure for recreation, but without proper safety, there are risks.

What floats your boat? Boating and floating, swimming and skimming, fishing and splashing and splashing are popular water activities, particularly when spring arrives and summer nears.

But peril lurks for those who aren't careful.

Teach young children never to enter a body of water without an adult present.

Older children and young adults need to be taught, too. Don't be deceived by videos of people—including New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady—jumping off cliffs and into water holes. Sure, it looks fun and exhilarating to some people, but don't be stupid. Some people bounce off the cliffs. Others hit the water hard and are knocked unconscious.

Enjoy the water at the beach, but respect red flags. The water might not look rough, but rip currents could be powerful. If you find yourself caught in a rip current, swim parallel to the shore until the current is weak.

When boating, don't drink and "drive." In fact, avoid alcohol use. As the Red Cross notes, alcohol impairs judgment, balance and coordination. It affects swimming and diving skills, and it reduces the body's ability to stay warm.

The Red Cross offers many other water safety tips:

- Swim in designated areas supervised by lifeguards.
- Always swim with a buddy. Do not allow anyone to swim alone. Even at a public pool or a lifeguarded beach, use the buddy system.
- Ensure that everyone in the family learns to swim well. Enroll in age-appropriate courses.
- If you go boating, wear a life jacket. Most boating fatalities occur from drowning.
- Have young children or inexperienced swimmers wear U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jackets around water, but do not rely on life jackets alone.
- Establish rules for your family and enforce them without fail. For example, set limits based on each person's ability, do not let anyone play around drains and suction fittings, and do not allow swimmers to hyperventilate before swimming underwater or have breath-holding contests.
- Even if you do not plan on swimming, be cautious around natural bodies of water including ocean shoreline, rivers and lakes. Low temperatures, currents and underwater hazards can make a fall into these bodies of water dangerous.
- If you own a pool or hot tub, install and use barriers completely around its. Be sure the barriers are at least 4 feet tall.
- The bottom line: At the beach, on a boat or in a pool, water can be enjoyed, but be careful in and around it. And one last tip about having fun in the sun: Wear sunscreen.

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Letter to the Editor

A beautiful American mosaic

May I refer to John Bethea's letter to the editor that was published Tuesday in which it is stated that "We cannot be one when we are hyphenated," such as Mexican-American, Italian-American, Asian-American, etc.?

According to Mr. Bethea's view, once born in the USA or, regardless of your descent, if you are naturalized as an American citizen, you are nothing else but American.

The point I would like to make is that since our blessed land, the USA, is not a "melting pot" but rather a "beautiful mosaic," we are more appreciative and not less Americans as "one nation, under God ... with liberty and justice for all."

If only instead of calling ourselves Italian-Americans or Greek-Americans, etc., putting first the word "American" and then refer to each one's lineage, such as Ameri-

can of Italian or Greek descent, etc. This way, we praise the freedoms and beauty of this land, our land, in which each background and lineage can be a contributory factor and give whatever he/she has to offer in culture to our America, a beautiful and blessed land of Washingtons and Jeffersons and Lincolns!

ANDREW G. KAMPIZIONE
Florence

'Little Boy': a classic modern film

There are classic films, like the ones on TCM and AMC, and there are modern films. There are few modern classics. "Little Boy," in theaters April 24, could be a modern classic.

The film is set in a Southern California town during World War II. A couple's oldest son, London Busbee (David Henrie), is drafted but is barred from service because of his flat feet. The father, James Busbee (Michael Rapaport), goes instead, and his youngest son, Pepper Flynn Busbee, 8, beautifully played by Jakob Salvati, is devastated. Pepper and his father have a very close relationship (they call each other "partner"), and almost from the moment his father leaves for war, the child is plotting ways to get him safely home.

After being enthralled by a magician named Ben Eagle (Ben Chaplin), Pepper tries magic, with some hilarious results.

In church, he hears the priest quoting Jesus that if one has faith as tiny as a mustard seed, one can move mountains. Pepper goes to a seed store, finds a mustard seed and takes it to the priest to learn more.

When the priest is frustrated by Pepper's questions, another priest, Father Oliver (Tom Wilkinson), takes over. Father Oliver gives Pepper a list of what he must do as part of a process he hopes will end the war and bring his father home. He is instructed to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit someone in prison—with one addition. There is a man of Japanese ancestry, named Hashimoto (Gary-Hiroaki Tsugawa). Though he is a U.S. citizen, everybody in town hates him because of the propaganda directed at Japan after its attack on Pearl Harbor. Father Oliver tells Pepper to make friends with him. Seldom has racism been dealt with more effectively and with a happier outcome.

There are two endings to the film, and I won't spoil it by revealing what they are, but if you are not crying in sadness over the first and shedding tears of joy over the second, you might want to have a doctor exam-



Cal Thomas
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ine you to see if your heart is where it should be.

And if Jakob Salvati doesn't win an Oscar for his performance, there is no justice.

Two of the film's producers are first-generation Mexican immigrants, now American citizens. One of them, Eduardo Verastegui, tells me the film is "a gift to America," in part to "improve the Latino image." He succeeds with that and more.

The film draws on themes embedded deep within America's DNA, but scored by much of modern culture: patriotism, freedom, faith, forgiveness and reconciliation. In recent years, Hollywood has experimented with storylines that appeal to Middle America. "American Sniper" is the latest. According to Boxoffice mojo.com, as of April 6, it has earned more than \$348 million. One funny aside: Working with

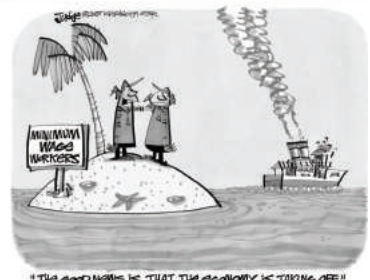
children on movie sets can be unpredictable. Eduardo Verastegui tells me that on the first day of shooting, Jakob said he didn't want to do it and appealed to his mother. The producers and the director, Alejandro Gomez Monteverde, nearly panicked but decided bribery might work. So they told Jakob that each time he successfully completed a scene, he could have a toy of his choosing. That did the trick, and there were no further problems.

Another aside: The producers say 1,000 children before "discovering" Jakob, who had tagged along to the audition with his older brother. He was noticed and eventually cast in the lead role.

The two writers, the director Monteverde and Pepe Portillo, say they were inspired to write the script after seeing a documentary about World War II.

There's a lot in the news these days to depress Americans and cause some to think our best days are behind us. "Little Boy" will lift you out of any cynicism you might feel about the country's direction and inspire you to believe, like Pepper, that America's best days are ahead and "we can do this."

Readers can email Cal Thomas at tkauder@tdc.com.



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Letter to the Editor

Let's brag about the 'good fellows' instead of focusing on 'rotten apples'

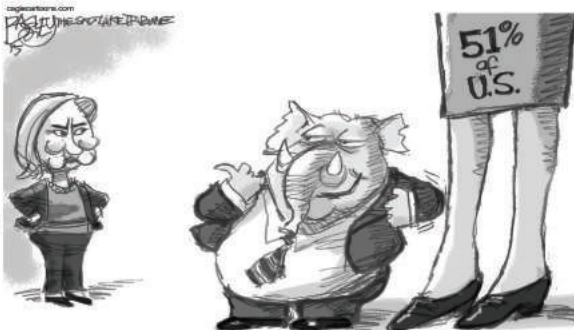
I do not feel that the cartoon in this section on Monday was appropriate for the existing tension in our country today.

There is too much criticism in our country now regarding the law enforcement agencies. So why would you want to add more fuel to the fire? I feel sorry for the family of the man shot and feel it could have been handled differently. But as we all know, there can be a "rotten apple" in any occupation.

I am the proud mother of a son who has been in the law enforcement work for 25 years. During that time, he has been hurt on several occasions and also has lost several close friends from work-related incidents. I get "chills up my spine" every time I see him put on his vest. He is married and the great father of two sons, one who is handicapped.

Why cannot the papers/media brag about the 'good fellows'?

R.P. MYERS
Florence



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Knowledge or riches?

Most of us go through life living within our means.

Some people must budget their income and stick within those guidelines to make ends meet. Some, and I would think most families, manage to meet their weekly, monthly and yearly obligations and still have reserves for entertainment and for planning for needs and emergencies.

A few people have all the money they need. They don't worry about where the next meal will come from. It's more what the next gourmet meal will be. There is no French chef employed in our household, and I am not concerned about having a meal when I am hungry. So I must fall into the middle category. That does not mean that I, like most people, don't dream of riches.

Obviously, people living on the poverty level dream of a better life. Those with plenty of money must dream of being richer, as places like Las Vegas and New Jersey relieve these people of their excess income on a daily basis.

That brings up a subject that I have always found curious. A poor person might gamble a dollar on a lottery ticket so his or her life could instantly change. The same is true for people living at a middle-income level. A win would make their life better.

But why do rich people gamble? They already have good lives and money to lead extravagant lifestyles. So why take a chance on losing what they already have? Casinos are not particular. They take money from those that are not rich as well. It does not make sense for people with little money to gamble away what little they have, but at least the intention of a better life makes some sense.

Money is a funny thing. We all know it can solve problems or it can create problems. The winners of the big lottery jackpots find themselves with a means to enjoy life for themselves and give others in their families a means to crawl out of poverty. Yet, according to the news media, they often end up in trouble with the IRS and the law. Having money without the knowledge of how to handle it can be disastrous. My favorite lottery winner story is about the man who, when faced with cameras of the media and asked what he intended to do with his new fortune, replied that he planned to get a new tractor.

He seemed to stay in the news. Taxes did not get paid, and he got robbed of a large amount of cash, which he left in his car while in a bar. He divorced his wife, and family members with whom he shared his winnings made poor choices. He would



Darlene Atkinson-Moran
Citizen Columnist

have been better off winning just enough to get the new tractor.

I am sure readers have seen or heard the story of Robert Durst and his HBO admission of "killed them all." Here is a man who has millions of dollars, yet money is not enough. He was accused of being a person of interest in some horrible crimes but was walking free because there simply was not enough evidence for an arrest.

He couldn't leave well enough alone. He had to have fame in addition to his riches and made the dumbest decision of his life when he agreed to allow HBO to do a story on him. Even dumber was making a rambling, incriminating admission while not knowing the audio of an interview was still on and recording. I suspect that in the end, Durst will find that his fame and money won't keep him out of jail.

Money does not always solve problems. As a former educator, I can tell you that South Carolina is not ranked at the top when it comes to the education of our children. The cure for the education woes is often identified as being something that money can solve. Counties and districts across the state are constantly saying that poor scores are a result of the lack of money needed to get the latest and greatest in teaching tools. They apply for federal funds, write grants and try to raise taxes to get money to throw at education. The bottom line is that having those top-of-the-line computers in every classroom does no good if the child can't read. You can throw all the money you want at education, but the key is getting back to the basics.

Everyone needs money. What we do with money determines the outcome. Having enough money to live without worrying about the next meal is very important to some people. For others it's using money wisely so your future is secure.

Perhaps we should wish for knowledge instead of riches. If we have knowledge, riches become a nonissue.

Dr. Darlene Atkinson-Moran grew up in Ocala. She always knew she wanted to be a teacher. She recently retired from the education profession and now lives in Florence with her husband, Michael, and their furry friend, "Din". Contact her at citizencolumnist@florencenews.com



About the Citizen Columnists

The Morning News advertises for recruits to the "Citizen Columnist Corps" and received an enthusiastic response. Members of the CCC are ordinary — well, not that ordinary, just not journalists — citizens with a bent toward writing and something to say. There are eight in all. Contact any citizen columnist by email at citizencolumnist@florencenews.com.

It's time for Girl Scout cookies

Spring is here and so are Girl Scout cookies. I love Girl Scout cookies, particularly the original Peanut Butter Sandwich and Short Breads. It's hard to stop eating them; the plastic sleeves they come in are just too small.

Cookies have been a mainstay of the Girl Scouts' financial support since 1917. Since 2007, the troops have sold more than 200 million boxes each year just in the United States. That's astonishing.

Each year, there are changes in the variety. Up to 28 varieties are available each year, but they insist that each troop stick with three at all times: Thin Mints, Peanut Butter Sandwich and Short Breads.

In the early 1980s, Elizabeth Brinton sold about 18,000 boxes. That was in one year, and it included some to President Reagan.

The cookies were first sold by Girl Scouts in Oklahoma, and in the 1930s sales spread around the rest of the nation so that they became almost the label and logo of the Girl Scouts.

Cookie sales were stopped during World War II, and instead the troops sold calendars and war bonds.

The cookies now are made by Keebler Foods and Interbake Foods. The manufacturers keep approximately 30 percent of the retail sales, and the regional councils collect the rest with a sort of commission paid to the local troop. An excellent portion of the proceeds goes directly to the regional Girl Scouts councils and local troops for programs. The costs



Stephen Imbeau
Citizen Columnist

of the national organization and programs are mostly borne by corporate and foundation gifts and grants and not cookie money.

The Girl Scouts movement was started in 1911 by Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low in Savannah, Georgia, after she met with the English founder of the Boys Scout movement, Robert Baden-Powell. By 1914, she had 18 active girls in her local troop. Her original motivation was to get young women out of the house, into the woods and countryside, to travel, to learn camping, to compete in outdoor sports, to learn auto and machine repair and to develop leadership skills.

Over the years, technology and cultural changes have changed the goals and projects of the Girl Scouts, but not by much. Today's objectives remain focused on outdoor life, getting young women involved in science and technology, teaching young women finance and entrepreneurship, and finally teaching young women safe and healthy lifestyles. And today the organization is huge both across the United States and across the world.

Between 1914 and 1920, the Girl Scouts organization (Girl

Scouts of the United States of America) grew large. The headquarters was moved to New York City, a major conference center was built, an award system was organized, including the famed Golden Eagle Award, cookies sales started in Oklahoma and foreign organizations were started.

In the 1930s, the troops were divided by age with Brownies, Juniors, Cadettes and later Daisy, Seniors and Ambassadors (or Studio 28).

In 1950, the Girl Scouts received a congressional charter. The membership stood at approximately 2,230,000 members.

As the organization grew, so did its downstream structure. In 2004, the structure was reorganized into first 312 regional councils, and it was reorganized again in 2006 into 112 councils, with a total of 236,000 local troops.

Since Lou Hoover, the first lady of the United States has served as honorary chairman of the Girl Scouts. The current president is Kathy Hopinkah Hannan, and the CEO is Anna Maria Chavez.

St. Anthony's Troop 786 is very active in Florence under the direction of the energetic Debra Sullivan.

Eat your cookies ... but save the Peanut Butter Sandwich for me!

Dr. Stephen Imbeau and his wife, Shirley have been in Florence for more than 30 years and raised their three children. He and Dr. Joseph Meyer started the All-Brig Center about 17 years ago and it is now one of the largest in South Carolina. Contact him at citizencolumnist@florencenews.com

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Julius ROBINSON

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Daily Business Page

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- » The daily editions of the Morning News business page may also run People in Business briefs and openings/closing briefs down the left rain.
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Los Angeles sues Wells Fargo, alleges fraud

LOS ANGELES — Wells Fargo Bank employees driven by strict sales pressure issued unwanted credit cards and opened unauthorized accounts that charged customers fees and damaged their credit, according to a lawsuit filed by the city of Los Angeles.

The civil complaint filed Monday contends the largest California-based bank violated state and federal laws by misusing confidential information and failing to notify customers when personal information was breached, City Attorney Mike Feuer said at a Tuesday news conference.

The bank has blamed the problems on a few rogue employees who have been disciplined or fired and said it would defend itself.

People in Business



Darlington Professional Women

DARLINGTON — The Darlington Professional Women has named Lisa Rock as the 2015 DPW Woman of the Year. She was chosen on the basis of active involvement in the organization, participation in community and civic activities, and leadership through personal and professional association.

SAFE Federal Credit Union

SAFE has added four regional branch director positions to Pee Dee branches. Jay Montgomery, Region One branch director, will oversee the branch locations at McCray's Mill Road, Bishopville, Florence and Lewis Road Branch. Drew Huckeba, Region Two branch director, will oversee the branch locations

Openings/Closings

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Funerals Today

Rhode, Adrian Lee ... 11:00 a.m. ... Florence Memorial Gardens Mausoleum Chapel.
Campbell, William L. 'Roy' ... 11:00 a.m. ... Grove Hill Cemetery.
Black, Roberta (Bobbie Anne) ... 3 p.m. ... Drake-Dudley Cemetery in Blenheim.
Gerald, Lou Ellen S. ... 2 p.m. ... Rehobeth United Methodist Church Cemetery, Galivants Ferry
Nash, Margaret Jane Miller ... noon ... Downtown Chapel of Thomas McFee Funeral Home, Greenville
Thornton, Patricia Ann ... 11 a.m. ... Mount Hope Cemetery

Death Notices

Margaret Poston Lyerly, 76, of Florence died Sunday, May 10, 2015. Arrangements will be announced by Stoudenmire-Dowling Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 3 to 4 p.m. Thursday at First Free Will Baptist Church.

Johnny "Butterball" Eaddy died Saturday, May 9, 2015. Arrangements will be announced by Ideal Funeral Parlor. The family will receive friends at 117 W. Liberty St., Florence.

Solena Gainey Eaddy died Sunday, May 10, 2015. Arrangements will be announced by Peoples Funeral Service of Florence. The family will receive friends at 215 Maxwell St., Florence and 2405 McCown Dr., Florence.

Melton Louis died Saturday, May 9, 2015. Arrangements will be announced by Bowman's Funeral Home of Timmonsville. The family will receive friends at 1028 N. Brockington St., Timmonsville.

Mary Ellen McDonald, 55, died Sunday, May 10, 2015. Arrangements will be announced by Young & Young Funeral Home of Hartsville.

Gertrude Pressley Coursey, 62, formally of Kingstree, died Sunday, May 10, 2015. Arrangements will be announced by Henryhard Funeral Home.

Elizabeth Ann Bryant, 50, of Society Hill died Monday, May 11, 2015. Arrangements will be announced by Brown-Pennington-Aikins Funeral Home.

William Lyles Adkins, 23, died Saturday, May 9, 2015. Arrangements will be announced by Kistler-Hardee Funeral Home of Darlington.

Mary was a devoted wife and loving mother. She attended Pisgah United Methodist Church in Florence for many years and was a woman of steadfast faith. She enjoyed serving as president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Elks Lodge #1020 in Florence and served for many years as their Chaplain.

MARY M. DODGE

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GERALDINE M. WEBB

DILLON — Geraldine Miller Webb, 93, died Monday, May 11, 2015, at Pruitt Health — Dillon, where she resided for the last eight years.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 13, 2015, at Waters-Powell Funeral Home Chapel in Florence with visitation one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow in Mount Hope Cemetery.

She was born in Kingstree, SC, a daughter of the late Constant Hubert and Ruth Talbot Miller. She was the widow of John William Webb. Mrs. Webb was employed as a secretary for various businesses.

She was a member of First Baptist Church of Florence, where she enjoyed teaching children "Bible Drill" and G.A.S. She was a member of the Joy Sunday School class.

She was a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother, and will be greatly missed by her family, friends, and

DONALD GILBERT

DARLINGTON — A visitation for Donald Gilbert, age 57, will be held from 5-7 PM Thursday at Belk Funeral Home. Mr. Gilbert was born in Darlington on June 1, 1957, son of Mary Segars Hall and the late Jack Gilbert.

In addition to his mother of Timmonsville, he is survived by his children, Donald (Molly) Gilbert, Chrissy (Chris) Britt, Ashya Gilbert, all of Darlington, three brothers, Danny, Steve and Bernie Gilbert, and a sister, Dianne Causey.

Memorials may be made to Temple F.W.B. Church Youth Fund, PO Box 207, Darlington, SC 29540.

A guestbook is available online at www.belkfuneralhome.com

Brief

Chris Burden, who pushed the limits of art, dies at 69

LOS ANGELES — When Chris Burden stood in front of a car in 1971 and had a friend open fire on him with a rifle he was making a bold statement to the world: a new artist had arrived, one who was willing to push the limits of art as far as his imagination would take it.

Over the next 44 years, that imagination would prove all but limitless as Burden had himself nailed to the back of a Volkswagen beetle, locked into a school locker for nearly a week and built a 65-foot skyscraper entirely out of Erector Set parts.

Burden died of cancer Sunday at age 69.

From wire reports

AUSTIN, Texas — The Texas Senate voted overwhelmingly on Monday to allow clergy members to refuse performing marriages that violate their religious beliefs, as top Republicans move to further shield the nation's largest conservative state from a possible U.S. Supreme Court ruling allowing gay couples to wed.

The bill, approved 21-10, requires a final, largely procedural Senate vote before heading to the state House.

Democrats were quick to point out that existing constitutional guarantees separating church and state already allow houses of worship to set their own religious policies regarding marriage ceremonies and all other aspects of faith.

The measure raises some of the same issues as so-called "religious objections" proposals that sparked strong criticism nationally after being approved in Indiana and Arkansas this spring. Supporters say such measures protect religious freedoms from government intrusion

Tornadoes kill at least 5 in Texas and Arkansas

The Associated Press

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Emergency responders searched through splintered wreckage Monday after a line of tornadoes battered several small communities in Texas and Arkansas, killing at least five people, including a young couple who died trying to shield their daughter from the storm.

The couple, both in their late 20s, died when a twister hit their mobile home late Sunday in the Arkansas town of Nashville.

Michael and Melissa Mooneyhan were trying to protect their daughter when the parents' trailer flipped over and "exploded," Howard County Coroner John Gray said.

"I had wondered if they were in an enclosed space like a hallway or a bathroom just sheltering the little girl when it hit," Gray said. "It's a miracle that little girl survived."

The girl, who is about 18 months old, was taken to the hospital and later released to relatives.

The two parents met when they were teenagers attending different high schools and were married in April 2004, before they even graduated.

Polly McCammack, who also lives in Nashville, is Melissa's third cousin. A week ago, she said, the close-knit family lost their grandmother who "practically raised" Melissa and her siblings.

Mother: Son accused in officer killings had drug problem

The Associated Press

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — Marvin Banks' drug use and drinking had worsened in recent years and he was hearing voices in his head.

His mother said she had hoped he would get help. He didn't, and now he is charged with capital murder in the deaths of two police officers in Mississippi. His girlfriend and brother are charged as accessories, and a friend faces an obstruction charge.

Banks' mother, Mary Smith, said when she saw the booking photos of her 26-year-old son, she knew something was off.

"He was sick and out of his head and I tried to get him some help," she said in the steps of the Forrest County Courthouse, where she had gone to find out more information about her son's arrest.

Marvin Banks had been arrested on marijuana, known as spice, every day.

"He was on that spice. He was on every drug there was. Spice, powder, marijuana, known as the back.

Marvin Banks is accused of shooting officers Benjamin Deen and Liguori Tate. The officers died Saturday after being shot in the face, and Tate in the back.

Banks and another man identified as Cornelius Clark were passengers in a Hyundai that Deen stopped for speeding, said Mississippi Bureau of Investigation spokesman Warren Strain. The car was driven by Banks' girlfriend, 22-year-old Joanie Calloway. Strain said Deen called Tate for backup when he decided to search the car. Strain said that when officers asked the three to get out of the car, Banks shot Deen and Tate.

Calloway was initially charged with two counts of murder, but authorities lowered those charges to accessory to murder after the fact Monday. Clark, 28, is charged with obstruction. Banks' brother, 29-year-old Curtis Banks, is also charged with accessory to murder after the fact.

More than 1,000 people filled a hall at the Hattiesburg convention center Monday for a memorial. With photos of the uniformed men projected above the stage, Mississippi Gov. Phil Bryant — himself a former sheriff's deputy — said the city was enduring a difficult time.

"We will persevere, we will prevail," he said.

Marvin Banks and his 6-year-old son lived with Smith, who works the night shift at a nursing home, she said she was resting before work when she got a call Saturday night that her son, known by "Big Boy," was involved in the shootings.

After that, Curtis Banks called and said he had nothing to do with it and had been at his apartment at the time.

Smith said Marvin was attacked several years ago

Senate OKs bill allowing clergy to refuse gay marriage

The Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — The Texas Senate last week to declare that it violates natural law and offends God.

A series of religious objections bills have been filed in the Texas Legislature, but those that stalled. That was until tea party-backed Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, who oversees the Senate, allowed five bills to file his proposal weeks after the deadline and fast-tracked it through committee, setting up Monday's preliminary approval vote in record time.

"Is it a problem today? Same-sex marriages are not allowed," said Sen. John Whitmire, a veteran Houston Democrat. "Who forces a clergy to marry someone they don't want to marry?"

Estes countered that pastors have received threatening phone calls for not agreeing to marry gay couples. He said he wants to ensure pastors can be sued for refusing to perform weddings they don't believe in.

All of the Senate's Republican bills have been approved by the House. Sen. Eddie Lucio of Brownsville, sided with Estes. The vote came a day before the House is scheduled to consider its own hot-button proposal that would prohibit state, county and local officials from issuing or enforcing same-sex marriage licenses, and prevent recognition of gay marriages performed in other states.

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Florence County

Funding uncertain for sheriff's helicopter

The Florence County Sheriff's Office received the Bell-0H58A free from the Department of Defense as military surplus. The helicopter, known as Raptor 1, is one of two the sheriff's office has. The agency acquired another chopper, Raptor 2, from the Lake City Police Department in March.



GAVIN JACKSON/MORNING NEWS

BY GAVIN JACKSON
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FLORENCE — Raptor 1, one of the Florence County Sheriff's Office's helicopters, has flown several missions since the agency acquired it from the federal government in the spring, but with no substantial funding, the

new aviation program is still up in the air.

The proposed Florence County Council budget is appropriating only \$20,000 of the \$320,000 the sheriff's office requested for the program. Sheriff Kenney Boone said that \$100,000 was in the budget when he unveiled the free helicopter in April, but that's changed.

"Anything that's drug-related, we can use seizure funds for this," Boone said on funding. "We're still in a position to ask the council for more money, obviously. The FLIR (forward-looking infrared) is a piece of equipment we desperately need for finding Alzheimer's

See **HELICOPTER**, Page 3A

Confederate descendants remember veterans

BY SHAMIRA MCCRAY
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FLORENCE — Soldiers buried at Mount Hope Cemetery in Florence were honored Saturday morning.

The Confederate Memorial Day Service was hosted by the Ellison Capers Chapter 70 United Daughters of the Confederacy and Pee Dee Rifles Camp 1419 Sons of the Confederate Veterans.

"We came together just to honor the memory of the Confederacy and for the soldiers who fought and the ladies who stayed behind and widowed and the children who were left behind," said Ron York, commander of the Pee Dee Rifles Camp 1419.

York said close to 200 soldiers are buried at Mount Hope Cemetery and each of their graves was marked with a small Southern cross of honor and flag.

This service is held around the same time each year, and the United Daughters of the Confederacy have been hosting it for over 130 years, York said.

Re-enactors participated in the service. A memorial wreath was placed, and a military salute was performed by the 7th Brigade Honor Guard.

The guest speaker for this year's service was Teresa Roane, archivist with the United Daughters of the Confederacy headquarters in Richmond, Virginia.

Roane said she wanted people to understand why the organization does what it does and that Southerners are a strong group of people. She said nowadays if people are Southern and want to honor their ancestors, it isn't

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EDUCATION WITHIN REACH



KEVIN COMAROW/PEE DEE NEWS

Graduates, friends and family members mingle outside Francis Marion University's Smith University Center gymnasium after the school held spring commencement ceremonies for 363 graduates Saturday. FMU awarded honorary degrees to S.C. District 60 Rep. Phillip Lowe and State Superintendent of Education Molly Spearman; she also served as the commencement speaker. For more photos, see **Pee Dee Living**.

Increase in scholarship funds makes graduation a reality for FMU students

BY NICOLE CARTRETTE
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FLORENCE
Hillary Kirby was one of more than 363 graduates to take to the stage at Francis Marion University's Spring Commencement on Saturday. The nursing student had

an extra reason to celebrate earning her diploma. She is headed into the working world free of any student loan debt thanks to scholarships supplied by FMU and its donors.

"I feel honored and very excited," said Kirby, who received the Drs. Bruce & Lee Foundation Nursing Scholarship and Pee Dee Electric

Online

View a photo gallery of the FMU graduation ceremony on [scnw.com](#)

Jule Connor Scholarship. She said nursing was a "perfect fit" for her.

"It gives me the best of both worlds — being with your patients and just help-

ing your community," said Kirby.

Kirby is just one of many graduates who have benefited from a growing list of academic scholarship support. In the past decade total academic scholarship support has increased 47 percent and has reached \$9 million.

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Discover how stress affects you, ways to deal with it

BY MELISSA ROLLINS
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FLORENCE — Even in a society where almost anything is available at the push of a button, there is one thing that people cannot get away from: stress.

Stress can have an effect on your body and your mind. Whether from work and family, or physical ailments and money problems, most people will experience stress at some point in their life.

Dr. Jitdeep Debsikdar, a cardiologist at Advanced Cardiology

Consultants in Florence, said stress is a far-reaching issue. "Anytime you have stress in the body, whether you are consciously aware of it or not, you have stress hormones, very centralized hormones affecting everything: heart rate, breathing, digestion and metabolism,"

Debsikdar said. "It really boils down to the central hormones cortisol and TSH, but mostly cortisol. It rearranges how your body reacts."

Body chemistry

Though we have come a long way from living in caves, Debsik-

dar said, chemistry in our bodies has not changed as much as we might think.

"We still go back to the sort-of-Neanderthal type of reaction," Debsikdar said. "We are still kind of hard-wired to millions of years

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Today's Weather



Cloudy and breezy with showers. High 76, low 66. Details on 2A



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PEOPLE'S CHOICE (3-D)
 Mike and Patz Fowle for "Consume"

Prizes awarded on last day of ArtFields

prizes in the region's largest art competition. Around 400 artists were competing for the \$110,000 in prizes and just one got to go home today with a \$50,000 Top Prize. Charles Anderson of New Orleans whose "Central City" was housed in Joe's Barber



Charles Anderson declares victory after receiving his \$50,000 top award for ArtFields 2015. Anderson's charcoal and graphite piece, "Central City," was on view in Joe's Barber Shop for the nine-day competition.

See ART, Page 4A

NATIONAL GUARD Crumbling buildings



Maj. Marty Hanks points out peeling paint at the Hemingway Readiness Center, which supports a detachment of the 1178th Forward Support Company in the S.C. National Guard. The facility was built in 1956. There are 11 S.C. National Guard armories in the Pee Dee. Below: Drainage is a problem at the 59-year-old readiness center, which houses a substantial number of vehicles in its motor pool.

Millions of dollars needed for Pee Dee's aging armories

ditions at some National Guard Armories in the Pee Dee are in poor condition, while just one in the area, Marion, is ranked good. There are 67 armories, or readiness centers, as the S.C. National Guard calls them. See ARMORIES, Page 5A



Domestic Violence

"This needs to be a cultural change that starts with us asking questions about ways to change what isn't working."



— Florence County Sheriff Kenney Boone

Task force continues prevention research

BY JOSHUA LLOYD
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FLORENCE — Since Gov. Nikki Haley set up a statewide task force this year to examine criminal domestic violence in South Carolina, appointed members, including officials in the Pee Dee, have taken steps to unravel what they say is an embedded cultural problem. The task force has about 40 members, who will have until the end of the year to make recommendations on ways to remedy the state's domestic violence problem. South Carolina is reportedly ranked second in the nation for the number of women killed by men in domestic relationships. Task force members from across the state are assigned to several subcommittees, including the law enforcement, prosecutors, judicial, victims' services, data collection and analysis subcommittees. The task force's duties have two phases. Phase 1 involves data and information collection; Phase 2 will identify problems and propose solutions. Florence County Sheriff Kenney Boone, See VIOLENCE, Page 8A

Knowles named FMU's distinguished professor for 2015-16

BY NICOLE CARTRETTE
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FLORENCE — Travis Knowles says that as a child he wanted to spend every waking hour in the outdoors.

The associate professor of biology, recently named the J. Lurin Mason Distinguished Professor for the 2015-16 year at Francis Marion University, might say that's never changed. Knowles, a founder and director of the Wildsumaco Biologi-

cal Station in Ecuador, will be the college's nominee for the Governor's Professor of the Year Award next fall. Given since 1976, the distinguished professor's award at FMU recognizes a faculty member's contributions to

teaching, professional service and scholarly activities. "Professor Knowles is an accomplished biologist and a prolific researcher," said FMU President Fred Carter. "He is also one of the most innovative and creative teachers that I've

ever met. All of us — students and colleagues alike — idolize him." "I'm blown away by that characterization; I can't believe that it's true," said Knowles. "I've See PROFESSOR, Page 3A

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» The op-ed page uses the GRID OPED template and features a column from the Morning News' editor, two secondary guest columns, and at least one editorial cartoon.

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Opinion

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This is how to deal with unlawful law enforcement

Before Baltimore and Freddie Gray on April 12, there was North Charleston and Walter E. Lamar Scott on April 4. Before North Charleston, there was Ferguson, Missouri, and Michael Brown on Aug. 9. Before Ferguson, there was Staten Island, New York, and Eric Garner on July 17.

But before all of those sad recent examples of excessive police force, there was Martin.

On April 2, 2013, two Marion police officers tased a mentally handicapped woman at least eight times. Last fall, in federal court in Florence, Franklin Brown and Eric Walters pleaded guilty to using excessive force.

Last Monday, Brown and Walters received their sentences from U.S. District Court Judge Brian Harwell. Brown was sentenced to 18 months in federal prison. Brown received a sentence of 12 months and one day. Both men received three years of probation. The maximum penalties for the charges were up to 10 years in prison and \$250,000 in fines.

Those sentences seemed to fit the crimes well. Not too harsh. Not too lenient.

Harwell summed up our thoughts perfectly, calling the former officers' actions "unnecessary and inappropriate."

Harwell said cases of this kind compromise the integrity of good law enforcement and cause the community to lose respect for good officers.

This puts a spotlight on bad cops as opposed to the good ones who put their life on the line every day," the judge said during Brown sentencing. "Unnecessarily using someone's weapon, just because... There's no legitimate law enforcement contact behind that."

Unlike the Staten Island, Ferguson, North Charleston and Baltimore cases, the victim did not die, but the woman experienced police brutality nonetheless. Family members said the victim suffered from night terrors, sweating and crying.

A laser was a gun bolt of electricity aimed at her. The weapon still cut her hair and she could only be used in extreme cases to subdue a suspect who is considered dangerous to officers and/or others. Good officers know how to distinguish between mistakes and true threats and how to react to a misdemeanor compared to a felony.

It's a shame when we need to be protected from those whose job it is to protect us.

It's reassuring when our justice system rules that law enforcement officers aren't above the law.



A Michelangelo of sarcasm

Bob is an American-born, Italian-American, big-time columnist Bob Stevens. Even his latest column Wednesday ("We simply must be more sure") won't dissuade me.

But my mother taught me it's not easy, or Christian, to make fun of people. I'd like to add, "behind his back." Even though the column is very public, like most liberals, Bob takes his shots in private, protected by his constitution. Why doesn't Bob attend an NRA meeting and say those very same things? Sarcasm, good sarcasm is an art form, and Bob is a Michelangelo.

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Peet Dee produced colorful Congress members

The Peet Dee congressional district usually was the best before South Carolina added a seat in the 2010 census. It had distinctions.

Rep. Joseph H. Rainey of Georgetown was the first Black elected to the U.S. House during Reconstruction. Several others followed in the next election, but Rainey was first.

Two congressmen from the Peet Dee — Eli Whitworth, a Reconstruction-era Republican, and John Jennings, a 1970s Democrat — resigned from the House while in hot water. Whitmore was elected again a little later but was rebuffed voting by the House.

John L. McLean of Bennettsville served three terms in the 1890s and 1900s. That gave South Carolina, where he had the state's other senator, Ben Tillman, had a fight on the state floor. That gave South Carolina the distinction of being the only state to have both of its senators chosen at once.

Then there was Elizabeth Hanley Cavert, who in 1920 became the first South Carolina woman to be elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. She served in 1920 and 1921, one of the longest periods of service of any congressman.

There was no session of Congress after her election, and she never received a committee assignment or even votes in the Senate. Her husband, the first Black woman elected to Congress, having been born into an aristocratic, plantation-owning family, she apparently prided naturally fell into the government set in Washington. She was said to have been very fond of having known all presidents from Woodrow Wilson to Franklin D. Roosevelt.

She remained in Washington

Letter to the Editor

is so very bad. When folks make fun of, or joke about other people simply because of their beliefs, we're talking about bigotry.

Now, I can't be 100 percent sure that that person was a liberal. I take the liberty of saying so because no gun-loving, right-wing conservative would use such disgusting sarcasm in making a point. Like most liberals who hide behind the First Amendment to our Constitution when they spew their venom, Bob's column is so full of hate that he'd make a great member of the KKK. Here's a lesson for Bob. The KKK was a Democrat organization. And it was Democrat governors who, like the KKK, wanted to keep black folks out of white schools. It was Democrat politicians who used "gun" (those that word didn't scare Bob) to send troops to put down black folks' protests.

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Washington

Writing a fragment of history — a Georgetown relic — is fun. A colorful campaign button — is fun, so in 1960 George Herms became an owner of the Lusitania. His 70-foot-long passenger liner was built beneath 300 tons of water of Ireland's south coast since a single German torpedo sank it 100 years ago.

Thursday, it contains the 4 million U.S.-made life jackets and other munitions that the ship had been carrying from neutral America to wartime Britain.

It is commonly but wrongly said that the sinking altered history's trajectory. Yet some people, including Britain's first prime minister, Winston Churchill, hoped an attack on the ship would put America in the war. They may have facilitated Lusitania's calamity by not taking available measures to prevent it. Of the 1,958 who perished, 128 were Americans.

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What it's like to be the wife of the president

WASHINGTON — The life of the wife of a presidential candidate is not the life of the government. Taking you wake up and think through that first cup of coffee, trying to register that on a radio show last Tuesday that he was glad his train didn't stop in Baltimore. We call that bad timing or, at worst, a poor choice of words.

The same day of the headline, I happened to be meeting Kelly Paal for breakfast, ostensibly to discuss new book, "Trust and Constant Fines," an exploration of her relationship with her mother, grandmother and a small group of her closest friends.

Scared at a tiny table in a noisy restaurant, we ordered coffee and milkshakes, and quickly fell into the sort of intimate dialogue women can so easily have. We discussed our children and husbands, drinking and diets, mothers and fathers, death — and, of course, the book. Our conversation lasted 2½ hours.

And, no, we didn't know each other all that well beforehand, though we had met one time for lunch. Most women will admit that they can meet other women ever so briefly, whether in a boardroom or the power room, and more seamlessly from the days to manuscripts.

When your husband is immersed daily in the gritty world of politics, it is good to have a place to turn to.

When you have a universal connection that transcends politics and time, it's a gift. However the source — hormones, the shared

It's time to sign up for e-newsletters for a chance to win Apple watch

Kindergrat was a long time ago. Timepieces have come a long, long way since then.

Back when those cool Dick Tracy wrist-radio watches were just a fantasy, my older sister taught me how to tell time. I was 5 years old. One of my grandmothers was so impressed that she gave me a Mickey Mouse watch for Christmas. It wasn't the famous Mickey Mouse watch that featured his hands moving around that dial, pointing at numbers, but it came with a Mickey Mouse statue.

My kindergarten classmates were impressed, too. They oohed and aahed when I showed the watch off in the first class after the holidays. I was the only student with a watch.

A few days later, I came down with the chickenpox and had to stay home. I found out just how impressed my classmates were.

My teacher assigned a getting-to-know-you project for my kindergarten classmates. A friend delivered the drawings to my house. Each drawing showed me virtually as a stick figure covered with red dots. And each drawing showed a great big watch on my left wrist.

Fast forward to a drawing that the Morning News will hold soon. The prize will be a watch.

Watch for details any day now. The watch that we will award is a Mickey Mouse gadget. It's closer to the Dick Tracy gizmo. The prize is one of those hot, new Apple watches.

Did that get your attention? Here's the deal: It's time to reward readers who sign up for Morning News and sno.com emails such as the Peet Dee Deal.

This is about customer appreciation. You are entered in the drawing if you already receive our emails and/or if you are signed up for All Access. The more you are signed up for, the more chances you have to win. If you aren't signed up, here's your chance.

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- A 9 a.m. email each Monday that brings you links to good stories that you might have missed over the weekend.
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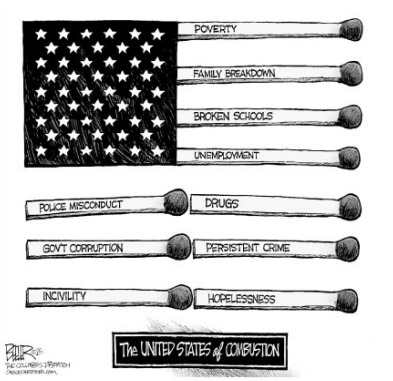
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Why not sign up? It's about time.

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grind of politics — a thing and a place all her own.

She says her most "indecipherable" experience came from those times when her mother and grandfather were together.

"Sensing that I was next in line to take over the reins as a little girl," she says, "More than genetic DNA, I really do feel that I can tap into their experiences — their virtues, losses, bravery. With friends, you can tap into a memory that brings you to a certain moment in time."

She noted that often one's most important moments correspond to the smallest things — not grand canyons of life-altering transition, but first settlements of spring flowers that cause one to remember the smell of rain. The little gifts of a radiant smile, the way Paal's grandmother beamed at Kelly's mother upon her family's return from two years in Turkey.

Or the happy chatter of women in her mother's family's house, usually in a converted utility room when Kelly came home from school. It was the sound of "hope, encouragement and validation — all of women helping one another feel good about themselves," she writes.

Many such stories fill the book, teaching on experiences that will feel familiar to many women. We may have lost touch with our family or friends you can turn to.

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Sunday Edition

Sunday Business Section

» On Sundays, the Morning News will run a standalone business section. The section will include a front Sunday Business page as well as classified. The page will use the GRID SUNDAY BUSINESS ODD template.

» The Sunday Business section front page normally run a local feature business story. This story should be treated like a centerpiece story. The front page will also run local and national business briefs down the left rail, which may include opening and closings.

» The Sunday Business section front page will not include stocks like the daily business page.

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SECTION D

Sunday Business



People In Business

Darlington Professional Women
DARLINGTON — The Darlington Professional Women has named Lisa Rock as the 2015 DPW Woman of the Year. She was chosen on the basis of her involvement in the organization, participation in community and civic activities, and leadership through personal and professional association.

SAFE Federal Credit Union
SAFE has added four regional branch director positions to five branch locations for Montgomery, Region One branch director, will oversee the branch location at McGraw-Hill Road, Indianapolis, Horizon and Lewis Road Branch. Region Two branch director, will oversee the branch locations at Shaw Air Force Base, Wismar Boulevard, Manning and the Orange Highway Branch, Brandon, Okla. Region Three branch director, will oversee the branch locations at Lexington, St. Andrews, Faison Mill and the Camden Branch. Region Four branch director, will oversee the branch locations at Cherokee Road, West Columbia, Carvers Ferry and the Lenoir branch.
SAFE was organized in 1955 at Shaw AFB and is one of the state's largest credit unions with over 115,000 members, 11 branches and 12 in-school facilities, serving eight counties. SAFE has \$127 million in assets and 290 employees.

Coldwell Banker McMillan and Associates
FLORENCE — Coldwell Banker and Associates in Florence has recognized several employees with distinctions from Edgington for their outstanding professional and client service. Tiffany Dore, Leona Dore, Mary McCreary and Dennis Norman received Million Dollar Producer awards. Beth Jones, Gary Danksch and Lisa Bell received Multi-Million Dollar Producer awards. Randy Williams, Suzanne Richardson and Cathy Winstorbeck received the Coldwell Banker International Selling Secretary award. Deborah Howell, Janet Edgington, Richard Brazner, Christine Jones, Carolee Minkley and Doree O'Neal received the Coldwell Banker International Finance Society award. Mary Fuller, Peggy Collins and Karenne Milham received the International Residential Society award. Coldwell Banker McMillan and Associates is locally owned and operated and is the largest real estate brokerage firm in the Five Dors with 25 agents and \$1,000,000 in sales.

Openings & Closings

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Cost Iron Waffles and Expresso
Hours: Opening end of May
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Homebuilder stays in for the long haul



Darryl Hall, owner of D Hall Construction Co. Inc., stands in front of a nearly complete house at his company built, in the Kings Gate subdivision in Florence. He is 25 years old. Hall has seen the ups and downs of the housing market and challenges of owning a business.

The home building industry is important to the economy

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SMALL BUSINESS IN THE FIVE DORS
OWNER'S MANUAL
D. HALL CONSTRUCTION, INC.

FLORENCE — Darryl Hall, owner of D Hall Construction Co. Inc., always knew he wanted to own his own business.

"Homebuilding is one of the few things left we actually build in this country," Hall said. "People don't realize how important the home building industry is to the economy. We take that responsibility seriously."

Twenty-six years ago, Hall started doing any and all construction-related jobs people wanted him to do. He said he started out doing trim work and remodeling. At that point he had no money for advertising and had to rely on word of mouth.

"She just came, work for other people and pick up on things," he said.

When he started, he said, there were some really good years in the 1990s. In 2009-10, the economy took a heavy hit, along with the homebuilding business. Hall said his company is one of the survivors and many people he knew in the business moved to other careers. To save the company, he had to cut more than 25 percent of the people working for him. To stay afloat, he started buying houses and did remodeling work.

"What surprised me is not how many good homebuilders got out of the business, but how many good trades people got out to find other jobs," Hall said. "Those people will never come back. We had to lay people off as just a matter of survival."

Hall said he felt the way in it

for the long haul and didn't seem to fail. The solution, he said, was to put product on the ground even though banks didn't want to lend money at the time.

"People are not going to live on the street," he said. "They need homes. The industry has survived that over the years. I know it would come back in just a matter of when I had doubt, and we took a lot of chances."

Hall's mother, Beverly Hall, 75, has been with him from the beginning. She came from an accounting background and took the position of secretary treasurer.

"She said she had her doubts too but she trusted him and we got through it."

Hall has managed to reposition his business and employ about 130 people today. One of the development projects is the new Kings Gate subdivision off Ebenezer Road. The property spans more than 300 acres and he hopes to have about 200 homes built there.

"This is a tight business but we have built. Now we face a more encouraging challenge



Darryl Hall checks out the progress on a build in the Kings Gate subdivision in Florence.



The Kings Gate subdivision is on Ebenezer Road in Florence.

of not being able to build as fast as he'd like."

"Our biggest problem is labor and finding good people," Hall said. "Land and buyers aren't our problem. Now, at all, we are competing for the same labor."

Looking ahead, Hall said the company is a lot smaller in its approach to building a house, looking forward from mistakes. In 2013, he served as the state Home Builders Association

US decides not to investigate Toyota unwanted acceleration

WASHINGTON — U.S. safety regulators have rejected a Florida-based parent's request for an investigation into low-speed unintended acceleration problems with Toyota Corolla compact cars.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, in documents posted on its website Saturday, said it put over 2,000 miles on a 2010 Corolla owned by Bob Rogatis, of Beaufort, Florida Island. But the agency's three test lab could not find any problems with the throttle or transmission systems. The lab also found that the brakes could keep the car stationary even at full throttle.

"The decision is a victory for Toyota, which has been dogged by complaints of unwanted acceleration since 2009. The complaints brought investigations and recalls totaling 10 million vehicles, as well as multiple lawsuits

and a \$1.2 billion penalty for hiding information from NHTSA.

Most of the recalls were for faulty brakes. Early gas pedals and floor mats that could trap the accelerator. But allegations of problems with its electronic throttle controls.

Rogatis, an engineer who specializes in consumer electronics, petitioned the agency in September of last year seeking a investigation of nearly 1.7 million 2009-2010 Corollas.

He alleged that the Corolla drove by his wife's Beaufort, Florida home, and it crashed into an unoccupied Jeep. Bob Rogatis said.

The brakes, he said, failed to stop the car in time to prevent a crash. No one was hurt. He said the car's event data recorder showed the

gas pedal was in the life position when the car crashed, yet the speed at impact was 7.5 miles per hour.

But NHTSA said the recorder showed the brakes didn't come on until immediately after impact, and that even though the data recorder didn't show it, it was possible that the gas pedal had been depressed, being showed that slow and rapid pressing of the gas pedal may not be recorded, the agency said.

"Vehicle usage demonstrated that acceleration needs to occur if the brake pedal had been applied with any meaningful force," NHTSA's investigators wrote.

Investigators also checked 163 similar customer acceleration complaints filed with NHTSA involving Corollas but found that in most cases, drivers pressed the gas pedal of the brake, pressed both the gas and brake, or pushed the gas.

president. He said although all the builders compete for business, they are able to learn from each other.

"It will be up and down but we're over blessed to be here today," Hall said. "Banning your own business isn't for everybody. I got to do what I love every day. I like what the industry is doing tomorrow will be better. You have to hope for the best and plan for the worst."

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Sunday Edition

Pee Dee Living Section

PEE DEE LIVING FRONT PAGE

» On Sundays, the Morning News will run a standalone Pee Dee Living section. It typically runs on the C Section for the Sunday edition.

» The Pee Dee Living section features its own masthead with promos. The Pee Dee Living masthead uses the HEADER PDL item in the Morning News library. The section may feature a lower-strip ad.

» The front typically consists of one photo or story package that takes up the entire front page. The package may or may not jump to the inside depending on length.

» The front may also feature secondary articles, including columns. Columns should be run down the left rail. Secondary articles run underneath the main photo or story package. If a column or secondary story is budgeted for the page, the main photo or story package should be treated like a front page centerpiece story with gauge boxes.

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Countdown to The Big Give Week No. 14



Libby Wiersema
Big Give Pee Dee

Infuse joy on giving day

It is hard to believe that it has been 14 weeks since our first Big Give column. Now, here we are on the brink of giving day. In just two days, the leader board at biggivepeedeedee.org will take center stage for 24 hours as the community tracks donations to our 52 nonprofit participants. Will your favorite Pee Dee agency or program do a happy dance May 5? You can infuse the day with that kind of joy by making an online gift during Big Give Pee Dee.

Remember, your donation could be the one that wins your charity a monetary prize. More than \$7,000 will be awarded with the first prize of the evening to be given right out of the gate — the first nonprofit to snag a donation May 5 will receive \$500. That's a wonderful reason to stay up a bit later than usual, right? The excitement will last all day with prizes between \$200 and \$500 awarded hourly.

These prize incentives have been made possible by the generosity of our sponsors: ACS Technologies; Carolina Bank; CSP Insurance; Duke Energy; Edward Jones; First Reliance Bank; Haynesworth, Sinkler, Boyd, Hillard Lyons; Honda Manufacturing of South Carolina; McLean Marchal Insurance — Nationwide; Munn and Associates, CPAs; Pearce Land Company; Raines Hospitality; Santee Electric; Smart Phone Repair; Tucker Wells Medical; Turner Padgett; and Women in Philanthropy. Thank you for supporting our local nonprofits through Big Give. And I can't express enough gratitude to Stephen Wade and my other friends at Morning News for giving me this space each week and helping spread the word about Big Give.

Now, I challenge you, the people of the Pee Dee, to show some love for our nonprofits and the communities they serve. With a minimum donation of \$25, nearly everyone can be a philanthropist on Tuesday. There's a cause for every interest:

Animals: Darlington County Humane Society Rescue.
Arts & Culture: Chamber Music at the Gallery, Florence Regional Arts Alliance, Florence Symphony Orchestra, Matlboro Civic Center Foundation, Radio Pee Dee.

Community Improvement: Eastern Carolina Community Foundation, Historic Marion Revitalization Inc.

Education: Darlington County Education Foundation, Darlington County First Steps, Florence Area Literacy Council, Friends of the Florence County Library, Marion County Library System, South Carolina African American Heritage Foundation, Trinity-Byrnes Collegiate School, Williamsburg Technical College Foundation.

Environment: Pee Dee Land Trust, Wildlife Action Inc.

Health: Hospice of Chesterfield County, McLeod for Health Florence Open, McLeod Foundation, Mercy in Me First Medical Clinic, Mercy Medicine Free Clinic, South Carolina Senior Sports Classic.

Human Services: A Choice 2 M&K, Bethlehem Therapeutic Riding Stable, CAFE House of the Pee Dee, Caring and Sharing Inc., Org.; Carolina Kids; Empowered to Heal; Florence



Amelia Steimetz, 5 years old, is shown downtown at the opening.

Well played



Bryce Jackson, 6, plays the piano.



Kaybren Boyd, 17, during West Florence High School prom.

The "Play Me, I'm Yours" piano street festival kicked off April 17, and it ends today in and around Florence. Twenty-four pianos have been placed in locations throughout the city and surrounding community, including the downtown area, Francis Marion University, Florence-Darlington Technical College, Magnolia Mall, Veterans Park, Red Bone Alley and locations in Lake City. A full listing of locations can be found at streetpianos.com/florence2015. Anybody is welcome to play the pianos. The Morning News asked readers to send photos of family and friends. Here are some of the photos we received.



Florence-Darlington Technical College business technologies department head Mitch House plays one of the two "Play Me, I'm Yours" pianos in the College's Student Activity Center on Monday morning April 20 as students Chris Mills (middle) and Travon Small look on and enjoy.



On piano: Grady Harold Chapman (age 8), on vocals: Kevin James Chapman (8 months).



Arthur Williams (left) and Lila Hilley (right) play the piano.



Florence Family YMCA CEO Brian New playing at the downtown kickoff event.

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Pee Dee Living Front Page/Single Story

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House of the Week
Incredible island seats six
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Congratulations, Francis Marion University graduates



With his customized mortarboard sitting atop his head, Brandon Laribo waits for his name to be called during Francis Marion University's spring commencement ceremonies, which were held Saturday in the Smith University Center gymnasium. PHOTOS BY JACOB COLEMAN/MORNING NEWS

Graduate Cy'erra Mills sits in her assigned seat during Francis Marion University's spring commencement ceremonies.



Francis Marion University awarded diplomas to 363 graduates at its spring commencement service on Saturday at the Smith University Center. The university also awarded honorary degrees to state Rep. Phillip Lowe of Florence and S.C. Superintendent of Education Molly Spearman, the commencement speaker. The graduating class included students from six different countries, 16 states and 34 counties in South Carolina.

ONLINE

Photo gallery available at scnow.com.

Rayesha Brantley (left) hugs classmate Nabria Beck after Francis Marion University's spring commencement ceremonies concluded on Saturday outside the Smith University Center gymnasium.



A member of the Francis Marion University brass ensemble works on a crossword puzzle during the school's spring commencement ceremonies.

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PEE DEE LIVING INSIDE PAGES

» The front half of the Pee Dee Living inside pages will feature local content. The first three to four pages traditionally have the front page jump, if necessary, local columns, a datebook, Pets of the Week and a Mystery Plant article.

» Local columns that run in the front of Pee Dee Living include:

- » Clemson Extension
- » Dr. Universe
- » Day Trips
- » Natural Resource Extension

» The Mystery Plant is a weekly column that runs in Pee Dee Living. It has its own overline, "Mystery Plant," has a photo of the week's mystery plant and has the answer at the end of the article. The answer runs upside down with a horizontal rule separating it from the article.

» The weekly Pets of the Week will feature two pets in a single photo and runs as a standalone. The border should already come with the photo, so remove the border from your picture box. The Pets of the Week overline should be, "Pets of the Week: Pet 1 Name and Pet 2 Name," in standalone overline type. The photo credit should always be, "Submitted," and the cutline text should be in standalone exploded type. Datelines should run capitalized in Body Copy Ragged type with no indent.

Mystery Plant

Mystery Plant

Plant has conspicuous yellow blooms

BY JOHN NELSON
University of South Carolina

The forget-me-not family contains about 2,000 different species found nearly worldwide. In addition to "forget-me-not," many species are popular garden plants and herbs, such as Virginia bluebell, coneflower, and borage, and still others are best known as weeds, such as the prickly and brightly flowered "Viper's bugloss," commonly seen in the Appalachians and farther north in New England. Forget-me-nots and their relatives have their flowers in somewhat specialized branches that tend to be coiled, at least when blooming first starts. Flower color in most of these species is white, blue, or pink.

This week's Mystery Plant is a member of the forget-me-not family, but its flowers are brilliant yellow ... a very warm, golden shade of yellow which is unmistakable. Because of this, the plants are quite conspicuous when in bloom. The plants are up to about 3 feet tall, and very deeply rooted. The tough, woody rootstocks tend to produce a purplish juice that will stain, and the plants have been used as a dye source. (The common name of this plant comes from an Indian word meaning "dye.") The stems are very coarsely hairy. Following blooming, the golden corollas fall away, and glistening, ivory-white nutlets remain, each containing a single seed.

You might think that if you ever saw this stuff in full bloom, you would remember it. It's true: with its showy yellow flowers, nothing else blooming now really looks like it. But the plants are usually not very abundant whenever they do occur. All that said, this species is actually very widely distributed in North America, occurring from eastern Canada as far west as Montana, then south to the Gulf Coast. In South Carolina, it grows on deep, dry sands in the lower half of the state, sometimes



Can you name the Mystery Plant from the clues provided?

seen along the roadside as brilliant golden flashes of color. This is another one of our natives that cannot be transplanted well at all, so you shouldn't try digging it up.

John Nelson is the curator of the A. C. Moore Herbarium at the University of South Carolina. In the

Department of Biological Sciences, Columbia SC 29208. As a public service, the herbarium offers free plant identifications. For more information, visit www.herbarium.org or call 803-777-8196, or email nelson@sc.edu.

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Pets of the Week

PETS OF THE WEEK: DRAKE AND MARIE



Submitted Photos

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Drake and Marie are just two of the many dogs available for adoption at the Darlington County Animal Shelter, operated by the Darlington County Humane Society. Drake is a young-at-heart, long-and-lean hound with endless legs. Such a handsome guy, he had all the ladies asking him where he got that great eyeliner. Drake is friendly and would make an excellent walking or jogging companion. Like most hounds, he is all about the nose and loves to check out all the smells on a walk. He even has two tricks under his belt: sit and shake.

A sporty girl with an athletic build and a big, blocky head, Marie is ready for action. She absolutely adores people and is friendly, playful and energetic. When her fun button is activated, she will alternate between making a quick dash about in a circle and then rushing back to a lap for more belly rubs. She was captain of the cat-chasing team in high school, so she will need a home without cats. Marie is hoping to be invited to join an active family where she will have plenty of opportunity to run and play and — snuggle, of course.

The shelter is at 1740 Animal Control Blvd., off S.C. Highway 151. For more information, including other pets available for adoption, visit www.darlingtonhumane.org.

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PEE DEE LIVING INSIDE PAGES

- » The second half of the Pee Dee Living inside pages will feature national content. The second half of the section will include book reviews, Dear Abby, horoscopes, a bible verse, milestones, reunions and the House of the Week feature.

- » Books Page
 - » One page in the second half of the Pee Dee Living section will include a book roundup. This roundup will feature the Publisher's Weekly Best-Sellers list and book reviews to fill out the page.
 - » The Publisher's Weekly Best-Sellers list and book reviews can be found on the AP Exchange.

- » Dear Abby/Horoscopes/Bible Verse
 - » One page in the second half of the Pee Dee Living section will include Dear Abby, horoscopes, and a bible verse. These three items need to run together on a single page.
 - » Dear Abby, horoscopes and the bible verse can be found in the FMN Features Ready folder in Falcon.

- » Milestones and Reunions
 - » The Morning News' Milestones runs weekly in the Pee Dee Living section. Milestones features it's own masthead inside of Pee Dee Living. Use the HEADER MILESTONES EVEN or HEADER MILESTONES ODD template for this header.
 - » Milestones are typically dropped into the M:\Groups\EDITORIAL\InFromFlorence\Photos folder on Fridays with the date of publication. If they are not in the folder by Saturday, email Richard Mozingo in the press room.
 - » Milestones will be in PDF form and are either one or two pages in length.
 - » Reunion news may also run on the page with Milestones. This will be locally produced content. Reunions run in calendar type.

- » House of the Week Feature
 - » The House of the Week feature traditionally runs on the last page of Pee Dee Living.
 - » The House of the Week package will include:
 - » A short article
 - » A photo of the house
 - » One or more photos of the house floor plan
 - » A home detail info box
 - » The House of the Week feature can be found in the FMN Features Ready folder in Falcon.

- » If filler is needed to finish the inside of Pee Dee Living, Associated Press travel, gardening, homes and arts and craft articles can be used to fill up the section. Do not use food/recipe articles as filler.

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Pee Dee Living Books Page

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1. **"Memory Man"** by David Baldacci (Grand Central Publishing)
2. **"The Girl on the Train"** by Paula Hawkins (Riverhead)
3. **"The Liar"** by Nora Roberts (G.P. Putnam's Sons)
4. **"All the Light We Cannot See"** by Anthony Doerr (Scribner)
5. **"The Bone Tree"** by Greg Iles (Riverhead)
6. **"God Help the Child"** by Toni Morrison (Knopf)
7. **"Every Fifteen Minutes"** by Lisa Scottoline (St. Martin's Press)
8. **"The Stranger"** by Harlan Coben (Dutton)
9. **"Miracle at Augusta"** by James Patterson and Peter de Jonge (Little, Brown)
10. **"At the Water's Edge"** by Sara Gruen (Spiegel & Grau)
11. **"Garden of Lies"** by Amanda Quick (G.P. Putnam's Sons)
12. **"The Nightingale"** by Kristin Hannah (St. Martin's Press)
13. **"WYD Red 3"** by James Patterson and Marshall Karp (Little, Brown)



Publishers Weekly Best-Sellers

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 7. **"Dead Wake"** by Erik Larson (Crown Publishing)
 8. **"Dealing with China"** by Henry M. Paulson Jr. (Twelve)
 9. **"Thug Kitchen"** by Thug Kitchen (Rodale)
 10. **"Fox-Sick"** by Suzanne Somers (Harmony)
 11. **"Get What's Yours"** by Laurence Kotlikoff, Philip Moeller and Paul Solman (Simon & Schuster)
 12. **"The Real Life MBA"** by Jack and Suzy Welch (HarperBusiness)
 13. **"The Residence"** by Kate Anderson Brower (Harper)
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 15. **"Between You & Me"** by Mary Norris (Norton)
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 4. **"Natchez Burning"** by Greg Iles (Harper)
 5. **"Blossom Street Brides"** by Debbie Macomber (Ballantine)
 6. **"Private Down Under"** by James Patterson and Michael White (Vision)
 7. **"Tom Clancy: Support and Defend"** by Mark Greaney (Berkley)
 8. **"Breath of Scandal"** by Sandra Brown (Grand Central Publishing)
 9. **"Cut and Thrust"** by Stuart Woods (Signet)
 10. **"The Target"** by David Baldacci (Vision)
 11. **"Tuesday's Child"** by Fern Michaels (Kensington/Zebra)
 12. **"Ready for Marriage"** by Debbie Macomber (Harlequin)
 13. **"Sweet Salt Air"** by Barbara Delinsky (St. Martin's)
 14. **"The Beekeeper's Ball"** by Susan Wiggs (Mira)
 15. **"American Sniper"** (movie tie-in) by Chris Kyle (William Morrow)

TRADE PAPERBACKS

1. **"A Work in Progress: A Memoir"** by Connor Franta (Atria/KeyWords)
2. **"The One & Only"** by Emily Giffin (Ballantine)

Book Review

David Baldacci's latest thriller is engaging

The Associated Press

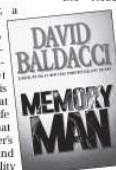
David Baldacci has written another thriller that will have readers engaged from the first page.

Amos Decker, a stellar athlete who made it to the NFL, experienced a helmet-to-helmet collision on his first play that changed his life forever. From that moment on, Decker's brain shifted and he lost the ability to forget. The entire world became a myriad of colors and memories that he could easily access. With his new abilities, he's the perfect candidate to

become a police detective. He can visit a crime scene over and over again in his mind, and he can remember verbatim testimony by a witness or suspect.

His life is destroyed when he arrives home and finds that his wife, young daughter and brother-in-law have been murdered. He forgets the scene, and with no witnesses and little evidence, he sinks into despair. Decker ends up leaving the force and becomes

homeless. He works as a private detective but has few clients, and he's embarrassed by his appearance and how low he has fallen. Three years later, a man walks into a police station and declares that he's responsible for the murders. Decker, who has never forgotten that day or any of the evidence, realizes the man's confession is full of holes. Baldacci is a master storyteller, and although the payoff might be a bit of a stretch, "Memory Man" works because Amos Decker is an amazing character. Reading how Decker journeys from hitting rock bottom to finding ultimate redemption is nothing short of rewarding.



Book Review

A Hemingway makes sense of her family's troubles

The Associated Press

Born into one of America's best-known families, Mariel Hemingway grew up with the advantages of sharing the name of her grandfather, Ernest Hemingway, and the burden of growing up in a family at least as dysfunctional as it was famous. "Out Came the Sun" is her memoir of growing up Hemingway, flirting with an intermittently successful film career, a number of difficult relationships and finally of finding her own voice—a progression toward self-awareness evident in the strength of writing later in her book.

Mariel Hemingway writes of the surreal experience of attending first grade at Ernest Hemingway Elementary School as she was growing up in Idaho, and how some classmates reacted with resentment once they made the family connection. She writes of tensions in her parents' marriage often made worse with bouts of drinking.

While growing up, Mariel Hemingway eventually learned that about five months before she was born, her famous grandfather, living in Idaho at the time, shot himself in the head with his shotgun at age 61. This was one of several suicides in the Hemingway family, including the writer's father, Clarence, and brother, Leicester.

"Throughout my life,

people have spoken of the Hemingway curse," she writes, referring to Woody Allen's alcoholism, mental illness and suicide. "It was a nasty word that suggested a lack of control."

One sister, nicknamed Muffet, suffered from mental illness, and another, Margot, overcame her disorganization and insecurity to become one of the nation's top supermodels, later known as Margaux, who got a chance at acting in movies, but never broke through. Margaux got a role in the 1976 thriller "Lipstick," that also provided a role for her younger sister, Mariel. Ironically, Mariel

got the better reviews. Mariel got a break when Woody Allen offered her the role of Tracy, a high school student and Allen's lover in the movie "Manhattan." She received an Oscar nomination as best supporting actress, and seemed on her way to a promising film career. She writes that "Manhattan" did wonders for her confidence and "helped strengthen my still-fragile self-image." She became a close friend with Allen while making the movie, and he later visited her at her family home in Idaho and even invited her to Paris, but Hemingway turned down his request.



Book Review

'Do Over' inspires readers to take control of careers

The Associated Press

"Do Over" (Penguin), by Jon Acuff

If you're sick of constantly fighting the Monday blues, this book is for you. New York Times best-selling author Jon Acuff spent 16 years gathering information for "Do Over." He encourages readers to critically evaluate their career paths and challenges them to prepare for whatever the future may hold.

According to Acuff, most of us were taught to work at a job instead of building a career. That's where Acuff suggests investing in a Career Savings Account. It typically includes four elements: relationships, skills, character and hustle. In order to keep the account sustainable, you must strengthen and build new relationships, master new skills, maintain your integrity and work harder than those around you. Following these steps will ensure a soft place to land should you find yourself in an unexpected career do-over.

Whether it is voluntary or involuntary, everyone will experience a Career Jump, a Career Bump, a Career Ceiling or a Career Opportunity. Whether you feel stuck in your job, or you're ready to start over in an entirely new field, the Career Savings Account is the toolbox needed to help you through the transition.

Acuff understands what it means to live for the weekends. He uses various personal examples to endear himself to his readers, assuring them that he has walked this walk before. His career advice is solid. In order to reinvent yourself at work, you have to honestly assess when you shine—and when you submit to fear.

Acuff's witty humor certainly makes reading through a book of career advice an easy read. By the end, most will have a new outlook on their role in the workplace. They will be ready to take on the day with nothing but an adjusted attitude and a ton of grit.

Book Review

'Spinster' is thought-provoking look at singlehood

The Associated Press

"Spinster: Making a Life of One's Own" (Crown), by Kate Bolick

Even its opening lines are provocative: "Whom to marry, and when it will happen—these two questions define every woman's existence, regardless of where she was raised or what religion she does or doesn't practice... Men have their own problems; this isn't one of them."

If Kate Bolick's debut, a somewhat unsettling memoir/history/cultural criticism combo, was intended to provoke thoughtful discourse, it's surely a success. Here she takes on the history of women who are single by choice, rather than default. She uses her own experiences and melds them with those of five groundbreaking feminists, including poet Edna St. Vincent Millay and novelist Edith Wharton, whom she calls her "sawtooths." The result is a uniquely American quest for a life without regrets—and without a partner.

Much of "Spinster" rings true. For example, Bolick explains how "to live

happily alone requires a serious amount of intentional thought." She explains the importance of choosing a place to live (big city preferred) where the needs of singles can be easily met, where there's enough cultural and social stimulation to stay busy and where one's circle of friends can be wide and deep enough, so no one is relied upon too heavily to meet too many needs.

Time alone is an obvious recurring theme. "When you're single," she writes, "time is a precious commodity, or a contested territory under constant renegotiation." But when you're single, "You are often buried in time... You hate it, rail against it, do whatever you can to get rid of it—work too much, drink too much, sleep around, make unsuitable friends."

It's the memoir part of "Spinster" that comes up short. Even though she's unmarried, Bolick enjoys a nearly seamless string of long-term, serious relationships with men. One wonders how well she understands living a life truly alone.

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Dad getting divorce applauds mom's devotion to their son

Dear Abby: My wife and I will be legally divorced within a few weeks. We have a 1-year-old son. Although we have been separated for eight months, she is an awesome mother to our son. A man could not ask for a better woman to care for his child. We don't talk about much other than our son. We are no longer in love, but I can honestly say I love her for who she is — the mother of my child. Mother's Day is here, and I would like her to know how much I appreciate all she has done, is doing and will do for our boy. Would it be appropriate to send a quick message expressing this to her? Or should I leave it alone?
—HOUSTON DADDY



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

nice, you should share it. You should absolutely express your thoughts. While the two of you may no longer be in love, I'm sure she would be gratified to know that she has your respect and appreciation. Read on.

Dear Daddy: I'm a firm believer that if you think something

my thoughts turn to my wife, my mother and my wife's mother. But there is also always that special feeling for the birth mothers of my children. Were it not for their unselfish love, I would not be writing this letter. So, birth mothers, if you wonder what became of the children you presented for adoption, they have grown up, they have been loved and they are happy. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your gift of love to us. You will never be forgotten.
—PROUD ADOPTIVE FATHER

Dear Father: Surrounded by so much love and gratitude, I'm sure your children have developed into successful adults.

Dear Abby: Last year was my first Mother's Day without my

mom. Because I was feeling down, I bought a bouquet of flowers, carried it to a nursing home, handed it to a nurse and asked her to give it to a mom who wouldn't get anything for Mother's Day. It was bitter-sweet, but it boosted my spirits on what was a sad day. Just wanted to share.
—GWEN'S SON IN OHIO

Dear Son: Thank you for sharing. I miss my mom, too. Gwen must have been a lovely, caring person to have raised such a thoughtful son.

Dear Abby: For Mother's Day, I want to say how much I love and appreciate my mom. I can never thank her enough for adopting me when I was a sick and abandoned infant. She has been to hell and back with me, but has never condemned my

actions. She would just pick me up and point me in the right direction. It has been 57 years since God sent this angel to save me (with my dad as backup), and she still guides me every day. Her kind smile and words literally saved my life.
—LOVED IN OMAHA

Dear Readers: Today I'm wishing a happy Mother's Day to moms everywhere — birth mothers, adoptive and foster mothers, stepmothers and grandmothers who are raising grandchildren. For what you do, I salute you.
LOVE, ABBY

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 66440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Horoscopes

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Forecast for Sunday, May 30, 2015

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Being overly emotional will cause you to make questionable choices. Think twice before getting involved in a dubious venture.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Time spent traveling, attending cultural events and learning new information will pay off. Your increased credentials and skills will put you in line for advancement.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) — A change in your surroundings will brighten your day. Consider investing in items that will make your chores easier.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Refrain from wearing your heart on your sleeve, but let your partner know how you feel. This is an ideal time to plan a trip or vacation that could strengthen your relationship.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.

22) — Your easygoing personality and ability to get along well with your colleagues will be noticed and rewarded. Don't be surprised if you receive a promotion or raise.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Travel, romance and knowledge will all play a major role in your advancement. Don't hesitate to invite a special someone on a romantic getaway.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Stick to your own schedule and don't take on any extra tasks. Give others the freedom to pursue their goals without interruption. That way, you will accomplish the most and avoid a disagreement.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Do the groundwork, make up your mind and proceed to the finish line. Have faith in your own judgment, and refuse to let anyone interfere with your plans or your decision.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — If you join a benevolent or charitable organization, you will meet someone who intrigues you. Working toward a common cause will give you a sense of belonging, satisfaction and accomplishment.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Keep your personal and professional lives separate. Your anxieties will be lessened once you are able to find a balance between your career and home life.
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Someone near to you will let you down. Don't let what transpires ruin your plans. Trust in your abilities and keep moving forward.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Your charm and charisma will bring you lots of favorable attention. This is a great time to present your ideas to those in a position to help you advance.

Trip to Cuba represents Minnesota Orchestra's revival

The Associated Press
MINNEAPOLIS — When the Minnesota Orchestra plays in Cuba this week, the visit will not only symbolize the reopening of relations between the United States and the communist nation, but also heralding for an acclaimed ensemble that was "almost destroyed" by a long and bitter lockout.

The last major U.S. orchestra to perform in Cuba was the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra in 1999. "It sends a very clear message that this is an organization back on its feet, doing important work," said Jesse Rosen, president and CEO of the League of American Orchestras, which represents about 800 such ensembles.

Eighty-five years ago, the Minnesota Orchestra (then called the Minneapolis Symphony) performed in Cuba to sellout, cheering crowds in 1929 and 1930, according to news coverage from the period. But in recent years, the group's reputation was damaged and its ranks trimmed by a fractious labor dispute. A 16-month lockout began in 2012, when musicians refused to accept deep salary cuts. Vanska, who over more than a decade had shaped the orchestra into one of the nation's best, quit. Divisions ran deep. The orchestra scrubbed an entire season, and some musicians left for other jobs. Union musicians ratified a new, three-year contract in January 2014 and returned to performing that February. Vanska returned soon after — accepting the same pay cut that musicians agreed to — after he demanded and got a change in top orchestra management.

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MER REUNION: The Wilson High School Alumni Association - Georgia Chapter invites you to join us in Atlanta, for its "Georgia On My Mind Summer Reunion" July 17-19. Please tell classmates, family and friends. Hotel room cost: \$119 per night.

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Milestones



Reed-Belk

Ms. Melissa Collins Reed of Effingham, SC is pleased to announce the engagement of her daughter, Madeline Gail Reed to Gregory Marc Belk Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Marc Belk Sr. of Florence, SC and Mr. and Mrs. John and Donna Smith of Myrtle Beach, SC. The wedding is planned for July 11, 2015 in Florence, SC.



Watts-Skipper

Mary Ashley Watts and Mr. Frank Davis Skipper III were united in marriage on April 18, 2015 at six o'clock in the evening at Mullins First Baptist Church. Reverend Chadwick Westler officiated the ceremony. The bride, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton "Micky" Ray Watts of Mullins, SC. The groom, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis Skipper, Junior of Marion, SC. The bride-elect is a graduate of The South Carolina College of Pharmacy with a Doctorate of Pharmacy and is employed by CVS Pharmacy.

The groom-elect is a graduate of Francis Marion University with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and the School of Business at Francis Marion University with a Master of Business Administration. He is employed by First Citizens Bank and Trust.

Matron of Honor was Dr. Brittany Watts Ellis, sister of the bride, of Marion, SC. Bridesmaids were Miss Lindsey Paige Skipper, sister of the groom, of Marion, SC; Dr. Victoria Lee MacDonald of Newberry, SC; Ms. Jennifer Leigh Hemingway of Bennettsville, SC; and Mrs. Leigh Ann Marple of Columbia, SC.

Flower girl was Lillian Katherine Marple of Columbia, SC. Ring bearer was Charles Watson Marple of Columbia, SC.

Music for the ceremony was provided by Mr. Robin Thompson, organist and Mrs. Rebecca Thompson, vocalist.

Frank Davis Skipper, Junior (father of groom) served as best man.

Groomsmen were Mr. John Michael Crofts of Mullins, SC; Mr. Luther Allen Gasque of Mullins, NC; and Mr. Timothy Reid Kirkpatrick of Black Mountain, NC; and Mr. James Duatin Rogers of Mullins, SC.

Ushers were Mr. Garrett Chase Lane of Marion, SC and Mr. Davis Brooks Skipper of Marion, SC. The reception was held at Wildberry Farm. After a wedding trip to Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, the couple will reside in Chesterfield, SC.

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Cockfield-Avant

Mr. & Mrs. Jack Walter Cockfield, Jr. of Hemingway, SC are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Courtney Leigh Cockfield to Todd Burkett Avant, both of Columbia, SC. The groom-elect is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Homer Daniel Avant of Wadmalaw Island, SC.

The bride-elect is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and is Director of Marketing at HDJRCA. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walter Cockfield of Hemingway, SC and Mr. Robert Calvin Cantey, Jr. of Hemingway, SC and Mrs. Juanita McCracken Cantey, of Charleston, SC.

The groom-elect is a graduate of Wofford College and is CEO of NAI Avant. He is the grandson of Mr. Deva Leslie McCarter and the late Mrs. Shirley Irman McCarter of Florence, SC, and the late Mr. William Thomas Avant of Macon, Georgia and the late Mrs. Martha Burkett Avant of Columbia, SC.

A wedding is planned for June 6, 2015 in Charleston, SC.



Hinson - Burr

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry (Jay) Lee Hinson, Jr. of Cheraw announce the engagement of their daughter, Kayla Murphy Hinson, to Garrett Wayne Burr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Lee Burr of Chesterfield.

The bride-elect is a granddaughter of Eunice Hinson and the late Jerry Hinson Sr. of Cheraw, and Lou Murphy and the late Gene Murphy of Florence, SC. She is a graduate of the Kenneth Shuler School of Cosmetology and practices at Studio 313 in Florence, SC.

The groom-elect is a grandson of Tony and Neil Leviner of Wallace, the late Jerry F. Burr of Chesterfield, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hayes of Jefferson. He is a graduate of Florence-Darlington Technical College and is employed by American Stainless and Supply in Cheraw, SC.

The wedding will take place at 3:00 p.m. August 29, 2015, at Cheraw First Baptist Church.



Coker 60th Anniversary

Ray and Angie Coker of Lake City, SC celebrated their 60th anniversary on April 8th, 2015. A drop in celebration was given in their honor by their children on April 11th at the couple's home.

The couple's children are Cindy Coker of West Columbia, SC, Missy Coker and Deanna (Phillip) Miles both of Lake City, SC.

Mr. Coker retired after 20 years in the USAF and also retired from Coker Bros. Repair and Mrs. Coker retired from the public school system after serving as a manager at Main Street Elementary.

The couple also have 4 grandsons: Christopher Coker, Joseph Coker, Cannon Miles and Maddox Miles. Mr. Coker enjoys golf and both Mr. and Mrs. Coker are active in their church and enjoy traveling.



Upcoming 50th Anniversary

Laura Lee Eaddy & Earnest Ray Odom were married May 23, 1965 in Florence but Greensboro, NC has been their home since 1981. Their children, Missy (Jeff) Nesbitt & Pam (Baird) Spruzza are planning a special 50th Anniversary celebration and request you send your best wishes and memories from "back in the day".

Please email to: theo00m50th@gmail.com.

Laura and Ray have been blessed with 10 grandchildren & 3 great-grandchildren. Laura is the daughter of the late Edward "Bud" & Lou Alice Cribb Eaddy. Ray is the son of the late Carlton J. & Schadie Dees Odom.

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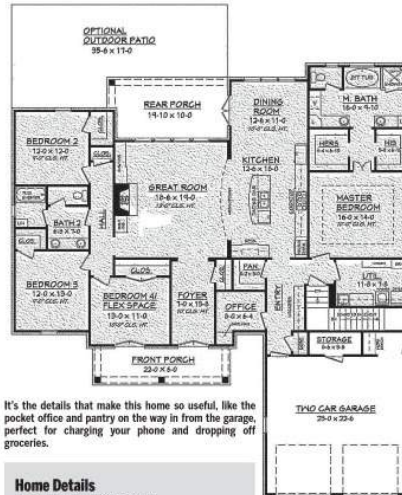


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 Framing: 2 x 4
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Packing up your childhood home can be emotional

BY GENNE BARAKIAN
 The Associated Press

When it came time to pack up my childhood home, it was my mother's wedding dress that put me over the edge.

Mellowed to a uniform shade of mustard, it sat in the box it had been stored in for over six decades. Dislodged from its attic perch, it was shuffled around from room to room as my brothers and I chipped away at belongings our parents had collected over a lifetime.

We mostly managed to rise above the sifting tension that often accompanies the liquidation of an estate. But as the only daughter, I tacitly became the one to decide what to do with the wedding dress. And I put off that decision until the rooms held nothing but exposed picture hooks on bare walls.

"The most challenging is the thought of letting go. For some people, it is more difficult than for others," says Marlene Stocks, founder of Senior Transition Services in Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania, who offers help to people like me — adult children trying to cope with dismantling and selling the first place they called home.

After my mother passed away, my father stuck it out in the house for as long as he could. But his move to assisted living required the next generation to step up and empty the family home as quickly as possible.

We divided heirlooms, collected papers; identified items to be sold, stored or donated. We took so many trips to the dump that they asked us not to come back.

The process was not without its high points. My mother was a sentimental collector, and the house was full of clutter. You never knew what might be lurking in a drawer or closet. In one dresser, I found a Ziploc baggie full of baby teeth. The *New York Times* from the day President Kennedy was assassinated, and my grandmother's Armenian Bible, dated 1906.

The sheer volume of letters and memorabilia was both staggering and heartwarming. That haiku I wrote in third grade, the parent-teacher conference report that revealed my trouble with homonyms, the Valentine's Day puzzle I cut out by hand.

Over the course of a few months, we thinned out the contents of the house. Throughout the process, I fell into one of two modes: cold-blooded purger or weepy sentimentalist. With ice running through my veins, I discarded Jose, the monkey head carved out of cocoon that I got as a Christmas present in 1968. My mother's complete collection of *Gourmet* magazines — gone. I made the executive decision not to save my grandfather's crumbling medical diploma.

But my icy efficiency could melt suddenly and unexpectedly. Something as insignificant as a torn envelope with a note scribbled in my mother's hand might instigate the

shift. Or trying to figure out what to do with her wedding dress.

Taking inventory

With new clients, Stocks begins with a conversation, "almost like therapy, over a nice cup of tea. We take it slow in the beginning. We talk about the things they'd like to keep; the things we may be able to give to family members. The things that could be sold or donated. Only then, at the end of the process, do we talk about throwing anything away."

"That is one of biggest concerns of my clients," she adds. "They are worried that some (other) family member will come in and throw things away."

Sibling stress

Professionals who assist in downsizing and relocations warn that family dynamics can be volatile. There may be one sibling who wants to throw everything away, while another may drag out the process indefinitely, finding nostalgic value in every tchotchke. And, of course, there are always those who want the biggest slice of the pie. Parents can make things simpler by divvying up the valuables in advance. But for families without a plan, a personal property appraiser can help.

"Children have a tendency to believe the majority of what mom and dad have is far more valuable than it actually is. People often think because it is old it is valuable," says Julie Hall of Charlotte, North Carolina, who has been an estate liquidator and personal property appraiser for 25 years.

Calling in the professionals

Once heirlooms are appraised, family members can divide them more equitably or know the value of items they wish to sell. Then they can call a second professional: the estate liquidator, who helps sell items of value, and donate or discard the rest.

Hall, author of "The Boomer Burden: Dealing With Your Parents' Lifetime Accumulation of Stuff" (Thomas Nelson, 2008), has seen her share of Wedgewood china, painted porcelain and figurines. Emptying closets and crawling through attics, she has also uncovered some memorable finds. Once, in a shopping bag full of wrapping paper and ribbon, she discovered a stash of platinum and sapphire jewelry. In another home, she found loose diamonds hidden in used Kleenex.

Her find reminded me of the gold-and-opal pin I happened to notice in an empty dresser drawer that was heading toward the auction house. I retrieved it at the last minute, slipping it into my pocket.

As for the wedding dress, I still haven't found a solution. Perhaps I'll leave it in my attic, and let my children deal with it in the decades to come.

Crabapples come in many varieties

Some aren't even crabby

The Associated Press

Crabapple branches drenched in white, pink or red blossoms are a strong enticement to go out and buy one of these trees. First, however, put a little thought into which variety you plant.

There are about 900 varieties on the market, and planting a crabapple is a decision that lasts for decades. To begin with, think beyond just the blossoms. For all their beauty, they are with us only a week or two each year. Crabapple fruits can be almost as decorative as the blossoms. And you also might consider the tree's form, eventual size, and leaf color both in summer and fall.

But hold on: Before you are swayed by any of these shows of beauty, make disease resistance — yes, disease resistance — your first consideration in choosing a variety to plant.

Crabapples, like eating apples, are generally susceptible to fire blight, powdery mildew, cedar apple rust and scab diseases. A tree with spotted, curled or dead leaves is not a pretty sight. And if severe, a disease can actually kill your plant.

Fortunately, a number of beautiful crabapple varieties are resistant to one or more of these diseases. Unfortunately, a number of disease-susceptible varieties are too readily available. Steer clear of disease-susceptible varieties such as Almey, Eley, Red Silver and Hopa. Disease, poor form and short-lived flowers are all reasons to "kick the Hopa habit," as my old horticulture professor used to say.



In addition to being pest resistant, Chestnut is a crabapple variety good enough for you to enjoy it eating fresh, right off the tree like this one pictured in Geneva, New York, on April 19.

Consider the fruits

With the field narrowed to disease-resistant varieties, focus next on the fruits. Fruits of some varieties offer months of pleasure, as the golden or scarlet orbs dangle from the stems from autumn well into or even through the winter, such as Calocarpa, with the unimpeachable botanical name *Malus x Zumi* var. *Calocarpa*, clings to its glistening, half-inch-in-diameter fruits from late summer through December. Indian Summer is another variety notable for showy fruits, and, in this case, they're red flowers and good fall color also.

You might also enjoy the sight of birds in late fall and into winter, flitting around the branches as they enjoy the fruits of some varieties. Birds particularly relish the small, red fruits of Sargent crabapple, a relatively small tree that is also pest-resistant.

Although the "crab" in crabapple

means "sour," a number of varieties bear fruit good enough to eat, and surely good enough to make into jelly, especially if they are large enough to justify the effort. The variety Dolgo is widely available, and if you grow it you'll have to decide whether to enjoy the sight of the fluorescent red fruits dangling from the branches or the taste of them in the jelly jar. Other good cooking varieties include Cranberry, Hyslop, Transcendent and Reddish, the last with fruit that is red right to the core.

Many qualities, including fresh flavor

In fact, a crabapple fruit does not even have to taste sour; the only thing that makes a crabapple a crabapple is fruit size. Any apple less than 2 inches across is by definition a crabapple. Centennial, Chestnut, Kerr and Wisconsin are crabapples that you will want to chomp into. The fruits are small for apples but large for crabapples.

As for form and leaf color, some crabapple trees are upright and large; most are rounded and medium-size. If you want a dainty dwarf tree, plant Coralburst, which has double pink flowers followed by small, reddish-orange fruits. How about White Cascade for a weeping crabapple, this one a waterfall of white blossoms that are followed by pea-size, yellow fruits? Royalty has the most dramatic leaf color: glossy purple in spring, greenish purple in summer, then brilliant purple in fall. The flowers are few, but are dark crimson, almost purple, and followed by — you guessed it — purple fruits.

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HEALTH AND WELLNESS FRONT PAGE

» On Mondays, the Morning News will run a standalone Health and Wellness section. It typically runs on the B Section for the Monday edition.

» The Health and Wellness section features its own masthead with promos. The Health and Wellness masthead uses the HEADER HEALTH item in the Morning News library. The section may feature a lower-strip ad.

» The front typically consists of one or two story packages, with photos, and a column that runs down the left rail.

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Health & Wellness

Health and Wellness Masthead

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Germina Suffrant, M.D.
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Prevention and early detection are making a big difference

Across our community and the entire country this month, we will celebrate the brave women who have done battle with breast cancer.

It's a time of reflection and celebration for many women, as they bond together to celebrate a precious victory and to support causes designed to eradicate the disease.

But October can also be a difficult time for some, as we are encouraged to remember friends or loved ones who lost their battle with breast cancer—some of them at a very young age.

But perhaps most importantly, October traditionally provides opportunities to educate millions of women on the importance of screening and prevention.

Between 1990 and 2013, the death rate from breast cancer decreased by 37 percent, or nearly a quarter of a million lives.

The decrease certainly is due in large part to women declining hormone therapies during and after menopause, but also to aggressive campaigns encouraging women older than 40 to be vigilant about mammograms. Today, 67 percent of women over age 40 report having had a mammogram in the past two years, totaling nearly 39 million mammograms per year.

While mammograms aren't perfect, the digital diagnostic tools of today can detect changes in the breast years before a tumor develops. And statistics tell us that the five-year survival rate is nearly 99% when breast cancer is detected in the early stages.

While recommendations have changed through the years regarding who should get screened and when, the general standards for women at average risk remain the same:

- Starting at age 40, all women can choose whether to start annual screening with mammograms.
- Women age 45-54 should have a mammogram every year.
- Women age 55 and older should switch to mammograms every two years but can choose to continue annual screenings.
- Screening should continue as long as a woman is in good general health and is expected to live 10 more years or longer.

Some women are at higher risk of developing breast cancer based on family history, genetic mutations and some prior health conditions and therapies. If you fall into this category, it's important to talk with your doctor about more aggressive detection measures and whether they're right for you.

Today, Carolinas Hospital System offers technologies such as ultrasound, breast MRI and genetic testing, giving those who are most vulnerable to this disease the best chance to detect it early and survive. Of course, it's vitally important to remember that—like any cancer or other disease—prevention is absolutely the best medicine. One in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer during their lifetime.

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Breaking the code

Oncologist explains the genetics of breast cancer

BY MICHAEL D. PAVY, MD
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Breast cancer research continues to move forward with multiple advancements in care. As a result, today we have more chemotherapy agents and targeted treatments to help women, such as immunotherapy.

Our goal is to provide personalized cancer care. We do not look simply at the patient. We also study the tumor to see if they have certain receptors on them so we can fine tune, customize and personalize the treatment for each person. One treatment does not fit all. We individualize it to each and every person.

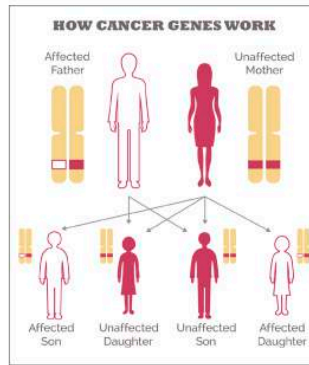
Types of breast cancer

There are three different kinds of breast cancer:

- 1. "Sporadic" is when a woman walks in with breast cancer and has no family history. This is the most common. Sporadic covers about 70 percent of women with breast cancer.
- 2. The second is called "Familial," meaning there is a family history of breast cancer but when the woman is tested for the gene, it is not there. Familial covers approximately 20 percent of women.
- 3. The third one is called "Hereditary." Usually, 10 percent of women actually have the genes for breast cancer.

Breast cancer genes

Two genes carry a breast cancer risk.



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Dr. Michael Pavy has been caring for patients at McLeod since 1981.

One of them is the BRCA gene; the other one is the PALB1 gene. If women have these genes, they have a markedly increased risk of breast cancer

—much more than the average woman.

At McLeod Oncology and Hematology Associates, we provide genetic screening if a woman is likely to have the gene. The woman is seen by a genetics counselor, and if she agrees, blood is drawn and a total panel of gene tests is performed. This evaluation provides a clearer idea of whether she will have breast cancer.

If a woman has one of the genes, it is recommended that once she is finished having children, she should have her fallopian tubes and ovaries removed, because the gene is also a marker for these cancers as well as breast

cancer.

There are a number of different options for women who have the breast cancer gene. One is more frequent monitoring with MRI scans and mammograms. Another is the option of taking Tamoxifen, an anti-estrogen drug. Some women should consider undergoing preventive bilateral mastectomies to lower their risk of developing breast cancer.

High-risk women with a sister or mother who has been diagnosed with breast cancer should discuss their medical history with their primary care physician or GYN physician. If there are any questions, they can be referred to our team, and we can counsel them on genetic testing.

Genetics of breast cancer is a complicated area of oncology. There are a number of different options for these women to consider. It also requires a good deal of soul searching by each woman and her family on how they want to manage this situation.

For more information on breast cancer, contact Tracey Godwin, the McLeod Breast Oncology Navigator, at 643-777-5418.

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Walking is medicine? It helped high-risk seniors stay mobile

BY LAURAN NEERGAARD
AP Medical Writer

WASHINGTON — It's not too late to get moving. Simple physical activity—mostly walking—helped high-risk seniors stay mobile after disability-inducing ailments even if, at 70 and beyond, they had long been couch potatoes.

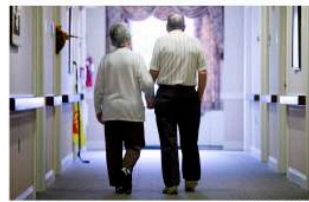
One health policy specialist said a new study suggests that prescribing exercise may be just as important as prescribing medications.

"Once you lose that mobility piece of your life, then you really lose independence," said Patricia Katz of the University of California, San Francisco, who wasn't part of the new research but said physicians need to put the findings to use.

Katz called it striking that among the walkers, "if you start to have problems, you have a greater ability to recover and get your functioning back."

Older adults often shift back and forth between independence and conditions that can be disabling at least temporarily—a broken bone, an operation or a hospitalization from illness that requires time and rehab if they're to get back on their feet.

The study examined whether regular physical activity could help even the oldest seniors stay mobile for longer despite other health conditions.



An elderly couple walks down a hall in Easton, Pa. It's not too late to get moving: Simple physical activity, mostly walking, helped high-risk seniors stay mobile after disability-inducing ailments even if, at 70 and beyond, they'd long been couch potatoes.

The study enrolled more than 1,600 adults between the ages of 70 and 89 considered at high risk for disability because they were sedentary and had various chronic health problems, such as heart disease or diabetes. More than 2 in 5 were 80 or older. To enroll, they had to be able to walk a quarter of a mile in 15 minutes—a long time, and some needed every minute.

"We were targeting folks who potentially had the most to gain," said Dr. Thomas Gill, a Yale University geriatrician who led the work.

The study compared seniors assigned to a regular walking program, plus a little strength and balance exercise, with a control group given health education.

Over 3½ years, the walking program reduced the amount of time seniors spent suffering from a major mobility problem by 25 percent, the researchers reported in *Annals of Internal Medicine*.

The walkers were less likely to experience a mobility-robust condition in the first place, more likely to recover if they did and less likely to suffer another one, Gill said.

While the walking didn't replace any necessary physical therapy, too often seniors "leave the hospital more debilitated than when they entered," Gill said. The goal was to get them walking again as soon as possible.

Only half of U.S. adults of all ages get the amount of physical activity recommended for good health. And

if they weren't active during middle age, older adults often are especially wary of getting started. Maybe they have arthritic pain, or are worried if it's safe given other illnesses, or fear they'll fall.

Gill said the study shows many sedentary seniors can start walking safely, no gym membership needed—just a safe place such as a sidewalk or shopping mall. Those who were physically active were less likely to be injured in a fall, he noted.

There were six more deaths among the walkers over the course of the study, a difference that wasn't statistically significant, he said.

"A lot of people probably don't know where to start," said UCSC's Katz, who co-authored an editorial in the *Annals of Internal Medicine* that said an actual prescription from the doctor could help, maybe more than a medication prescription.

No one expects a sedentary senior suddenly speed-walk. The goal is to build up gradually to meet federal health guidelines that say even older adults should get 2½ hours a week of moderate-intensity exercise. Essentially, that means enough to increase your heart rate—not breathless, but breathing a little hard.

Seniors "should be more scared of not doing something," Katz said. "It's not too late. It gives you some resilience."

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HEALTH AND WELLNESS INSIDE PAGES

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» Front page jumps will run on the second page of the section.

» Dear Abby, Billy Graham and Horoscopes will run on one page in the Health and Wellness section. If needed, fill the Dear Abby page with entertainment articles that are not running in the front news section. Make sure to keep these three items together.

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Minimize your risk by following these general rules to supercharge your immune system:

- » Keep a healthy weight, with a BMI at or below 24.
- » Engage in physical exercise at least four hours each week.
- » Get eight hours of sleep most days – preferably during nighttime hours.
- » Limit alcohol consumption to no more than one drink per day.
- » Avoid exposure to chemicals that can cause cancer – you can find a detailed list of known carcinogens at cancer.org.
- » Limit exposure to radiation, using X-rays, CT scans and PET scans only when medically necessary.
- » Before taking any type of hormone replacement or birth control therapy, ask your doctor to ensure you are balancing the risks and benefits.
- » If possible, breastfeed any children you might have.

Our team at Carolinas Hospital System looks forward to celebrating Breast Cancer Awareness Month with all the survivors, families and advocates here in our community.

Please join us Saturday, Oct. 22 for our Healthy Woman "Steps for Strength Walk/Run" in the St. John's Episcopal Church parking lot, located at 252 S. Dargan Street in downtown Florence. Registration opens at 7:30 a.m. The walk/race begins at 8 a.m.

Early registration is only \$15. Day-of registration is \$20. Your registration fee includes a free T-shirt. Proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society. To register, visit CarolinasHealthy-

Pill Bottles Unhappy Target customers send strong message

BY TOM MURPHY
AP Health Writer

Longtime customers of Target's pharmacies are finding a change in pill bottle design hard to swallow.

After CVS began operating Target's drugstores earlier this year, distraught customers have been asking — in some cases begging — the drugstore chain to bring back the retailer's red prescription bottles, which came with color-coded rings, labeling on the top and prescription information that was easier to read.

Some customers also took more drastic steps.

Vivian Ruth Sawyer went fishing through her trash to rescue the old Target bottles soon after opening her stapled prescription bag to find the dowdy, white-capped amber vials that are common in most medicine cabinets. She has since poured refills of her thyroid medicine into the old Target bottles, even though they don't have the right expiration dates. It's worth it, she said, because those bottles make it easier to tell her prescriptions apart when she looks in her drawer for them.

"This is really inconvenient and irritating," the Louisville, Kentucky, resident said.

CVS says it is working on designing a new system for dispensing prescriptions and helping people stay on their medications, but spokeswoman Carolyn Castel declined to share details or say whether that might involve an updated bottle design.

Meanwhile, shoppers continue to mourn the loss of a bottle that was considered groundbreaking



Shelley Ewalt attempts to open one of two uniquely designed prescription bottles from Target on Sept. 18 in her home in Princeton, N.J.



Shelley Ewalt sits near an amber-colored CVS pharmacy prescription bottle (right) and two uniquely designed red ones from Target in her home in Princeton, N.J.

the top so it could be seen from above. It included a flat surface that customers found easier to read than the curve of a typical pill bottle, and it came with color-coded rings for the neck to help family members quickly tell their medicines apart.

Deborah Adler devised the new

system.

The red bottles were important to Christina Mihalek, of Cincinnati, because she accidentally took her mom's high blood pressure medicine instead of an antibiotic when she was in high school, and she passed out in the lunch line that day. Mihalek took

to the "vastly superior design" of the Target bottles, which she found easier to open.

Woonsocket, Rhode Island-based CVS Health Corp., which runs the nation's second-largest drugstore chain, started operating Target pharmacies earlier this year as part of a \$1.9 billion deal the companies announced in 2015.

CVS's Castel said the company stopped using Minneapolis-based Target Corp.'s bottles because it's more efficient to fill prescriptions with the same bottle at all of its 9,600 pharmacies.

Customer visits to Target's in-store pharmacies slipped in the second quarter. Castel said CVS doesn't see a connection between that and the change in prescription bottles.

But the bottle switch might have influenced a small percentage of customers to shop elsewhere, according to Marshal Cohen, chief retail analyst with market researcher NPD Group. He said the second quarter was tough for many retailers, but he also noted that regular customers to pharmacies don't like change.

"When you start tinkering with things ... the consumer kind of gets a little testy," he said.

Patients can buy prescription bottle caps that glow or beep when it's time to take their medicine. But Purdue University pharmacy professor Alan Zillich hasn't seen much of an evolution in the design of pill containers used by pharmacies because it just isn't worth it, financially.

"Even though drugs cost a lot, pharmacies don't make much off each individual prescription," he said.

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Volunteers hand out fresh produce to a woman inside a refrigerator truck at Oak Forest Health Center on Thursday in Oak Forest, Ill.

Doctors 'prescribe' fresh produce some with help from food banks

The Associated Press

OAK FOREST, Ill. — The idea is simple: Load fresh fruits and vegetables into a refrigerator truck and drive it to a health clinic, then have a doctor write a "prescription" for food to improve the diets of low-income people with diabetes and high blood pressure.

U.S. food banks — the organizations on the front lines of fighting hunger — increasingly are promoting "food as medicine" strategies designed to address, not exacerbate, the high rate of chronic health problems among the poor.

One-third of households using food banks are feeding a family member with diabetes, and 56 percent have a family member with high blood pressure, according to a recent survey by Feeding America, a national network of 200 food banks. Meanwhile, 55 percent of people identify fresh fruits and vegetables as the foods they most desire but aren't receiving from their food pantry.

"I'm on a very limited income," said James Cline, who has diabetes and gets by on \$700 a month living

with his mother in suburban Chicago. Disabled after an all-terrain vehicle accident, the 53-year-old former loading dock worker knows he should eat more fresh produce. But the cost of a nutritious diet can be out of reach, so he took his doctor's advice and showed up for a recent produce giveaway at Oak Forest Health Center.

"It helps a lot," he said. Since August 2015, six Chicago-area clinics have hosted 26 "Fresh Truck" visits by the Greater Chicago Food Depository, providing more than 100,000 pounds of fresh fruit and vegetables to more than 3,200 households. Nationally, 30 food banks are working directly with health care providers to identify low-income patients who sometimes run out of food. In Idaho, doctors in Boise and Caldwell plan to add small food pantries to their offices. In Delaware, pediatricians write "prescriptions" for fresh produce: a family can get up to 25 pounds each, monthly, distributed by the local food bank at clinics. Two hospitals, in Alabama and Florida, collaborated with a Gulf

Coast food bank to offer free lunches during the summer to children with hospitalized relatives.

"Food banks are trying to do better by providing fewer starches and carbs and more lean proteins, fruits, vegetables and whole grains," said Dr. Hilary Seligman, senior medical adviser for Feeding America. "The nutritious foods that are expensive for our clients are also expensive for food banks. We're figuring out how we can do this and do it better."

Seligman is leading a clinical trial to measure if food banks can help people with diabetes improve their blood sugar levels through education and tailored food packages. Researchers have enrolled 572 food pantry clients in Detroit, Houston and Oakland, California. Results are expected in 2018.

"If this works, we'll spread it across the Feeding America network, and if it doesn't, we'll try something else," Seligman said. Food banks, whose supplies are stocked through purchases and food donations, have hired dietitians to teach classes.

There is plenty to aspire to between now and your trip to Heaven

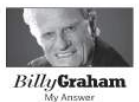
Q I'm in high school, and I decided to give my life to Jesus at a church camp this summer. I know this means I'll go to Heaven when I die, but what am I supposed to do in the meantime?

—K.E.

Answer: I'm thankful you made your commitment to Jesus Christ this summer, and I pray you will learn to follow him the rest of your life. May you always "continue in your faith, established and firm" (Colossians 1:23).

Knowing your sins are forgiven and that you will go to Heaven when you die are great truths, made possible solely because of Jesus' death and resurrection for us. But listen: God is just as concerned about our lives right now!

He wants to guide us and help us live pure lives,



Billy Graham
My Answer

and he also wants to use us to help others and point them to Jesus. Jesus said, "You are the light of the world... Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:14, 16).

You see, the Bible says that when we first come to Jesus, we are like newborn babies — spiritual babies. Just as a baby needs food, so we need the "food" of God's Word, the Bible. Just as a baby needs to learn to talk, so we need to learn to pray. And just as a baby needs to be helped and

Bible verse
What does it profit a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul?
— Mark 8:36

protected by others, so we need other believers to help and protect us.

Make God's Word, and prayer and fellowship with other believers a part of your life every day. God wants you to become more and more like Jesus — and you will, as your faith grows stronger. The Bible says, "Come near to God and he will come near to you" (James 4:8).

Send your queries to "My Answer," c/o Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, 1 Billy Graham Parkway, Charlotte, NC 28201. Call (877) 2-4684AM or visit the Web site for the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association: www.billygraham.org.

Mom suspects military wife is retreating from her husband

Dear Abby: My daughter and son-in-law are both in the military. Currently her husband is stationed elsewhere. They have a 6-month-old daughter, and I'm staying with her to help her out for now. I have a gut feeling that she is cheating. Do I have the right to ask her?

—WORRIED MOTHER IN CALIFORNIA

Dear Worried: Of course you do — that's what mothers are for. You also have the right as her mother to point out that if it's true, what the consequences of her fling may be when her husband returns. When you talk to her, try not to come across as judgmental as much as concerned, and be prepared to do a lot of listening, because people don't usually start affairs for no reason.

Dear Abby: I'm fairly certain that you have never heard this one before, but I am a slob. It's embarrassing, but it is what it is. I'm working on it, but I'm nearly 70, so major change is unlikely.

I suspect a friend of mine used my hidden key and came into my house to clean for me on my birthday while I was out to dinner with my children. She meant



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

well, but I have asked her repeatedly not to help me. She simply refuses to listen to what she doesn't want to hear. She says she cleans because it's a stress reliever for her, but it just makes me feel more stressed. Needless to say, I have taken in all of my hidden keys. I am frustrated by her actions and feel violated, not honored. Honestly, I am just embarrassed. I haven't been feeling well for a while, so the house was particularly messy. I suspect she's waiting for me to acknowledge her "thoughtfulness."

Abby, please tell your readers that "helping a friend" is NO HELP if it isn't welcome. I feel what she did was stubborn and selfish since it was what she wanted to do — not what I wanted. I'm a big girl, and I can get help if I want it.

—FRUSTRATED IN THE WEST

Dear Frustrated: I feel for you, but the person who needs to receive that message is the person

who has been doing this "for" you over your objections. Are you absolutely sure that it's this friend who's doing it and not some other well-meaning person — a relative, perhaps? If you are certain, then deliver the message with both barrels.

What concerns me is your statement that you have taken in your extra keys. That means "someone" may have made an extra copy, which would be not only a huge invasion of privacy but also a security problem. If the problem persists, have your locks changed.

Dear Abby: At what age is it acceptable and appropriate for my daughters to move out?

—WONDERING IN WICHITA

Dear Wondering: Many young adults live with their parents today because they are burdened with student loan debt and are unable to find jobs. I think the logical time for them to move out would be when they are able to support themselves.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 60440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Horoscopes

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Refuse to get caught up in something that you cannot afford or whose benefits are only temporary. Practical plans will have lasting results. Listen to good advice.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Changes made at home or in the workplace will pay off. It's OK to be different, as long as the results are good.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Wheel and deal, negotiate contracts and bring about change that will improve your standard of living.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You'll have to make tough choices. Practical suggestions and intelligent conversation will encourage others to respond favorably.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — An unexpected opportunity is heading your way. A new position, bonus or money-making endeavor looks promising.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Mix and mingle with people who share your views. The information you pick up will help you expand a plan that could boost your assets or your income.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Push for what you want. Take on a challenge, and set your standards high. You'll impress onlookers and gain recognition for your skillful maneuvers. Networking will pay off.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Listen and learn. Don't let your emotions take control, or you will miss important information required to make a life-altering personal decision.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Look at the big picture, but don't feel the need to take on too much at one time.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Don't let the changes going on around you disrupt your plans. Share your imagination and share your ideas in order to make a good impression.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Discipline and the willingness to take on more responsibilities will help you prove that you are worthy of greater recognition.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Don't let anyone put a damper on your day. Believe in your ability to get things done right. Personal gains will be yours if you stick to your plans.

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Kitty Finklea
Lifestyle Coach

Go bananas

People ask me on a regular basis if a banana is a good fruit to eat since it is high in carbohydrates. And I say YES! A yellow 6-7 inch banana contains about 100 calories along with 23 grams of carbohydrate and 3 grams of dietary fiber. Carbohydrates are the primary fuel source of working muscle so a banana is a perfect pre-workout snack.

A banana is also a quick easy snack between meals. If you're worried about the carb or need longer staying power, combine it with a small amount of protein such as 10-15 nuts or spread about a tablespoon of nut butter on your banana to slow down digestion and feel satisfied longer.

Most people are aware bananas are high in potassium, a mineral that promotes healthy blood pressure and overall heart health. Potassium can also help prevent muscle and leg cramps. This creamy fruit is nutrient dense and is also a good source of Vitamin B6 and C as well as manganese.

Bananas contain tryptophan, a neurotransmitter that improves mood and may make some people sleepy after eating. If you're having trouble getting to sleep at night, try a banana for an evening snack. Eating a banana promotes friendly bacteria in the bowel, aiding digestion, and may also help with mild indigestion. For many the natural sweet flavor can also help satisfy a sugar craving.

Even the banana peel has some interesting uses. Rub a bug bite or hives with the inside of the peel to help relieve itching. The inside peel can also be rubbed on leather to give it a shine.

If you have a latex allergy be aware that bananas are one of the latex fruit syndrome foods along with avocado, chestnut and kiwi that may or may not trigger an allergic reaction.

Bananas are great on their own and have their own natural packaging for an on the go treat. They are extremely versatile and easily added to hot or cold cereal, in smoothies, and fruit salads. Just add a little lemon or orange juice to avoid browning. Bananas are delicious in baked products such as breads, muffins and cakes and often the sugar content can be decreased when using bananas.

While you don't want to go bananas by eating too many in a day, having one or two bananas is one of my favorite ways to get in some quick nutrition.

Creamy Banana and Avocado Smoothie

Ingredients
1 large or 2 small bananas (fresh or frozen)
1/2 small avocado, pit and skin removed
1-1 and 1/2 cups unsweetened almond milk (or other milk)
1/2 - 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 teaspoon honey
1 tablespoon chia seeds
1 tablespoon peanut or almond butter or 1 scoop protein powder (optional)
Handful of ice if desired

Place all ingredients in a blender. Blend on high for 30-45 seconds or until a smooth consistency. Enjoy!

For more information on adopting healthier lifestyle changes, contact Kitty Finklea, lifestyle coach, registered dietitian and personal trainer at McLeod Health and Fitness Center, 943-777-3000.

Greek Festival



Ecairs are among the pastries that will be offered at the 2015 Greek Festival in Florence.

New venue, popular dishes expected to draw large crowd

BY SHAMIRA MCCRAY
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FLORENCE Parishioners of the Transfiguration of our Savior Greek Orthodox Church of Florence are expecting to draw 7,000 to 8,000 people to this year's Greek Festival.

The festival is scheduled for Thursday through Sunday at the church on South Cashua Drive in Florence. Kostas Kolliopoulos, the 2015 festival chairman, said he expects an increase in attendance due to the opening of the church's new Hellenic Center.

"As the community expands, we needed a larger area," Kolliopoulos said. "This building was 10 years in the making."

The 33rd annual Greek Festival will be one of the first events held in the new fellowship hall. Kolliopoulos said it was funded by donated money and funds from previous festivals. The hall will house indoor dining, pastries and Greek dancing shows during the festival.

This year's menu contains many Greek favorites including pastries, Souvlaki, Chicken Riganiato, Mousaka, Gyros and Greek salads among other dishes. Those attending the festival will be able to purchase imported Greek beer and wine along with soft drinks and bottled water.

"The important thing is to make all of these, the parishioners work together to make it," Kolliopoulos said. "They put in a lot of hours to make these." Family-friendly activities will be



Melomakarona, Baklava, Kourambietes and Koulourakia will be served at the 2015 Greek Festival in addition to several homemade Greek dinners, salads and baked dishes.

WANT TO GO?

► **WHAT:** Florence Greek Festival
► **WHEN:** 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday
► **WHERE:** Transfiguration of our Savior Greek Orthodox Church of Florence, 2990 S. Cashua Drive, Florence
► **INFO:** Admission is free, but food will be for sale. A full listing of menu items can be found at www.florencegreekfestival.com.

offered at the four-day festival. The majority of them will take place on Saturday.

Church tours are scheduled several times throughout the day Thursday through Sunday. Dance shows are scheduled for 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday, 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday. A variety of children's rides will begin at

4 p.m. Friday and will last until Saturday night.

The Eastern S.C. Mustang Club will host the Greek Festival Car Show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Sixty to 100 cars will be participating, Kolliopoulos said.

Helicopter rides, live music by Paschalis Greek Band, vendors, face painting and Greek cooking classes will also be offered at the festival. "I think it's going to be more exciting than previous years," Kolliopoulos said. "There's a level of enthusiasm here. Everybody's excited about this new facility."

Admission is free during the Greek Festival, but there will be a fee for food. Meal discounts can be found in newspapers and magazines, Kolliopoulos said.

A full listing of menu items can be found at www.florencegreekfestival.com.



The flavor of grilled tuna can even rival the satisfaction of a juicy steak.

Ban boring baked fish; It's time for grilled tuna panzanella

BY MELISSA D'ARBARIAN
The Associated Press

We all know we should eat more fish. We all know it's good for us. What we don't always know is a great way to make eating fish feel new and exciting. Because how many times can you get excited about baked fish?

Personally, I set a goal to eat fish three

times a week. And that's good news for you, because that has forced me to come up with some inventive and delicious ways to eat this healthy, lean protein.

Even full-flavored — and slightly fatter — fish like tuna is a great choice. One 4-ounce serving of fresh tuna has a whopping 28 grams of protein and

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Dennis Fraley
Bottle Talk

Sometimes the masses are right

I usually tend to downplay trendy wines because they are just that, trendy. Although trends drive a market and feed a billion-dollar industry, I don't want to be that kind of consumer. Nor do I wish that of readers or wine students. It is the same as when college professors impose their beliefs on their students instead of teaching them to be independent thinkers and draw their own conclusions.

That said, the masses are not always wrong. There are times when the stars align causing well-made (and good value) wines to become trendy. We are spectators of that very situation occurring now in the wine industry with the booming popularity of the Southern Rhone.

The Southern Rhone wine area is in the Rhone Valley, France, starting in the north around Montélimar and fanning out on both sides of the Rhone River to the city of Nimes, where it becomes Languedoc to the west and Provence to the east. The climate is what you would expect for Southern France, sunny and hot. The grapes have an easy time reaching full ripeness and building high sugars (which can translate to high alcohol levels). With over 20 allowed grape varieties, one can see why practically and traditionally most wines are produced as blends. Wine styles are diverse including white, rose, sparkling, and fortified but the reds are responsible for the majority of production.

As in other French wine regions, the AOC structure is based on geography. The least specific geographic labeling is "Cote du Rhone." The producers of these wines have the ability to source grapes from all over the Rhone Valley, including Northern Rhone. The lack of specific geographical identity perpetuates companies to promote these wines through branding. The types and amounts of grape varieties in the blend vary among producers but must contain a minimum of 40 percent Grenache. Grenache, Syrah and Mourvedre (GSM) together must make up a minimum of 70 percent. These light and fruity wines account for about 80 percent of the region's production.

The next AOC level is Cotes du Rhone Villages. These wines are made of grapes sourced from one or multiple villages in the Southern Rhone allowed to use the Villages' title. Currently there are approximately 18 of these villages. This level dictates that Grenache must make up a minimum of 50 percent and GSM 80 percent of the blend.

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Fine dining



Employee Ashley Bozeman sets tables for lunch at the new Flavors of India restaurant in Florence. The restaurant opened on Wednesday on East Palmetto Street.

Florence restaurant offers cuisine from India

BY JOHN D. RUSSELL
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FLORENCE
Flavors of India, a new Indian food restaurant, has opened in Florence.

The new restaurant is in the location formerly occupied by Chutnee, another Indian food restaurant, but chef and owner Aseem Mehda said it is different. Mehda said he graduated from culinary school in Sidney and has worked seven years in the food business. He said he wanted to find a place to open an Indian restaurant. By chance he found Florence and the old Chutnee location. Two months of preparation led up to last week's opening.

Mehda, originally from Punjab, India, said this is Indian fine dining. There are cloth napkins and table cloths, mood lighting and there is no buffet line. All food is made fresh to order including naan, made in a bread oven in the kitchen.

"We have about 150 different items on the menu," Mehda said. "Indian food is a little spicy but we can make it mild too, no problem."

Last week was the first time new employee Ashley Bozeman had ever tried Indian food. "It is absolutely delicious," she said. "We have Chinese and Mexican food in Florence already but we don't have Indian food. There's nothing else like it here. I think the experience alone is worth it."

Flavors of India, at 137 E. Palmetto St. in Florence, is open seven days a week for lunch and dinner. Each day there is a different lunch special on the menu.



Chef and restaurant owner Aseem Mehda prepares a chicken curry dish in the kitchen at the new Flavors of India restaurant in Florence.



Chef and restaurant owner Aseem Mehda uses a full selection of authentic Indian spices in preparing the food at Flavors of India.

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» The inside of the Morning News Food section will typically feature food related Associated Press articles and recipes. For recipe articles, follow the CEC recipe style guide.

» Front page jumps will run on the second page of the section.

» Dear Abby, Billy Graham and Horoscopes will run on one page in the Food section. If needed, fill the Dear Abby page with entertainment articles that are not running in the front news section. Make sure to keep these three items together.

» One page in the Food section will run the edition's comics. Comics for weekday and Saturday editions are placed in the folder: M:\Groups\EDITORIAL\InFromFlorence\Photos. The daily comics will be labeled with the day's date. The comics will come in a PDF form that just has to be dropped onto the page with the appropriate page folio. If comics are not available, please contact Richard Mozingo in the press room.

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Crank up the grill for a finger-friendly vegetable dish

BY J.M. HIRSCH
The Associated Press

Much as I love my grill for the low-and-slow magic it works with a monster hunk of pork butt or a thick and beefy steak, I find it often shines brightest on more tender fare, such as peppers, corn and mushrooms.

Soft produce such as these blister and brown so nicely under the intense heat of the grill. They absorb the flavors of the smoke and char, and transform from something raw and watery to a savory and robust treat. So to kick off grilling season, I created a simple and fast grilled vegetable dish that would play up the smoke and char.

The result — grilled shishito peppers and red onion rings. The raw veggies start with a simple toss in sesame oil, then land on the grill until tender and lightly browned. From there they go to a platter and

get a hefty sprinkle of coarse salt and a drizzle of a pleasantly acidic peanut sauce. The whole delicious process takes just about 15 minutes.

These peppers and onions are ideal as a finger food to nibble on while the rest of the meal hits the grill. Pair them with a refreshing margarita.

Grilled Red Onions and Shishito Peppers with Peanut Sauce

Start to finish: 15 minutes
Servings: 6

Ingredients:

1/2 cup smooth natural peanut butter
1/2 cup red wine vinegar
2 cloves garlic
1-inch chunk fresh ginger
1 tablespoon soy sauce
1 tablespoon sugar
Splash hot sauce
1 pound shishito peppers
2 large red onions, cut into



THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Grilled Red Onions and Shishito Peppers with Peanut Sauce are ideal as a finger food to nibble on while the rest of the meal hits the grill.

1/2-inch rounds
2 tablespoons sesame oil
Kosher or other coarse salt

Directions:

Heat the grill to medium-high.

In a blender, combine the

peanut butter, vinegar, garlic, ginger, soy sauce, sugar and hot sauce. Puree until smooth. Taste and adjust soy sauce, vinegar and hot sauce to desired taste. The sauce should be thin enough to drizzle easily. If not, add water 1

tablespoon at a time and blend. Set aside.

On a large serving platter, combine the peppers and onion slices. Drizzle with the oil, then toss gently until evenly coated. Try not to break apart the onion rings. Arrange the peppers and onions on the grill and cook, turning often, until evenly browned and tender, 5 to 7 minutes.

Return the peppers and onions to the platter. This time, let the onion slices separate into individual rings. Sprinkle the onions and peppers with salt, then drizzle with a bit of the peanut sauce. Serve with the remaining peanut sauce on the side for dipping.

Nutrition information per serving: 240 calories; 140 calories from fat (58 percent of total calories); 15 g fat (2 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 0 mg cholesterol; 420 mg sodium; 18 g carbohydrate; 4 g fiber; 8 g sugar; 7 g protein.

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Pee Dee Currents Section

PEE DEE CURRENTS FRONT PAGE

» On Thursday, the Morning News will run a standalone Pee Dee Currents section. It typically runs on the B section for the Thursday edition. The front page of the Pee Dee Current section is budgeted by the Morning News staff and will be budgeted in Budget Bank.

» The Pee Dee Outdoors section features its own masthead but does not have promos. The Pee Dee Currents masthead uses the HEADER CURRENTS item in the Morning News library.

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Justin Johnson
Morning News

A live sitcom walks into a bar

You know what you don't see anymore? Live TV. (Not counting special events, like the Oscars.) (Not counting sports.) (Not counting singing and dancing shows.) (Not counting the news.) (Look, stop clarifying, you're gonna ruin it.)

What I'm talking about is live TV that's happening as you watch it, but it has a script. (See, none of that other stuff has a script.)

(Look, OK, fine, I know the Oscars have a script — you are seriously ruining it.)

Live TV has been largely marked as a relic of the odd days of television, so imagine my surprise when NBC announced it would air a live episode of its normally-pre-recorded scripted comedy "Undateable."

The show is about single people who hang out in a bar (how novel), but it's elevated by the comedic chops of the actors and the fact that, at times, they're allowed to ad lib and go off-script, sometimes catching the other actors off-guard (and therefore, making them laugh).

Normally this kind of stuff doesn't crop up in scripted shows (that's mostly a characteristic of something like "Saturday Night Live"), but "Undateable" doesn't actually feel like a scripted TV show.

It really feels like a play, even though it's shot like a standard sitcom. Characters enter from just "offstage," and the pacing and timing work like they're in a theater. As a former theater major, I find this pretty exciting to see.

So it does actually make sense that NBC would take this show that feels like a play and do a special "performance," as if the audience were visiting a staged setting. Not only that, they doubled the length to an hour to allow room for the actors to play some (which they did).

And it was fantastic. The episode was hilarious and a high mark for the show itself.

Not only that, the gimmick paid off: Viewership saw a slight rise, and NBC has renewed the show for a third season.

Let me correct that: NBC has renewed the show for a third, completely live season. Every episode will be presented live, in a half-hour format.

This is a bold move, one that shows NBC execs have faith in the show and its players. SNL isn't the only live game in town anymore, and the slightly

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Artists turn repair parts into art

BY SHAMIRA MCCRAY
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FLORENCE — Artists have turned broken smart phone and tablet parts into art that is now on display at Smart Phone Repair in Florence.

Smart Phone Repair owner August Langley said he had accumulated a large box of parts from devices he repaired over the years.

"I kept them in other boxes when I had them, so we were overflowing with it," Langley said. "I always thought it would be really cool to do something."

Langley said his company gets a lot of glass shards, but he is not artistic at all. So he connected with Uschi Jeffcoat, executive director for the Florence Regional Arts Alliance.

Together Langley and Jeffcoat established the Once A Part Now Art competition.

"We were used to create the structure," Jeffcoat said. "We created the framework behind the competition. We reached out to the artists, and we served in an advisory capacity."

Langley and Smart Phone Repair provided the materials for the competition and the space for the exhibit.

Local artists were able to participate in the art competition by registering with Smart Phone Repair.

All registered artists were then provided similar parts from the store to work with, in addition to any other items they wished to use to add to or embellish items provided by Smart Phone Repair.

"They were allowed to make either something two-dimensional or three-dimensional," Jeffcoat said.

All works of art were submitted by May 2.

Twelve artists submitted works that are on exhibit at Smart Phone Repair.

Langley said the store has gotten a lot of feedback from customers. He said the art adds some culture in its own unique way.

"A lot of what we do as a business is focused around the idea of reused. Repair instead of getting a new one," Langley said. "That's huge for the environment, but there's these pieces that we didn't really have much to do with them, so we thought that doing this could highlight finding value in things that don't necessarily have value."

Langley said "upcycled art" is about making something out



"Life" by Margaret Weishuhn is one of the 12 works of art submitted in the Once A Part Now Art competition.



Artists could make two-dimensional or three-dimensional pieces using old device parts provided by Smart Phone Repair.

of things people think is trash. "I think it's outstanding," Jeffcoat said. "That business took what it had to incorporate more art and to bring more people into the space. I think it was just a very intentional way of using the arts."

WANT TO GO?

WHAT: Meet the Artist and Awards Reception
WHEN: 6:30 p.m. May 21
WHERE: Smart Phone Repair, 190 W. Coates St., Florence
INFO: Customers may vote on their favorite pieces of art before May 21 by going into the store.

A Meet the Artist and Awards Reception will be held at 6:30 p.m. on May 21 at Smart Phone Repair.

Jeffcoat said customers may vote on their favorite pieces of art before May 21 by going into the store.

The first-place winner will receive an iPad Air. The second-place winner will receive one free phone repair, and the third-place winner will receive a store credit.

"We're really excited for the art, and we want people to come out and meet the artists on the 21st," Langley said.

Men's Choral Society to host sacred music concert

BY SHAMIRA MCCRAY
Morning News
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FLORENCE — The Florence Men's Choral Society will perform its first all-sacred music concert today at First Presbyterian Church.

The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the church, and artistic director Julian M. Young said Betsy Johnson of Flo-

WANT TO GO?

WHAT: Men's Choral Society Spring Concert
WHEN: 7:30 p.m. today
WHERE: First Presbyterian Church, 700 Park Ave., Florence
INFO: Admission is free, but there will be a love offering.

rence will be the accompanist and a former Miss South Carolina, Bree Boyce, will serve as a

guest soloist.

"The men will be singing several beautiful sacred pieces, some very familiar and some in Latin," Young said. "At the end of our program, we will honor our veterans with some beautiful patriotic songs."

Hymn arrangements will also be included in concert.

Young organized the society in 2007. He said it performs a fall concert in November, and

the spring concert is usually in May. Those are the society's largest concerts. A different genre of music is performed for each major concert.

The group also performs for various civic engagements throughout the year.

Concerts are free to the public, but funds are raised through a love offering.

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Justin Johnson
Morning News

The games kids play

What do kids even do? I mean, look at 'em. Sitting there, with their small proportions and big eyes, staring at stuff, trying to make sense of it in their tiny brains, waiting for someone to hand them food a few times a day. What do they even do? Kids get to run and shout and swim and play, while we adults have to win all the bread and procure bacon to bring home and other food-based metaphors.

Yeah, kids go to school, but school is kind of the best. I loved school as a kid. My mom once told me that I came home upset after the first day of kindergarten because I didn't have any homework.

Apparently that's what big kids who went to school were supposed to have, and since I didn't have any, I wasn't a big kid yet. What a foolish child I was.

So school is just one of those things you do as a kid. There's lots of learning involved, and I guess we can count school as work for kids. And with work comes play. They get play time in the middle of the day! How awesome is that?

I remember some of the playground games we'd play as kids.

There was hide and seek, where tiny humans who are unaware of their actual size think they're hiding but really have a foot sticking out from inside the yellow slide.

Hey, what about red light, green light, aka "baby's first dictator?"

Or maybe Simon says, aka "baby's second dictator." There was red Rover, where the entire class found out who was the best at clothinglining their peers and making it seem like an accident.

We had capture the flag, where the rules of tackle football applied but the relative safety and football itself were removed, leaving room for everyone to chicken out and just play freeze tag instead.

Speaking of freeze tag, freeze tag just amounted to sprinting for like 12 seconds, then standing still until the bell rang, because freeze tag was made up by the Communists to keep kids from exercising free will, and I think I've gotten off track.

I'm not too knowledgeable about recess anymore, so I'm not sure if kids are still playing these games or not. I suspect they're all starting at iPhones and playing Candy Crush instead of trying to catch each other while avoiding being kicked over by kids who are — hey! You're swinging too high! You're going to get hurt, Kevin! Yes, I know your mom is the vice principal, but that doesn't mean you can — hey! Where did you learn that word?!

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Outshyne has opened for several country music super stars and performed at Darlington Raceway in 2013.

CONCERT ON THE RACEWAY

Darlington County Education Foundation to host country concert

BY SHAMIRA MCCRAY
Morning News
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FLORENCE — Nashville recording artists Outshyne, Radio Romance and John Stone will be in concert Saturday at the Darlington Raceway.

The concert will begin at 5 p.m. and is being hosted by the Darlington County Education Foundation to raise funds for grants that will be provided for educators in Darlington County School District for innovating and enriching projects. "This is the first year we've ever done a concert," said Andrea Pulling, executive director of the foundation. "We've done a taste, a gala, we just wanted to come up with something different than other organizations are doing in the community."

Pulling said the foundation followed recommendations on which artists to get to perform. Outshyne has a big following in South Carolina, she said.

Outshyne performs country music with rock overtones. The group has opened for country music stars such as Luke Bryan, Eric Church, Lee Brice, Colt Ford, Joe Nichols, Gary Allen and Justin Moore. The band performed at the raceway in 2013.

"We've always enjoyed playing at the Darlington Raceway. We have a lot of



Radio Romance is a Nashville-based trio that is rapidly gaining a reputation for no-holds-barred honesty in their songwriting.

WANT TO GO?

WHAT: Country Concert
WHEN: 5 p.m., Saturday
WHERE: Darlington Raceway
TICKETS: Tickets are \$15 in advance and at the gate. They can be purchased in advance at Darlington Raceway, Carolina Bank locations, Markette Convenience Stores, Vintage and Midnight Rooter in Hartsville.

loyal fans in the Pee Dee region of South Carolina," Outshyne lead singer Wayne Owsings said in an announcement. "It will be great to play for them again at one of NASCAR's most storied racetracks and

support a great organization like the Darlington County Education Foundation."

Both Radio Romance and John Stone have performed across the nation.

Pulling said she is expecting between 1,500 and 2,000 people to attend the concert Saturday evening in the track's infield.

Tickets are \$15 in advance and at the gate. They can be purchased at Darlington Raceway, Carolina Bank locations, Markette Convenience Stores, Vintage and Midnight Rooter in Hartsville. Concert-goers will need to take their own chairs. Concessions including food, beer and water will be available. Coolers are not allowed.

Screen on the Green movie series starts Saturday

From staff reports

HARTSVILLE — Screen on the Green, the city of Hartsville's free series of summertime movies, will start Saturday with a showing of "Searching for Bobby Fischer" in Barry Park, sponsored by the educational group Learn and Win.

The evening's presentation, a 1993 film, tells the true story of Josh Waitzkin (Max Pomeranc), who demonstrated a genius for the game of chess at an early

age. He was tutored by famous chess teacher Bruce Pandolfini (Ben Kingsley) to reach the level of skill possessed by Bobby Fischer, considered to be the greatest chess player of all time. The movie is rated "PG" for thematic elements.

The movie will be introduced by Learn and Win owner Michael Luppe, who will briefly speak about his passion for a game he has taught for more than a decade. Luppe's company offers tutoring and chess

classes at local schools. Those interested may contact Luppe at mluppe@hotmail.com.

The showing begins at dusk, 8:20 p.m. or later. Moviegoers are welcome to bring chairs and blankets. In the event of rain, the showing will relocate to the Coach T.B. Thomas Sports Center at Byerly Park, at 701 W. Washington St. in Hartsville. Following the kickoff event, Screen on the Green will continue for the rest of the summer with following schedule:

» **June 13** — "Annie," sponsored by Darlington County Sheriff Wayne Byrd.

» **June 27** — "The Boxtrolls," sponsored by Carolina Pines Regional Medical Center.

» **July 11** — "Paddington," sponsored by North Industrial Marching.

» **July 25** — "Big Hero 6," sponsored by The Children's Group.

» **Aug. 8** — "Planes: Fire and Rescue," sponsored by the Hartsville fire and police departments.

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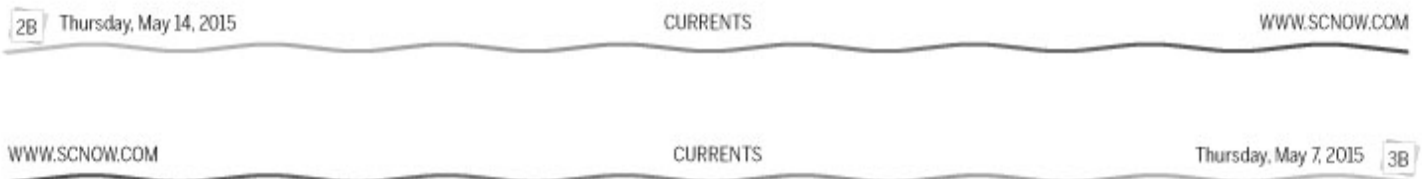
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Danny Shirley

Residents, musicians to remember 'Uncle Danny'

From staff report

FLORENCE — Danny Shirley helped build the Apple Annie's in Florence, and this weekend, his family and friends will gather to remember the man hundreds considered their "Uncle Danny."

Shirley died April 28 at the age of 60.

"Uncle Danny was 60 going on 21," his nephew Chad Shirley said. "He just loved to live. The man could have fun, any time in any situation. Whether you just met him or knew him your entire life, he could bring a smile to your face. He was so charismatic. His personality, laugh, and compassion were all so contagious!"

Those who knew him best got together recently and decided it would be fitting to gather at his favorite watering hole — Apple Annie's — and give the community a chance to give him a proper farewell — complete with laughter, live music and plenty of cold drinks.

"Uncle Danny has been a huge part of my entire family," Apple Annie's owner Shane Brannon said. "He had probably the biggest heart of anyone I've come across. He and I have built tons of stuff together and luckily got to spend a ton of quality time together. I seriously considered him family. It was so heartbreaking to lose him. It was just a no-brainer to have a celebration of his life, and I feel honored to be able to do it at Apple Annie's. He pretty much built everything in the place anyway. I'm looking forward to having a cold one for my friend in heaven, and I look forward to seeing him again down the road. I loved Uncle Danny, and I was happy to have him love me back."

Brannon and the Shirley family are inviting everyone to come to the gathering at 2 p.m. Sunday at Apple Annie's where the celebration of life will include music by Chad and Lance Shirley of Tastes Like Chicken, Seth Collins, Michael Ryan, Jake Westerbeck, a long-awaited reunion set by Whatley and Hutch, Justin Anderson, Jebb Mac and Tyler Roberts of the Jebb Mac Band, capped off by Tastes Like Chicken. The day will conclude with an All-Star Jam.

There will be hamburgers and hot dogs on the grill outside for purchase, and all proceeds will go to Danny's kids and family to defer the burden of all the final expenses. There is no admission fee, but donations to the family are appreciated.

Chad Shirley said Sunday's celebration/benefit is the perfect tribute to his uncle and he knows Uncle Danny will be there in spirit, as well as many a conversation, via his many memorable jokes and sayings.

Chad Shirley said his uncle came up with a five-word goodbye that his family quickly adopted, and he thinks Sunday's party will do his fun-loving uncle justice.

"Until we meet again," Chad Shirley said, "love you, mean it ... Out!"

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Greek Festival: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. today, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Transfiguration of Our Savior Greek Orthodox Church in Florence. Members of the church will share the culture, heritage and traditions of Greece with the community. The festival will feature children's activities, live music, vendors, food and more.

Mental Illness Family Support Group: 6:30 p.m. today at Central United Methodist Church in Florence. The support group is an informal hour of sharing and caring for family members and friends of someone living with a mental illness. Discussion is directed toward helping caregivers cope by providing positive ideas for improving their situations. This meeting is sponsored by NAMI of the Pee Dee. Call 843-413-1500 for more information.

Florence Men's Choral Society Spring Concert: 7:30 p.m. today at First Presbyterian Church in Florence. Admission is free. Sacred and guitar pieces will be directed by Julian M. Young and accompanied by Betsy Johnson.

Peter Pan Jr.: 7:30 p.m. Friday, 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday at the Florence Little Theatre. Peter Pan Jr. is the story of the boy who wouldn't grow up and the girl who has to. After finding his shadow in the Darling family nursery, Peter teaches Wendy, Michael and John how to fly and sweeps them off to Never Land where they meet Lost Boys, mermaids, Indians and pirates. If the children are ever to return home, Peter must defeat Captain Hook with the help of Tinker Bell and her fairy friends. General admission tickets are \$5.

Turn 3 Theater: 6 p.m. Friday at Darlington Raceway. The featured movie is "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2." The event will take place in the track's hospitality village. There will be children's activities and other family fun events. Pace car rides will be offered for \$5. Guests may take food, but concessions will be available. Free popcorn will be distributed to families. Lawn chairs, blankets and coolers are permitted. No glass bottles.

NASA Saturdays in the Pee Dee: 9-11 a.m. and noon to 2 p.m. Saturday at ScienceSouth in Florence. The morning session is for children in grades 4-6, and the afternoon session is for children in grades 5-10. The top-for May 16 is rocketry. Families may only register two children per household.

The Market on Darlington Square: 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. the third Saturday of every month. This is an open-air market, situated on the County Courthouse plaza, which includes vendor booths displaying and selling produce from local farmers, gardeners and nurseries. Also, artists and craftsmen bring their work and local restaurants provide breakfast and lunchtime menus for shoppers.

Mother-Son Wilderness Adventure: 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Lynch's River County Park. Moms and sons ages five and older will have an adventure together as they canoe on Lynch's River, learn about and practice archery, complete a GPS wildlife hunt and more. Age and weight requirements apply for certain activities. Lunch is included. The cost is \$20 per family. Activities are limited. Call the Florence Family YMCA at 843-665-1234 for more information.

Wild Week-ends: 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. every Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday at Lynch's River County Park Environmental Discovery Center at 5094 County Park Road in Coward. Guests will be introduced to one of the animals and have an opportunity to meet the animal up close. The event is free and open to everyone. For more information, call 843-389-0550.

Riverton Bluegrass Society: 4 p.m. every third Saturday of the month at Burroughs and Chapin Auditorium at HGTC in Conway. The event features live bluegrass music. Jamming begins at 4 p.m. and concerts start at 6 p.m. Admission is \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members. For more information, please call 843-457-2854.

Glass Slipper Gala: 6 p.m. Saturday at the Waters Building in downtown Florence. Go dressed as any character from the Cinderella story to the Cinderella-themed event. Guests must wear costumes or formal attire only. Everyone is encouraged to have fun and show off their creativity. The gala will feature live music, food and a silent auction. Tickets are \$50 per person and are available by visiting www.rnk.com/FALC or by calling 843-667-3308. Reserved tables are available for groups, but there must be advanced notice.

Sunday Family Movie: 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Drs. Bruce & Lee Foundation Library in Florence. The movie will be rated either G or PG. For more information and to register, call 843-292-7382 or email kids@florencelibrary.org for more information.

Gospel Music on the Square: 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday at the Darlington Square. Performances will include the Mayo High School Gospel Choir, Southern Redeemed of Florence, Johnnie Iseman, Ronnie Anderson and Friends, Sandy Banks, Marian Richardson, Leah Shucks, Ty Cain, William Feider and others. Attendees are asked to take a lawn chair or blankets. Vendors will be on site for refreshments. Vendor spaces are available for \$25 each. If interested, call 843-398-4000 extension 103 or email darlingtonplanner@gmail.com by May 14.

Masterworks Choir Spring Concert: 5 p.m. Sunday at the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center. The concert will feature the 80-voice Masterworks Choir accompanied by orchestra and featuring four professional soloists. They will present "Requiem" by Giuseppe Verdi. Admission is free.

Agape Senior Volunteer Interest Meeting: 9 a.m. May 21 at Bazem's Restaurant, 704 S. Irby St., Florence. For more information, email ccaetty@agapenews.com or call 843-610-5430.

Once A Part Now Art Awards and Artist Reception: 6:30 p.m. May 21 at Smart Phone Repair in Florence.

Smart Phone Repair in collaboration with the Florence Regional Arts Alliance organized an art contest in which artists were called to find new and creative purposes for discarded phone or tablet parts. The artwork is now on display within the store on West Evans Street.

Third Thursdays: 6:30-9:30 p.m. May 21 at the Renaissance Courtyard in the 100 Block of South Dargan Street in Florence. Speakeasy will perform. Dolce Vita Chocolate & Wine Tasting Room, Wholly Smokin' Downtown, The Library and 1031 Grill & Taproom will be providing food and drinks for purchase.

Flour de Lis Strings Concert: 3 p.m. May 23 at Methodist Manor, 2100 Twin Church Road, Florence. The orchestra is conducted by Dr. Benjamin Woods, former conductor of the Florence Symphony Orchestra. This concert will feature soloists from the orchestra on concerto movements and solo duo pieces by Bach, Beethoven, Haydn, Bruch, John Williams, Handel, Halvorson, and Mozart. Featured soloists will be Olivia Ouyang, Zak Chen, Neil Dey, Zachary Zhao, Sarah Lee, Savannah Egan, Stephanie Dersch, Melinda Dersch, Emma Lynch, and Lillian Lynch.

Light refreshments will be served in the chapel solarium following the concert. The concert is free to the public. Call 843-664-0700 for more information.

Black Holes and Other Space Oddities: 3 p.m. May 24 at the Francis Marion University's Dooley Planetarium. The event will be held on the second floor of the Cauthen Educational Media Center on the FMU campus. Admission is free. Call 843-661-1381 for more information.

Disney On Ice - Frozen: 7 p.m. May 28-29, 11 a.m., 3 p.m., and 7 p.m. May 30 and 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. May 31 at the Florence Civic Center. Tickets are \$20, \$25, \$30 for VIP and \$50 for rink side.

Cirque Musica: 7:30 p.m. May 30 at the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center. The world-renowned touring circus troupe will bring its symphonic show to the FMU PAC for a one-of-a-kind performance accompanied by the Florence Symphony Orchestra. Tickets are \$59 for adults and \$29 for children ages 12 and under and can be purchased at the PAC box office.

Kansas: June 11 at the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center. The classic rock band will open the "Rockin' Summer at the PAC" series. Tickets start at \$57 with most tickets at the \$47 price point. Real rock fans can get a great deal by purchasing a "Rockin' Summer at the PAC" series ticket for just \$99. That buys a single seat to all three shows including the Kansas show, Christopher Cross and Bruce Hornsby. To purchase tickets, visit the PAC website at www.fmapac.org, call the box office at 843-661-4444 or visit the box office at 201 S. Dargan St. Telephone and in-person ticket sales are available Monday through Friday between 12-5 p.m.

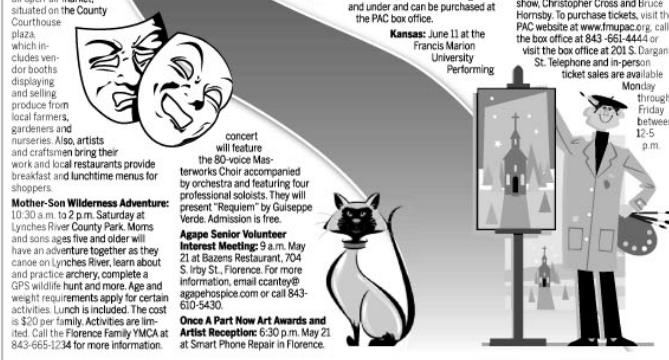
Screen on the Square: at dusk on June 12 at the Darlington Public Square. The selected movie is "Tangled."

The Root Doctors: 8 p.m. June 13 at Winthay Auditorium, 1200 Highmarket Street, Georgetown. Tickets are \$20 per person and are purchased at www.winthayauditorium.org or by calling 843-461-1342. The concert will cover jazz, funk and beach music standards. The Root Doctors bring back hits from recording artists such as Van Morrison, Marvin Gaye, the Gap Band and the Temptations.

Introduction to Media Summer Camp: 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday between June 15 and Aug. 5 at Barnes Street Activity Center, 313 Barnes St., Florence. The media camp is for teens ages 13 to 18 who will experience producing, directing and editing in their own broadcast. Teens will get to experience professional lighting setups, camera operating techniques, storyboarding, script writing, interviewing techniques and working as a team. A \$5 recreation accident insurance fee will allow teens access to Barnes Street Activity Center programs throughout the year.

Christopher Cross: July 30 at the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center. Cross is a five-time Grammy Award winner who made his mark on the rock industry with his 1980 debut album titled "Christopher Cross." Tickets start at \$37 with most tickets at the \$47 price point. Real rock fans can get a great deal by purchasing a "Rockin' Summer at the PAC" series ticket for just \$99. That buys a single seat to all three shows including the Kansas show, Christopher Cross and Bruce Hornsby. To purchase tickets, visit the PAC website at www.fmapac.org, call the box office at 843-661-4444 or visit the box office at 201 S. Dargan St. Telephone and in-person ticket sales are available Monday through Friday between 12-5 p.m.

Bruce Hornsby: Aug. 20 at the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center. Hornsby brings to the stage his trademark spontaneity backed by his unique vocal and keyboard skills. He'll be joined by the Noise-makers, his touring band. Tickets are \$52 and \$62. Real rock fans can get a great deal by purchasing a "Rockin' Summer at the PAC" series ticket for just \$99. That buys a single seat to all three shows including the Kansas show, Christopher Cross and Bruce Hornsby. To purchase tickets, visit the PAC website at www.fmapac.org, call the box office at 843-661-4444 or visit the box office at 201 S. Dargan St. Telephone and in-person ticket sales are available Monday through Friday between 12-5 p.m.



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serialized story will be able to progress while the show gets to experiment.

Today nearly all of our content

is given to us, ready for repackaging. Anything we want is available in bulk, a la Netflix's changing entire seasons at once, or Hulu's massive back catalog of shows we might have otherwise forgotten about.

NBC taking "Undateable" into permanent live comedy territory gives the show a new urgency and has turned a weekly event.

And when was the last time people gathered around a TV to watch something when it actually aired?

(Not counting singing and dancing shows.)

(Not counting the news.)

(What did I say about running RT)

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Clay Pot Attorney Ben Matthews to hold book signing

From staff reports

FLORENCE — Local attorney and author Ben Matthews will hold a book signing at the Clay Pot Coffee Shop in Florence from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday to promote his latest book, "The Pursuit of Justice."

Matthews is a native of South Carolina. He is a graduate of the University of South Carolina's school of law and is admitted to the South Carolina Bar. He maintains a law practice in South Carolina and appeared in Horry County courthouses on many occasions. Although he is not a resident of Myrtle Beach, he spent many summer weeks, spring breaks and weekends along the Grand Strand where he learned to water ski, fish, crab, shrimp, scuba dive and party. It is still the No. 1 getaway for him and his wife, Matthews is also the co-author of "Blended Family Bliss," a nonfiction work.

In "The Pursuit of Justice," Attorney Raymond Jackson is troubled by ethics charges, his failing practice and memories of his missing sister. When he agrees to resolve the ethics charges by taking on a case from the public defender, he gets saddled with a client nobody wants.

The client is charged with the murder of his former girlfriend, an exotic dancer who was pregnant at the time of the crime. Investigating the state's key witness, Jackson discovers several similar unsolved murders from the past few years. Needing help, Jackson must turn to the man he trusts the least.

Jackson also becomes involved in a money-laundering investigation with his old girlfriend. As the bodies pile up, Jackson finds himself framed for murder on the eve of trial. When the investigations collide, the cases become personal and Jackson must choose between justice for his client or himself.

"The Pursuit of Justice" is available for purchase through the website thepursuitofjustice.com and through Amazon.com. Matthews is available for interviews and appearances. For booking interviews, appearances, book signings or readings, contact Krista Salas at krista@teamwillits.com.

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Spring Yard Sale Fundraiser: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. today and Friday and 7 a.m. to noon on Saturday at the American Legion 410 in Darlington on Highway 151 beside the National Guard Armory. Donations can be received at the building. Old TVs, computers, printers or other outdated electronics, clothes, textbooks or reference books will be accepted. All of the proceeds will be used for the medical needs, vetting and vaccines for shelter animals and for costs relating to the transportation of rescued animals.

Swamp For Quilters Quilt Meeting: 9:30 a.m. today at John Calvin Presbyterian Church, 200 Marsh Ave. in Florence. New members and visitors are welcome. The group will participate in a "Sew In" to work on charity quilt projects or personal projects after the business meeting and program. "Sew In" attendees are invited to take a bag lunch.

Business After Hours: 5-7 p.m. today at Brookside of Florence, 1938 Mountain Laurel Court in Florence. Business After Hours will feature food, beverages and networking. Visit flochamber.com to RSVP.

Marcus Lattimore Tailgate Experience: 5:30 p.m. today at the Florence Civic Center. Marcus Lattimore, former USC Gamecock and San Francisco 49ers running back, will share his story on overcoming adversity. The tailgate experience includes picture and autograph opportunities along with family activities, food, music and local mascots including Cockey the Gamecock. Following the tailgate, Lattimore will speak. Proceeds will benefit McLeod Children's Hospital. The tailgate begins at 5:30 p.m. with the presentation at 7 p.m. The tailgate and presentation package is \$21 and the presentation only is \$15. Contact Dawe Sawyer at 843-772-2694 for more information or visit McLeodfoundation.org.

Mother-Son Date Night: 6-8 p.m. today at the Harmon Baldwin Recreation Center in Darlington. The event is for males ages 4 and up and their mothers, grandmothers or legal female guardians. The event includes a full-course dinner, keepable photo and musical entertainment. The fee is \$25 per couple and \$10 for each additional person. You must register at the Darlington Area Recreation Department. The deadline for registration is May 5. Call 843-398-4030 for additional information.

Bone-a-Rite: 7-11 p.m. today in downtown Florence. The event will feature a silent auction, food, drinks and entertainment. The Grosvontsev. Tickets are \$75 and can be purchased at Porter's Gift Shop, Fisher Jewellers and First Reliance on Palmbeach Street. You must be 21 or older to attend.

Summer Concert Series: Friday on the Village Green, 133 E. Main St. in Lake City. The Greater Lake City Chamber of Commerce will kick off the Summer Concert Series with a performance by 80 Black. Call 843-334-8511 for more information.

Dorothy Blackwell Fundraising Luncheon: 11:30 a.m. Friday at the Leatherman Senior Center, 600 Senior Way in Florence. Registration starts at 11:30 a.m. and the lunch and program are from noon to 1 p.m. Individual seating is \$50 per person and \$25 for people ages 60 and over.

Clemson Prowl and Growl Spring Tiger Trek: 6 p.m. Friday at the Florence Civic Center. Fans will be given the opportunity to learn about what's happening at Clemson University while showing their support for the Tigers. Doors open at 5 p.m., dinner begins at 6 p.m., and the program starts at 6:45 p.m. The event will feature updates from athletics, highlight videos, question-and-answer and autograph sessions. Tickets are \$20 for adults and children. Tables for eight can be reserved for \$200.

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Italian Wine Tasting Class: 4-6 p.m. Saturday at Dolce Vita Chocolate and Wine Tasting Room in Florence. The class will be taught by Dennis Fralley and will feature some of the finest Italian wine and the finest Syrah/Shiraz reds. The class is \$25 per person for three white wines, three red wines paired with chocolates and cheeses. Call 843-610-2301 or 843-222-6714 or

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Benefit Concert: 6:30 p.m. Friday at Poyner Adult and Community Education, 301 S. Dargan S. in Florence. The benefit concert is for Christian Moriah Williams and feature live performances by Hope McCants, Anieta Black and Lanola Gongs. The admission fee is a donation of \$10. For more information or to donate online, contact bookhopeatoday@outlook.com.

Screen on the Square: at dusk on Friday at the Darlington Public Square. The selected movie is "Finding Nemo."

David and Tamela Mann: 8 p.m. Friday at the Florence Civic Center. The husband-wife duo will

come to Florence for 2014 ALL 2015, a Mother's Day celebration through gospel and comedy. Reserved seats start at \$25 and are on sale at the Florence Civic Center Box Office, ticketmaster.com or by phone at 800-745-3000.

Spin-A-Fit: 6 a.m. to noon Saturday at the Florence Family YMCA. There are classes available every hour and aerobic sessions offered every hour. Come out and support Camp RAE, meet Lawrence Timmons and do exercises.

Sonoco Birthday Dash 5K run/walk: 8 a.m. Saturday at Sonoco's Corporate Headquarters, 1 N. Second St. in Hartsville. A children's fun run will begin at 7:30 a.m., followed by the race at 8 a.m. Awards will be given to the top finishers in each range group. All proceeds and donations will go to the Darlington County Habitat for Humanity. Free fruit and refreshments, as well as a birthday cake, will be provided at the finish line. Visit www.strychnrunning.com to register. Contact Kristin Teets at 843-383-3233 or kristin.teets@optum.com

Tour of Homes: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday at locations in Florence, Darlington and Hartsville. Some homes on the tour will be for

sale, and people looking to remodel or build can also benefit from attending the tour. The 18 homebuilders will be on hand. Those interested in participating in the tour can pick up four books and maps at Low's Home Improvement. Stores in Florence and Hartsville. Contact the Home Builders Association of the Greater Pee Dee for more information at 843-665-5885 or www.hbaapeedee.com.

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County Education Foundation.

Sunday Family Movie: 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Drs. Bruce & Lee Foundation Library in Florence. The movie will be rated either G or PG. For more information and to register, call 843-292-7382 or email kabola@florencelibrary.org.

Stars of Spring and Summer: 3 p.m. Sunday at Francis Marion University's Dockey Planetarium in the Cauthen Educational Media Center. Admission is free. Call 843-661-1381 for more information.

Legacy Exhibit Artist Reception: 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Florence County Museum Waters Gallery in Florence. The Florence Regional Arts Alliance in collaboration with the Florence County Museum presents a media exhibit titled "Legacy" featuring artists Julie Moon, Allison Triplett, Kathleen Kennebeck, Elizabeth Krieger and Tami Fedoren. The artist reception will coincide with the Florence Regional Arts Alliance's Arts Awards Presentation on May 12.

Red Dove Presentation Program: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Doctors Bruce & Lee Foundation Library. Speaker: Agnes Willcox, chairman of the Historic Florence Foundation. She will discuss the history of the 160-year-old plantation as well as restoration efforts. Admission is free and open to the public. Call 843-645-7068 for more information or visit www.florencelibrary.org.

McDroy Dove Band: 7 p.m. Saturday at the Hartsville Center Theatre. Tickets for the Mother's Day Gospel Music Celebration are available at peedeehobby.com or by calling 843-379-5591.

Florence Men's Choral Society Spring Concert: 7:30 p.m. May 14 at First Presbyterian Church in Florence. Admission is free. Sacred and patriotic pieces will be directed by Julian M. Young and accompanied by Jeffrey Johnson.

Masterworks Choir Spring Concert: 5 p.m. May 17 at the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center. The concert will feature the 80-piece Masterworks Choir accompanied by orchestra and featuring four professional soloists. They will present "Requiem" by Giuseppe Verdi. Admission is free.

Disney On Ice - Frozen: 7 p.m. May 28-29, 11 a.m. 3 p.m., and 7 p.m. May 30 and 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. May 31 at the Florence Civic Center. Tickets are \$20, \$25, \$30 for VIP and \$50 for in-venue.

Cirque Musica: 7:30 p.m. May 30 at the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center. The world-renowned touring circus troupe will bring its symphonic show to the FMU PAC for a one-of-a-kind performance accompanied by the Florence Symphony Orchestra. Tickets are \$59 for adults and \$29 for children ages 12 and under and can be purchased at the PAC box office.

Kansas: June 11 at the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center. The classic rock band will open the "Rockin' Summer at the PAC" series. Tickets start at \$37 with most tickets at the \$47 price point. Real rock fans can get a great deal by purchasing a "Rockin' Summer" series ticket for just \$99. That buys a single seat to all three shows including the Kansas show, Christopher Cross and Bruce Hornsby. To purchase tickets, visit the PAC website at www.fmuapac.org, call the box office at 843-661-4444 or visit the box office at 201 S. Dargan Street. Telephone and in-person ticket sales are available Monday through Friday between noon and 5 p.m.

Screen on the Square: at dusk on June 12 at the Darlington Public Square. The selected movie is "Tangled."

Christopher Cross: July 30 at the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center. Cross is a five-time Grammy Award winner who made his mark on the rock industry with his 1980 debut album titled "Christopher Cross." Tickets start at \$37 with most tickets at the \$47 price point. Real rock fans can get a great deal by purchasing a "Rockin' Summer at the PAC" series ticket for just \$99. That buys a single seat to all three shows including the Kansas show, Christopher Cross and Bruce Hornsby. To purchase tickets, visit the PAC website at www.fmuapac.org, call the box office at 843-661-4444 or visit the box office at 201 S. Dargan Street. Telephone and in-person ticket sales are available Monday through Friday between noon and 5 p.m.

Acting satisfies despite subpar direction

'My Old Lady'
Directed by: Isaac Horowitz
Starring: Kevin Kline

I think "Casablanca" is the most overrated film of all-time, so it gives me great pleasure to reveal that Bogey and Bergman aren't the only movie couple who will "always have Paris." Cinematic history has shown that love blooms brightly in the city of lights, as it does for Kevin Kline and Kristin Scott Thomas in "My Old Lady." This is their second film together, the first being the splendid "Life as a House," and in "Lady" once again a home is at the center of the "family" plot.

When his emotionally distant father passes away, Mathias (Kline) inherits a Parisian apartment, but when he gets there, finds Mathilde (Maggie Smith) and her daughter Chloe (Scott Thomas) living there. Mathias can only sell the apartment if Mathilde dies, and being that she, as well as Smith in real life,

it seems, is the movie version of the current Queen Elizabeth, she ain't going anywhere anytime soon.

This is "The Goodbye Girl" redux except without the humor and almost too much pathos, but when you have Smith, Kline, and Scott-Thomas stranded in the same room, you have an acting ménage a trois that will satisfy even the most critical cinephile despite subpar direction. In Paris, there is not a crowd, it's cinema.

2 1/2 stars out of 4
Available on Netflix DVD

'Wild'
Directed by: Jean-Marc Vallée
Starring: Reese Witherspoon

I was not wild about "Wild." I know that's cheesy, but the movie is cheesy so it fits. I detest films that are blatant Oscar bait without the substance to back up their mission, and unlike



Laurie Crosswell
Living Room Cinema

Sean Penn's "Into the Wild," "Wild" is all light and no darkness. In this bio pic based on a true story, Reese Witherspoon's trek across the Pacific Crest Trail plays more like "Legally Blonde Goes Camping" than a soul-searching opus a la Jack Kerouac.

But it is not always the story that lacks fascination but the storyteller. Witherspoon does not have the onscreen charisma or acting chops to carry a film of this magnitude and depth. (It still breaks my heart that she won for "Walk the Line" but Joaquin lost.) Not to mention, the flashbacks in which she plays her younger self with a wig

QUIZZING CROSSWELL

Haven't seen "Avengers: Age of Ultron." In your opinion is it too many superheroes in one film?

—Janet Matthews

Sometimes less is more, at times more is more, occasionally more is just perfect, but every now and then, more is just the same old same old. When it comes to the first Avengers film, having Iron Man and Thor and the Hulk and more all inter-act for the first time was pure bliss, but in the sequel "Age of Ultron," the novelty is absent. In the original, we did not know what to expect seeing all the superheroes together for the first time, the element of surprise being its key ingredient, as in the first "Hangover." But just like the Hangover sequel, "Ultron" feels more like an attempt to recreate old magic than originate a new formula. The film is good, of course, because this cast is one that I would watch read the paper (and the sound of James Spader's voice is always worth the price of a ticket) but in terms of epic, it fails. I would not tell the Hulk I said that.

we're undeniably distracting, and I did not enjoy or connect to her Cheryl. A movie character does not have to be entertaining, but Witherspoon misses on both marks. This film should have been titled: "Wild: Reese Witherspoon's Journey for a Second Oscar," and at least I would have known what I was getting into. This is one path I wish I had not taken and will never take again. It might have been born to be "Wild," but turned out to be tame.

2 stars out of 4
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Thursday Edition

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American Legion Post 228

1228 Oakland Ave., Florence 843-615-7105 or 843-617-4677
Open at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Friday through Sunday
Today: Free line dancing (fun with snacks)
Tuesday: Community Night with food and music (oldies, blues and soul)

Apple Annie's

1720 W. Palmetto St., Florence 843-669-6247
Friday: Feed the Bears, 10 p.m.

Cain's Bar-B-Q

1520 Pamplico Highway, Florence 843-662-8991
Friday: Live Bluegrass, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Carolina Ranch House

(no-alcohol venue)
4732 W. Palmetto St., Timmonsville 843-992-7748
Friday: Larry Pearson and the Carolina Ranch House Band, 7:11 p.m., \$8 admission

The Clay Pot Coffee Shop

166 S. Dargan St., Florence 843-407-1546
Saturday: Attorney Ben Matthews book signing, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and singer/songwriter Joe Cat, 7-9 p.m.
Sunday: Mother's Day Brunch with Frederick Ingram, noon to 2 p.m.

Cobb's Corner

1495 Olanta Highway, Scranton 843-373-1500
Friday and Saturday: Karaoke with Ray Cobb

Country Corner

www.countrymusicdance.com
841 W. Lydia Highway (Hwy 15), Lydia 804-557-6511
Saturday: Live Band & Dance, 7:11 p.m. (Smoke- and alcohol-free environment)

Cowboys

4908 S. Irby St., Florence 843-669-2110
Friday: Karaoke, 8 p.m.

Creek Ratz

2001 S. Cashua Drive, Florence 843-661-5100
www.creekratz.com
Today: Kendall Skinner, 8 p.m.
Friday: Trea Landon, 8 p.m.
Saturday: Jebb Mac, 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Frank Edwards and Dustin James, 7:30 p.m.

Dolce Vita Chocolate & Wine Tasting Room

152 S. Dargan St., Florence 843-610-2351
Friday: Morgan's Road, 8 p.m. to midnight

Frank's Bar & Grill

1107 N. Fifth St., Hartsville 843-332-1211
Friday: Karaoke, 8:30 p.m.

Gardner's Sports Bar

620 Poole St., Hartsville 843-857-3939
Today and Friday: Karaoke with Christie Sapp, 9 p.m.
Monday: APA pool tournament

Hunter's Corner Lounge

905 Old Marion Hwy., Florence 843-662-3118
Sunday: Karaoke with Frank Stafer, 9 p.m.
Wednesday: Food and music

J. Michael's Grill & Bar

2015 W. Evans St., Florence 843-661-7040
Today: Sin Night
Wednesday: Karaoke with Larry

Jaguar Bar and Grill

2516 Mirus Lane, Elflingham 843-773-0911
Open Friday through Sunday at 8 p.m.
Friday: Barbecue Night

Long Branch Saloon

101 Beauregard St., Lake City 843-394-2417
Today, Friday, Saturday and

Sideswiped, 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Lula's Coffee Co.

600 Pamplico Highway, Florence 843-407-9078
Today: Open Mic Night, 7 p.m.

Midnight Rooster

136 E. Carolina Ave., Hartsville 843-857-0040
www.midnightrrooster.com
Tuesday: Game Night

Mike's Corner Bar and Grill

S.C. 340 and Rogers Road, Darlington 843-399-2221
Monday through Saturday: Karaoke
Saturday: Customer Appreciation Day

Palmetto Social Club

American Legion Hut, 3633 E. Palmetto St., Florence 803-607-7289
Sunday: Dance with live music featuring Mica Saxton from 7:30 p.m. Free line dance lessons from 6-7 p.m. with John Struhar.

Pee Dee Shrine Club Restaurant and Lounge

3053 E. Crescent Circle, Florence 843-662-1831
Today, Friday and Saturday: Food and music

Phoenix Bar & Grill

2004 W. Lucas St., Florence 843-667-0059
www.thephoenixgrill.com
Friday: Karaoke with DJ Rick

Wednesday: Karaoke with David

R&J's Billiards & Pub

232 Third Loop Road, Florence 843-407-9078
Today and Tuesday: Pool League Night
Saturday: Karaoke with Jamie Lynn

Redbone Alley

1903 W. Palmetto St., Florence 843-673-0035
www.redbonealley.com
Friday: Chad and Lance Shirley
Saturday: Speakeasy

Shiners

105 Saint Paul Road, Coward 843-665-5077
Today: Karaoke
Friday: DJ
Saturday: Jake Westerbeck

Southern Hops Brewing Co.

911 S. Sunset Acres Lane, Florence 843-667-1900
southernhops.com
Today: Think & Drink Trivia with Will and Joel, 7 p.m.
Friday: Wayne Capps
Saturday: Johnny Turner
Monday: Open Mic Night, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Ladies Night

The Swamp Sports Bar & Grill

1563 W. Palmetto St. 843-676-9997
Open at 11 a.m. daily for lunch
Today: Karaoke with Jessy Ward
Friday: Karaoke with Jessy Ward

Monday: Ladies Night

Therapy Now

2209-A Second Loop, Florence 843-661-7907
Saturday: Karaoke with Jessy

Twin State Twirlers

2819 Marietta Road, Marietta, N.C. 843-759-2949
Thursday: Dance lessons, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

VFW Post 3181

236 S. Green Road, Florence 843-665-5077
Open Thursday through Sunday

Victor's Bistro

126 W. Evans St., Florence 843-665-0845
Today Friday: Live Entertainment of the Patio, 6-7 p.m. and 8-10 p.m.

Wingz & Ale (Spiro's)

500 S. Fifth St., Hartsville 843-332-2234
Wednesday: Karaoke night, 9 p.m.

FLORENCE LEADERS COME OUT FOR DOWNTOWN GALA



Billy (right) and Karen McBride pose for a picture at Leadership Florence's Downtown Gala, held April 30 at the Waters Building in downtown Florence.



Shown (from left) are Gracelyn Elmendorf, Liz Andrews and Gray Hunter posing for a picture at Leadership Florence's Downtown Gala, held April 30 at the Waters Building in downtown Florence.



Troy Jordan (left) and Jessica Mikell pose for a picture at Leadership Florence's Downtown Gala, held April 30 at the Waters Building in downtown Florence.

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May 8
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May 16
FDTC Graduation
Congratulations Graduates!

May 28-31
Disney On Ice - Frozen
Tickets are going fast!

June 6
FSDI High School Graduation
Congratulations Graduates!

June 7-8
SC United Methodist Church
Annual Conference

June 13
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1 Night, 5 Incredible Bands!

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Pee Dee Outdoors Section

PEE DEE OUTDOORS FRONT PAGE

- » On Fridays, the Morning News will run a standalone Pee Dee Outdoors section. It typically runs on the B section for the Friday edition. The front page of the Outdoors section is budgeted by the Morning News sports staff and will be emailed by Sam Bundy. If you do not receive this budget by 6 p.m. on Thursday, please contact Sam Bundy at sbundy@morningnews.com.
- » The Pee Dee Outdoors section features its own masthead with promos. The Pee Dee Outdoors front page is built using the GRID OUTDOORS FRONT template in the Morning News Library. The section may feature a lower-strip ad.
- » The front typically consists of one or two story packages, with photos, and a column that runs down the left rail. Front page stories may or may not jump depending on length.
- » The main photo or story package should be treated like a front page centerpiece story with gauge boxes.



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SECTION B

Pee Dee Outdoors



Bill Howard
Certified Hunting Instructor

Big one that got away

When a relationship goes sour, it is all but guaranteed someone will comment: "It will be OK. There are plenty of fish in the sea."

And there are. The oceans and seas are full of fish. I cannot think of a time when I went fishing at the coast and did not catch anything. I might not have caught the species I was targeting, but I caught something. And even though I write about hunting and fishing, I will be the first to admit that I will never be mistaken for a professional angler.

In fact, I just wrote a column recently about how great I was at catching small fish. I would love to say it is an art form. And, as mentioned in that previous column, catching small fish is an art form in some parts of the world. But I would say I am just a magnet for the smaller of the species.

I can live with that. I enjoy catching the fish, floating on the water and seeing the sights around me. I catch as much peace as I do fish. It might be what keeps the stress levels down enough to let me see a retirement age one day.

That brings us to this past weekend. I decided to hit the salt water and target a species I have never caught before from the kayak: the gray trout, or weakfish, as it may be called. There was also word that a few bites had made their way to the near-shore and inshore areas as well. One thing I always try to catch is croaker. Just call it my "priming the well" moment. I drop a piece of shrimp and hope to bring one up. Depending on the time of year, I will find black sea bass, pinfish, mullet and spot in multitudes that drown out my croaker catches, but again, I am reeling in fish, so I am happy.

Occasionally, I might look into something more interesting like a toadfish or lizard fish, or maybe a puffer. When I do, I am like a kid at an aquarium show-and-tell. Things like that fascinate me.

But as many fish are in the sea, they are not all small. Some are big. Some are bigger than what you want to know. And regardless of how good you are at catching the small stuff, the big stuff will sometimes bite, too.

I brought in a small fish early. Since the blues were potentially in the area, I used the small fish for bait on one of my rods.

After an hour of drifting slowly with the current using my anchor as a drag, the rod with the fish for bait doubled over, dipping the tip into the water.

At first, I thought I had snagged a rock in the 20 feet of water. But I quickly realized that I was not going fast enough in the current for my rod to react that way.

I gave it a quick tug. That set everything into motion. Whatever ate my bait fish didn't like me tugging.

The drag started screaming from the line going out. I reached around, grabbed my anchor line and pulled it in as fast as I could. I used my paddle on the other side of the kayak as a rudder to get the kayak pointed in the same direction as the fish.

I gradually tightened my drag as the kayak began to move

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BLACKSBURG, VA.



Addison Henderson, 6, runs around a trout pond near a solar panel powering a pond aerator at Mill Creek Trout Farm just outside Blacksburg, Va., on April 12. Owner Mark Henderson began cleaning up the area around the pond, which he purchased from a relative.

Fishing for a purpose

Man finds new life in trout farm

The Associated Press

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Mark Henderson leans back on the bank and looks out over the glassy water of a pond that's been part of his family for generations.

He grew up in the home that backs up to the water; now, his two sons and daughter run across the shores of the pond. Down the bank, a man and his son cast into the water.

The grass is green, the sky is clear and the fish are jumping. Sunday, April 12, was the perfect day at Mill Creek Trout Farm, Henderson said.

"Look at this," Henderson said. "Isn't this what it's all about?" The idyllic setting is something the 42-year-old had envisioned for his retirement decades from now. Last April, Henderson opened the trout farm to allow people the chance to have a private place to fish.

To get to a spring day with playing kids and fishermen being out on the pond has been a dramatic journey for Henderson, who until 2010 had worked as a heating-and-cooling repairman.

That summer, Henderson fell 20 feet off a ladder while on a job in West Virginia. The fall broke both his heels. It disintegrated the bones in his ankles. His whole body was covered in dark bruises. At first doctors weren't sure if he would make it. When he pulled through, they told his wife, Laura Neff-Henderson, he probably wouldn't walk again.

"It was so scary," she said. Henderson said it was tough not to interact with his children. He had to spend most of his time in a hospital bed propped up in his living room.

"My daughter would ask me to come down on the floor and color with her," Mark Henderson said. "I would just say, 'No, I can't.' It was just so hard to say no to my little girl."

His family moved to a new home up the road from the trout farm. He spent a year in a wheelchair and stuck in the hospital bed. Then there were hours and hours of physical therapy and doctor's appointments. To this day, his feet and legs are fused at the ankles so they don't bend. It's very difficult for him to get around, even though he can walk, he said.

But after a few years and the ability to walk again, Henderson decided it was time to find purpose again. This time it would be in the trout farm.

Last year, Henderson began cleaning up the area around the pond, which he purchased from a relative. Work was sometimes slow because of difficulties with his mobility. He got the area open for business April 1, 2014.

There are two ponds, one warmer one



Michael Olaszewski, 47, relaxes as his son Michael Olaszewski (right), 16, and family friend Trey Walters, 15, fish in the catch-and-release pond at Mill Creek Trout Farm just outside of Blacksburg, Va. Mill Creek Trout Farm is a multigenerational small business being resurrected by owner and operator Paul Henderson after it had fallen into dormancy.



Jameson Roberts, 10, stands with his fishing pole as his father, Rich Roberts, and family friend Jeff Wolfe harvest the fish he had just caught at Mill Creek Trout Farm. Owner Mark Henderson opened for business in 2014. There are two ponds, one warmer one stocked with catfish and bluegill that people are free to catch and release. Then there's a cooler pond where people can pull out trout year-round and even take them home for a meal of freshly caught fish.

He said he wants to help parents get their children a safe place to play outdoors and away from video games.

"Don't use the TV as a baby sitter," Henderson said. "Come out here instead."

That mantra is something he has taken to heart, letting his kids run around and enjoy the creek he grew up on.

The whole Henderson clan has helped out. His children help feed the fish in the ponds every morning, as well as clear weeds and brush that can be difficult for their father to reach. Neff-Henderson designed the website and company logos. The business also gives him flexibility. Some days, Henderson struggles to get around because of swelling in his feet. On

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Send your outdoors photos to outdoors@florencenews.com

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PEOPLE & PLACES PAGE

» The second page in the Pee Dee Outdoors section is the People & Places page. The People and Places page will feature it's own masthead. The People & Places masthead uses the HEADER PEOPLE & PLACES item in the Morning News library.

» The People & Places page is budgeted by the Morning News staff and can be found on Budget Bank.

» The People & Places page features a calendar, called Good Causes, that uses a logo. The calendar should be set up using calendar type.

» Local news briefs and photos will fill out the rest of the People & Places page.

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People & Places

American Legion recognizes civic servants



Brian Hart, Raymond Eason, Lindsey Bibler and Kaleb Carlson all received civic awards from the Florence American Legion Post #1 for their outstanding accomplishments and dedicated service to the community.

FLORENCE — On April 14, Fred H. Sexton American Legion Post 1 held its annual Civic Awards ceremony. The post recognized local public servants for their outstanding accomplishments and dedicated service to the community.

Post Commander Charles Bethea presented certificates to Capt. Raymond Eason, Outstanding Firefighter of the Year; Senior Master Police Officer Brian Hart, Outstanding Traffic Safety Officer of the Year; Officer Kaleb Carlson, Outstanding Law Enforcement Officer of the Year; South Florence High teacher Lindsey Bibler, Outstanding Teacher of the Year and Vice Commander Michael Richey, Outstanding Legionnaire of the Year.

All of the recipients have been submitted to the American Legion department headquarters in Columbia for consideration for state awards.



Soles 4 Souls Donations at Tri2Run Shop: The month of May. This year the Tri2Run Shop at Fitness Forum, 120 E. Elm St., Florence, has teamed up with the Soles 4 Souls nonprofit organization to collect shoes for the less fortunate and those affected by natural disasters. May 1 through May 22, the Tri2Run Shop is offering a \$20 discount on one pair of regular priced shoes with a donation to Soles 4 Souls. Customers can bring in gently worn shoes of any size or gender. For more information, visit www.soles4souls.org or call 843-661-3800.

Dorothy Blackwell Fundraising Luncheon: Today, noon at the Lasherman Senior Center, 600 Senior Way, Florence. Registration is at 11:30 a.m. Lunch and program begin at noon. Tickets are \$50 per person, \$25 for 60 and over. For more information, call 843-669-6761.

Clemson Prowl and Growl Spring Tiger Trek: Today, 5 p.m. at the Florence Civic Center, 2302 W. Radio Drive, Florence. Fans will be given the opportunity to learn about what's happening at Clemson University while showing their support for the Tigers. Coaches will arrive an hour early to sign autographs. Don't miss out on your chance to get updates from athletics, watch highlight videos, participate in a Q&A and get autographs. Tickets are \$20. Tables for 8 are \$200. For more information, visit clemson.edu/akumini or call 843-679-9447.

The Invasion of Florence During the Civil War and the Effects on Horry County Region: Saturday, 1 p.m. at the McCow Auditorium - Horry County Museum, 805 Main St., Conway. Local historian Ted Gragg will give a presentation on the invasion of Florence during the Civil War and the effect it had on the surrounding areas. Admission is free. For more information, call 843-915-5220.

Darlington County Education Foundation country concert: Saturday, 5 to 11 p.m. The concert will feature Nashville recording artists Outshyne, Radio Romance and John Starvo. Tickets to the event will be \$15 each, with proceeds benefiting the Darlington County Education Foundation. They can be purchased at Darlington Raceway, Carolina Bank locations, Marketite Convenience Stores, Vintage and Midnight Rooster in Hartsville. Concessions will be available for purchase. Coolers will be prohibited, but fans may take their own lawn chairs. For more information, call 843-393-2310.

Red Doe Plantation Program: May 12, 6:30 p.m. at the Dr. Bruce and Lee Library, 509 S. Dargan St., Florence. Speaker Agnes Wilcox, chairwoman of the Historic Florence Foundation, will discuss the history of the 1859 year-old plantation as well as ongoing restoration efforts. Admission is free and open to the public and is sponsored by Friends of Florence County Library. For more information, call 843-413-7098.

Marion Chalk Walk: May 13, 10 a.m. to noon. The Arts Council of Marion County will present its 2nd annual Chalk Walk at the Bobby Gerald Parkway. This is a free event for aspiring artists of all ages. Snacks, refreshments and face painting. To register, email artcouncil@att.net or call 843-289-5054.

33rd Annual Greek Festival in Florence: May 14-17 at the Transfiguration of Our Savior Greek Orthodox Church, 2990 S. Gastonia Drive, Florence. Church members share their culture, heritage and traditions of Greece with the greater Pee Dee community. The event will include Greek music, food and live entertainment by the Greek dance troupe. For more information, call 843-662-5473.

Artful Expression Group for Cancer Patients and Caregivers: May 14, 2 p.m. at the Florence County Museum, 111 West Cheves St., Florence. This group is designed to help you learn to reduce stress, anxiety, and symptoms of depression, improve self-esteem, increase social and communication activities and increase energy. The group is free and all supplies are provided. For more information, call Riquel Serrano, 843-777-5695; Stuart Harnett, 843-777-6419 or Harnett.Jeffords, 843-777-2042. No art experience is necessary.

Williams Middle School Spanish students excel on National Spanish Exam

FLORENCE — Thirty-one students from Williams Middle School's International Baccalaureate Program earned national recognition for excellent performance on the 2015 National Spanish Exam. Students who scored above the 75th percentile are eligible to apply for 2016 Global Citizen Scholarships.

Elizabeth King, Alice Lee and Angie Kaang are Gold Award winners. Lily Andrews, Sidonio Gillier, James Ivey, Jackson Linmon, Simran Singh, James Belt, Jain-eil Patel and Abigail Reeves are Silver Award winners. Cooper Abbott, Kristen Black, Emily Bonds, Grace Hinson, John Odasco, Alex Reid, Jackson Scott, and Noy The-nethammao are Bronze Award winners.

Mirinal Badiger, Claire Hanson, Mary Huang, Bailey McGee, Dawson Muckelroy, Boshni Patel, Ianna Smith, Iulle Frances Suarez, Sara Summerfield, Abigail Sansbury, Cameron Byrd, and Isabel Miller



Students in the Williams Middle School International Baccalaureate program earned national recognition for their performance on the 2015 National Spanish Exam. Rocio Brown and Oscar Betancur are Spanish teachers at Williams Middle School.

received honorable mentions. The National Spanish Examinations are administered each year and are sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese.

The winning students are in Williams Middle School's Middle Years Program. Rocio Brown and Oscar Betancur are Spanish teachers at Williams Middle School.

Rain Barrel Art review winners announced

Thornwell School for the Arts and Williamson Park Committee took top awards in the 2015 Rain Barrel Art Review, sponsored by the Florence Darlington Stormwater Consortium. The goal of the competition, open to schools and community groups in Florence and Darlington counties, is to educate the public about the benefits of using rain barrels to reduce runoff and protect water quality.

Eleven rain barrels were entered in the competition. Completed barrels were displayed at Kalmia Gardens' Earth Day festival, held April 18, when visitors voted for their favorite barrel in each category. Prizes were awarded for the top three barrels in each category.

All of the barrels will be installed in public locations to serve as demonstrations of rainwater harvesting.

The winners were:

Schools
1st — Thornwell School for the Arts (Stacy Johnson/Art Club)

Community group
1st — Williamson Park Committee
2nd — Barnes Street Activity Center
3rd — Maple Park Community Center

2nd — Delmar Elementary School (Deborah Chapman, Science and Art clubs)
3rd — Sneed Middle School (Lisa Perry, Environmental Action and Art clubs).

Interfaith group plans Judaism program

FLORENCE — The Interfaith Partners of South Carolina, Florence Branch, will hold an educational program on Judaism and Christianity on Sunday, May 31 from 2:30-5 p.m. at the Florence County Library on South Dargan Street in Florence.

This presentation is the third in a series of quarterly programs aimed at educating the public about the history, philosophy and practices of diverse faith communities and promoting understanding and respect.

Admission is free and light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Nancy Thomas at 843-992-4101.

Benefit concert set for Florence infant

FLORENCE — A benefit concert for Christian Moriah Williams will be held at Poplar Adult Education Center on Friday, Christian has biliary atresia, a life-threatening condition for infants in which the bile ducts do not have normal openings. She is in need of a liver transplant.

Tickets are \$10. The money raised will go toward Christian's medication and doctor visits and to help her family with living expenses.

The concert will feature performances by Hope McCants, Anieta Black, La Nola Goings and the Pee Dee Community Arts Team.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. The performances begin at 7 p.m. For more information, email Hope McCants at bookhope-today@outlook.com.



The Williamson Park Committee took first place in the community group category of the 2015 Rain Barrel Art Review sponsored by the Florence Darlington Stormwater Consortium.

Thornwell School for the Arts took first place in the school category of the 2015 Rain Barrel Art Review sponsored by the Florence Darlington Stormwater Consortium.

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PEE DEE OUTDOORS INSIDE PAGES

- » The third page of the Pee Dee Outdoors section will feature the front jumps, other budgeted outdoor news articles and the Morning News Fishing report.
- » The Morning News Fishing report will be provided by the news staff and runs in agate copy.
- » Dear Abby, Billy Graham and Horoscopes run on one page in the section. Make sure that these three items run on the same page. Oddity articles and entertainment articles from the Associated Press, as well as any budgeted local briefs, can fill up the rest of this page.
- » One page in the Pee Dee Outdoors section will run the edition's comics. Comics for weekday and Saturday editions are placed in the folder: M:\Groups\EDITORIAL\InFromFlorence\Photos. The daily comics will be labeled with the day's date. The comics will come in a PDF form that just has to be dropped onto the page with the appropriate page folio. If comics are not available, please contact Richard Mozingo in the press room.
- » The final page of the Pee Dee Outdoors section will be a standard daily Business page.

Morning News Fishing Report Example

S.C. FISHING REPORT

FRESHWATER

Lake Greenwood

Largemouth bass: Good. Bass are still in full blown spawning mode on Lake Greenwood. The overall size of the spawning fish may be smaller than two weeks ago, but a number of good fish are still on the beds. In contrast to a couple of weeks ago more fish are now post-spawn than pre-spawn, but there are still some fish that have yet to begin spawning activity. Across the whole lake fish can be found shallow in and around spawning pockets, and Senkos and floating worms continue to be good baits. There is also a topwater bite coming on with Pop-Its catching a lot of fish.

Lake Monticello

Catfish: Fair. The big fish bite on Lake Monticello has yet to turn on well, but historically late April and May are very good months and hopefully that will also be true this year. Right now the best bet is to fish in shallow water with deep water nearby, such as around humps with a sharp drop into deep water on one side, or off slowly tapering points that all of a sudden drop off. 5-35 feet is often the most productive depth for all sizes of fish, and often the bigger fish will come from the areas closer to the drops into deeper water. Anchoring in those areas is the best bet right now as it lets the bait sit in front of the fish for longer as they travel up and down across the depth changes. Cut gizzard shad and white perch will generate fewer but bigger bites, while herring will generate more action but lots of nuisance bites from small fish if you are targeting big ones.

Lake Wateree

Catfish: Good to very good. There is a very good catfish bite upriver (where a few striper are also being taken on the bottom). This is despite the fact that there has not been a large-scale movement up bait up the river - fish seem to know it's coming. Anchoring and fishing with chad and white perch on the bottom both seem to be equally effective. When current is not present the shallow flats off the river can be hot areas as fish move out of the channel to rest and feed. Further down the lake numbers of fish have been found on the shallow margins near the main channel as well as further back in the creeks, where drifting in 7 to 15 feet of water is a productive pattern. Anchor fishing in the lower lake will also be productive, and cut threadfin or gizzard shad is a good bait choice.

Lake Murray

Striped bass: Fair to good. Striper remains scattered out all over the lake. Fronts are keeping the bite from being totally stable and there have been some slow days, but most of the time fishing has been good. Free-lining across points remains effective as lots of fish are still shallow, and anglers should continue to watch the birds as they are still pointing the direction to the fish. Fishermen should keep their eyes open for schooling activity as schooling fish have generally been keeper-sized. The most improved bite across the lake has been cut bait fishing which is strong in 3-20 feet of water. The herring spawn has not yet begun.

Largemouth bass: Good. Fish are

spawning heavy, and one popular pattern is aggravating the fish until they will take a lure. Fish can also be caught on crankbaits and jugs fished around docks. Fish are beginning to take topwater lures and very soon post-spawn bass should begin to key on herring spawning off of points.

Santee Cooper System

Catfish: Good. In deeper water drifting has been working, and anchoring in 3-6 feet of water has been productive. Some prospecting in shallow water may be necessary in order to find numbers of fish. Check wind-blown shallow areas early in the morning and be prepared to move deeper as the day progresses.

Striped bass: Good. Striped bass fishing in the upper Santee River has been good recently, although times of increased inflow may hurt fishing. Check the flats between Packs Landing and Elliotts Landing and try fresh cut herring in this area. On the river out of Packs and on the flats striper should be shallow along the river banks and along creek channels on the flats. Fish should also be found on the edges of the flats along the wood timber line where the deeper water begins, especially in Elliotts Flats.

SALTWATER

Grand Strand

Inshore: Fishing has really turned on in the last week and the bites for a number of species are wide open. Flounder are biting very well in the creeks. Spottail bass have started feeding better in shallow water as well as in holes in the creeks.

Little River

Cherry Grove Pier reports that fishing began to improve at the end of last week and some nice fish are now being caught off the pier. Flounder including some keeper-sized fish are being caught, and some small spottail bass are also being caught off the pier. Reliable catches of perch, whiting and blues are also coming in.

Charleston

Sheepshead have been eating fiddler crabs and oysters. They find them on sunken structure, rock piles and around docks and pilings in 4 to 18 ft of water. Redfish have begun to spread out from their winter schooling patterns and are now roaming creeks, flats and grasslines in smaller numbers in search of food. This is good news as they are readily taking soft plastics like 2-Min paddle tails and any kind of cut or live bait fished under corks or on the bottom. Trout have been biting well in clean water and on popping corks with live shrimp or mud minnows and just as effectively with DOA shrimp hopped and ripped off the bottom.

Beaufort-Hilton Head

Spottail bass: Slow to fair. Fishing has been a little tough but redfish have basically made the move out of winter patterns and scattered out into warm water patterns. The best way to catch them right now is fishing grass edges with oyster beds beside them on high water. Since the fish are dispersed you have to fish a lot of spots to find the reds. In low water fish are back in small creeks with oyster beds or old docks or trees that have fallen into the water. Mud minnows, cut mullet and Gulp! baits are still working.

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Florence Elks donate to local charities
FLORENCE—On April 17, Florence Elks Lodge No. 1020 donated \$2,000 to local charities. One thousand dollars was donated to Lighthouse Ministries, and another \$1,000 was donated to the Red Cross. The donations were made possible by a \$2,000 gratitude grant the Florence Elks earned from the Grand Lodge. The Florence Elks earned the grant by exceeding the annual goal of contributions to the Elks National Foundation.



ABOVE: Ray Freeman and Jim Windham present a check to Lighthouse Ministries Executive Director Cecilia Meggs. LEFT: Freeman and Windham present a check to Nanci Conley with the American Red Cross.

Is 'The Simpsons' parting with Harry Shearer?

The Associated Press

NEW YORK—An escalating contract dispute suggests that Harry Shearer may be exiting "The Simpsons," where he has voiced several of its characters since the Fox cartoon series debuted in 1989.



Shearer

In a pair of Twitter posts Thursday, Shearer said re-upping with the show would have denied him "what we've always had: the freedom to do other work." Hours later, "Simpsons" executive producer Al Jean tweeted, "The show will go on, made by people who love it..." In another post, he resolved to "re-cast if Harry does not return." Yet another tweet seemed to leave the door open for a rapprochement: "In life I never say never."

Shearer voices characters including Simpsons neighbor Ned Flanders, billionaire Mr. Burns and his kowtowing aide, Smithers. Fox recently announced picking



Mr. Burns (left) and his assistant, Smithers, both voiced by Harry Shearer, in a scene from the long-running animated series "The Simpsons."

up "The Simpsons" for two more seasons — its 27th and 28th. A statement from Jean and fellow "Simpsons" executive producers James L. Brooks and Matt Groening said Shearer "was offered the same deal the rest of the cast accepted, and passed." Shearer did not respond to a request for comment. The multitasking Shearer, 71, has charted a diverse career as an actor, writer, musician and producer, both before and since becoming part of the "Simpsons" troupe. Also known for his starring role in the 1984 mockumentary classic "This Is Spinal Tap," as well as for hosting public radio's weekly "Le Show" for more than 30 years, he recently produced and starred in "Nixon's the One," portraying President Richard Nixon in a TV dramatization of the secret White House tapes.

Giant Lego sculpture exhibit opens in Paris

PARIS—American artist Nathan Sawaya's "The Art of the Brick" takes a children's toy and turns it into high art.

The show, which opened Thursday in Paris, contains some 100 sculptures composed of more than 1 million Lego bricks.

Sawaya's most famous work, "Yellow," a male bust opening his own chest, is featured alongside a 20-foot-long skeleton of a Tyrannosaurus rex, as well as a replica of the Venus de Milo statue — the original of which is on display at the nearby Louvre Museum.

A former lawyer, Sawaya quit his job in a New York law firm to follow his ego art passion, and first introduced Lego sculptures to the art world in 2007. He has since staged exhibitions in North America, Asia, Australia



U.S. artist Nathan Sawaya poses next to his sculpture "Yellow" presented during an exhibition, "The Art of the Brick," in Paris, on Thursday.

and Europe. "The great thing about Lego bricks is it's a universal toy... in Africa, I met some folks who'd never played with Lego and never even heard of it. And yet they immediately got it when I brought out a few bricks. And that's the great thing about using the medium: It makes the art very accessible," said Sawaya.

"The Art of the Brick" runs at Paris Expo-Porte de Versailles until Aug. 30.

Briefs

Greece won't sue Britain to get back Parthenon Marbles
ATHENS, Greece—Advocacy groups seeking to get the British Museum to return the Parthenon Marbles to Athens expressed disappointment Thursday after Greece's culture minister said he would not launch a court

challenge for the famous collection.

The sculptures, which for more than 2,000 years decorated the Parthenon temple on the Acropolis in Athens, were removed more than two centuries ago by Lord Elgin, a Scottish nobleman, and are on display at the London museum.

Culture Minister Nikos Xydakis on Wednesday said Athens would not seek court action against the museum but preferred a "diplomatic route."

Xydakis said the legal initiative was funded by an anonymous private donor and is ongoing. But he added, speaking to private Mega television: "It's a diplomatic route and a political one for (Greece). You cannot go to court for every issue. And in international court, the outcome is always uncertain. Things are not that simple."

From wire reports

Horoscopes

BY NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSOCIATES

Forecast for Friday, May 15, 2015

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

—You will be able to sell a creative concept if you pitch your idea. Brainstorming with successful colleagues will give you valuable insight and inspiration to strive for more.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

—You will be eager to succeed, but someone close to you will feel left out if your career aspirations take up too much of your time. A personal relationship needs nurturing.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

—Someone will try to jeopardize your position. Don't go out on a limb for someone you cannot trust. Remain on good terms with your peers and colleagues to avoid

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

—An anticipated challenge will have a prosperous outcome. Work on your communication skills. Use your leadership abilities to strengthen your business position. Build a solid base and you will excel.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

—A love interest will take you by surprise. Ask your financial adviser to recommend a sound investment choice that will help you stay solvent. Avoid overspending on home or self-improvement projects.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

—A romantic involvement is in the cards. A current or new relationship will increase in depth and passion. Open up talks that will lead to a

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

—A surprising offer will come your way. Don't allow yourself to be sidetracked by minor matters. Concentrate on completing any unfinished business to clear your slate for a new endeavor.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

—You will be distracted today. Don't allow your lack of concentration to result in a careless mistake. Exercise extra caution while operating machinery or taking part in physical activities.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

—A power struggle at home will lead to long-lasting resentment. Compromise and cooperation will help rectify the situation. It's not worth your while to be stubborn.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)

—Travel and education will feature strongly in your day. Consider traveling to an area whose features are vastly different from your own. The information you gain will be inspiring and rewarding.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

—Procrastination will be your downfall. Get an early start on your daily responsibilities if you want to have time left over for pleasurable activities that will ease your mind.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

—Don't panic if your plans fall through. Instead, spend time pampering yourself. Some leisure time reading, listening to music or just relaxing will help soothe your frazzled nerves.

Husband can't stop singing praises of bone marrow donor

Dear Abby: My husband of 28 years had a bone marrow transplant, and six months ago he learned who his donor was. He now wants to meet up with the person. Turns out, it was a woman.



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

I'm not usually a jealous person, but it's all he ever talks about every single minute of the day. He wants to meet her two hours from where we live. I am fine with it, but I'm tired of hearing how "great" she is. What can I do to keep the peace in my house?

—WIFE OF A TRANSPLANT

Dear Wife: Because of your husband's donor, you are a wife and not a widow. A step in the right direction would be to regard her as the person who saved your husband's life at a point when you could have lost him. Of course he thinks she is "great." Not everyone is willing to be tested to see if it's possible to be a bone marrow donor. I think she is great, too.

Please calm down. With the passage of time, your husband will not feel the need to speak about her as often.

Dear Abby: My boyfriend booked a cruise with his ex-wife to celebrate their son's eighth birthday. They plan to share the same cabin. He has mentioned at least twice in the past that she wants him back, but now he denies having said it.

I didn't expect him to pay for my ticket (I can afford it), but an invite would have been nice. I have included him in my children's celebrations and have stood by him through difficult times. I have yet to meet the ex, so there's no animosity between us.

When I suggested separate cabins would be appropriate and affordable considering they had

booked a suite, and two regular cabins are about half the price, he flat-out told me I'm not invited. He says this isn't about "us" but about his son, whom I get along with. I love this man and feel this isn't just about trust, although he has been less than truthful lately. I don't want to have to wonder what happened in that cabin when their son was asleep or at the kids' club or when they had a bit too much to drink.

Am I unreasonable in thinking sharing such close quarters with an ex is inappropriate? Should I jump ship from this relationship? He clearly could care less about my feelings.

—WAITING AT THE DOCK

Dear Waiting: When parents separate, most children hope and pray they will find a way to get back together. If your boyfriend and his ex are sure that isn't going to happen, then it really isn't right to bunk together and get their son's hopes up only to be disappointed when the ship returns to shore.

That this man acts like your feelings are irrelevant and isn't always truthful are huge red flags and do not bode well for your future if you continue with him. I don't know how much time you have invested, but if more of the same is what's in store, you'd be better off to cut your losses and bail.

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Help friend replace prejudice with love

Q: I enjoy my friend's company, but sometimes he gets off on racial issues, and his intolerance and bigotry really make me very uncomfortable. I tried to say something to him about it once, but it just made him angry. How should I handle this?



Billy Graham
My Answer

—WJ

Bible verse

PHILIPPIANS 4:14

I can do everything through him who gives me strength. It happens almost everywhere. But this is no excuse for ignoring it or simply wishing it would go away. Ask God to erase any prejudice from your own heart, and then to help you to be an example to your friend.

In addition, pray for him, and ask God to give you wisdom in knowing how to help him overcome his prejudices. The greatest thing you can do for your friend, however, is to urge him to give his life to Jesus Christ. Once Christ fills our hearts and minds, we begin to see others through his eyes. When we do that, prejudice flees and love takes its place.

My Answer

Racial or ethnic prejudice is a sin in God's eyes, and it should be wrong in our eyes, as well. God created the whole human race, and his love embraces the whole human race. How do we know this? We know it for many reasons, but most of all because Jesus Christ died on the cross to save people from every race and ethnic background. Even some of the earliest Christians had a hard time understanding this at first, but in time they did, and God confirmed it by bringing all kinds of people into his kingdom. Someday in heaven, we'll join all believers in praising God for Christ's mercy and grace. The Bible says, "With your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation" (Revelation 5:9).

Racial intolerance isn't confined to America; in my travels, I discovered

(Send your queries to "My Answer" c/o Billy Graham, Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, 1 Billy Graham Parkway, Charlotte, N.C. 28203; call (877) 2-GRAHAM; or visit the Web site for the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association: www.billygraham.org.)