

Another meeting called today

Sumter School District Board of Trustees to assemble for executive session

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The Sumter School District Board of Trustees has called another special called meeting at 4 p.m. today, according to a meeting agenda that was released to the media on Wednesday afternoon.

After the meeting begins today, the board agenda states the board will immediately enter executive session behind closed doors for receipt of legal advice from attorneys and discussion of an employee's status, according to the agenda. It's not known who the employee is.


BAKER

Superintendent Frank Baker's last day with the district is Monday, the last day of the month. Baker and the board mutually agreed last week that he will retire then, after eight months of turmoil after the December release of the fiscal year 2016 audit report.

That report revealed the district overspent by \$6.2 million that year and had an ending general fund balance on June 30, 2016, of \$106,449 — a critically low level, according to the district's auditor.

SUMTER SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WHAT: Special called meeting
WHEN: 4 p.m. today
WHERE: 1345 Wilson Hall Road

Today's meeting will be the board's second special called meeting this week and fourth in the past five weeks.

At least two of the three previous called meetings during the time frame have involved Baker and his retirement. It was at the July 18 meeting

that the board and Baker mutually agreed he will retire, although a public vote in an open meeting was never taken.

On Monday night, at another called meeting, the trustees voted unanimously to name Debbie Hamm interim superintendent — effective Tuesday.

There was no action taken, or even comments made, by the board after a June 27 called meeting.

That meeting's agenda indicated trustees were to discuss an employee's contract and receive legal advice in executive session.

Today's 4 p.m. meeting will be at the district office, 1345 Wilson Hall Road.

Hamm has fond memories of Sumter

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For Debbie Hamm, who will become Sumter School District's interim superintendent on Tuesday, it all began in Sumter.

After graduating from college in California in 1973, Hamm moved to Sumter because her husband, Steve, had a job here. She taught for a year in the former Sumter School District 2 at the former Eastern Elementary School, which went through the eighth grade at the time, and her principal was R.E. Davis. Today, the elementary school is named after Davis.

Hamm said Wednesday that she and her husband of nearly 44 years look back fondly on their time here.

"It was not only where I had my first job, but it was where my husband and I lived when we were first married," Hamm said. "We loved our time in Sumter."

It was the 1973-74 school year, she said.

Hamm said her best memories of being a teacher at the school that year were the school children and also the opportunity to work with Davis.

"He was an amazing man, and I am so happy the school was named after him," Hamm said. "We got to know both Mr. Davis and his wife. Part of the fond memory is the privilege of knowing both of them and particularly working with R.E. Davis."

After that school year, Hamm and her husband moved to Columbia, where she pursued her master's degree at University of South Carolina. She actually has spent all of her professional career since then in the Columbia



HAMM

Military Order of the Purple Heart meet the mayor



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Members of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, Gen. George L. Mabry Jr. Chapter 817 of Sumter, visit with Sumter Mayor Joseph T. McElveen Jr., left, on Thursday morning before the mayor signed a proclamation declaring Monday, Aug. 7, as Purple Heart Day. See proclamation photo on page A2.

Traveler ranks Sumter as 6th best place to see eclipse

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Traveling the path of the eclipse along the Southeastern part of the country, Jason Barnette, a freelance photographer and writer, ranked Sumter as the sixth best place to visit and see the total eclipse on Aug. 21.

For nine years, Barnette has been traveling and taking photographs; however, it was not until three years ago that he began to write about his destinations and journeys.

Originally from Virginia, Barnette travels and visits his parents in Charleston where he got the idea to follow the path of the eclipse.

Starting in Charleston, he visited a large portion of South Carolina and is now in Tennessee.

"By the end of my journey," Barnette said, "I will have visited five different states, over 90 destinations and will have been on a three-month expedition."

At his stops throughout South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and Kentucky, Barnette said that he gets to know the towns he stays in by searching for the best lodging and food for future visitors.

While in South Carolina, Barnette visited Sumter on May 26 and 27 and scouted out several possible locations



PHOTO PROVIDED

Freelance photographer and writer Jason Barnette stopped by Sumter on May 26 and 27 during his tour of the path of the total eclipse, which is on Aug. 21. Barnette took this photograph saying, "Swan Lake is unique and the perfect location to view the eclipse and visit the swans."

for visitors and Sumterites to watch the eclipse.

"Since Sumter is in the path of the eclipse," Barnette said, "I went downtown and all around Sumter looking for the best places to see it."

During his search, Barnette said he learned that Dillion Park will be hosting a viewing party for the community

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FARM REPORT

DeWitt says farmers ready to ‘fire the combines’

BY JIM HILLEY
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This year’s growing season is looking pretty good, Clemson Extension Agent David DeWitt said.

“Insect pressure has been fairly low; rainfall has been fairly plentiful for the most part,” he said. “Occasional spots got too much, and occasional spots didn’t get enough.”

He said he couldn’t make it sound too good, however.

“I’ll get some farmers that call and say: ‘I haven’t had rain in a month,’” he said.

Corn is in good shape this season, and the harvest will begin soon, DeWitt said.

“Some people might start the end of

this week and early next week; it’s a little bit early, but some people got an early start,” he said. “Everybody is getting ready to fire the combines.”

He said he expects an above-average corn yield for the season.

“We’ve had some disease show up in corn, something we haven’t seen before and got everybody excited a little bit,” DeWitt said. “It is brown spot that looks a lot like a rust, but it seems to be leveling off.”

Soybeans are also doing well, he said.

“We got some beans planted early that are just beautiful and even some late beans,” DeWitt said. “It makes a difference when you get a rain every four or five days.”

Peanuts have looked strong all

year, he said, but cotton is showing a mix.

“Cotton is all over the board,” DeWitt said. “Overall good, but we got so much rain during the planting season that some got drowned out and some that was planted late or had to be replanted.”

Tobacco and grain sorghum are also doing well, he said.

“That’s about as positive report as I can give on state agriculture right now,” DeWitt said.

Commodity prices have been volatile, he said.

“Prices are fluctuating every day; every time they get a rain or heat storm in the Midwest, prices go up 20 cents or drop 30 cents,” he said. “A lot of farmers say: ‘Let me get it harvest-

ed first, and then I’ll worry about selling it.”

DeWitt said the hemp program in the state is getting ready to start.

Applications for hemp permits will be available next week, he said.

“They are only going to permit 20 farms at 20 acres max for this coming 2018 season,” DeWitt said, “so it will not be a big thing.”

A lot of people can use the fiber in hemp, but he said if they are going to have only 400 acres, that’s not enough to justify a manufacturing or processing plant.

“This hemp has no THC in it, so there is no smoking it to get high,” DeWitt said. “If you smoked a pound of it, you would have nothing but a big headache.”

LOCAL BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Get in shape at home through FTC Now

FTC Digital TV customers can now get in shape in the comfort of their own homes with “Fitness Focus” programs through FTC Now.

The 30-minute workouts, which air in the morning and evening Monday through Saturday, range from low- to high-impact workouts, including Zumba, yoga, Cross-Fit and core-strengthening class.

Along with “Fitness Focus,” FTC Now provides additional programs for subscribers, including local high school sports, hometown events and original cooking shows showcasing local cooks.

“We want our customers to utilize every program that FTC Now offers,” said Chip Chase, public relations director for FTC. “Whether they are working out with ‘Fitness Focus’ in their living rooms, watching local cooking shows or learning about events happening around them.”

For more information on FTC and to learn about the services and programs offered, visit www.ftc-i.net or like FTC on Facebook.

New speaker for Vision in Progress meeting

The speaker for Wednesday’s Visioning in Progress meeting has changed. Barney Gadson, director of the Helping Youth Pursue Excellence program, will speak on the program’s mission and progress.

HYPE is an after-school program that provides academic enrichment to young people. The public is invited to attend the 10-to-11 a.m. Wednesday meeting at James E. Clyburn Intermodal Transportation Center on South Harvin Street.

For more information, call Patty Wilson at (803) 491-1226.

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Mayor signs Purple Heart Day proclamation



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Members of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, Gen. George L. Mabry Jr. Chapter 817 of Sumter join Mayor Joseph T. McElveen Jr., front center, as he signs a proclamation declaring Monday, Aug. 7, as Purple Heart Day in the City of Sumter. The proclamation honors military veterans who are recipients of the Purple Heart, which is a U.S. military decoration awarded to military members who have been wounded or killed while serving in combat operations against hostile enemy forces.

Public input sought on historic district design guidelines draft

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Sumter’s Historic Preservation Design Review Committee has drafted a Guidelines Document for the Downtown Sumter and Hampton Park historic districts, and the City of Sumter invites the public to a presentation of the draft document at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Central Carolina Technical College Health Sciences Center Iris Room, 133 S. Main St. in Downtown Sumter.

The purpose of the meeting is for staff to present the document to property owners, businesses and interested residents.

Helen Roodman, senior planner with the City-County Planning Department, said in a news release, “Planning staff has worked closely with the consultant,

Hill Studio, a professional firm out of Roanoke, Virginia, to update the guidelines so they are more user friendly and informative. We believe the draft document goes a long way toward improving usability and is a positive step in assisting property owners and the Historic Preservation Design Review Committee with appropriate design for rehabilitation of existing buildings and new construction in the historic districts.”

In addition to Thursday’s public presentation meeting, there will be a special meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, at City Council Chambers on the fourth floor of Sumter Opera House, when the Historic Preservation Design Review Committee will receive formal comments on the guidelines document.

George McGregor, director of the

Sumter City-County Planning Department, emphasized that the guidelines are in draft form. He said, “We welcome a robust discussion on the draft: Public input and comment is encouraged. It will be the charge of the Historic Preservation Design Review Committee and ultimately city council on the final form of the policy document.”

The 110-page draft guidelines document is available for review online at <http://bit.ly/2h41Y4q>. The project was made possible through a grant with the South Carolina Department of Archives and History.

For more information about the Historic District Design Guidelines, contact Roodman at the Planning Department, 12 W. Liberty St., call (803) 774-1636, or email hroodman@sumter-sc.com.



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CCTC hosts third School Counselor Summer Institute



Central Carolina Technical College's Mechatronics Program Manager Bert Hancock gives a tour of the mechatronics lab to attendees of CCTC's third School Counselor Summer Institute. The institute welcomed 15 area school guidance counselors onto its campus from July 17 to 21 to learn about its 50-plus programs of study and student support services it offers to residents in Clarendon, Lee, Kershaw and Sumter counties. The first two days of the institute focused on Student Support Services, General Education, Dual Enrollment and Early College, Library Resources and the Freshman Focus Center. Counselors took tours of the Advanced Manufacturing Technology Training Center where they learned about Industrial and Engineering Technology. They also visited the Health Sciences Center and received a firsthand view of what CCTC students experience on a daily basis. The last three days consisted of touring the Environmental and Natural Resources Center, the Legal Studies Center and the Human Services building. The institute ended with essential information about Career Services, Financial Aid, Testing Services and Admissions. Counselors also had the opportunity to learn about Central Carolina Scholars, which provides the first two years at CCTC tuition-free for high school graduates in Clarendon, Kershaw, Lee and Sumter counties.

Sheriff's office warns of phone scammer

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Sumter County Sheriff's Office is alerting residents of a telephone scammer claiming to be a deputy with the agency and attempting to get money for penalties that do not exist. The sheriff's office has been notified of county residents receiving phone calls from a man claiming he is Lt. Gary Allen — he could also use different names. The sheriff's office does not have an employee named Gary Allen, according to a news release from the sheriff's office. The caller tells whoever answers the phone that the person is in trouble for not showing up for jury duty. Typically with this type of scam, the caller

will say an issue can be resolved by buying a prepaid credit card and calling back with the numbers. If the person receiving the call refuses to buy the cards or tells the man he or she thinks the call is a scam, the caller will say that a deputy is on the way to come "pick you up." "We hope that Sumter County residents are wise to this type of scam," said Sheriff Anthony Dennis in the news release. "I can assure you that if there is a warrant for your arrest, or even a subpoena, we do not call you on the telephone. Instead we make a personal visit. Never give out personal information such as your Social Security number, credit card numbers or bank account numbers to anyone on the telephone."



Lt. Charles Banghart with Sumter Police Department briefs a special team of officers on strategies to discourage crimes of opportunity this summer.

Police department sends special team to discourage spike in summer crimes

FROM STAFF REPORTS

A special team of police officers assembled from various divisions and units within Sumter Police Department has been working to increase the department's visibility in neighborhoods where data shows an increased number of calls for service. The team — which includes officers from traffic, investigative services and warrants divisions as well as investigators — has been addressing crimes that typically spike in the summer, according to a news release from the police department. During the summer, the increased calls are commonly related to stolen

yard equipment, vandalism and vehicle break-ins. As patrol officers perform their regular duties and answer calls, the team will use road safety checkpoints, warrant services and other strategies to discourage crimes of opportunity. The special team will also assist the patrol officers by providing extra manpower when needed. Residents can also help by reporting suspicious or undesirable activities in their neighborhood to law enforcement. For more information or to report concerns in your area, contact Sumter Police Department at (803) 436-2700. Always dial 911 in case of an emergency.

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Why consumers still can't ditch the cable box

NEW YORK (AP) — Not that long ago, the clunky cable box looked like it was on its way out. The federal government was pressuring cable companies to open up their near-monopoly on boxes to more competition, and industry leader Comcast promised apps that could render some boxes obsolete. That was then. Today, the vast majority of customers still need to rent a box to get full service from cable providers, and those box-replacing apps remain elusive. Here's what happened.

DITCHING THE BOX

In 2015, tech companies and consumer advocates were pushing the Federal Communications Commission to open up the cable-box market. The goal was to let you buy a cable box the way you'd pick up a new smartphone, sparing you the expense of leasing them from cable companies for about \$6 and up a month. The cable industry and Hollywood hated the FCC's February 2016 plan to "unlock the box." They pointed out that TV-watching apps were already available and laid out an industry proposal for new apps that could replace cable boxes. Amid industry pushback, the FCC's proposed rules languished ahead of the 2016 election. Afterward, President

Trump's new FCC chairman, Ajit Pai, shelved them permanently. The industry is no longer pushing its app proposal with the FCC, said Brian Dietz, a spokesman for the cable lobby group NCTA. And he noted that some cable and satellite companies have launched apps that let customers watch video without a cable box.

WHERE ARE THOSE APPS?

But most cable TV customers still need a box. The industry has little motivation to get rid of rented cable boxes or to keep its promises without pressure from regulators, said John Bergmayer, senior counsel of the public advocacy group Public Knowledge, in a filing to the FCC. Comcast said in April 2016 that it was working with Roku and Samsung to develop apps that, later that year, could replace cable boxes. And it did start testing a Roku app in January, although customers still need a cable box while the service is in "beta." One more drawback: Using the Roku app won't be free if customers want it to work with more than one TV. The Samsung app remains under development. In 2015, Charter and Time Warner Cable started offering apps that could replace cable boxes in some markets.



AP FILE PHOTO

The vast majority of customers still need to rent a cable box to get full service from cable providers, and those box-replacing apps remain elusive.

Nearly two years later, Charter says it's now "testing" such an app, Spectrum Stream, in nearly all markets. (Charter bought Time Warner Cable in 2016.) AT&T, the owner of DirecTV, and Verizon have no apps that can replace boxes entirely for traditional cable and satellite TV service. Separately, in 2015, Comcast launched a box-free cable service in Boston called Stream, designed for phones, tablets and computers and aimed at younger users. At the time, the company said it would roll out to all users by early 2016. Stream remains limited to Boston and Chicago, although Comcast said Wednesday

that it's going to roll out a revamp, "Instant TV," aimed at digital users, in the second half of the year. The company says net neutrality rules and regulators under the Obama administration hindered Stream's roll-out. It wants the FCC to spike these rules, which bar internet providers from favoring their own content. **CABLE-BOX FREE TV GALORE** The cable lobby is right to point out that there are plenty of box-free TV apps available. Like Comcast's Stream, they're just not really aimed at the 94 million traditional cable and satellite customers stuck with box fees. They're for "cord cutters." Online-cable services from Dish, Sony, Hulu and YouTube let you watch live TV and record it for later. AT&T's DirecTV Now's DVR hasn't launched yet. These services don't fully replace traditional cable service. Major channels aren't always available, there have been some service quality glitches, and they've only attracted an estimated few million subscribers. To watch internet-based TV on a TV, you probably need a gadget like a Roku, a Chromecast stick or Apple TV. These don't have monthly fees as cable boxes do.

Scientists edit genes of human embryos in U.S. for first time

BY MARILYNN MARCHIONE
AP Chief Medical Writer

For the first time in the United States, scientists have edited the genes of human embryos, a controversial step toward someday helping babies avoid inherited diseases. The experiment was just an exercise in science — the embryos were not allowed to develop for more than a few days and were never intended to be implanted into a womb, according to MIT Technology Review, which first reported the news. Officials at Oregon Health & Science University confirmed Thursday that the work took place there and said results would be published in a journal soon. It is thought to be the first such work in the U.S.; previous experiments such as this have been reported from China. How many embryos were created and edited in the experiments has not been revealed. The Oregon scientists reportedly used a technique called CRISPR, which allows specific sections of DNA to be altered or replaced. It's simi-

lar to using a molecular scissors to cut and paste DNA, and is much more precise than some types of gene therapy that cannot ensure that desired changes will take place exactly where and as intended. With gene editing, these so-called "germline" changes are permanent and would be passed down to any offspring. The approach holds great potential to avoid many genetic diseases, but has raised fears of "designer babies," if done for less lofty reasons, such as producing desirable traits. Last year, Britain said some of its scientists could edit embryo genes to better understand human development. And earlier this year in the U.S., the National Academy of Sciences and National Academy of Medicine said in a report that altering the genes of embryos might be OK, if done under strict criteria and aimed at preventing serious disease. "This is the kind of research that the report discussed," University of Wisconsin-Madison bioethicist R.

Alta Charo said of the report of Oregon's work. She co-led the National Academies panel but was not commenting on its behalf Thursday. "This was purely laboratory-based work that is incredibly valuable for helping us understand how one might make these germline changes in a way that is precise and safe. But it's only a first step," she said. "We still have regulatory barriers in the United States to ever trying this to achieve a pregnancy. The pub-

lic has plenty of time" to weigh in on whether that should occur. One prominent genetics expert, Dr. Eric Topol, director of the Scripps Translational Science Institute in La Jolla, California, said gene editing of embryos is "an unstoppable, inevitable science, and this is

more proof it can be done." Experiments are in the works now in the U.S. using gene-edited cells to try to treat people with various diseases, but "in order to really have a cure, you want to get this at the embryo stage," he said. "If it isn't done in this country, it will be done elsewhere."

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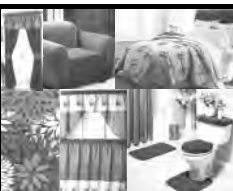
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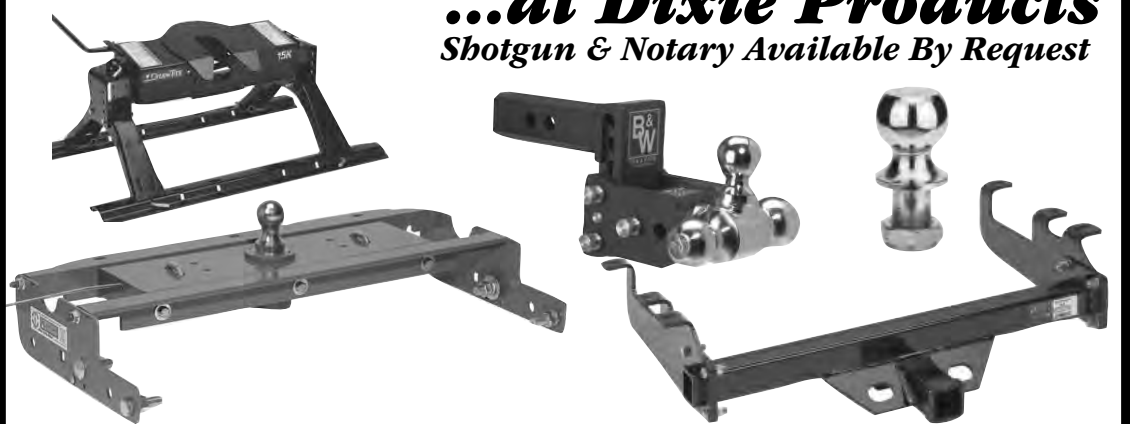


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POLICE BLOTTER

CHARGES

Michael Porcher, 27, of 1010 Jassamine Trail, was arrested on Sunday and charged with first degree domestic violence for allegedly attacking his ex-girlfriend after kicking in the front door of a residence in the 1000 block of Flamingo Road about 9 p.m. on Sunday.

Nichole A. Barr, 31, of 735 Boulevard Road, was arrested on Tuesday and charged with domestic violence of a high and aggravated nature for allegedly stabbing and cutting her boyfriend following a verbal altercation while at a location in the 700 block of Boulevard Road on Monday.

Chelsea L. Holliday, 28, of 132 Pack Road, was arrested on July 14 and charged with larceny for allegedly getting

into a vehicle, without consent, with the intent to take items belonging to the victim while in the 300 block of Catie Street on June 6.

Jason R. Holland, 35, of 4936 Woods Bay Road, Olanta, was arrested on Monday and charged with third degree burglary and grand larceny for allegedly taking items valued at more than \$2,000 on two different occasions. According to a news release from Sumter County Sheriff's Office, Holland entered a building without consent and took two generators valued at about \$2,000 while in the 6500 block of Myrtle Beach Highway on July 11. Approximately \$150 in damage was reportedly caused to the shed where the generators were taken. The release also states that Holland allegedly took a 2011 Honda ATV valued at \$11,000 from a location in the 11000 block of Douglas Swamp Road on July 15.

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area, retiring as superintendent of Richland School District 2 on June 30.

MORE ON INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH PROCESS

The Sumter School District Board of Trustees interviewed three candidates in executive session at Monday night's special called meeting for the interim superintendent post. The district released information on the other two candidates Thursday. They were Barry Bolen, a former superintendent in Lexington County School District Two in West Columbia, and William Cason, a former superintendent with Valdosta City Schools in Valdosta, Georgia.

The board selected Hamm in a unanimous vote Monday after the executive session.

According to the district and its attorneys, Hamm will earn "the same daily rate" of pay as retiring Superintendent Frank Baker. That's \$797.04 per day or \$3,985.20 per week.

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to watch the eclipse. There, viewers will be given free viewing glasses and will be at a "perfect location to see the eclipse in its entirety."

An additional location that Barnette found while exploring Sumter was at Poinsett State Park. While it is not strictly open skies, being mostly woods, Barnette said that with a kayak or a paddle boat in the small lake at the park, the eclipse could be seen quite well and would be a great place to see the eclipse as well as spend time in nature.

"Another destination for watchers is Swan Lake-Iris Gardens," Barnette said. "It's unique and, at this location, many can find a special viewing space while being surrounded by beautiful scenery and swans."

Barnette said that while his trip to Sumter was a search for the best places to see the eclipse and to find lodging and food for newcomers, he wants the community and those traveling to Sumter to know of its quaint appeal and uniqueness.

"Sumter is a treasure that I want people to know about," Barnette said. "It's off the beaten path and many miss it by going around it on the interstate. It's a jewel of a destination to visit, and I plan to return to write more about this beautiful small town."

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Former Gov. Sanford urges FCC to combat prison cellphone issue

COLUMBIA (AP) — A former South Carolina governor now in Congress wants federal communications officials to help combat the danger of cellphones in the hands of prison inmates, asking Thursday that states be allowed to use technology to jam the signals of cellphones smuggled to inmates behind bars.

"You could make a real difference here," wrote U.S. Rep. Mark Sanford in a letter to Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai. "In fact, there are very few things in domestic public policy that entail life and death itself. This issue does, and your actions here could literally save lives and make a profound difference."

Sanford is one of many South Carolina officials who for years have spoken out about the dangers of cellphones, which are illegal for inmates to have in prison, warning that the devices give inmates the unfettered ability to communicate among themselves and the outside world, plotting violent uprisings and carrying on criminal enterprises. More than 7,200 cellphones were seized from South Carolina's prisons last year, according to corrections officials.

Most recently, an inmate was able to escape from a maximum-security South Carolina prison in part thanks to help from a smuggled cellphone, officials said. Jimmy Causey was on the run for three days before he was captured near Austin, Texas, on July 7.

Governor from 2003 to 2011, Sanford was South Carolina's top politician when one of the state's prison officers was nearly killed in a hit authorities said was orchestrated by an inmate using a cellphone behind bars. In 2010, Sanford stood with Correction Capt. Robert Johnson to call on FCC officials to act on a petition to let the state start a pilot signal jamming program.

The FCC prohibits states from using the technology.

"Despite the clear danger illegal cellphones present, the FCC caved in to industry special interests and refused to allow South Carolina to carry out its proposed pilot program," Sanford said, referencing pressure by cellphone companies. The companies argue that signal jamming could affect legal users nearby and interfere with 911 calls.

The issue, Sanford wrote, has grown more severe. In June, six correctional officers were rescued after an attempted confiscation of an inmate's cellphone prompted a fight at a medium-security prison in Edgefield County, about 20 miles northeast of Augusta, Georgia. Two officers were treated for non-life-threatening injuries.

A few days earlier, nearly three dozen people were charged with being part of a methamphetamine ring run by South Carolina inmates using smuggled cellphones. Earlier this year, Stirling and Johnson traveled to Washington to lobby members of Congress on the issue.



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New principals take over in Clarendon 1

BY JIM HILLEY
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In a move that created some controversy, Clarendon County School District 1 did not renew the contracts of any of the three principals in the district since at the end of the 2016-17 academic year.

On Wednesday, *The Sumter Item* met with the three incoming principals in the district in an effort to better acquaint residents of the district with the new administrative team.

PATRICIA MIDDLETON
*Principal
Summerton Early Childhood Center*

Patricia Middleton, the newly appointed principal at Summerton Early Childhood Center, said her greatest goal is to have students at the school reading, writing and computing at grade level or better before they move on to grade school.

“If we meet that goal, our scholars will be successful at St. Paul (Elementary School) and that means they will be successful here in the district and as they migrate to middle and high school,” she said.

The focus will be on reading.

“Our greatest push is to strengthen our reading program because we know if scholars can read and write,



New principals in Clarendon County School District 1 are, from left, Patricia Middleton at Summerton Early Childhood Center, Joaquin Brown at St. Paul Elementary School and Robert Collar at Scott's Branch High School/Middle School.

Old 301 bridge may be closed for eclipse

BY JIM HILLEY
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Though nobody is promoting it as an eclipse destination, the old U.S. 301 bridge across Lake Marion has generated considerable buzz as a destination to watch the coming total solar eclipse on Aug. 21. The center of the moon's shadow, which has the longest period of totality, will cross the bridge at approximately 2:44 p.m. as it transits along lakes Marion and Moultrie.

At one time, the structure carried much of the traffic moving up and down the East Coast, but few people were on the bridge on a hot afternoon. The concrete roadway was littered with debris from the Fourth of July, and a somewhat tame crow stayed nearby, apparently hoping a reporter was going to clean a fresh catch of fish.

A bin of eclipse glasses at the E-Z Shop gas station and convenience store, the nearest business up the old highway, provided the only evidence of any preparation for the so-called "Great American Eclipse."

Wanda Jackson, who was working at the store Wednesday,



The old U.S. 301 bridge over Lake Marion may be a hot destination for eclipse viewers on Aug. 21, but there is a possibility it could be closed permanently before then.

day, said her boss has been pushing employees to sell the glasses.

"A lot of people have been talking about the eclipse," she said, but she said she wasn't aware of the area being a big destination for eclipse tourists.

Rick Potter, a North Santee resident who was bicycling on the bridge, said he has heard about the eclipse but didn't realize the center of totality was going to cross the bridge or that a lot of people might

come to watch the eclipse from it.

"That's when I will stay away from it," he said.

Another North Santee resident, James Beckett, said he knew the centerline would cross the bridge.

"That's what I told my old lady," he said as he picked up screws left in the road by a construction company.

He said he was planning on going to the highest part of

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District appoints Champagne as interim superintendent

FROM STAFF REPORTS

On Thursday, July 20, the Clarendon School District One Board of Trustees voted to appoint Assistant Superintendent Barbara Ragin Champagne as the interim superintendent for the school district. Former Superintendent Rose Wilder announced



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her retirement at the same meeting.

According to a district press release, Champagne has 35 years of education experience and has served as the assistant superintendent of instruction and federal and state programs for the district since 2008.

"Having observed Mrs. Ragin Champagne in her role as assistant superintendent, the board believes that she has the necessary qualifications and experience to serve in the capacity of the position appointed," said district Board

Chairman Tony Junious.

Champagne said she is committed to the board's mission of absolute focus on student achievement, effective teaching practices, transparency of operations, fiscal accountability and parent and community engagement.

"What a remarkable privilege it is to continue to serve the students and citizenry of this historic school district in yet another capacity," Champagne said. "I am honored and humbled by the confidence the board has in my ability to continue building on the outstanding legacy of my predecessor."

The interim superintendent has an undergraduate degree in history from University of South Carolina, a Master's of Teaching from Winthrop University, and a Master's of Educational Administration from Scranton University, the release said. She recently completed all requirements for superintendent certification.

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math, science and social studies,” Middleton said. Middleton said she has more than 23 years of education experience beginning in Clarendon County School District 1. “I began my career right here in CCSD1 back in 1993 as a second-grade teacher, and I worked here till the end of the 2013 school year,” she said.

After leaving to work for a private business, she returned to the education field as a principal in Charleston County, she said. “I am back home where it all began for me,” she said. A native of Orangeburg County, Middleton lives in Holly Hill and is married to Hazel Lee Middleton Sr. They are raising three children and a goddaughter.

Middleton said she received an undergraduate degree from South Carolina State University and a master’s degree from Charleston Southern University. She said she is working on a doctorate from the Citadel. “The school motto for the year is ‘Every day, every student soaring to success,’” Middleton said.

There are about 198 students at SECC in 4K through second grade, she said. “We are still taking applications for our 4K program,” Middleton said. She said she is excited about taking the position. “They have done some great things here at SECC, and we want to continue those things, and we want to really push our reading program,” she said.

She said she thinks the school can continue to have success. “I believe that this district is a district to watch, and we want to continue doing the great things that we are doing here,” she said. Working with the staff is important, she said. “We all talked about working with the community but working with our staff as well, and if they don’t have a 100 percent buy-in from the

staff, it could be a challenging year.” **JOAQUIN BROWN** *Principal* *St. Paul Elementary School* Joaquin Brown, the new principal at St. Paul Elementary School and a Summerton native, said he is looking forward to a great year. “I am excited about giving back to a community that gave to me,” he said. “I really look forward to working with the community, working with people that I have grown up with and to see children of my classmates, a lot of happy faces that I haven’t seen in a while.”

Brown brings 18 years of experience in education to the position, beginning with six years in Richland School District 1 as a second- and third-grade teacher, he said. His undergraduate degree is from Benedict College, he said, and after going back to school and receiving a master’s from Cambridge College, he began his administrative career in Irmo, including a year as assistant high school principal at Irmo High School. “I really wanted to get back to elementary school and found an opportunity in Fairfield County, and that is where I was for the last 11 years,” Brown said. “I enjoyed my time in Fairfield and learned a lot.”

He said he was born and raised in Summerton, and his parents still live here, so he has been back on a regular basis. Brown’s wife is Quenola, and they have three daughters and a son, who is attending Coastal Carolina University. “We’re excited, looking forward to this coming week, when I get the opportunity to meet parents,” Brown said. Registration begins Monday, he said, and Thursday will include a meet-and-greet event. He said he wants to see what’s going on before making any changes.

“There are a lot of good things going on at the school, so I want to keep the ball going,” he said. “You don’t want to make too many changes, but you want to reserve the right to make changes along the way.” Brown said he has had one-on-one meetings with the staff. “We talked about some positives and some things they want to see changed and maybe get rid of, if it is possible,” he said. He said enrollment is 246, but he is still going through the numbers. The themes for this year are going to be “The sky is the limit, soaring to new heights” and “Educate, excite and engage students,” Brown said. “It has been fun so far,” he said.

ROBERT COLLAR *Scott’s Branch High School/Middle School*

Robert Collar, new principal at Scott’s Branch High School/Middle School, has worked in some tough educational environments. A graduate of the University of South Carolina, he received a master’s degree at Grand Canyon University. He began his career in Columbia at the Will Lou Grey Opportunity School. “That is a residential facility for individuals in the state of South Carolina, 16 to 19, who may be having difficulty in traditional school,” Brown said. “They apply, there is very little fee; those individuals are sent there for three-and-one-half months.” Students there work on their GED and learn discipline and about educational opportunities in a quasi-military environment, he said. He said that led to his job as principal at the South Carolina Department of Corrections’ Turbeville Correctional Institution. “I’ve had a long, long career of working with at-risk youth,” Brown said. “That does not necessarily correlate to Summerton students,” he added. Brown said he began

teaching at Richland Northeast High School in Richland School District 2 in special education for three years. He then moved home to Hilton Head Island. “(That) is where I grew up, so that is home to me,” he said. He taught special education at Bluffton High School for six years, and that’s where he started his administrative work. His job in Turbeville carried an extra bonus, he said. “I took a position up the road here, and that’s how I found this fantastic area of Summerton,” he said. Scott’s Branch has middle school students in seventh and eighth grade and high school students in ninth through 12th grade, he explained. “They have different wings, and they have elective periods which are different, so there is not much co-mingling that takes place,” he said. Among his goals is to highlight the positive things students at Scott’s Branch achieve. “When I came in, there was very little to highlight all the fantastic things going on in the district and in the school,” he said. Brown said they will begin by refurbishing the website, to broadcast and highlight student achievements at all of the CCSD1 schools. “That will be a big push that will give a lot of transparency to the community and a better platform for us to highlight all the fantastic things our kids are doing,” he said. “Whether that’s artistically, athletically, scholarly opportunities or highlighting how much our seniors have gained in scholarships — which is a tremendous amount as compared to the size of the school.” He said school faculty and staff have been open to the opportunity to make changes. “It is a refreshing opportunity to work in this district, and the district board and school faculty and staff have been very supportive,” he said.

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the bridge to watch the eclipse. “That should be the best place to see it,” he said. There is at least a chance the bridge could be permanently closed to all traffic by the day of the eclipse, however. Kevin Gant, District Seven administrator for the South Carolina Department of Transportation, which has jurisdiction over the bridge, said Thursday he could not make a definitive statement about whether it would remain open or for how long. A recent inspection of the bridge reportedly raised some concerns about the bridge’s structural integrity. “There are some concerns,” Gant said. “We don’t know how many people to anticipate being on the bridge; we don’t know about the stability of that structure.” He confirmed it is a possibility the bridge, which is currently a link in the Palmetto Trail, could be closed. “The traffic that’s on it now is just foot traffic; people may

fish off it, but it is just a few people at a time, but for it to be a dead load of people standing shoulder to shoulder watching the eclipse — and this thing is growing all the time — there is no way to anticipate how many people will be on the structure,” he said.

He said the department is weighing its options. “We have to look at things from all sides,” Gant said. “It takes a coordinated effort from the agency.” The bridge is probably one of many places that could attract a large number of eclipse viewers.

South Carolina Highway Patrol Lance Cpl. David Jones said law enforcement officials are expecting to see a large influx of visitors. “What we don’t want people to do is stop on the interstates,” he said. Clarendon County Sheriff Tim Baxley said a large num-

ber of people on the bridge on a hot summer day without access to water, restrooms or emergency services is one of his concerns. A preparation meeting with other law enforcement is scheduled for Aug. 9, he said, but he did not indicate if the bridge would be discussed.

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FORECLOSURE)

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CLARENDON

Bayview Loan Servicing LLC,
PLAINTIFF,

vs.
James E. Markham; Jacqueline L. Armstrong; Joyce E. Trotter; James R. Markham; any other Heirs or Devises of Janet M. Markham, deceased; including any Personal Representatives, Successors, Assigns, Spouses, Creditors, and all others claiming any right, title or interest in the real estate known as 1003 Morello Rd., Manning, SC 29102; any adults or persons in the Military Service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any minors or persons under legal disability, being a class designated as Richard Roe; South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles; Regions Funding; Resource Mortgage, Inc.; and South Carolina Public Service Authority, DEFENDANT(S).

TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED:
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Amended Complaint herein, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, or to otherwise appear and defend, and to serve a copy of your Answer to said Complaint upon the subscribers at their office, P.O. Box 71727, North Charleston, South Carolina, 29415, within thirty (30) days after service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; except that the United States of America, if named, shall have sixty (60) days to answer after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, or otherwise appear and defend, the Plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for relief demanded therein, and judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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NOTICE OF FILING
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COMPLAINT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the original Amended Complaint in the above entitled action, together with the Summons, was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Clarendon County on June 28, 2017 at 9:10 a.m.

ORDER APPOINTING
GUARDIAN AD
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It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, upon reading and filing of the Petition of the Plaintiff for the appointment of Kelley Y Woody, attorney in Columbia, South Carolina, as Guardian ad Litem Nisi for all unknown minors, and for all persons who may be under a legal disability, it is

ORDERED that Kelley Y Woody, Attorney at Law, be and she is hereby appointed Guardian ad Litem Nisi on behalf of unknown minors or persons under a legal disability, all of whom may have an interest in or claim to have some interest in the real property known as 1003 Morello Road, Manning, SC 29102; that she is empowered and directed to appear on behalf of and represent said Defendants, unless the said Defendants, or someone on their behalf, shall within thirty (30) days after service of a copy hereof as directed, procure the appointment of a Guardian ad Litem for the said Defendants;

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2014-CP-14-00487**

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Joseph K. Coffey
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Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE 2016-CP-14-00409 BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: U.S. Bank National Association as Indenture Trustee for CIM Trust 2015-2AG Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2015-2AG against Marian C. Browder aka Marian Browder, and The South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles, I, the undersigned Special Referee for Clarendon County, will sell on August 7, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. at County Courthouse in Kingstree, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property, to-wit: All of that certain tract of land situated in School District No. 2 of Clarendon County, South Carolina, containing 4.00 acres according to a plat thereof made by H.F. Oliver, R.G. Mathis, Land Surveying, Company, dated February 18, 1987 and recorded March 13, 1987 in Deed Book A-143 at Page 202, and attached hereto and made a part of this deed, and bounded and measuring according to the plat as follows: on the Northeast by other lands of J.C. Pelfrey, and measuring thereon 417.41 feet; on the Southeast by other lands of J.C. Pelfrey and measuring thereon 417.42 feet; on the southwest by other lands of J.C. Pelfrey and measuring thereon 417.42 feet; and on the northwest by other lands of J.C. Pelfrey and measuring thereon 417.42 feet; the same being a portion of Tax Map No. 246-00-01-001-00, together with a 40 foot right of way easement for ingress and egress from the above tract of land to South Carolina Highway S-14-63 as shown on the plat. Reference is also made to plat prepared by H.F. Oliver, R.G. Mathis, Land Surveying, Company, dated January 29, 1988 and recorded February 2, 1988 in Plat Book 39 at Page 103. Also includes a mobile/manufactured home, a 1991 P i n e M a n o r , V I N : FLHMCP2824-221-7269 AB Being the same property conveyed to Michael Browder and Marion Browder by deed of Robert C. Bradford and Evelyn Beamon f/k/a Evelyn Bradford, dated February 27, 1998 and recorded March 18, 1998 in Deed Book A341 at Page 203. Thereafter, Michael B. Browder died on September 3, 2013, leaving his interest in the subject property to Marian C. Browder by right of survivorship deed. TMS No. 246-00-01-029-00 Property Address: 14196 Raccoon Road, Manning, SC 29102 TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Special Referee at conclusion of the bidding, five per cent (5%) of said bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to plaintiff's debt in the case of noncompliance. Should the successful bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Special Referee may resell the property on the same terms and conditions (at the risk of the said defaulting bidder). Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is

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automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order. The successful bidder will be required to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed and interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to the date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 9.3700%. THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, COUNTY TAXES, EXISTING EASEMENTS, EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES. Since a deficiency judgment is being demanded, the bidding will remain open for thirty (30) days after the date of sale, pursuant to S.C. Code ANN. Section 15-39-720, (1976). The deficiency judgment may be waived by the Plaintiff upon written request prior to sale. NOTICE: The foreclosure deed is not a warranty deed. Interested bidders should satisfy themselves as to the quality of title to be conveyed by obtaining an independent title search well before the foreclosure sale date. Honorable G. Wells Dickson, Jr. Special Referee Clarendon County Riley Pope & Laney, LLC Post Office Box 11412 Columbia, SC 29211 (803) 799-9993 Attorneys for Plaintiff

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Christine Ophelia Woods Pearson
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Personal Representative: Pearl Rose
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Personal Representative: Lorraine Dixon
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H.G. Osteen 1870-1955
FOUNDER, THE ITEM

H.D. Osteen 1904-1987
THE ITEM

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OPINION

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COMMENTARY

Are America’s wars just and moral?

“One knowledgeable official estimates that the CIA-backed fighters may have killed or wounded 100,000 Syrian soldiers and their allies,” writes columnist David Ignatius. Given that Syria’s prewar population was not 10 percent of ours, this is the equivalent of a million dead and wounded Americans. What justifies America’s participation in this slaughter? Columnist Eric Margolis summarizes the successes of the six-year civil war to overthrow President Bashar Assad. “The result of the western-engendered carnage in Syria was horrendous: at least 475,000 dead, 5 million Syrian refugees driven into exile in neighboring states (Turkey alone hosts three million), and another 6 million internally displaced. ... 11 million Syrians ... driven from their homes into wretched living conditions and near famine. “Two of Syria’s greatest and oldest cities, Damascus and Aleppo, have been pounded into ruins. Jihadist massacres and Russian and American air strikes have ravaged once beautiful, relatively prosperous Syria. Its ancient Christian peoples are fleeing for their lives before U.S. and Saudi takfiri religious fanatics.” Realizing the futility of U.S. policy, President Trump is cutting aid to the rebels. And the War Party is beside itself. Says *The Wall Street Journal*: “The only way to reach an acceptable diplomatic solution is if Iran and Russia feel they are paying too high a price for their Syria sojourn. This means more support for Mr. Assad’s enemies, not cutting them off without notice. And it means building up a Middle East coalition willing to fight Islamic State and resist Iran. The U.S. should also consider enforcing ‘safe zones’ in Syria for anti-Assad forces.” Yet, fighting ISIS and al-Qaida in Syria, while bleeding the Assad-Iran-Russia-Hezbollah victors, is a formula for endless war and unending terrors visited upon the Syrian people. What injury did the Assad regime, in power for half a century and having never attacked us, inflict to justify what we have helped to do to that country? Is this war moral by our own standards? We overthrew Saddam Hussein in 2003 and Moammar Gadhafi in 2012. Yet, the fighting, killing and dying in both countries have not ceased. Estimates of the Iraq civilian and military dead run into the hundreds of thousands.



Pat Buchanan

Still, the worst humanitarian disaster may be unfolding in Yemen. After the Houthis overthrew the Saudi-backed regime and took over the country, the Saudis in 2015 persuaded the United States to support its air strikes, invasion and blockade. By January 2016, the U.N. estimated a Yemeni civilian death toll of 10,000, with 40,000 wounded. However, the blockade of Yemen, which imports 90 percent of its food, has caused a crisis of malnutrition and impending famine that threatens millions of the poorest people in the Arab world with starvation. No matter how objectionable we found these dictators, what vital interests of ours were so imperiled by the continued rule of Saddam, Assad, Gadhafi and the Houthis that they would justify what we have done to the peoples of those countries? “They make a desert and call it peace,” Calgacus said of the Romans he fought in the first century. Will that be our epitaph? Deaths of civilians are justified only if they are unavoidable victims of a deliberate attack on a military target. The wars in Syria, Libya and Yemen were never authorized by Congress. The civilian dead, wounded and uprooted in Syria, and the malnourished millions in Yemen, represent a moral cost that seems far beyond any proportional moral gain from those conflicts. In which of the countries we have attacked or invaded in this century — Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Libya, Yemen — are the people better off than they were before we came? And we wonder why they hate us. “Those to whom evil is done/ Do evil in return,” wrote W. H. Auden in “September 1, 1939.” As the peoples of Syria and the other broken and bleeding countries of the Middle East flee to Europe and America, will not some come with revenge on their minds and hatred in their hearts? Meanwhile, the Americans, \$20 trillion in debt, running \$800 billion trade deficits, unable to fix their health care system, reform their tax code or fund an infrastructure program, prepare to fight a new Middle East war. Whom the Gods would destroy ...

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COMMENTARY

Sessions lessons and misdirection

WASHINGTON — Transparency, thy name is Trump, Donald Trump. No filter, no governor, no editor lies between his impulses and his public actions. He tweets, therefore he is. Ronald Reagan was so self-contained and impenetrable that his official biographer was practically driven mad trying to figure him out. Donald Trump is penetrable, hourly.



Charles Krauthammer

Never more so than during his ongoing war on his own attorney general, Jeff Sessions. Trump has been privately blaming Sessions for the Russia cloud. But rather than calling him in to either work it out or demand his resignation, Trump has engaged in a series of deliberate public humiliations. Day by day, he taunts Sessions, attacking him for everything from not firing the acting FBI director (which Trump could do himself in an instant) to not pursuing criminal charges against Hillary Clinton. What makes the spectacle so excruciating is that the wounded Sessions plods on, refusing the obvious invitation to resign his dream job, the capstone of his career. Trump relishes such a cat-and-mouse game and, by playing it so openly, reveals a deeply repellent vindictiveness in the service of a pathological need to display dominance. Dominance is his game. Doesn’t matter if you backed him, as did Chris Christie, cast out months ago. Or if you opposed him, as did Mitt Romney, before whom Trump ostentatiously dangled the State Department,

only to snatch it away, leaving Romney looking the foolish supplicant. Yet the Sessions affair is more than just a study in character. It carries political implications. It has caused the first crack in Trump’s base. Not yet a split, mind you. The base is simply too solid for that. But amid his 35 to 40 percent core support, some are peeling off, both in Congress and in the pro-Trump commentariat. The issue is less characterological than philosophical. As Stephen Hayes of *The Weekly Standard* put it, Sessions was the original Trumpist — before Trump. Sessions championed hard-line trade, law enforcement and immigration policy long before Trump rode these ideas to the White House. For many conservatives, Sessions’ early endorsement of Trump served as an ideological touchstone. And Sessions has remained stalwart in carrying out Trumpist policies at Justice. That Trump could, out of personal pique, treat him so rudely now suggests to those conservatives how cynically expedient was Trump’s adoption of Sessions’ ideas in the first place. But beyond character and beyond ideology lies the most appalling aspect of the Sessions affair — reviving the idea of prosecuting Clinton. In the 2016 campaign, there was nothing more disturbing than crowds chanting “lock her up,” often encouraged by Trump and his surrogates. After the election, however, Trump reconsidered, saying he would not pursue Clinton who “went through a lot and suffered greatly.” Now under siege, Trump has jettisoned magnanimity. Maybe she should be locked up after all. This is pure misdirection. Even if every charge against Clinton were true and she got 20 years in the clink, it would

change not one iota of the truth — or falsity — of the charges of collusion being made against the Trump campaign. Moreover, in America we don’t lock up political adversaries. They do that in Turkey. They do it (and worse) in Russia. Part of American greatness is that we don’t criminalize our politics. Last week, Trump spoke at the commissioning of the USS Gerald R. Ford aircraft carrier. Ford was no giant. Nor did he leave a great policy legacy. But he is justly revered for his decency and honor. His great gesture was pardoning Richard Nixon, an act for which he was excoriated at the time and which cost him the 1976 election. It was an act of political self-sacrifice, done for precisely the right reason. Nixon might indeed have committed crimes. But the spectacle of an ex-president on trial and perhaps even in jail was something Ford would not allow the country to go through. In doing so, he vindicated the very purpose of the presidential pardon. On its face, it’s perverse. It allows one person to overturn equal justice. But the Founders understood that there are times, rare but vital, when social peace and national reconciliation require contravening ordinary justice. Ulysses S. Grant amnestied (technically: paroled) Confederate soldiers and officers at Appomattox, even allowing them to keep a horse for the planting. In Trump World, the better angels are not in evidence. To be sure, Trump is indeed examining the pardon power. For himself and his cronies.

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EDITORIAL ROUNDUP

Recent editorial from a South Carolina newspaper:

THE TIMES AND DEMOCRAT
July 25

Eye safety during eclipse is crucial

The solar eclipse in August is fast becoming one of the major leisure events of the year, maybe even the decade. The partial phase of the eclipse is expected to begin about 1:14 p.m. with the sun to be totally blacked out at 2:43 p.m. Excitement is building. And so is the concern. “Viewing” could leave many with permanent eye

damage if appropriate caution is not taken. The real worry is how many people will look at the sun on that day in the varying stages of diminishing sunlight. If they do so without appropriate eye protection, it will result in eye damage. And no matter how many warnings are sounded, it will be shocking how few people heed them or even know about the danger — or even know about the eclipse until daylight moves toward darkness during the day on Aug. 21. Count us among those wanting people to enjoy the eclipse experience as sunlight being totally blocked by the position of the moon is a rare event. And count us among those stunned by websites and so-called experts proclaiming the danger is being overblown. Their message is that people can look safely at the sun that day when the eclipse is total, which is accurate.

But viewing the eclipse without proper eye protection when the sun is partially blocked, right up to the point when the eclipse is nearing totality (even at 99 percent), will do damage to the human eye. If safety is not stressed, how many people will look without protection at varying stages because the everyday inability to look at the sun is not a factor for a period of up to two hours? We worry many will. Reporting for *Space.com*, Hanneke Weitering writes that eclipse blindness may not even be realized until the day after when people wake to discover their vision has become impaired. While peripheral vision is usually spared, the center of vision is affected because that is the part of the retina responsible for seeing in high resolution and in color. Most patients are legally blind when they go to see an eye doctor. Weitering reports the prognosis is

nearly impossible to determine. About half will recover full vision in six months. The other half either partially recover or are stuck with the problem for the rest of their lives. The key to seeing the eclipse will be to use approved glasses during the partial phase. When the sun is totally blocked, however, nothing will be visible with the glasses. That leaves people to decide whether they wish to gamble on totality, when viewing with the naked eye is OK. Considering that one’s eyes are invaluable, it’s a decision each individual will have to make. Eyewear for viewing the eclipse is not expensive and will be available at the many events. But, again, what about people having no glasses or not even being aware of what is happening until the eclipse is unfolding? Eye professionals are likely to be busy in the days after Aug. 21.

AROUND TOWN

A Summerton Health Fair will be held 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, July 29, at Clarendon 1 Community Resource Center, 1154 Fourth St., Summerton. Free blood pressure and diabetes screening, visit tests, massage therapy by a licensed massage therapist, cholesterol test (nothing to eat or drink except water since midnight the night before), and more. For information, call Kathleen Lawson Gibson at (803) 225-0832, Marlise Guillerault at (803) 478-4945 or Nancy Foster at (803) 225-2420.

The One Sumter Community Group's third annual prayer breakfast will be held at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 5, at the Lincoln Center, 26 Council St. Tickets are \$10 each or \$80 for a table of eight. Call (803) 795-3600 or (803) 774-7776.

The Sumter Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind of South Carolina will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 8, at Shiloh-Randolph Manor, 125 W. Bartlette St. Bob Parson will speak. The spotlight is shining on Ruthie Walker and the associate member is Diana Singleton. Transportation provided within their mileage area. If you know a blind person, contact Debra Canty, chapter president, at (803) 775-5792 or debra.canty@frontier.com.

A Lee County job fair, hosted by Santee-Lynches Regional Council of Governments in coordination with SC Works and its business partners, will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 9, at the old Bishopville High School gymnasium, 121 E. College St., Bishopville. From 9 to 9:30 a.m. doors will be open to veterans only. Beginning at 9:30 a.m., the general public will be allowed inside. The job fair will end at 1 p.m. Many area employers in-

cluding Carolina Metal Finishing, GE Appliances, Coca-Cola, Thompson Industrial Services and Pilgrim's Pride are among the more than 30 employers who are expected to participate. For information, call Steve Berger at (803) 774-1306 or (803) 305-5122.

The Sumter Friends of NRA Annual Event and Dinner will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 10, at the American Legion, 31 Artillery Drive. Tickets are \$45 each or \$80 per couple. A table for eight can be purchased for \$320. Tickets are available at Strong Arms, 5641 Broad St., or purchase online at www.friendsofnra.org/SC/events. Mastercard, Visa, Discover and American Express all accepted.

Sumter's Total Eclipse Watch Party will be held noon-4 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 21, at Dillon Park. This free event will feature kids games, music, complimentary commemorative glasses to watch the eclipse (while supplies last), and more. There will be food, ice cream and beverages available for purchase. Call (803) 436-2640 for more information.

The Sumter Combat Veterans Group will hold its annual golf tournament on Saturday, Sept. 16, at Crystal Lakes Golf Course, 1305 Clara Louise Kellogg Drive. There will be a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Registration fee is \$50 per golfer limited to the first 20 teams. Fee includes continental breakfast, lunch, souvenirs, cart, green fees, refreshments during play and door prizes. Team format will be Captain's Choice Four-Person Team. There will be first and second place prizes for men's and women's teams. Call Earnest Roland at (803) 840-0935 or Dutch Holland at (910) 973-3223.

The last word in astrology

EUGENIA LAST

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Partnerships will be problematic if

you let your emotions take over. Keep your opinions to yourself until you get all the facts. Things will not be as they appear, and acting prematurely will cause unnecessary angst.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Opportunity will not unfold if you procrastinate or put your future in someone else's hands. Strive to make things happen and you won't be disappointed. Use your charm and aim for quality, not quantity, and you will get ahead.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Socialize with people who have something to offer. Networking functions will prove interesting from both a personal and professional perspective. An opportunity to get to know someone special will lead to exciting new prospects.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Problems at home will surface if you overreact or overspend. Refrain from letting someone from your past back into your life if it will have an adverse effect on what you do. Avoid indulgent people and pastimes.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Plan a day trip or get together with old friends or relatives. Talking with others will help you see your life through different eyes. Children and seniors will offer interesting insights into a situation you face. Listen carefully.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take care of your responsibilities quickly and move on to more enjoyable pastimes. Make plans with someone you want to get to know better. An activity or event you attend will prompt you to take on

something new and exciting.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You'll have a tendency to take on too much or to overindulge. Take extra time to prepare and to make personal improvements that will make you feel good about the way you look and who you are. Love and romance are featured.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Make simple, straightforward plans and stick to them. If you take on too much or you let someone take advantage of you, it will lead to anger and disappointment. Set things up at home to make your life easier.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Think big and follow through with your plans. You can bring about changes if you take action. Talk will mean very little if that's all you do. A new partnership at work looks promising. A commitment can be made.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Avoid explosive or unconventional situations that make you feel uneasy. Aim to stick to a budget and not let temptation draw you into a deal or partnership that isn't in your best interest. Excess and indulgence are best avoided.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): It's up to you to bring about positive changes. Don't wait for someone else to take over. Deal with matters that will affect your earning potential and that will give you greater opportunity to use your skills. Celebrate with someone you love.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't feel like you have to give, do or spend too much in order to impress someone or win favors. It's best to be practical and moderate, thinking matters through carefully to avoid being taken advantage of.

WEATHER

AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Sumter

TODAY	TONIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
A strong afternoon t-storm	A heavy t-storm this evening	A shower and t-storm around	Partly sunny and pleasant	Partly sunny and pleasant	Mostly sunny and nice
92°	72°	89° / 65°	84° / 63°	84° / 65°	86° / 66°
Chance of rain: 55%	Chance of rain: 55%	Chance of rain: 60%	Chance of rain: 10%	Chance of rain: 5%	Chance of rain: 15%
SW 6-12 mph	WSW 6-12 mph	NW 7-14 mph	NE 6-12 mph	ENE 6-12 mph	E 6-12 mph

TODAY'S SOUTH CAROLINA WEATHER

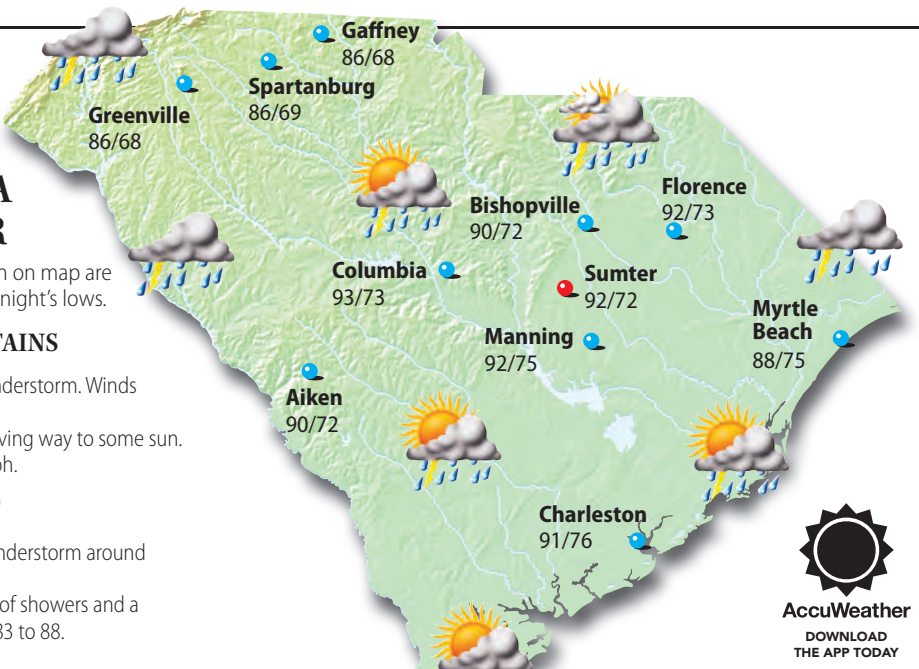
Temperatures shown on map are today's highs and tonight's lows.

IN THE MOUNTAINS

Today: A heavy thunderstorm. Winds southwest 4-8 mph.
Saturday: Clouds giving way to some sun. Winds north 6-12 mph.

ON THE COAST

Today: A strong thunderstorm around today. High 87 to 92.
Saturday: A couple of showers and a thunderstorm. High 83 to 88.



LOCAL ALMANAC

SUMTER THROUGH 4 P.M. YESTERDAY

Temperature	
High	90°
Low	72°
Normal high	90°
Normal low	70°
Record high	103° in 1949
Record low	59° in 1996

Precipitation	
24 hrs ending 4 p.m. yest.	0.00"
Month to date	4.19"
Normal month to date	4.77"
Year to date	26.06"
Last year to date	29.60"
Normal year to date	27.56"

LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Full pool	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Murray	360	357.46	+0.01
Marion	76.8	75.38	+0.06
Moultrie	75.5	75.27	+0.01
Wateree	100	97.78	+0.08

RIVER STAGES

River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Black River	12	7.78	+1.11
Congaree River	19	2.99	-0.38
Lynches River	14	6.10	-0.84
Saluda River	14	2.22	-0.05
Up. Santee River	80	76.79	none
Wateree River	24	6.69	-1.35

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise	6:31 a.m.	Sunset	8:26 p.m.
Moonrise	11:55 a.m.	Moonset	none

First	Full	Last	New
July 30	Aug. 7	Aug. 14	Aug 21

TIDES

AT MYRTLE BEACH

	High	Ht.	Low	Ht.
Today	1:23 a.m.	3.2	8:22 a.m.	0.0
	2:06 p.m.	3.0	8:45 p.m.	0.3
Sat.	2:10 a.m.	3.0	9:09 a.m.	0.2
	2:58 p.m.	3.0	9:39 p.m.	0.6

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	86/72/t	87/67/t
Chicago	80/62/s	79/62/s
Dallas	102/80/s	96/78/pc
Detroit	78/60/pc	80/62/s
Houston	100/79/s	98/78/pc
Los Angeles	85/67/pc	83/66/pc
New Orleans	94/77/s	88/75/t
New York	82/66/t	71/63/r
Orlando	91/75/t	90/75/t
Philadelphia	82/67/r	70/63/r
Phoenix	101/81/c	97/79/t
San Francisco	71/55/pc	73/57/pc
Wash., DC	81/66/t	70/62/r

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Asheville	80/65/t	78/56/pc
Athens	86/70/t	89/64/pc
Augusta	93/75/t	91/67/t
Beaufort	92/76/t	88/69/t
Cape Hatteras	85/77/t	83/70/t
Charleston	91/76/t	86/67/t
Charlotte	89/70/t	87/62/pc
Clemson	85/70/t	88/63/pc
Columbia	93/73/t	90/67/t
Darlington	91/72/t	86/63/t
Elizabeth City	86/72/t	83/64/t
Elizabethtown	90/74/t	87/64/t
Fayetteville	93/74/t	90/66/t

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Florence	92/73/t	88/65/t
Gainesville	90/75/t	89/73/t
Gastonia	87/69/t	86/61/pc
Goldsboro	89/72/t	86/64/t
Goose Creek	90/75/t	85/66/t
Greensboro	87/68/t	82/62/pc
Greenville	86/68/t	87/62/pc
Hickory	84/67/t	83/60/pc
Hilton Head	89/77/t	86/70/t
Jacksonville, FL	93/75/t	90/73/t
La Grange	88/74/t	88/67/t
Macon	93/74/t	91/67/t
Marietta	83/70/t	86/65/pc

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Marion	82/66/t	82/57/pc
Mt. Pleasant	89/75/t	84/67/t
Myrtle Beach	88/75/t	86/67/t
Orangeburg	91/73/t	87/65/t
Port Royal	90/76/t	86/69/t
Raleigh	90/70/t	85/61/pc
Rock Hill	88/70/t	87/62/pc
Rockingham	90/72/t	87/62/t
Savannah	94/75/t	87/69/t
Spartanburg	86/69/t	86/62/pc
Summerville	90/74/t	85/65/t
Wilmington	89/75/t	86/66/t
Winston-Salem	86/67/t	81/62/pc

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SUMTER SPCA PETS OF THE WEEK



Nathaniel, left, is a housebroken 6-month-old male American short hair. He is great with other cats, children and even dogs. Nathaniel is friendly and gentle and likes to play with cat toys. He also enjoys being held and scratched as well.

Malcolm, right, is a 2-year-old tricolored male hound mix. He gets along great with other dogs. He is laid-back, sweet, affectionate and playful. Malcolm loves everyone he meets and enjoys any kind of attention. He would make an excellent new family buddy.

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

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

DIXIE SOFTBALL WORLD SERIES

Host Ponytails aim for more than just appearance in WS

BY DENNIS BRUNSON
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The Sumter 11-12 year-old Dixie Ponytails X-Play softball team is excited to be having the opportunity to play in the Dixie Ponytails X-Play Softball World Series beginning on Saturday in Sumter.



STONE

However, they have far more in their plans than just participating in the 11-team, double elimination tournament.

“We don’t want to be there just because we’re the host team,” said Sumter head coach Mike Stone. “We know most people don’t see host teams doing that well. We like our chances though.”

Sumter will play Hopkins County, Texas, on Saturday at noon on Field

6 at Bobby Richardson Complex at Palmetto Park.

The first three days of the Ponytails World Series will be played at Palmetto Park with the final two days being played at Patriot Park SportsPlex.

“I feel like we’ve come together pretty well as a team,” Stone said. “I feel like we’re doing pretty well together. I think we’ve got good pitchers, good speed; we’ve got some power hitters.

“I like our chances. Why can’t we win? Sumter’s won before.”

Handling the pitching for Sumter will be Amberly Way, Malorie Spiegel, Hannah Kate Branham and Ashlyn Elmore. Pitchers are allowed 13 innings in the tournament.

“I feel like we’ve got enough pitching,” Stone said. “We’ve got some

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Fowler believes Angels squad has talent to compete against anyone

BY DENNIS BRUNSON
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Ryan Fowler isn’t shy about what he thinks of the talent level of young softball players in Sumter.

“There are a lot of good softball players who are 10 years old and younger,” Fowler said.

He should know. He’s the head coach of the Sumter 9-10 year-old Angels X-Play all-star softball team that will be playing in the Angels

X-Play Softball World Series beginning on Saturday in Sumter.

Fowler believes his team can win the World Series. Sumter will open the 10-team, double-elimination tournament against Chester County, Tennessee, at noon on Field 4 at Bobby Richardson Complex at Palmetto Park.



FOWLER

“I like our pitching and I like our defense,” Fowler said. “And I like the way we hit the ball too. The host team is normally the underdog in these tournaments, but I feel like we have the talent to play with anybody.

“It’s just a matter of whether we show up.”

The Sumter Angels X-Play team has shown up in all of the tournaments in which it has played in preparation for the World Series.

“We’ve been in the top five in just about every tournament we’ve played,” Fowler said. “And it hasn’t been a case of other teams beating us. It’s usually been us making some mistakes.”

Autumn Gibbons and Laini Kosinski will see most of the time on the mound for Sumter. The games are five innings and each pitcher has 11 innings for the tournament.

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Defensive Darlings

Dixie 7-8 year-old squad hanging hats on solid glove work entering World Series

BY DENNIS BRUNSON
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It isn’t often in Dixie Darlings coaches pitch softball when a coach thinks the strength of his team is its defense. With 7-8 year-old girls still learning, the game is geared toward offense.

However, Jimmy Morris, the head coach of the Sumter team that will play in the Dixie Darlings Softball World Series beginning on Saturday in Sumter, likes the glove work his team has shown in practices, tournaments and scrimmages.

“Defensively I believe that is the strongest part of our team,” said Morris, whose squad will face Jena, Louisiana, at 12:30 p.m. at Patriot Park SportsPlex in its opening game in the 11-team, double-elimination tournament. “We’ve played two (weekend) tournaments and finished first and second. Our defense shined against the other teams’ defense.”

The middle of the Sumter infield will have Ash-

ley Rae Hodge at short-stop and Lily Morris at second base. The corners will have Katie Mullens at third and Lyza Prickelmyer at first.

The outfield will have Emma Corrigan in left field, Lillie Ivey in left-center, Zy Ransom in right-center and Lily Welborn in right.

Splitting time at catcher Ariail Lowder and McKayla Mourajian, while Marlee Black and Emma Truett will handle the pitching defensive position.

Still, coaches pitch is an offensive game.

“If we’re hitting the ball we’re going to be OK,” Coach Morris said. “The competition that we’ve been facing, we’ve been able to hit the ball in any tournament that we’ve played.

“We have to get the girls on base and running,” he added. “If we’re hitting the ball and moving runners we’ll be OK.”

In coaches pitch, a coach pitches to his own

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DENNIS BRUNSON / THE SUMTER ITEM

Katie Mullens takes a swing during batting practice for the Sumter Dixie Darlings softball team on Thursday at Dil-
lons Park. Sumter begins play in the Dixie Darlings Softball World Series on Saturday at Patriot Park SportsPlex.



DENNIS BRUNSON / THE SUMTER ITEM

Madison Truett of the Sumter Belles all-star softball team fields a ground ball during a practice on Thursday at the Lakewood High School field. Sumter begins play in the Dixie Belles Softball World Series on Saturday at Patriot Park SportsPlex.

Chemistry not an issue for veteran Dixie Belles

BY DENNIS BRUNSON
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Sometimes while putting together an all-star team in any sport, it can be a hodge-podge of athletes who haven’t played together very much and need time to mesh together.

That can’t be said for the 13-15 year-old Sumter Belles all-star softball team that will be playing in the Dixie Belles Softball World Series beginning on Saturday.

“We’ve got a core group that’s been playing together since they were 10 years old,” Belles head coach Nolan Hunter said. “Nine of the 12 girls have played

in state championship games for Thomas Sumter, Wilson Hall and Laurence Manning, so they’re used to playing in big games.

“They know each other well though and they’re all friends. Even when they play against each other in high school, they’ll go out and eat together after the games.”

Sumter will be taking on Halifax County, Virginia, at 2 p.m. on Saturday at Patriot Park SportsPlex in its opening game in the 10-team, double-elimination tournament.

The entire Belles World Series will be played at Patriot Park.

Hunter said the familiar-

ity of the players on the team plays a major role in how they approach the game.

“These kids are the most unselfish players I’ve ever been around,” he said. “They just want to win. They’re willing to do the things you need to do to win in a team sport, and you don’t see that all of the time.

“If you ask them to bunt, they bunt, no questions asked. All of them are willing to do what you ask them to do because they want to win.”

Madison Sliwonik and Ellie Hunter will handle

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SCOREBOARD

TV, RADIO

TODAY
5 a.m. – Professional Golf: European PGA Tour European Open Second Round from Hamburg, Germany (GOLF).
5 a.m. – Professional Tennis: German Championships Quarterfinal Matches from Hamburg, Germany (TENNIS).
7 a.m. – Senior PGA Golf: PGA Tour Champions The Senior Open Second Round from Bridgend, Wales (GOLF).
8 a.m. – Formula One Racing: Hungarian Grand Prix Practice from Budapest, Hungary (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).
9 a.m. – Professional Golf: European PGA Tour European Open Second Round from Hamburg, Germany (GOLF).
9:30 a.m. – LPGA Golf: Ladies Scottish Open Second Round from North Ayrshire, Scotland (GOLF).
10 a.m. – Youth Baseball: National Youth Championship 12U Bracket Play Game from Yaphank, N.Y. (CBS SPORTS NETWORK).
11:30 a.m. – Senior PGA Golf: PGA Tour Champions The Senior Open Second Round from Bridgend, Wales (GOLF).
11:30 a.m. – International Swimming: FINA World Championships Semifinals and Finals from Budapest, Hungary (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).
Noon – NASCAR Racing: Camping World Truck Series Overton's 150 Practice from Long Pond, Pa. (FOX SPORTS 1).
1 p.m. – Youth Baseball: National Youth Championship All-Star Final Game from Yaphank, N.Y. (CBS SPORTS NETWORK).
2 p.m. – NASCAR Racing: Camping World Truck Series Overton's 150 Practice from Long Pond, Pa. (FOX SPORTS 1).
3 p.m. – Women's Amateur Golf: USGA Girls Junior Championship Semifinal Matches from Augusta, Mo. (FOX SPORTS 1).
3 p.m. – PGA Golf: Canadian Open Second Round from Oakville, Ontario (GOLF).
4 p.m. – Horse Racing: Curlin Stakes from Saratoga Springs, N.Y. (FOX SPORTS 2).
5 p.m. – High School Basketball: Las Vegas Classic Championship Game from Las Vegas (ESPN).
5 p.m. – NASCAR Racing: XFINITY Series U.S. Cellular 250 Practice from Newton, Iowa (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).
6 p.m. – Auto Racing: ARCA Series Mod-Space 150 from Long Pond, Pa. (FOX SPORTS 1).
6:05 p.m. – Talk Show: Sports Talk (WDXY-FM 105.9, WDXY-AM 1240).
6:30 p.m. – NASCAR Racing: XFINITY Series U.S. Cellular 250 Practice from Newton, Iowa (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).
7 p.m. – Major League Baseball: Atlanta at Philadelphia (FOX SPORTS SOUTHW, WWFN-FM 100.1, WPUB-FM 102.7).
7 p.m. – WNBA Basketball: Connecticut at Washington (NBA TV).
7:30 p.m. – Youth Softball: Premier Girls Fastpitch 18U National Championship Game from Irvine, Calif. (ESPN).
7:30 p.m. – WNBA Basketball: Minnesota at Atlanta (FOX SPORTS SOUTHEAST).
7:55 p.m. – International Soccer: Mexican League Match – Monarcas vs. Puebla (UNIVISION).
8 p.m. – Major League Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee or Arizona at St. Louis (MLB NETWORK).
9:30 p.m. – CFL Football: British Columbia at Edmonton (ESPN2).
9:55 p.m. – International Soccer: Mexican League Match – UNAM vs. Atlas (UNIVISION).
10 p.m. – WNBA Basketball: Dallas at Seattle (NBA TV).
10:30 p.m. – Youth Softball: Premier Girls Fastpitch High School All-American Game from Irvine, Calif. (ESPN).
11 p.m. – Major League Baseball: San Francisco at Los Angeles Dodgers or New York Mets at Seattle (Games Joined In Progress) (MLB NETWORK).

SATURDAY
6 a.m. – Professional Tennis: German Championships Semifinal Matches from Hamburg, Germany (TENNIS).
7:30 a.m. – International Soccer: International Champions Cup Match from Kallang, Singapore – Inter vs. Chelsea (ESPN2).
8 a.m. – Formula One Racing: Hungarian Grand Prix Pole Qualifying from Budapest, Hungary (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).
8:30 a.m. – NASCAR Racing: Monster Energy Cup Series Overton's 400 Practice from Long Pond, Pa. (CNBC).
9:30 a.m. – Senior PGA Golf: PGA Tour Champions The Senior Open Third Round from Bridgend, Wales (GOLF).
10 a.m. – Youth Baseball: National Youth Championship 14U Finals Game from Yaphank, N.Y. (CBS SPORTS NETWORK).
10 a.m. – NASCAR Racing: Camping World Truck Series Overton's 150 Pole Qualifying from Long Pond, Pa. (FOX SPORTS 1).
11:30 a.m. – NASCAR Racing: Monster Energy Cup Series Overton's 400 Practice from Long Pond, Pa. (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).
Noon – Senior PGA Golf: PGA Tour Champions The Senior Open Third Round from Bridgend, Wales (WIS 10).
12:30 p.m. – NASCAR Racing: XFINITY Series U.S. Cellular 250 Pole Qualifying from Newton, Iowa (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).
1 p.m. – NASCAR Racing: Camping World Truck Series Overton's 150 from Long Pond, Pa. (WACH 57, WEGX-FM 92.9).
1 p.m. – Youth Baseball: National Youth Championship 11U Finals Game from Yaphank, N.Y. (CBS SPORTS NETWORK).
1 p.m. – PGA Golf: Canadian Open Third Round from Oakville, Ontario (GOLF).
1 p.m. – Major League Baseball: Tampa Bay at New York Yankees or Los Angeles Angels at Toronto (MLB NETWORK).
2 p.m. – International Swimming: FINA World Championships Semifinals and Finals from Budapest, Hungary (WIS 10).
2 p.m. – Women's Amateur Golf: USGA Girls Junior Championship Championship Match from Augusta, Mo. (FOX SPORTS 1).
2 p.m. – IRL Racing: IndyCar Series Honda Indy 200 at Mid-Ohio Pole Qualifying from Lexington, Ohio (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).
3 p.m. – PGA Golf: Canadian Open Third Round from Oakville, Ontario (WLTX 19).
3 p.m. – Professional Tennis: Atlanta Open Semifinal Match from Atlanta (ESPN2).
3 p.m. – LPGA Golf: Ladies Scottish Open Third Round from North Ayrshire, Scotland (GOLF).
3:30 p.m. – NASCAR Racing: XFINITY Series U.S. Cellular 250 from Newton, Iowa (WIS 10, WEGX-FM 92.9).

4 p.m. – Major League Baseball: San Francisco at Los Angeles Dodgers (FOX SPORTS 1).
5 p.m. – Major League Soccer: Orlando at Atlanta (WACH 57).
5 p.m. – Horse Racing: Jim Dandy Stakes, Vanderbilt Handicap, Amsterdam and Bowling Green from Saratoga Springs, N.Y. (FOX SPORTS 2).
6 p.m. – International Soccer: International Champions Cup Match from Nashville, Tenn. – Tottenham vs. Manchester City (ESPN2).
7 p.m. – Arena Football: Cleveland at Washington (CBS SPORTS NETWORK).
7 p.m. – Major League Baseball: Cincinnati at Miami (FOX SPORTS 1).
7 p.m. – Major League Baseball: Atlanta at Philadelphia (FOX SPORTS SOUTHW, WWFN-FM 100.1, WPUB-FM 102.7).
7:55 p.m. – International Soccer: International Champions Cup Match from Miami – FC Barcelona vs. Real Madrid (ESPN, ESPN2).
9 p.m. – Professional Boxing: Adrien Broner vs. Mikey Garcia in a Junior Welterweight Bout from Brooklyn, N.Y. (SHOWTIME).
10 p.m. – Professional Boxing: Cristian Mijares vs. Rafael Hernandez in a Super Featherweight Bout from Durango, Mexico (CBS SPORTS NETWORK).
10 p.m. – Major League Soccer: Seattle at Los Angeles (ESPN, ESPN2).
10 p.m. – Major League Baseball: Minnesota at Oakland or Pittsburgh at San Diego (Joined In Progress) (MLB NETWORK).
Midnight – Professional Boxing: Sadam Ali vs. Johan Perez in a Welterweight Bout from Tucson, Ariz. (ESPN2).
2 a.m. – Professional Golf: European PGA Tour European Open Third Round from Hamburg, Germany (GOLF).

MLB STANDINGS

By The Associated Press

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
EAST DIVISION				
Boston	56	47	.544	—
New York	53	46	.535	1
Tampa Bay	53	49	.520	2½
Baltimore	48	53	.475	7
Toronto	47	54	.465	8
CENTRAL DIVISION				
Cleveland	55	45	.550	—
Kansas City	53	47	.530	2
Minnesota	49	51	.490	6
Detroit	45	55	.450	10
Chicago	39	59	.398	15
WEST DIVISION				
Houston	67	34	.663	—
Seattle	51	52	.495	17
Texas	49	52	.485	18
Los Angeles	49	54	.476	19
Oakland	44	57	.436	23
WEDNESDAY'S GAMES				
Tampa Bay 5, Baltimore 1				
N.Y. Yankees 9, Cincinnati 5				
Boston 4, Seattle 0				
Philadelphia 9, Houston 0				
Toronto 3, Oakland 2				
Kansas City 16, Detroit 2				
Cleveland 10, L.A. Angels 4				
Miami 22, Texas 10				
Chicago Cubs 8, Chicago White Sox 3				
L.A. Dodgers 6, Minnesota 5				
THURSDAY'S GAMES				
Cleveland 2, L.A. Angels 1				
Toronto 8, Oakland 4, 10 innings				
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.				
TODAY'S GAMES				
Tampa Bay (TBD) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 7-9), 7:05 p.m.				
L.A. Angels (Bridwell 4-1) at Toronto (Happ 3-7), 7:07 p.m.				
Houston (Keuchel 9-0) at Detroit (Zimmermann 6-8), 7:10 p.m.				
Kansas City (Vargas 12-4) at Boston (Price 5-3), 7:10 p.m.				
Baltimore (Trillman 1-5) at Texas (Cashner 5-8), 8:05 p.m.				
Cleveland (Salazar 3-5) at Chicago White Sox (Holland 5-9), 8:10 p.m.				
Minnesota (Garcia 4-7) at Oakland (Gossett 2-5), 10:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets (Montero 1-7) at Seattle (Miranda 7-4), 10:10 p.m.				
NATIONAL LEAGUE				
EAST DIVISION				
Washington	61	39	.610	—
Atlanta	48	52	.480	13
New York	47	52	.475	13½
Miami	46	53	.465	14½
Philadelphia	35	64	.354	25½
CENTRAL DIVISION				
Chicago	53	47	.530	—
Milwaukee	54	50	.519	1
St. Louis	50	51	.495	3½
Pittsburgh	50	52	.490	4
Cincinnati	41	60	.406	12½
WEST DIVISION				
Los Angeles	71	31	.696	—
Arizona	58	43	.574	12½
Colorado	58	45	.563	13½
San Diego	44	57	.436	26½
San Francisco	40	63	.388	31½
WEDNESDAY'S GAMES				
N.Y. Yankees 9, Cincinnati 5				
Arizona 10, Atlanta 3				
San Francisco 2, Pittsburgh 1				
Philadelphia 9, Houston 0				
Washington 8, Milwaukee 5				
Miami 22, Texas 10				
Chicago Cubs 8, Chicago White Sox 3				
St. Louis 10, Colorado 5				
L.A. Dodgers 6, Minnesota 5				
San Diego 6, N.Y. Mets 3				
THURSDAY'S GAMES				
Washington 15, Milwaukee 2				
Cincinnati at Miami, 7:10 p.m.				
Arizona at St. Louis, 7:15 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets at San Diego, 9:10 p.m.				
TODAY'S GAMES				
Atlanta (Teheran 7-8) at Philadelphia (Hellickson 6-5), 7:05 p.m.				
Colorado (Marquez 8-4) at Washington (Roark 8-6), 7:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Romano 2-2) at Miami (TBD), 7:10 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Quintana 6-8) at Milwaukee (Suter 1-1), 8:10 p.m.				
Arizona (Ray 9-5) at St. Louis (Wacha 7-4), 8:15 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets (Montero 1-7) at Seattle (Miranda 7-4), 10:10 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Kuhl 3-7) at San Diego (Lamet 4-4), 10:10 p.m.				
San Francisco (Moore 3-10) at L.A. Dodgers (Wood 11-1), 10:10 p.m.				



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The Sumter Dixie Darlings coaches pitch all-star softball team will play in the Dixie Darlings Softball World Series beginning on Saturday in Sumter. Members of the team are, first row, left to right: Lyza Prickelmyer, Lillie Ivey, Ashley Rae Hodge, Ariail Lowder and McKayla Mourajian. Second row: Emma Truett, Marlee Black, Emma Corrigan and Lily Morris. Third row: Zy Ransom, Lily Wellborn and Katie Mullens. Fourth row: Coach Tony Truett, Coach Christy Truett, Coach Valerie Mullens and Coach Jimmy Morris.

DARLINGS

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team while the opposing team plays defense behind him. That's Morris' duty. "You try to keep mental notes of what each of the girls like to hit," the head coach said. "Most of them like it straight down the middle, but some do like it high. You just want to hit the right spots for each of them." Coach Morris hopes the fact that his squad will be

in familiar surroundings and following a normal routine will help it in the tournament. "Being at home I think we should be a little more relaxed," he said. "Hopefully we don't have to worry about all of the over-excitement that goes with playing away from home. "In the games we've played, we seem to be a little nervous at the beginning, but then we seem to settle in and do well." All of the Dixie Darlings

World Series will be played at Patriot Park.

ROSTER
PLAYERS
Marlee Black
Emma Corrigan
Ashley Rae Hodge
Lillie Ivey
Ariail Lowder
Lily Morris
McKayla Mourajian
Katie Mullens
Lyza Prickelmyer
Zy Ransom
Emma Truett
Lily Wellborn

COACHES
Jimmy Morris (head coach)
Valerie Mullens
Christy Truett
Tony Truett



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The Sumter Ponytails X-Play all-star softball team will be playing in the Dixie Ponytails X-Play Softball World Series beginning on Saturday in Sumter. Members of the team are first row, left to right: Anna Marie Beard and Autumn Osteen. Second row: Samantha Kirkhart, Hannah Kate Branham, Lindsey Barwick and Ashlyn Elmore. Third row: Amberly Way, Peyton Morris, Bailey Gaymon, Kaitlyn Kopp, Ellie Stone and Malorie Spiegel. Fourth row: Coach Ritchie Way, Coach Mike Stone and Coach Vic Branham. Not pictured is Coach LA Hauptman.

PONYTAILS

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pitching that can get us strikeouts some finesse pitching and we've got some pitching that is good with location. Lindsey Barwick and Autumn Osteen will be sharing time at catcher. Ellie Stone and Peyton Morris will be sharing time at first base and Anna Marie Beard and Samantha Kirkhart will be seeing time at second. Spiegel and Way will be

seeing time at both short-stop and third. Branham will man centerfield and Kaitlyn Kopp and Bailey Gaymon will both be seeing time in the outfield. "We've just been working to get the people in the right spots," Coach Stone said. "When you have all-star teams like this, you'll normally have a lot of short-stops. We've got a lot of good arms around the infield." Sumter has played in a couple of tournaments leading up to the World Series. It finished fourth in

one and was second in a 14U tournament as well.

ROSTER
PLAYERS
Lindsey Barwick
Hannah Kate Branham
Anna Marie Beard
Ashlyn Elmore
Bailey Gaymon
Samantha Kirkhart
Kaitlyn Kopp
Peyton Morris
Autumn Osteen
Malorie Spiegel
Ellie Stone
Amberly Way

COACHES
Mike Stone (head coach)
Vic Branham
LA Hauptman
Ritchie Way

DIXIE SOFTBALL WORLD SERIES

DIXIE DARLINGS (7-8)		DIXIE ANGELS X-PLAY (9-10)		DIXIE BELLES (13-15)	
All Games at Patriot Park		Saturday-Monday at Palmetto Park Tuesday-Wednesday at Patriot Park		All Games Played at Patriot Park	
Saturday		Saturday		Saturday	
Game 1 – Lancaster, South Carolina, vs. Sherman, Texas, 10 a.m. (Field 1)		Game 1 – Okeechobee, Florida, vs. Evansville, Louisiana, 10 a.m. (Field 1)		Game 1 – Franklin County, Florida, vs. Troy, Alabama, 10 a.m. (Field 2)	
Game 2 – Columbia, Mississippi, vs. Duplin County, North Carolina, 10 a.m. (Field 4)		Game 2 – East Montgomery, Alabama, vs. Franklin County, Texas, 10 a.m. (Field 2)		Game 2 – Sabine, Louisiana, vs. Magee, Mississippi, 10 a.m. (Field 3)	
Game 3 – Montgomery, Alabama, vs. Crew-Burkeville, Virginia, 11:15 a.m. (Field 1)		Game 3 – Dillon, South Carolina, vs. South Columbus, North Carolina, noon (Field 1)		Game 3 – Florence, South Carolina, vs. West Robeson, North Carolina, noon (Field 2)	
Game 4 – Summertown, Tennessee, vs. Okeechobee, Florida, 11:15 a.m. (Field 4)		Game 4 – Chester County, Tennessee, vs. Sumter, noon (Field 4)		Game 4 – Lexington, Tennessee, vs. Delta County, Texas, noon (Field 3)	
Game 5 – Jena, Louisiana, vs. Sumter, 12:30 p.m. (Field 1)		Game 5 – Rustburg, Virginia, vs. Merchant Park, Mississippi, 2 p.m.		Game 5 – Halifax County, Virginia, vs. Sumter, 2 p.m. (Field 2)	
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Game 6 – Game 1 Winner vs. Taylor County, Georgia, 10 a.m. (Field 1)		Game 6 – Game 3 Loser vs. Game 4 Loser, 10 a.m. (Field 2)		Game 6 – Game 1 Winner vs. Crawford County, Georgia, 10 a.m. (Field 6)	
Game 7 – Game 5 Loser vs. Game 4 Loser, 10 a.m. (Field 4)		Game 7 – Game 1 Loser vs. Game 2 Loser, 10 a.m. (Field 1)		Game 7 – Game 5 Loser vs. Game 4 Loser, 10 a.m. (Field 5)	
Game 8 – Game 1 Loser vs. Game 2 Loser, 11:15 a.m. (Field 4)		Game 8 – Game 4 Winner vs. Game 5 Winner, noon (Field 2)		Game 8 – Game 1 Loser vs. Game 2 Loser, noon (Field 5)	
Game 9 – Game 5 Winner vs. Game 4 Winner, 11:15 a.m. (Field 1)		Game 9 – Game 1 Winner vs. Game 2 Winner, noon (Field 1)		Game 9 – Game 5 Winner vs. Game 4 Winner, noon (Field 1)	
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most of the pitching duties for Sumter, but Sydney Daniel, Madison Elmore and Madison Truett will also be available. A pitcher can throw no more than 15 innings in the tournament.

“They’ve all pitched in high school, both varsity and junior varsity,” Coach Hunter said. “We just want them to throw strikes and not walk many. We have no real strike-out pitchers. We just want them to the batter and let the defense play behind them.”

And Coach Hunter believes it is defense that is the strength of the Sumter Belles, beyond pitching and offense.

In the middle on the infield, Truett will see the overwhelming majority of the time at second. Sliwonik and Elmore will split time at shortstop. When she’s not pitching, Hunter will play third and both Sliwonik and Gabby Kirkman will see time at third as well. Chelsie Logan



The Sumter Belles all-star softball team will be playing in the Dixie Belles Softball World Series beginning on Saturday in Sumter. Members of the team are, first row, left to right: Carly Allred, Kadyn Dickerson, Kailin Hodge, Madison Truett, Caitleigh Bryant, Sydney Daniel and Madison Elmore. Second row: Coach Jerry Allred, Coach Wayne Elmore, Gabby Kirkman, Sydney Jarecki, Madison Sliwonik, Ellie Hunter, Chelsie Logan and Coach Nolan Hunter.

and Sydney Jarecki will see time at first.

Sumter plans to use Jarecki, Daniel and Kailin Hodge

Caitleigh Bryant, Kirkman, Kadyn Dickerson and Hodge.

Coach Hunter likes the balance his team has on offense.

“We’ve got a good mix on offense,” he said. “We’ve got a lot of speed, but then we’ve also got some girls with power. We’ve also got girls who are good baserunners and a lot of that comes from having played since they were eight years old and in travel ball.”

“We’ve got some left-handers who can slap, regular hit and bunt. We can do different things depending on the kind of pitching we face. We can play small ball if we need to. We feel like we can put pressure on defenses with our small game.”

ROSTER PLAYERS

Carly Allred
Caitleigh Bryant
Sydney Daniel
Kadyn Dickerson
Madison Elmore
Kailin Hodge
Ellie Hunter
Sydney Jarecki
Gabby Kirkman
Chelsie Logan
Madison Sliwonik
Madison Truett

COACHES

Nolan Hunter (head coach)
Jerry Allred
Wayne Elmore



The Sumter Angels X-Play all-star softball team will play in the Dixie Angels X-Play Softball World Series beginning on Saturday in Sumter. Members of the team are, first row, left to right: Autumn Gibbons, Hailey Truett, Ava Sliwonik and Mary Beth VanPatten. Second row: Aubree Ardis, Sullivan Jarecki and Talan Griffin. Third row: Kaylan Boudreau, Madison Long, Anna Grace Fowler, Riley Ruighaver and Laini Kosinski. Fourth row: Coach Buddy Truett, Coach George Kosinski and Coach Ryan Fowler.

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Sullivan Jarecki and Ava Sliwonik will also see some time on the mound.

Fowler likes his team’s offensive prowess and its depth.

“We can hit with power, we can play small ball if we need to,” Fowler said. “We’ve got good speed and we’ve got intelligent baserunners.”

“We’re going to need every-

one to contribute in some form or fashion for us to be successful. All of the girls in our lineup are ready to compete at this level.”

Jarecki and Hailey Truett will split time at catcher while Aubree Ardis and Anna Grace Fowler will both see time at first base. Sliwonik and Madison Long will see time at third.

Seeing time in the outfield along with Long will be Kaylan Boudreau, Riley Ruighaver, Talan Griffin

and Mary Beth VanPatten.

ROSTER PLAYERS

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Kaylan Boudreau
Anna Grace Fowler
Autumn Gibbons
Talan Griffin
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Laini Kosinski
Madison Long
Riley Ruighaver
Ava Sliwonik
Hailey Truett
Mary Beth VanPatten

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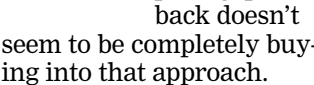
Ryan Fowler (head coach)
George Kosinski
Buddy Truett

SPORTS ITEMS

Newton on running less: Do you ‘expect a lion not to roar?’

SPARTANBURG — The Carolina Panthers have talked this offseason about limiting Cam Newton’s carries in 2017 to prevent wear and tear on his 27-year-old body.

But the NFL’s most physically imposing quarterback doesn’t seem to be completely buying into that approach.



NEWTON

“That’s my edge,” Newton said. “Are you really going to expect a lion not to roar?”

Newton spoke Thursday at Panthers training camp, adding that his ability to run the ball is what makes him productive.

“I couldn’t imagine talking to (Tom) Brady, or talking to Aaron (Rodgers) or talking to even Matt Ryan or (Drew) Brees and saying, ‘Are you going to stay in the pocket all day?’” Newton said. “That is where you feel comfortable. In my career, the things that have put me in an advantage most times is having that ability to run. I’m going to take what the defense gives me.”

Panthers head coach Ron Rivera said back in January the Panthers needed to

“evolve” as an offense and also had to find new and different ways to use Newton’s unique skill set.

NATIONALS 15 BREWERS2

WASHINGTON — Washington tied a franchise record with eight home runs, including two apiece by Bryce Harper and Ryan Zimmerman, in a 15-2 rout of Milwaukee.

The Nationals matched two major league records in a 7-run third inning: Most consecutive home runs (four) and most home runs in an inning (five).

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CLEVELAND — Trevor Bauer pitched eight innings, Francisco Lindor singled to break a tie in the seventh and Cleveland won its seventh straight with a 2-1 victory over the Los Angeles Angels.

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TORONTO — Steve Pearce hit a game-winning grand slam in the 10th inning and Toronto beat Oakland 8-4 to complete a 4-game sweep.

From wire reports

OBITUARIES

RONNIE LEE MCFADDEN

FLORENCE — The Rev. Ronnie Lee McFadden, pastor of Hickory Grove Baptist Church, Turbeville, died Sunday, July 23, 2017.

He was born March 29, 1974, a son of Elder Stella Atkinson McFadden and the late Leroy “Hammer” McFadden.

Celebratory services for the Rev. McFadden will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday at Jordan Chapel Freewill Baptist Church, 703 N. Jones Road, Olanta.

Bishop Kenneth L. Gibson, pastor, officiating; the Rev. M. A. McMillian Sr., presiding; Dr. Ezekiel Hampton, Elder Willie J. Witherspoon and



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Elder M. R. Singletary, assisting.

Burial will follow in the churchyard cemetery.

The family is receiving friends at the home of his mother, 3397 Olanta Highway, Olanta.

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

ROSE LEE B. MCQUILLAR

Nelson-Haile Funeral Home, 919 Church St., Camden, (803) 432-2511, announces funeral services for Rose Lee Boyd McQuillar.

Mrs. Rose Lee Boyd McQuillar, 67, of 31 Hawthorn Court, Bishopville, passed on Saturday, July 22, 2017.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. today at Barnettesville Baptist Church,

106 Manville St. Charles Road, Bishopville.

Burial will follow at Barnettesville Baptist Church Cemetery, Bishopville.

LILLIE WELLS

Lillie Wells, 73, widow of Frank Wells, died Wednesday, July 26, 2017, at her home in Dalzell.

Born May 28, 1944, in Sumter County, she was the daughter of Thomas Mahoney Sr. and Viola Keith Mahoney.

The family is receiving relatives and friends at the home of her daughter, Pamela Singleton, 2457 Trudy Road, Dalzell.

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

JOHN P. ALSTON

Mr. John P. “DoDo” Alston

was born March 24, 1946, in Sumter to the late John and Ruth Patterson Alston and was the husband of Mira Reyes Alston.

He departed this life on Wednesday, July 26, 2017, in Florence.

The family is receiving friends at 6325 Cougar Way, Wedgefield.

Services entrusted to Whites Mortuary LLC.

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HARRY PETERSON

Mr. Harry Peterson, son of the late Perry Peterson and Annie Mae Wright Peterson, departed this earthly life on Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at Palmetto Health Tuomey, Sumter.

Harry was born in Lee County on Feb. 8, 1952. He attended Dennis High School in Lee County. Harry served in the U.S. Navy and was honorably discharged on May 25, 1978.

He graduated from Sumter Area Technical College with an associate degree in business.

Harry was a devoted employee of AutoZone for 25-plus years and never used a sick day.

Harry had a kind, gentle and loving heart. He was a very loyal and hardworking man and dedicated his life to making sure his wife wanted for nothing.

He will be truly missed, but his lesson taught and loved shared will continue to manifest in those who had the pleasure to know him.

Harry's life changed forever when he met and married his lovely wife, Ruby Pinckney Jeannis. Harry and Ruby were devoted and lifelong members of Mt. Olive AME Church in Woodrow, South Carolina.

Following a brief battle with cancer he was called home to be with the Lord.

Together Harry and Ruby reared a handsome son, Pharith (Elashia) Jeannis, of Covington, Georgia.

Harry was known as "papa" to his five grandchildren which he leaves to cherish his memory, Pharith I Jeannis Jr. of Sumter; Zipporah R. Jeanis of Sumter; Julian G. Jeanis of Columbia; Journee M. Hall-Cooley of Covington and Anthony C. Jeannis also of Covington.

He also leaves behind to mourn his passing: four brothers, Dr. William E. (Ellie) Peterson of Fort Washington, Maryland, Dallas (Perarline) Peterson of Clinton, Maryland, James Peterson of Rock Hill, and Charles Peterson of Suitland, Maryland; one sister, Cora Lee Sanders of Florence; a father-in-law, Pharith Pinckney of Charleston; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and very close friends.

In addition to his parents, Harry was preceded in death by two brothers, Alex and George, and one sister, Anniebell.

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

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

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday at Mt. Olive AME Church, Woodrow, with the Pastor the Rev. Dr. Friendly Gadson, officiating.

Interment will follow in Mt. Olive Memorial Gardens, Woodrow.

Family will be receiving friends at the home, 4450 Furman Field Road, Rembert.

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

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

HERBERT GAYLE

Herbert Gayle departed this earthly life on Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at Blue Ridge National Health Care.

He was born in Sumter County on Jan. 25, 1954, to Azalee Floyd Gayle and the late Dave (Sonny) Gayle.

Herbert had a quiet spirit and was known for his generosity. He was always willing to lend a hand to those in need.

Mr. Gayle was employed by B. L. Montague and retired

from Santee Print.

His precious memory will be cherished by his mother, Mrs. Azalee Floyd Gayle of Wedgefield, one son, Kenton Gayle of Wedgefield; three brothers, David (Bawana) Gayle and Robert Gayle, both of Wedgefield, and Leroy Gayle of Clarksville, Tennessee; six sisters, Dorothy (Lawrence) Miles of Atlanta, Jean Howard of Wedgefield, Inez (Ellis) Belton of Elgin, Patricia Epps of Sumter, Linda Gayle of Wedgefield and Wanda (Terry) Wells of Augusta, Georgia; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

His father, Dave (Sonny) Gayle, and a brother, Burnie Gayle, preceded Herbert in death.

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

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

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday at Salem Chapel & Heritage Center, 101 S. Salem Ave., Sumter, with the Rev. Reginald Floyd, eulogist.

Interment will follow in Orangehill Independent Methodist Church Cemetery, Wedgefield.

Family will be receiving friends at 2310 Emil Road, Wedgefield, SC 29168.

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

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

JEREMIAH HEYWARD JR.

Mr. Jeremiah Heyward Jr. was born Sept. 2, 1957. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah (Everlena) Heyward.

He departed this life on Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at the McLeod Hospice House in Florence.

He attended Furman High School. At an early age, he joined Enon Missionary Baptist Church of Sumter, and later in life, he joined Calvary Missionary Baptist Church in Pinewood.

He was married to Angela S. Heyward of Manning, which was a union of memories and blessings.

Many lives were touched by Jeremiah's "Jerry's" gracious manners and laughter.

Jeremiah "Jerry" was a delight to his family, friends, community and everyone who knew him.

He was employed by Plowden Construction and Fort Roofing Co. for many years.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his precious and devoted wife, Angela Heyward of Manning; three sons, Karvelous Gooden of Pinewood, Dewayne Mellette and his fiancée Tiffany Stuckey and Xavier Heyward of Manning; two that he took as his own, Ronnie Johnson and Precious Heyward; a very special niece that he took as his own, Cherisa Wilder; 10 grandchildren, De'Niya Mellette, Da'Marion Mellette, Desmond Mellette, Shaniya Stuckey, Karvelous Gooden Jr., Kashona Gooden, Simaria Johnson, Zamar Johnson, Wyatt Johnson and Kendreana "Kee-Kee" Reuben; four sisters, Mary H. Wilder of Pinewood, Donna (Jeremiah) Smith of Athens, Alabama, Virginia (Dea. Michael) Conyers of Paxville and Deloris (Paul) Williams of Louisiana; one adopted sister, Carolyn Salam of Pinewood; three brothers, John Earl Felder of North Carolina, Jacob (Ella) Heyward of Manning and Esau Heyward of

Pinewood; mother-in-law, Ella Blanding; adopted parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie (Belma) China; brother-in-law, Jesse (Nikki) Shiggs of Sumter; sister-in-law, Gwendolyn Johnson of Atlanta; four aunts, Emma Jane Felder and Ruthie Mae Canty, both of Sumter, Helena Canty and Frances Sharper of New York; three uncles, Eddie (Rev. Aurelia) Hill and Richard (Mary) Hill of Sumter, George (Rhonda) Bell of Columbia; many close friends, Thomas Felder, Clifford Wilder, Danny Boy Robinson, Lee Roger Johnson, Charles Way, Jeffery Weeks, Sherlyn Riley, Danny Pugh, Tony Mellette, Stacy Winn; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah (Everlena) Heyward Sr.; grandparents; his daughter, Mikia Heyward; uncle; and nephews, Kendrick Wilder, Jeremy Cantey and Desmond Conyers.

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

Mr. Heyward will be placed in the church at 2 p.m. on Saturday for viewing until the hour of service.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday at Calvary Baptist Church, 10075 Calvary Church Road, Pinewood, with the Rev. D.L. Sanders, officiating.

Interment will follow in Calvary Baptist Church Cemetery.

Family will receive friends at the home, 6155 Sammy Swamp Road, Pinewood.

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

NANCY L. PACE

Nancy Lawlis Pace, 77, wife of Adlia Stevenson "Steve" Pace Jr., died Thursday, July 27, 2017, at McElveen Manor.

Born in Greensboro, North Carolina, she was a daughter of the late Thomas Lawlis and Isa Peace Lawlis.

Mrs. Pace was a member of Faith ARP Church and the Mothers of Angels.

She was a retired licensed practical nurse for Dr. Lee Denny.

Surviving are her husband of Sumter; a son, Steve Pace III of Boone, North Carolina; two daughters, Carol Annette Pace of Sumter and Tami Pace Eleftheriou of Bluffton; two sisters, Molly Foss of Faison, North Carolina, and Pat Ford of Dallas, Texas; six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Cynthia Rae Pace.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday in the chapel of the Elmore Hill McCreight Funeral Home with the Rev. Thomas S. Timmons, officiating.

Burial will be in the Evergreen Memorial Park Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. today at the Elmore Hill McCreight Funeral Home.

Online condolences may be sent to www.sumterfunerals.com.

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



MYRTLE A. LACKEY

Myrtle Azile Lackey, 106, died Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at McElveen Manor.

Born in Paxville, she was a daughter of the late Joshua Preston Lackey and Rosalie Barwick Lackey.

Miss Lackey was the oldest living member of First Baptist Church in Florence and was a member for 73 years.

She served as a member of the choir for over 60 years. She was a retired bookkeeper with S.H. Kress & Co.

Surviving are one brother, J. P. Lackey of Greenville; one sister, Blondine Still of Hanahan; six nieces, Deanna Gallo-way of Sumter, Rachel Lackey of North Carolina, Susan Still, Evadne Still Godbold, both of Hanahan, Carol Etheridge and Joan Waddell, both of Greenville; and three nephews, Phil Lackey of Sumter, Josh Lackey III of Greenville and Shelton "Sheck" E. Lackey of Orangeburg.

She was predeceased by three brothers, Elwood J. Lackey, Winfred Bowen Lackey, and Huggins Lackey; two sisters, Eulalie Hughes, and Doris Copeland; and a special niece, Rhonda Hughes.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Monday at the Paxville Baptist Church, 10278 Lewis Road, Manning, with the Rev. Jim Johnson, officiating.

Burial will be in the Home Branch Baptist Church Cemetery, 2398 Home Branch Road, Manning.

The family will receive friends from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. on Monday at the Paxville Baptist Church.

Memorials may be made to Connie Maxwell Children's Home, P. O. Box 1178, Greenwood, SC 29648.

Online condolences may be sent to www.sumterfunerals.com.

The family would like to express their appreciation for the compassionate care given Miss Lackey by the staff of McElveen Manor and Agape Hospice.

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



ROSEMARY V. VASSY

MURRELLS INLET — Rosemary Vincent Vassy, 93, of the Blue Heron in Murrells Inlet passed away Wednesday, July 26, 2017.

A graveside service will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Presbyterian Church Cemetery in Lynchburg.

The family will speak to those attending following the service.

Rosemary was a native of Lynchburg and the daughter of the late Emma B. Frierson and C. Aubrey Vincent.

She graduated from Lynchburg High School and attended Queens College in Charlotte where she was a member of the Valkyrie Honor Society and the Queens Choral Society.

While at Queens, she was initiated into the Alpha Delta Pi sorority.

After transferring to the University of South Carolina, Rosemary received a BA degree in Music. Following graduation, she taught piano and organ at Ashwood and Lamar Public Schools and in her home.

Rosemary was a member of Lynchburg Presbyterian Church for 60 years, serving as a Sunday School teacher and as the organist for 25 years.

After the closure of the Lynchburg Presbyterian Church, she attended Timmonsville United Methodist Church and Belin United Methodist Church in Murrells Inlet.

An active member of the Lee County Republican Party, Rosemary served as an executive committeewoman from Lee County to the South Carolina Republican Party from 1995-98. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Timmonsville Book and Garden Club.

Rosemary was predeceased by her husband, Robert G. Vassy; and her brothers, C. Aubrey Vincent and Howard F. Vincent.

She is survived by her son, Robert G. Vassy Jr. and his wife, Patti, of Florence; her daughter, Vicki V. Holler and her husband, John, of Columbia; her grandchildren, Anna and Gil Vassy, Ryan Radaker (Kyle) and John Holler III; her great-granddaughters, Adlai, Langston and Louisa Moore; and her sister-in-law, Jenell (Jan) Vassy Hottinga.

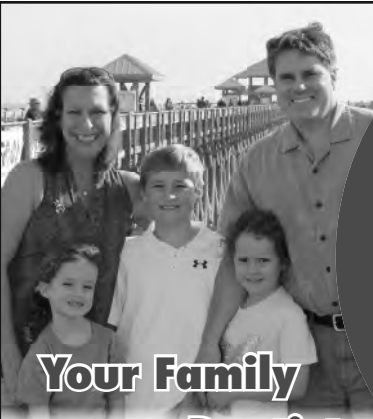
She also leaves behind her niece, Rinne (Bob) Sade and nephews, Clay, (Christy) Chic (Judy) and Bob (Susan) Vincent and Charlie Vassy.

In addition to family members, she also leaves behind special friends Craig Hair and Jessica Flynn of Murrells Inlet.

Memorials may be made to Lynchburg Cemetery Association Building Fund, c/o Penny Tallon, P.O. Box 66 Lynchburg, SC 29080.

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552 - Williams, Roxanne
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744 - Reid, Carrie

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BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Wilmetton Savings Fund Society, FSB,** as trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust A vs. **Charles G. Smith, et al., I,** the undersigned Richard L. Booth, Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, August 7, 2017 at 12:00 PM,** at the County Judicial Center, 215 Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

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TMS No. 228-04-02-035

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333 Church Street,
Sumter, SC 29150

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

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

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Master in Equity's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.000% per annum.

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

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

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

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

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

Richard L. Booth

Master in Equity for Sumter County

Scott and Corley, P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff

Notice of Sale

C/A No:
2016-CP-43-01021

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of **The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A.,** as Successor-in-interest to JP Morgan Chase Bank; National Association, as Trustee - SURF 2004-BC4 vs. **Jane M. Moore;** Harris Quick Release; 1st Franklin Financial, I the undersigned as Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **August 7, 2017 at 12:00 PM,** at the Sumter County Judicial Center, Sumter County, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

Legal Description and Property Address:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, with improvements thereon, lying, being and situate in the Township and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, designated as Lot Number 1 of Fairview Subdivision, Section 2, according to a plat thereof made by Joseph R. Edwards, RLS, dated 6 May 1987, recorded in the Office of the RMC for Sumter County in Plat Book 87 at Page 796. Said plat shall be incorporated herein by reference pursuant to §30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended.

This being the same property conveyed to Jane M. Moore and Earnest Miller, for and during their joint lives, and upon the death of either of them, then to the survivor of them, their heirs and assigns by deed of Joan Pate Lyons and Johnny Lyons dated July 19, 2004 and recorded July 21, 2004, in Deed Book 946 at Page 1515, in the Office of the RMC for Sumter County. Thereafter,

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Jane M. Moore passed away and full title passed to Earnest Miller by operation of law.

1960 Forest Drive
Sumter, SC 29154-6110
TMS# 206-13-02-02300

TERMS OF SALE: For cash. Interest at the current rate of Two and 61602/10000 (2.61602%) to be paid on balance of bid from date of sale to date of compliance. The purchaser to pay for papers and stamps, and that the successful bidder or bidders, other than the Plaintiff therein, will, upon the acceptance of his or her bid, deposit with the Master in Equity for Sumter County a certified check or cash in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of bid on said premises at the sale as evidence of good faith in bidding, and subject to any resale of said premises under Order of this Court; and in the event the said purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale within Twenty (20) days, the Master in Equity shall forthwith resell the said property, after the due notice and advertisement, and shall continue to sell the same each subsequent sales day until a purchaser, who shall comply with the terms of sale, shall be obtained, such sales to be made at the risk of the former purchaser. Since a personal or deficiency judgment is waived, the bidding will not remain open but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. If the Plaintiff or the Plaintiff's representative does not appear at the above-described sale, then the sale of the property will be null, void, and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale. Sold subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

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NOTICE OF SALE

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Wells Fargo Bank, NA vs. Martha H. Ferrazano a/k/a Martha H. Ferrazzano; C/A No. 15-CP-43-1587.** The following property will be sold on **August 7, 2017, at 12:00 Noon** at the Sumter County Courthouse to the highest bidder

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in the Township of Privateer, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, consisting of 5.11 acres, more or less, shown as "The Lake" on that certain plat prepared by Croft Engineering Company, Carl J. Croft, dated April 22, 1998, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County on August 31, 2000 in Plat Book PB 95 at Page 1279. This said lot has such metes, boundaries, courses and distances as are shown on said plat, which are incorporated herein in accordance with the provisions of Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976.

And all that certain piece, parcel or lot of land with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in the Township of Privateer, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, consisting of 5.11 acres, more or less, shown as "The Lake" on that certain plat prepared by Croft Engineering Company, Carl J. Croft, dated April 22, 1998, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County on August 31, 2000 in Plat Book PB 95 at Page 1279. This said lot has such metes, boundaries, courses and distances as are shown on said plat, which are incorporated herein in accordance with the provisions of section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976.

Derivation: Book 1138 at Page 2826

40 Lake Shore Drive,
Sumter, SC 29150-8854

224-06-02-005, 224-06-02-004

SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, SUMTER COUNTY AD VALOREM TAXES, EASEMENTS AND/OR, RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.

TERMS OF SALE: A 5% deposit in certified funds is required. The deposit will be applied towards the purchase price unless the bidder defaults, in which case the deposit will be forfeited. If the successful bidder fails, or refuses, to make the required deposit, or comply with his bid within 20 days, then the property will be resold at his risk. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 4.25% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A #15-CP-43-1587.

NOTICE: The foreclosure deed is not a warranty deed. Interested bidders should satisfy themselves as to the quality of title to be conveyed by obtaining an independent title search prior to the foreclosure sale date.

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(see link to Resources/Foreclosure Sales)

NOTICE OF SALE 2016-CP-43-02334
BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Deutsche Bank National Trust Company,** as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-FF9, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-FF9 against Louis Gross, Chloe A. Gross a/k/a Chloe Gross, and The South Carolina Department of Revenue, I, the undersigned Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on August 7, 2017, at 12:00 p.m. at County Courthouse in Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property, to-wit:

All that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, together with the dwelling and improvements thereon, lying and being situate in the Township and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and delineated as Lot No. 12 of Forest Hill Subdivision, Section No. 3, Block 6, on that plat prepared by Ben J. Makela, RLS, dated December 28, 1995 and recorded in Plat Book 95 at Page 1390 in the records of the Register of Deeds Office for Sumter County. Aforesaid plat is specifically incorporated herein and reference is craved thereto for a more complete and accurate description of the metes, bounds, courses and distances of the property concerned herein. This description is made in lieu of metes and bounds as permitted by law under § 30-5-250 of The Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), as amended. This being the same property conveyed to Louis Gross and Chloe A. Gross, as joint tenants with right of survivorship, by deed of Deborah M. Pritchard dated March 23, 2006 and filed March 27, 2006 in Deed Book 1021 at Page 192, in the Office of the ROD for Sumter County, SC. TMS No.



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bidding, five per cent (5%) of said bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to plaintiff's debt in the case of noncompliance. Should the successful bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, then the Special Referee may resell the property on the same terms and conditions (at the risk of the said defaulting bidder). Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order. The successful bidder will be required to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed and interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to the date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 8.7500%. THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, COUNTY TAXES, EXISTING EASEMENTS, EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. NOTICE: The foreclosure deed is not a warranty deed. Interested bidders should satisfy themselves as to the quality of title to be conveyed by obtaining an independent title search well before the foreclosure sale date. Honorable A. Paul Weissenstein, Jr. Special Referee Sumter County Riley Pope & Laney, LLC Post Office Box 11412 Columbia, SC 29211 (803) 799-9993 Attorneys for Plaintiff

NOTICE OF MASTER IN EQUITY SALE CIVIL ACTION NO. 2017CP4300628

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of **Nationstar Mortgage LLC, against Lisa Waananen f/k/a Lisa L. McReynolds;** et al., the Master in Equity for Sumter County, or his/her agent, will sell on **August 7, 2017, at 12:00 P.M.**, at Sumter Judicial Center, 215 North Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, Sumter County, being shown and delineated as Five (5) Acres, on a plat of Duvalle Elliott, RLS, dated September 22, 1992 and January 21, 1994 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 94 at Page 101, the metes and bounds of which are incorporated herein by reference.

ALSO: 1996 Horton mobile home, Serial Number H11791GL&R

TMS Number: 099-00-02-025 (Land) and 400-00-27-513 (Mobile Home)

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1335 Gullledge Circle, Wedgefield, SC 29168

This being the same property conveyed to Lisa L. McReynolds by deed of John L. McReynolds, dated April 26, 1999, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County on May 12, 1999, in Deed Book 740 at Page 1213.

TERMS OF SALE: FOR CASH. The Master in Equity will require a deposit of 5% of the bid amount in cash or certified funds, which is to be applied on the purchase price upon compliance with the bid. Interest on the balance of the bid at 6.75% shall be paid to the day of compliance. In case of noncompliance within 20 days, after the sale, the deposit of 5% is to be forfeited and applied to Plaintiff's judgment debt and the property re-advertised for sale upon the same terms at the risk of the former highest bidder. Purchaser to pay for deed recording fees and deed stamps.

Deficiency judgment not being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Should Plaintiff, Plaintiff's attorney, or Plaintiff's agent fail to appear on the day of sale, the property shall not be sold, but shall be re-advertised and sold at some convenient sales day thereafter when Plaintiff, Plaintiff's attorney, or Plaintiff's agent, is present.

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

Plaintiff does not warrant its title search to purchasers at foreclosure sale or other third parties, who should have their own title search performed on the subject property.

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Sumter, South Carolina

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MASTER IN EQUITY SALE CASE NO. 2017-CP-43-00339

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **Branch Banking and Trust Company against David E. Williams,** et al., I, the Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, August 7, 2017, at 12:00 o'clock noon,** at the Sumter County Courthouse, Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel and lot of land with improvements thereon situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina identified as Lot No. 85 of Rolling Hills Subdivision Section III and being more fully shown on a plat prepared by Joseph R. Edwards, P.L.S. dated March 2, 2007 and recorded in Plat Book 2007 at Page 99, records of Sumter County. This property is known as 3420 Valencia

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Drive and is further identified as Sumter County Tax Map Parcel No. 151-11-05-011.

Aforesaid Plat is specifically incorporated herein and reference is craved thereto for a more complete and accurate description of the metes, bounds, courses and distances of the property concerned herein. This description is in lieu of metes and bounds, as permitted by law under Section 30-5-250 of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended. Be all measurements a little more or a little less and according to said plat.

This being the identical property conveyed unto David E. Williams by Deed of Riley L. Tidwell, Jr., dated December 30, 2009 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina on December 31, 2009 in Deed Book 1133 at Page 3783.

3420 Valencia Drive Dalzell, S.C. 29040

TMS # 151-11-05-011

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity for Sumter County at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of the bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. If the Plaintiff's representative is not in attendance at the scheduled time of the sale, the sale shall be canceled and the property sold on some subsequent sales day after due advertisement. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, the deposit shall be forfeited and the Master in Equity for Sumter County may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). As a deficiency judgment is being demanded, the bidding will remain open thirty days after the date of sale. Purchaser shall pay for preparation of deed, documentary stamps on the deed, and recording of the deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.00% per annum. The sale shall be subject to assessments, Sumter County taxes, easements, easements and restrictions of record, and other senior encumbrances.

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NOTICE OF SALE

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Wells Fargo Bank, NA vs. Patrick D. Lausier;** Meadowcroft Homeowners Association.; C/A No. 2017CP4300171, The following property will be sold on **August 7, 2017, at 12:00 Noon** at the Sumter County Courthouse to the highest bidder

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in the Sumter Township and County of Sumter State of South Carolina, being shown and Delineated as Lot No 185, Section 6 of Meadowcroft Subdivision, as shown on a plat prepared by Ben J. Makela, RLS, dated February 18, 2002 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 02 at Page 670. Pursuant to Section 30-5-250 of the Codes of Laws of South Carolina (1979 as Amended,) reference is hereby made for the metes, bounds courses and/or distance of the property delineated thereon.

Derivation: Book 1211 at Page 793

3120 Ashlynn Way, Sumter, SC 29154

182-11-01-019

SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, SUMTER COUNTY AD VALOREM TAXES, EASEMENTS AND/OR, RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.

TERMS OF SALE: A 5% deposit in certified funds is required. The deposit will be applied towards the purchase price unless the bidder defaults, in which case the deposit will be forfeited. If the successful bidder fails, or refuses, to make the required deposit, or comply with his bid within 20 days, then the property will be resold at his risk. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 3.75% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A #2017CP4300171.

NOTICE: The foreclosure deed is not a warranty deed. Interested bidders should satisfy themselves as to the quality of title to be conveyed by obtaining an independent title search prior to the foreclosure sale date.

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NOTICE OF SALE

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. vs. Cecile Evans;** The United States of America acting by and through its agency The Department of Housing and Urban Development; Clerk of Court for Sumter County.; C/A No. 2016CP4301686, The following property will be sold on **August 7,**

2017, at 12:00 Noon at the Sumter County Courthouse to the highest bidder

All that piece, parcel or tract of land lying and being in the Shiloh Township, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, containing three (3) acres and being fully delineated on a Plat recorded in Plat Book Z-28, Page 138 and recorded in the Register of Deeds Office for Sumter County, State of South Carolina, being bounded and measuring North by lands now or formerly of Cecile P. Evans and measuring thereon 4 feet E, East by lands now or formerly C. E. Phillips, Jr., and measuring thereon 206.6 feet, South by lands now or formerly C. E. Phillips, Jr., and measuring thereon 617 feet, West by lands now or formerly of State Highway No. 58 and measuring thereon 206.3 feet. All of said measurements according to said Plat.

Derivation: Book U-8 at Page 314

1365 Pleasant Grove Rd, Lynchburg, SC 29080

347-00-03-006

SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, SUMTER COUNTY AD VALOREM TAXES, EASEMENTS AND/OR, RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.

TERMS OF SALE: A 5% deposit in certified funds is required. The deposit will be applied towards the purchase price unless the bidder defaults, in which case the deposit will be forfeited. If the successful bidder fails, or refuses, to make the required deposit, or comply with his bid within 20 days, then the property will be resold at his risk. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 2.05% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A #2016CP4301686.

NOTICE: The foreclosure deed is not a warranty deed. Interested bidders should satisfy themselves as to the quality of title to be conveyed by obtaining an independent title search prior to the foreclosure sale date.

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MASTER IN EQUITY NOTICE OF SALE 2016-CP-43-00737

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Champion Mortgage Company vs. Kenneth Mae Mitchell,** individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; William D. Mitchell, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Victoria Young a/k/a Victoria D. Young, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Annette Dennis a/k/a Annette L. Dennis, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Martha Workman a/k/a Martha A. D. Workman, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Karen Y. Mitchell, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Kelly B. Mitchell-Baynes, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Brian Mitchell a/k/a Brian A. Mitchell, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Any Heirs-at-Law or Devisees of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased, their heirs or devisees, successors and assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe; Annette Dennis a/k/a Annette L. Dennis, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Any Heirs-at-Law or Devisees of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Victoria Young a/k/a Victoria D. Young, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Kelly B. Mitchell-Baynes, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Brian Mitchell a/k/a Brian A. Mitchell, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Any Heirs-at-Law or Devisees of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Martha Workman a/k/a Martha A. D. Workman, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Karen Y. Mitchell, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Kelly B. Mitchell-Baynes, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Brian Mitchell a/k/a Brian A. Mitchell, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Any Heirs-at-Law or Devisees of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Victoria Young a/k/a Victoria D. Young, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Abraham Mitchell, Deceased; Kelly B. 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required deposit in certified (immediately collectible) funds with the Office of the Master in Equity, said deposit being due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding on the day of sale, the Master in Equity will re-sell the subject property at the most convenient time thereafter (including the day of sale) upon notification to counsel for Plaintiff. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to comply with the balance due of the bid within 20 days, then the Master in Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder).

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

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Master in Equity's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.000% per annum.

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

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

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

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

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

Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County

Scott and Corley, P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff

**MASTER IN EQUITY'S
SALE
CASE NO.
2017-CP-43-00160**

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **Trustmark National Bank against Waddell Mack III**, Flossie A. Mack, et al., I, the Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, August 7, 2017, at 12:00 o'clock p.m.**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder: That lot of land with the improvements thereon situate in Concord Township, Sumter County, South Carolina, represented on plat of Edmunds Land Surveyors, Inc., dated August 31, 1995, recorded in the Sumter County R.M.C. Office in Plat Book 95 at Page 1074.

Also a mobile home,
a 1995 General Jaguar,
VIN NO.: GMHGA302954312AB.

This being the same property conveyed to Waddell Mack III and Flossie A. Mack by deed of IMC Mortgage Company, as successor by merger to Industry Mortgage Company, L.P. dated March 29, 1999 and recorded March 31, 1999 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina in Book 736 at Page 581.

TMS#: 266-16-01-011

**Property Address:
1340 Tulip Street
Sumter, S.C. 29153**

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity for Sumter County at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of the bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. If the Plaintiff's representative is not in attendance at the scheduled time of the sale, the sale shall be canceled and the property sold on some subsequent sales day after due advertisement. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, the deposit shall be forfeited and the Master in Equity for Sumter County may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). As a deficiency judgment is being Demanded, the bidding will remain open thirty days after the date of sale. Purchaser shall pay for preparation of deed, documentary stamps on the deed, and recording of the deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 7.5% per annum. The sale shall be subject to assessments, Sumter County taxes, easements, and other senior encumbrances.

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BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Wells Fargo Bank, NA vs. Paul Kiggins a/k/a Paul J. Kiggins; Merrie Kiggins a/k/a Merrie K. Kiggins a/k/a Merrie Kay Kiggins;** The United States of America acting by and through its agency The Department of Housing and Urban Development; Credit Acceptance Corporation,; C/A No. 2015CP4302618, The following property will be sold on **August 7, 2017, at 12:00 Noon** at the Sumter County Courthouse to the highest bidder

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in the Town and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, shown as 3.50 acres, more or less, on a plat prepared by Joseph R. Edwards, RLS, dated December 9, 1999 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book

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PB99, page 1122. This said lot has such metes, boundaries, courses and distances as are shown on said plat, which are incorporated herein in accordance with the provisions of Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976. This being the same property known as 2187 Kingsbury Drive, Sumter, SC. Represented by Sumter County Parcel No. 207-14-02-008.

Derivation: Book 1217 at page 2294

**2187 Kingsbury Drive,
Sumter, SC 29154-7247**
207-14-02-008

**SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS,
SUMTER COUNTY AD VALOREM
TAXES, EASEMENTS AND/OR
RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND
OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.**

TERMS OF SALE: A 5% deposit in certified funds is required. The deposit will be applied towards the purchase price unless the bidder defaults, in which case the deposit will be forfeited. If the successful bidder fails, or refuses, to make the required deposit, or comply with his bid within 20 days, then the property will be resold at his risk. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 4.75% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A #2015CP4302618.

NOTICE: The foreclosure deed is not a warranty deed. Interested bidders should satisfy themselves as to the quality of title to be conveyed by obtaining an independent title search prior to the foreclosure sale date.

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(see link to Resources/
Foreclosure Sales)

**Notice of Sale
C/A No:
2017-CP-43-00589**

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of **Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC vs. Alden Charles Moyer aka Alden C. Moyer, II; Amanda N. Moyer;** I the undersigned as Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **August 7, 2017 at 12:00 PM**, at the Sumter County Judicial Center, Sumter County, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

Legal Description and Property Address:
ALL THAT CERTAIN piece, parcel, or lot of land, together with the dwelling and improvements thereon, lying and being situate in the Township of Providence, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, containing 0.41acre, more or less, and being shown and delineated as Lot No. 64 of Rolling Hills Subdivision, Phase 3, Section 2, on that plat prepared by R. Brian Pate, PLS, dated April2, 2009 and recorded in Plat Book 2009 at page 101 in the records of the Register of Deeds Office for Sumter County. Aforesaid plat is specifically incorporated herein and reference is craved thereto for a more complete and accurate description of the metes, bounds, courses and distances of the property concerned herein. This description is made in lieu of metes and bounds as permitted by law under § 30-5-250 of The Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), as amended.

THIS BEING the same property conveyed to Alden C. Moyer, II by virtue of a Deed from Gainey Construction Co., LLC dated November 8, 2010 and recorded November 11, 2010 in Deed Book 1147 at page 193 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina.

**3220 Valencia Drive
Dalzell, SC 29040
TMS# 151-10-02-004**

TERMS OF SALE: For cash. Interest at the current rate of Four and 375/1000 (4.375%) to be paid on balance of bid from date of sale to date of compliance. The purchaser to pay for papers and stamps, and that the successful bidder or bidders, other than the Plaintiff therein, will, upon the acceptance of his or her bid, deposit with the Master in Equity for Sumter County a certified check or cash in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of bid on said premises at the sale as evidence of good faith in bidding, and subject to any resale of said premises under Order of this Court; and in the event the said purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale within Twenty (20) days, the Master in Equity shall forthwith resell the said property, after the due notice and advertisement, and shall continue to sell the same each subsequent sales day until a purchaser, who shall comply with the terms of sale, shall be obtained, such sales to be made at the risk of the former purchaser. Since a personal or deficiency judgment is waived, the bidding will not remain open but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. If the Plaintiff or the Plaintiff's representative does not appear at the above-described sale, then the sale of the property will be null, void, and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale. Sold subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

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**NOTICE OF SALE
IN THE COURT OF
COMMON PLEAS
CASE NO.
2017-CP-43-00515**

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF SUMTER**

Ditch Financial LLC
Plaintiff,
-vs-
**Robert L. Cosby, Jr., GreenPoint
Credit Corporation, and Discover
Bank,**
Defendant(s)

BY VIRTUE of a judgment heretofore granted in the case of **Ditch Financial LLC vs. Robert L. Cosby, Jr., GreenPoint Credit Corporation, and Discover Bank, I,** Richard L. Booth, as Master In

Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **August 7, 2017, at 12:00 Noon**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, 215 N. Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

ALL that certain piece, parcel or LOT of land, more or less, together with that certain 1999 FLEETWOOD, 28 X 56 MOBILE/MANUFACTURED HOME, MODEL: 4563-D, SERIAL NO. GAFLX34AB29757-SL12, and any and all improvements thereon, lying, being and situate in Stateburg Township, the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and delineated as LOT NO. 406 on that certain plat of EAGLE NEST Subdivision by Michael C. Turbeville, III PLS, dated March 10, 1998 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in PLAT BOOK 98 AT PAGE 1002. And, the above described real property, including the above described mobile/manufactured home, is shown and delineated on more recent plat by Allen-Makela, Inc., dated May 26, 1999 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in PLAT BOOK 99 AT PAGE 494.

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

The land being a portion of the property heretofore conveyed to Longtown Investments, LLC by deed from Tyler B. Dunlap, Jr., recorded May 5, 1998 in said Register's Office in Deed Book 704 at page 1490. And, Lot 406 being the identical property conveyed unto Robert L. Cosby, Jr. by deed from Longtown Investments, LLC, which deed is recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County contemporaneously herewith.

The land (real property) is represented as (a portion of) TAX MAP PARCEL NO. 134-00-02-035 upon the records of the SUMTER County Auditor, and is known as 4879 Solstice Drive.

It is the intention of the undersigned Mortgagor(s) and/or Borrower(s) that the above described mobile/manufactured home, given as security to said Mortgagee along with the above described land (real property), is to be construed as permanent, affixed to the above land, a part of the realty, an appurtenance thereto, and the undersigned affirms the home will not be moved or relocated whatsoever as long as said Mortgagee has a security interest therein.

**TMS #: 153-01-02-006 Land
400-00-26-733 MH**

**Mobile Home: 1999 FLEET VIN:
GAFLX34AB29757SL12**

**SUBJECT TO SUMTER COUNTY
TAXES**

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master In Equity at conclusion of the bidding, five (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, the same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of noncompliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at the time of the bid or comply with the other terms or the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Master In Equity may resell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the former highest bidder). A personal or deficiency judgment having been demanded by the Plaintiff, the sale of the subject property will remain open for thirty (30) days pursuant to Section 15-39-720, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976; provided, however, that the Court recognizes the option reserved by the Plaintiff to waive such deficiency judgment prior to the sale, and notice is given that the Plaintiff may waive in writing the deficiency judgment prior to the sale; and that should the Plaintiff elect to waive a deficiency judgment, without notice other than the announcement at the sale and notice in writing to the debtor defendant(s) that a deficiency judgment has been waived and that the sale will be final, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 7.50% per annum.

Richard L. Booth
Master In Equity
for Sumter County

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

**NOTICE OF MASTER
IN EQUITY SALE
CIVIL ACTION NO.
2016CP4302184**

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of **CitiMortgage, Inc., against John Boykin;** et al., the Master in Equity for Sumter County, or his/her agent, will sell on **August 7, 2017, at 12:00 P.M.**, at Sumter Judicial Center, 215 North Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel and lot of land situate, lying and being in the Township of Providence, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina identified as Lot 25 of Carolina Palms Subdivision, Phase I, Section II as shown o that certain plat prepared by Louis W. Tisdale, RLS, and recorded on May 15, 2005 in Plat Book 2005 at Page 179, records of Sumter County. This said lot has such metes, boundaries, courses and distances as are shown on said plat, which are incorporated herein in accordance with the provision of Section 20-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976.

**TMS Number:
186-11-03-005
PROPERTY ADDRESS:
1255 Dewees Street,
Sumter, SC 29150**

This being the same property conveyed to John Boykin and Christina Boykin by deed of Milestone Builders, Inc., dated January 25, 2008, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County on January 28, 2008, in Deed Book 1099 at Page 1559.

TERMS OF SALE: FOR CASH. The Master in Equity will require a deposit of 5% of the bid amount in cash or certified funds, which is to be applied on the purchase price upon compliance with the bid. Interest on the balance of the bid at 4.000% shall be paid to the day of compliance. In case of noncompliance within 20 days, after

the sale, the deposit of 5% is to be forfeited and applied to Plaintiff's judgment debt and the property re-advertised for sale upon the same terms at the risk of the former highest bidder. Purchaser to pay for deed recording fees and deed stamps.

Deficiency judgment not being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Should Plaintiff, Plaintiff's attorney, or Plaintiff's agent fail to appear on the day of sale, the property shall not be sold, but shall be re-advertised and sold at some convenient sales day thereafter when Plaintiff, Plaintiff's attorney, or Plaintiff's agent, is present.

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

Plaintiff does not warrant its title search to purchasers at foreclosure sale or other third parties, who should have their own title search performed on the subject property.

Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County
Sumter, South Carolina

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NOTICE OF SALE

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Urban Financial of America, LLC,** formerly known as Urban Financial Group, Inc. vs. **Viola L. Murray;** United States of America acting by and through the Department of Housing and Urban Development; , C/A No. 2016CP4300140, The following property will be sold on **August 7, 2017, at 12:00 Noon** at the Sumter County Courthouse to the highest bidder

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE, PARCEL, OR LOT OF LAND TOGETHER WITH THE IMPROVEMENTS, THEREON SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN SUMTER TOWNSHIP, SUMTER COUNTY, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND BEING SHOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT NO. 52 OF GUIGNARD PARK SUBDIVISION, SECTION I, ON PLAT PREPARED BY H.S. WILLSON, R.L.S., DATED NOVEMBER 14, 1971 AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CCCP FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PKAT BOOK Z-31 AT PAGE 43, AS AMENDED ON OCTOBER 11, 1972 AND CONFIRMED BY RESURVEY MADE BY H.S. WILLSON, R.L.S., DATED JANUARY 18, 1973, SAID PLAT BEING RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CCCP FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK Z-33 AT PAGE 76, AND ACCORDING TO SAID PLAT LOT NO. 52 HAVING THE FOLLOWING B O U N D A R I E S , A N D MEASUREMENTS; BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY THE RIGHT OF WAY OF SPAULDING AVENUE AND MEASURING THEREON 78 FEET; ON THE NORTH BY LOT NO. 53 AND MEASURING THEREON 125 FEET; ON THE EAST BY LANDS OF TROTTER DEVELOPMENT COMPANY AND MEASURING THEREON 78 FEET; AND ON THE SOUTH BY LANDS OF TROTTER DEVELOPMENT COMPANY AND MEASURING THEREON 125 FEET. THIS PROPERTY IS KNOWN AS 1020 SPAULDING AVENUE, SUMTER, S.C.

Derivation: Book 1163 at Page 003099

**1020 Spaulding Ave,
Sumter, SC 29150**

226-11-02-010

**SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS,
SUMTER COUNTY AD VALOREM
TAXES, EASEMENTS AND/OR
RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND
OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.**

TERMS OF SALE: A 5% deposit in certified funds is required. The deposit will be applied towards the purchase price unless the bidder defaults, in which case the deposit will be forfeited. If the successful bidder fails, or refuses, to make the required deposit, or comply with his bid within 20 days, then the property will be resold at his risk. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.06% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A #2016CP4300140.

NOTICE: The foreclosure deed is not a warranty deed. Interested bidders should satisfy themselves as to the quality of title to be conveyed by obtaining an independent title search prior to the foreclosure sale date.

Richard L. Booth
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**MASTER IN EQUITY
NOTICE OF SALE
2017-CP-43-00504**

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Branch Banking and Trust Company vs. William W. Benjamin, I,** the undersigned, Richard L. Booth, Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, August 7, 2017 at 12:00 PM**, at the County Judicial Center, 215 Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

All that piece, parcel or lot of land with improvements thereon situate, lying and being in Sumter Township, Sumter County, South Carolina, and being more particularly shown and designated as tract containing 4.4 acres as shown on that certain plat of Michael C. Turbeville, III, P.L.S., dated November 19, 1997, and recorded in the Sumter County Register of Deed Office at Plat Book 97, page 1428. Reference is directed to said plat for boundaries.

Please note that the above description has been modified to correct a minor, immaterial clerical error in the legal regarding the name of the surveyor.

This being the same property conveyed unto William W. Benjamin by virtue of a Deed from Commercial Credit Corporation dated May 12, 1992 and recorded May 12, 1992 in Book 546 at Page 1626 in the Office

of the Register of Deeds of Sumter County, South Carolina.

TMS No. 247-00-02-002

**Property address:
695 East Brewington Road,
Sumter, SC 29153**

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

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

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Master in Equity's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 4.000% per annum.

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

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

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

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

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

Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County

Scott and Corley, P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff

NOTICE OF SALE

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Wells Fargo Bank, NA vs. Shenel K. Gadson; Meadowcroft Homeowners Association;** The United States of America, acting by and through its agency, the Department of Housing and Urban Development; Republic Finance; Midland Funding LLC; C/A No. 16-CP-43-00045. The following property will be sold on **August 7, 2017, at 12:00 Noon** at the Sumter County Courthouse to the highest bidder

All that piece, parcel or lot of land, with the improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in Sumter Township, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina and designated as Lot No. 217, Section 5 of Meadowcroft Subdivision, on plat of Louis W. Tisdale, RLS, dated November 9, 2000 and recorded in Plat Book 2000 at page 844 in the Office of the RMC for Sumter County. Said lot having such shape, metes, courses, distances, boundaries and measurements as will more fully appear by reference to the aforesaid plat.

Derivation: Book 1157 at Page 2831

**3170 Caitlynn Drive,
Sumter, SC 29154-8259**

182-11-01-008

**SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS,
SUMTER COUNTY AD VALOREM
TAXES, EASEMENTS AND/OR
RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND
OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.**

TERMS OF SALE: A 5% deposit in certified funds is required. The deposit will be applied towards the purchase price unless the bidder defaults, in which case the deposit will be forfeited. If the successful bidder fails, or refuses, to make the required deposit, or comply with his bid within 20 days, then the property will be resold at his risk. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 3.75% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A

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#16-CP-43-00045.

NOTICE: The foreclosure deed is not a warranty deed. Interested bidders should satisfy themselves as to the quality of title to be conveyed by obtaining an independent title search prior to the foreclosure sale date.

Richard L. Booth
Master In Equity for
Sumter County

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Foreclosure Sales)

**SPECIAL REFEREE'S
SALE
CASE NO.
2017-CP-43-00135**

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **Trustmark National Bank against Clark A. Mullenax et al., I,** the Special Referee for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, August 7, 2017, at 12:00 o'clock p.m.**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, with the improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in Privateer Township, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being more particularly shown and delineated as Lot 1, containing 1.71 acres, more or less, as shown on that certain plat of D.D. Edmunds, RLS, dated May 13, 2003, and recorded in the office of the ROD for Sumter County in Plat Book PB2003 at Page 312. The said lot has such boundaries, metes, courses and distances as are shown on said plat which are incorporated herein in accordance with the provision of Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of SC, 1976. This property is more generally known as 2040 Cains Mills Road.

This being the same property conveyed to Clark A. Mullenax by deed of the Estate of Curtis W. Brown by Sandra B. Carter and Willie W. Lane, Personal Representatives dated June 11, 2003 and recorded June 12, 2003 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina in Book 893 at Page 518.

TMS#: 210-00-02-038

**Property Address:
2040 Cains Mill Road
Sumter, S.C. 29154**

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Special Referee for Sumter County at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of the bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. If the Plaintiff's representative

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improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, and being shown and designated as Lot 165 of Hunters Crossing Subdivision, Phase 1, Section 4 as more fully shown on a plat thereof prepared by Louis W. Tisdale, RLS, dated December 4, 2006 recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 2006 at page 609; which plat is incorporated herein by this reference and having such metes, bounds, courses and distances, being a little more or less, as by this reference to said plat will more fully appear.

Derivation: Book 1093 at Page 718

**1788 Benelli St,
Sumter, SC 29150**

187-12-01-018

SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, SUMTER COUNTY AD VALOREM TAXES, EASEMENTS AND/OR RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.

TERMS OF SALE: A 5% deposit in certified funds is required. The deposit will be applied towards the purchase price unless the bidder defaults, in which case the deposit will be forfeited. If the successful bidder fails, or refuses, to make the required deposit, or comply with his bid within 20 days, then the property will be resold at his risk. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 6.75% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A #2014CP4302599.

NOTICE: The foreclosure deed is not a warranty deed. Interested bidders should satisfy themselves as to the quality of title to be conveyed by obtaining an independent title search prior to the foreclosure sale date.

Richard L. Booth
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**MASTER IN EQUITY
NOTICE OF SALE
2016-CP-43-02242**

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **U.S. Bank National Trust Association** as Indenture Trustee for CIM Trust 2015-4AG Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2015-4AG vs. **Shirley A. Sainz**; Any Heirs-at-Law or Devises of the Estate of Evelyn Hill Bailey, Deceased, their heirs or devisees, successors and assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe; Any Heirs-at-Law or Devises of the Estate of Otis Leroy Bailey, Deceased, their heirs or devisees, successors and assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as Jane Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Rachel Roe; et.al., I, the undersigned Richard L. Booth, Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, August 7, 2017 at 12:00 PM**, at the County Judicial Center, 215 Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, together with the improvements thereon, if any,

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situate, lying, and being in the Township and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and designated as Lot #25, containing 0.82 acres, more or less, of Quail Lawn Subdivision, as shown on that certain plat prepared by Arthur E. White, Jr., RLS, dated September 6, 1994, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 94 at Page 1278, and having such metes and bounds as are shown on said plat, this description being in lieu of metes and bounds, as permitted under Section 30-5-250 of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended.

This being the same property conveyed to Jesse M. Sainz and Shirley A. Sainz, as joint tenants with the right of survivorship, by deed of Otis L. Bailey and Evelyn M. Bailey, dated July 25, 2007 and recorded July 25, 2007 in Book 1087 at Page 1879 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County. Subsequently, Jesse M. Sainz died January 6, 2016, thus vesting his interest in the subject property in the surviving joint tenant, namely, Shirley A. Sainz.

TMS No. 1820804001

**Property address:
1015 Mana Drive,
Sumter, SC 29154**

The Court in its Decree has further made its finding that this mortgage was intended to and specifically secures and collateralizes that certain Mobile Home permanently affixed to the above described real estate in the mortgage being foreclosed and is further provided under the laws of the State of South Carolina, the same being more particularly described as follows:

1985 CRAF CH183 Manufactured Home, Serial No. CH183257, with any fixtures.

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

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

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Master in Equity's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 9.290% per annum.

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

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

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

The sale will not be held unless

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either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent is present at the sale and either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent enters the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this captioned matter. In the alternative, Plaintiff's counsel, if permitted by the Court, may advise this Court directly of its authorized bidding instructions. In the event a sale is inadvertently held without Plaintiff's Counsel or Counsel's bidding agent entering the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this specifically captioned matter, the sale shall be null and void and the property shall be re-advertised for sale on the next available sale date.

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

Pursuant to Section 2410(c), Title 28, United States Code, this property will be sold subject to the applicable right of redemption of the United States of America.

Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County

Scott and Corley, P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff

**Notice of Sale
C/A No:
2012-CP-43-01687**

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of **Wells Fargo Bank**, National Association, successor by merger to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association, f/k/a Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, solely in its capacity as Trustee for Provident Bank Home Equity Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 1999-3 vs. **Jack Brown, Jr.**, Emma Lee Brown, and South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, I the undersigned as Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **August 7, 2017 at 12:00 PM**, at the Sumter County Judicial Center, Sumter County, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

Legal Description and Property Address:
ALL THAT CERTAIN piece, parcel or lot of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being known and designated as Lots 23, 24, 25, 26, and a portion of Lot 27, as shown on a plat of Washington Park Subdivision recorded in Plat Z-5, Page 54, records of Sumter County.

THIS BEING the same property conveyed to Jack Brown, Jr. and Emma Lee Brown by virtue of a Deed from Marvin B. Poston dated May 14, 1970 and recorded June 2, 1970 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter, South Carolina in Deed Book R-9 at Page 202 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina.

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NOTICE OF SALE 2017-CP-43-00389
BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Selene Finance LP** against **Matthew Miller, Jr.** and **Applied Bank, I**, the undersigned Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on August 7, 2017, at 12:00 p.m. at County Courthouse in Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property, to-wit: All that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, containing 1.06 acres, more or less, together with any and all improvements thereon, lying, being and situate in Stateburg Township, the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and delineated as lot no. 12 of a subdivision referred to as Fish Road Subdivision on that certain plat by Nesbitt Surveying Co., Inc., dated December 2, 1999 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 2000 at Page 510. Pursuant to Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), reference to said plat is hereby craved for particulars of the boundaries, metes, courses, and/or distances of the property delineated thereon. This is the property known as 6135 Fish Road Dalzell, South Carolina bearing tax map number: 093-00-02-030. Also: 2003 Brookfield Mobile Home Vin #: NCF1241A/B67633BF13 bearing tax map number: 400-00-30-078. Being the same property conveyed to Matthew Miller, Jr. by deed of Charles Smith, dated August 16, 2006 and recorded August 23, 2006 in Deed Book 1041 at Page 1979. TMS No. 093-00-02-030 Property Address: 6135 Fish Road, Dalzell, SC 29040

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity at conclusion of the bidding, five per cent (5%) of said bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to plaintiff's debt in the case of noncompliance. Should the successful bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Master in Equity may resell the property on the same terms and conditions (at the risk of the said defaulting bidder). Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order. The successful bidder will be required to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed and interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to the date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 3.8750%. **THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, COUNTY TAXES, EXISTING EASEMENTS, EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.** No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will

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**NOTICE OF SALE
IN THE COURT OF
COMMON PLEAS
CASE NO.
2016-CP-43-00464**

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF SUMTER**

**Wells Fargo Bank N.A., as trustee for
Green Tree 2008-MH1**

Plaintiff,

-vs-
Charles White, Frances W. Mobley, Magdalene W. Barker, Onemain Financial, Inc. s/b/m to Citifinancial, Inc., Green Tree Acceptance Inc., United States of America, acting by and through its agency, Small Business Administration, and South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles,

Defendant(s)

BY VIRTUE of a judgment heretofore granted in the case of **Wells Fargo Bank N.A.**, as trustee for **Green Tree 2008-MH1 vs. Charles White, Frances W. Mobley, Magdalene W. Barker, Onemain Financial, Inc. s/b/m to Citifinancial, Inc., Green Tree Acceptance Inc., United States of America, acting by and through its agency, Small Business Administration, and South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles, I, Richard L. Booth, as Master In Equity for Sumter County, will sell on August 7, 2017, at 12:00 Noon**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, 215 N. Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

All that parcel of land with the improvements thereon in School District 2, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, shown as Parcel 3A on plat of J.P. Edwards, RLS, dated 08/05/86 with right of way added 11/25/86, recorded in Plat Book 87, page 975, Sumter County R.M.C. records; said Parcel 3A being bounded on the Northeast by land of Burrell Murray, 208.77 feet; Southeast by Parcel 3B hereinafter described, 372.01 feet, and by property of Herod Murray, 227.56 feet, and Northwest by property of Richard Murray, 462.57 feet.

ALSO: All my right, title and interest in and to that certain easement granted to me, for ingress and egress to and from Folley Road, in that certain 50 foot right-of-way as shown on plat of record in said RMC's office in Plat Book 87 at page 975; said easement having been granted to me by deed from Wilbert Dicks, et al, recorded January 22, 1987 in said RMC's office in Deed Book 452 at page 367.

This being the same property conveyed to Charles White and Bernice White by Deed from Burrell Murray dated July 12, 1986 and recorded June 22, 1987 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina in Book 252 at Page 362. Thereafter, this being the same property conveyed to Charles White by Deed from Charles White and Bernice White dated September 29, 1987 and recorded March 23, 1988 in Book 466 at Page 1626. Thereafter, the deed dated July 12, 1986 was re-recorded November 13, 1989 in Book 460 at Page 747.

Subsequently, Bernice White died on or about March 12, 2008 and said property was conveyed to Frances W. Mobley, Magdalene W. Barker and Charles White by Deed of Distribution dated September 19, 2008 and recorded September 25, 2008 in Book 1112 at Page 3261, as further shown by Estate case number 2008ES4300419 filed in the Office of the Sumter County Probate Court.

**TMS #: 156001032 (land)
4000016356 (mh)**

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TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master In Equity at conclusion of the bidding, five (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, the same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of noncompliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at the time of the bid or comply with the other terms or the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Master In Equity may resell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the former highest bidder). A personal or deficiency judgment having been demanded by the Plaintiff, the sale of the subject property will remain open for thirty (30) days pursuant to Section 15-39-720, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976; provided, however, that the Court recognizes the option reserved by the Plaintiff to waive such deficiency judgment prior to the sale, and notice is given that the Plaintiff may waive in writing the deficiency judgment prior to the sale; and that should the Plaintiff elect to waive a deficiency judgment, without notice other than the announcement at the sale and notice in writing to the debtor defendant(s) that a deficiency judgment has been waived and that the sale will be final, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 10.79% per annum.

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“What you have to do is lay all this stuff out – lay out all the transactions – and then figure out, ‘Why did people do certain things?’ ”

Jack Blum, Washington attorney



Special counsel Robert Mueller is leading an investigation into alleged Russian interference in the 2016 election.

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Mueller’s investigators could delve deeply into president’s million-dollar real estate transactions

Nick Penzenstadler and Steve Reilly

USA TODAY

Since Election Day, Trump’s businesses have sold at least 30 luxury condos and oceanfront lots for about \$33 million. That includes millions of dollars in properties to secretive shell companies, which can hide the identities of buyers or partners involved in the deals, a USA TODAY investigation found.

Details of some of those deals and other transactions by Trump’s family business could be unmasked as special counsel Robert Mueller expands his inquiry into alleged election-meddling by Russia and whether Trump’s campaign colluded.

Federal investigators are likely to delve into records revealing some of the president’s most closely guarded secrets, including how much money he makes, whom he does business with and how reliant he is on wealthy, politically connected



President Trump

foreigners.

A half-dozen experts contacted by USA TODAY said they expect Mueller and his team to pursue everything from Trump’s income tax returns to the bank records underlying his companies’ real estate transactions in a quest to identify people who have financial relationships with the president and his business and political associates.

Mueller’s sweeping mandate means his investigators can get, or may already have, the Trump Organization’s phone records, e-

mail and contracts, exposing sensitive records and long-secret details to eventual release as part of the public record of the investigation.

Trump’s real estate business in particular has relied on wealthy Russians and other foreigners, sometimes as buyers of condos in the company’s towers around the world and as investors or partners in the projects. Trump’s son, Donald Jr., said in 2008 at a real estate conference, “Russians make up a pretty disproportionate cross-section of a lot of our assets. We see a lot of money pouring in from Russia.”

Experts said Mueller’s move to follow the money has the potential to expose Trump, his family and his associates to legal troubles beyond the scope of the Russian allegations.

The investigation could shine renewed light on eyebrow-raising deals from Trump’s past, such as his sale in 2008 of a South Florida mansion to Russian tycoon Dmitry Rybolovlev

USA TODAY EXCLUSIVE

Navy allows sailors to stay

Military awaits definitive guidance on transgender troops

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WASHINGTON Military leaders sought to reassure transgender troops Thursday that their jobs and health care are safe – at least for now – after President Trump’s tweets a day earlier that implied an immediate end to both.

The Navy offered the most specific guidance, saying no transgender sailors will be discharged and the service will continue to provide health care for them, according to an email obtained by USA TODAY.

Meanwhile, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Marine Gen. Joe Dunford, told all service chiefs in a memo that there will be no changes in transgender policy until Defense Secretary Jim Mattis receives specific direction from the White House.

Yet administration officials said that guidance may be weeks or even months away.

White House spokeswoman Sarah Sanders said there was no timetable to implement Trump’s tweets on Wednesday morning that declared transgender troops would not be welcome to serve in any capacity, and that the military would not pay for their medical treatment.

Military leaders acknowledged the tumult created by those tweets, and that they were blindsided by the announcement.

The Navy’s guidance, which

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U.S. Navy Vice Adm. Robert Burke says Trump’s transgender decision caught military officials by surprise.

Newly discovered dinosaur sported fancy headgear

Raptor resembled Australian bird

Traci Watson
Special for USA TODAY

From enormous feet to scrawny neck and wicked claws, a newly discovered species of dinosaur resembles an ostrich gone bad. But no ostrich ever had this dinosaur’s fancy headgear: a towering “helmet” of bone and tissue probably functioning like some kind of beckoning billboard.

Many dinosaur species had

long, slender necks and stomped about on two legs, as did this one, officially known as *Corythoraptor jacobsi*. And many dinosaurs sported bizarre bony skullcaps. But *Corythoraptor*’s tall, narrow crest, tipped rakishly forward above the eyes, makes it a dead ringer for the cassowary, a modern-day bird native to Australia and New Guinea. Scientists describe the ancient reptile in the current issue of *Scientific Reports*.

No other dinosaur so strongly resembles a particular living bird, says study co-author Junchang Lü of the Chinese Academy of Geological Sciences.

“The general outline is a very

strong match,” agrees David Hone of Britain’s Queen Mary University of London, who was not associated with the discovery.

Corythoraptor was discovered by a farmer five years ago near a railway station in southern China. This dinosaur would not have needed to hop a train. Much of its 5½-foot height was leg, and the proportions of its leg bones show that it was swift on its feet. *Corythoraptor*’s short feathered arms weren’t built for flight. But its hands, each armed with three sharp claws, would have been useful for grabbing its food, probably lizards and smaller dinosaurs, Lü says.



Corythoraptors looked a lot like modern birds known as cassowaries in the forests of New Guinea and Australia.

Corythoraptor lived roughly 65 to 100 million years ago, during the final reign of the dinosaurs. The specimen in the new study died before it had finished growing. Even so, it had a headdress for sending sexual signals, hinting that the animals reproduced before they reached full size, the study says.

Corythoraptor belongs to a family of other dinosaurs with large crests, but it’s “exciting because it seems to possess the most cassowary-like crest ... yet reported” in its group, says Darren Naish of Britain’s University of Southampton, who was not involved with the study.

Trump land deals could come to light

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for \$95 million or the international financing behind a condo-hotel he developed with foreign partners in New York’s SoHo neighborhood.

The inquiry could pierce the increasing secrecy around who buys real estate from Trump. A USA TODAY investigation revealed last month that 70% of Trump real estate sales since he won the GOP nomination were to secretive shell companies, compared with 4% in the two years before that.

The clear shift to those kinds of purchases, which help obscure the identities of the buyers, raise questions about the source of profits that ultimately flow to the president because he has not fully divested from his companies.

With increasing intensity and frequency, Trump has fumed on Twitter and elsewhere as he learned more about the kinds of legal questions and exposure he and his family could face.

Last week, aides said Trump was especially disturbed to learn that Mueller is probably able to get several years’ worth of his income tax returns. This week, Trump’s launched daily public attacks against Attorney General Jeff Sessions, Justice Department leaders and Mueller’s investigators, calling their work a “witch hunt.”

Mueller’s office declined to answer questions about the scope of its investigation and what elements of Trump’s businesses might be under scrutiny.

Jack Blum, a Washington attorney specializing in white collar crime and former staff lawyer for two U.S. Senate committees, said efforts by Mueller’s office to investigate all manner of financial transactions are necessary for the special counsel to answer questions of Russian connections to Trump or his associates.

“What you have to do is lay all this stuff out — lay out all the



Donald Trump’s Atlantic City casino had troubles in the 1990s, when the Treasury Department fined the company for not reporting gamblers who cashed out more than \$10,000 in a single day.

“You can’t really tackle the broader problems of corruption or crime without also being able to follow the money and get at the financing of those activities,” said Mark Hays, who investigates international corruption cases with the non-profit watchdog group Global Witness, based in London and Washington.

It is unclear what the Justice Department would do if it found questionable business practices unrelated to Russian activities. The bar to bring charges might be lower.

For example, Mueller would not necessarily have to prove that Trump’s companies or associates actively conspired to break laws in some instances, experts said. Trump has said it would be “a violation” for Mueller to venture beyond Russia’s alleged meddling to examine his companies’ or his associates’ business dealings.

John Tobon, a deputy special



Russian tycoon Dmitry Rybolovlev bought a South Florida mansion from Donald Trump for \$95 million.

fined the company for not reporting gamblers who cashed out more than \$10,000 in a single day. The reporting requirement is designed to prevent money laundering.

The luxury real estate market where Trump’s companies have done business for decades is particularly ripe, according to law enforcement experts, for foreigners looking to hide assets from tax authorities or launder illicit funds.

That includes wealthy Russians and oligarchs from the former Soviet republics.

Real estate professionals in New York and Miami told USA TODAY that Trump has sold dozens of condos in both cities to wealthy Russians.

The scope of Mueller’s inquiry was established in a one-page order signed May 17 by acting Attorney General Rod Rosenstein. The order gives Mueller purview to investigate “any links and/or coordination between the Russian government and individuals associated with the campaign of Donald Trump” and “any matters that arose or may arise directly from the investigation” and other matters covered by Justice Department regulations.

U.S. anti-laundering laws require financial institutions, title

insurance companies and others involved in real estate and other transactions to file reports with the U.S. Treasury Department and other financial regulators that will probably be of interest to investigators, said Hays of Global Witness.

The records — called “suspicious activity reports” and “currency transaction reports” — can be used to flag suspect financial activity by identifying patterns in withdrawals or deposits and unusual changes in asset ownership over time.

The Treasury Department keeps a database of those reports available for federal law enforcement, meaning that if any reports have been submitted that are related to business deals involving Trump’s companies or his associates, Mueller’s team would have access without a warrant or court order.

“You’re looking not only just for data but for patterns within the data and associations,” Hays said. “So you need to see the whole picture.”

One question is whether Mueller has, or will, pursue Trump’s income tax returns — a flash point for the president throughout the campaign since he has resisted calls to release them publicly as modern-day presidential candidates have done for about four decades.

Mueller would need to show probable cause to obtain the tax documents with a judge’s approval before the IRS would turn them over — but Trump and the public may never know, said Matthew Miller, a former Department of Justice spokesman under the Obama administration. “The request to a judge is done in secret, so the president wouldn’t even know if Mueller had asked for them,” he said.

The same is true for some of the other kinds of internal business records, such as e-mail, Miller said.

Gay ex-Army chief blasts Trump

Fanning says banning transgenders would hurt force readiness

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USA TODAY

Former Army chief Eric Fanning, the first openly gay head of a U.S. military service, expressed disappointment, anger and shock at President Trump’s Twitter announcement banning transgender people from the armed forces.

“If you’re a transgender service member anywhere in the world, you are very nervous about what you’re hearing,” Fanning told NBC’s *Today* show Thursday. “Now you’re probably very confused and very frightened about what the future holds for you, when your commander in chief tweets a message like this, basically dismissing your service.”

Fanning questioned Trump’s tweet citing “tremendous medical costs and disruption that transgender in the military would entail.”

Fanning said he has seen no numbers to support high financial costs, adding that the only disruption would be discharging thousands of trained, valuable soldiers and sailors.

“That will be disruptive to the force, that will be disruptive for readiness,” Fanning said.

Trump issued his decision in a series of tweets Wednesday. Its immediate impact on transgender troops, estimated at up to 6,600, was not clear.

The ban, and Trump, also drew the ire of Kristin Beck, known as Chris Beck during 20 years as a Navy SEAL with seven combat deployments, a Purple Heart and Bronze Star. Beck retired from Navy SEAL Team 6 in 2011 and began hormone treatments in 2013, the same year her book *Warrior Princess* was published.

“Let’s meet face to face and you tell me I’m not worthy,” Beck told *Business Insider*. “Transgender doesn’t matter. Do your service.”

Beck also dismissed Trump’s claim that transgender service members are disruptive.

“A very professional unit with great leadership wouldn’t have a problem,” Beck said. “I can have a Muslim serving right beside Jerry Falwell, and we’re not going to have a problem. It’s a leadership issue, not a transgender issue.”

“You’re looking not only just for data but for patterns within the data and associations. So you need to see the whole picture.”

Mark Hays, Global Witness

transactions — and then figure out, ‘Why did people do certain things?’ ” Blum said. “If I see a flow of money to somebody, I want to figure out, ‘Why is that money flowing?’ ”

Blum said real estate records and corporation records are likely to be of special interest to investigators and probably would be more revealing than tax returns.

“If you have property and you sell the property and you sell the property, that’s a taxable event,” Blum said. “On the other hand, who lent you money to buy the property, how you got it, who set it up for you — that’s a whole different matter. And that’s not anything that will show up on a tax return.”

agent for the Department of Homeland Security in Miami, said luxury real estate sellers who don’t screen their buyers closely enough can be charged in conspiracy cases.

“The law of conspiracy reaches pretty far, and every person in the conspiracy doesn’t necessarily have to be clued in to all the details,” said Tobon, speaking about money-laundering in general and not specific transactions involving any specific companies. “So legally, you’re exposed in these transactions if you don’t take that extra step of asking who is the person behind 123 LLC.”

Trump’s Atlantic City casino had similar troubles in the 1990s, when the Treasury Department

Transgender tweets send services spinning

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came in an email from Vice Adm. Robert Burke, also acknowledges that Trump’s announcement is “causing concern for some of our sailors and that they likely have questions.”

What’s more, Burke indicates that Trump’s tweets caught military brass unawares.

Burke notes that the office of Defense Secretary Jim Mattis is “working to quickly discern the President’s intent.” Mattis was on vacation when Trump made his announcement.

The Defense secretary, and by extension, the Navy “will not take any personnel actions or change any policy until further guidance from the President is received,” Burke wrote, adding that transgender sailors receiving medical care will continue “to receive all necessary medical care” and none would be discharged.

He concluded by saying, “treating service members with dignity and respect is something we expect from our Sailors at all times.”

Trump’s decision to ban transgender troops left the White House and Pentagon scrambling to determine how to proceed in the immediate aftermath Wednesday. One day later, there has been no formal policy guidance issued from the White House about reversing the policy that started under the Obama administration to allow transgender troops to serve openly.



Protesters gather in front of the White House on Wednesday after President Trump announced his transgender decision.

“Treating service members with dignity and respect is something we expect from our sailors at all times.”

Navy Vice Adm. Robert Burke

In July 2016, then-Defense Secretary Ash Carter outlined a plan to allow transgender troops to receive treatment that ranges from counseling to hormone treatment to gender reassignment surgery. Before, those ser-

vice members could have been discharged for medical reasons. There may be as many as 6,600 transgender troops on the military’s active duty force, according to a RAND Corp. report.

As civil liberties and LGBTQ groups denounce Trump’s decision, the White House has been unable to answer questions about whether transgender service members would be dismissed from the military — even if they are currently deployed to conflict zones.

Explaining his rationale on Wednesday, Trump said the U.S.

military “must be focused on decisive and overwhelming victory and cannot be burdened with the tremendous medical costs and disruption that transgender in the military would entail.”

Yet any savings Trump hoped to achieve by denying transgender troops medical care will be overshadowed by the cost of replacing them.

The RAND Corp., a non-partisan think tank commissioned by the Pentagon to study the issue, found that only a few hundred of the estimated 6,600 transgender troops would seek medical treatment in any year. RAND found those costs would total no more than \$8 million per year.

Replacing transgender troops would likely be far more costly. The Army, for example, is spending \$300 million this year on bonuses and ads to recruit 6,000 soldiers. That does not include the money needed to train, equip and pay them.

Though Trump’s tweets said he made the decision after consulting “with my generals and military experts,” it remains unclear who took part in those discussions.

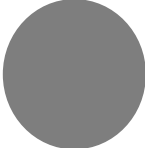
Navy Capt. Greg Hicks declined to comment on whether Trump consulted Dunford on repealing the policy. Those conversations are private and confidential, said Hicks, Dunford’s spokesman.

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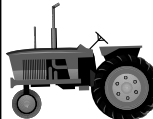
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FRIDAY EVENING JULY 28

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LOCAL CHANNELS															
WIS	40	3	10	WIS News 10 at 7 (N)	Entertainment Tonight "The Bachelorette" men tell all.	America's Got Talent "Judge Cuts 2" Contestants try to impress the judges.			Dateline NBC (N)		WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon David Spade; Desus & Mero. (N)			
WLTX	49	9	9	News 19 at 7pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	MacGyver "Wrench" A bomb is set near the United Nations.		Hawaii Five-0 "Puka 'Ana" A girl may be a sex trafficking victim.	Blue Bloods "Mob Rules" A mob attacks Gormley outside his home. (DVS)		News 19 at 11pm (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert Stephen's take on the news of the day. (N)			
WOLO	25	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "Teacher's Week"	Jeopardy! (N)	Shark Tank Lozenges that prevent over-eating. (DVS)		(:01) What Would You Do? (N)		20/20 Alleged abuse by border agents. (N)		ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live "Kit Harington; Regina Hall; Trey Songz" Kit Harington; Regina Hall; Trey Songz.		
WRJA	27	11	14	Travels With Darley	This Week In South Carolina	Washington Week (N)	Charlie Rose – The Week (N)		The Great British Baking Show "Tudor Week" Stuffed pie, Tudor biscuit and marzipan. (N)		Food Flirts "Burger Meets Dosa"	Food Flirts Pastrami ramen noodle kugel. (N)	Tavis Smiley (N)	Charlie Rose (N)	
WACH	57	6	6	The Big Bang Theory "The Separation Oscillation"	The Big Bang Theory	MasterChef "Whole-y Cow!" Cooks prepare dishes from cow parts. (DVS)		Beat Shazam "Episode Eight" (DVS)		WACH FOX News at 10 (N)		Sports Zone	2 Broke Girls Mandatory night out for the diner gang.	Mike & Molly Molly and Joyce spy on a neighbor.	
WKTC	63	4	22	Last Man Standing Vanessa wants a quiet Christmas.	Last Man Standing Eve is suspended for name-calling.	Masters of Illusion (N)	Masters of Illusion Barry and Stuart; Eric Jones.		Penn & Teller: Fool Us "Teller Flips a Bird" Louie Anderson; Misty Lee; Shin Lim.		American Ninja Warrior "Northwest Regional Finals" The top 30 Northwest finishers compete.		American Ninja Warrior "Northwest Regional Qualifying Round" Contestants from the Northwest compete.	Hot in Cleveland "Extras" Joy works as an extra.	
CABLE CHANNELS															
A&E	46	130	(5:00) Live PD "Live PD -- 07.22.17" Riding along with law enforcement.			Live PD: Rewind "Live PD: Rewind No. 33" (N)		Live PD "Live PD -- 07.28.17" Riding along with law enforcement. (N) (Live)						Live PD "Live PD -- 07.28.17"	
AMC	48	180	(6:15) *** "National Lampoon's Vacation" (1983) Chevy Chase.			(:15) *** "Vegas Vacation" (1997, Comedy) Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo, Randy Quaid. The Griswolds descend upon the gambling mecca.		Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo, Randy Quaid. The Griswolds descend upon the gambling mecca.		(:15) *** "National Lampoon's European Vacation" (1985, Comedy) Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo. The Griswold family wins a free trip to Europe.		"National Lamp. Christmas"			
ANPL	41	100	Treehouse Masters "Treehouse Z"			Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters: Branched Out Recording studio perched on high. (N)				Treehouse Masters		TM: Branched Out	
BET	61	162	(5:55) *** "The Players Club" (1998) LisaRaye, Bernie Mac. A woman works as a stripper to pay her tuition.			*** "Boyz N the Hood" (1991, Drama) Larry Fishburne, Ice Cube, Cuba Gooding Jr. Three boys become men in a tough L.A. neighborhood.		Being Mary Jane "Feeling Conflicted" Kara has a tough time with her claim.				Martin "Mother of the Bride"			
BRAVO	47	181	(:10) *** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson, Selma Blair. A sorority queen enrolls in Harvard to win back her boyfriend.					(:16) *** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson. A sorority queen enrolls in Harvard to win back her boyfriend.				(:22) *** "Miss Congeniality" (2000) Sandra Bullock, Michael Caine.			
CNBC	35	84	American Greed			American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN	3	80	Erin Burnett OutFront (N)			Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Declassified: Untold Stories-American		Anderson Cooper 360		Anderson Cooper	
COM	57	136	(6:50) Futurama	(:25) South Park "Tonsil Trouble"	South Park "Quintuplets 2000"	South Park "The Ungroundable"	South Park "Quest for Ratings"	South Park	Jeff Dunham: Arguing With Myself: The comic performs.		Jeff Dunham: Spark of Insanity: Jeff Dunham returns with new characters.				
DISN	18	200	(6:00) "Disney's Descendants 2" (2017, Children's) Dove Cameron.			Raven's Home Nia contacts her father.		K.C. Undercover (N)	Bizaardvark "Friend Fight!" (N)	Andi Mack	Stuck in the Middle	Raven's Home Nia contacts her father.	K.C. Undercover	Bizaardvark "Friend Fight!"	Stuck in the Middle
DSC	42	103	Island of the Mega Shark			Return to the Isle of Jaws			African Shark Safari		Lair of the Sawfish		African Shark Safari		Lair of the Sawfish
ESPN	26	35	SportsCenter On the Road From Miami. (N) (Live)					Drone Racing		Drone Racing		SportsCenter (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N)	
ESPN2	27	39	ISKA Karate: U.S. Open Highlight Show			30 for 30			CFL Football BC Lions at Edmonton Eskimos. (N) (Live)						
FOOD	40	109	Diners, Drive		Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives (N)		Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	
FOXN	37	90	The Story With Martha MacCallum (N)			Tucker Carlson Tonight (N)		The Five (N)		Hannity (N)		Tucker Carlson Tonight		The Five	
FREE	20	131	*** "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" (2002, Children's) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. A malevolent force threatens the students at Hogwarts.					Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. A malevolent force threatens the students at Hogwarts.				The 700 Club		*** "Race to Witch Mountain"	
FSS	21	47	SportsMoney	WNBA Basketball	Minnesota Lynx at Atlanta Dream. (N) (Live)			Atlanta United	3 Wide Life (N)	Raceline (N)	WNBA Basketball Minnesota Lynx at Atlanta Dream.				
HALL	52	183	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing "Buffalo Bill Day"	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	The Middle "Valentine's Day IV"	The Middle "Winners and Losers"	The Middle "The Name"	The Middle "The Bachelor"	The Golden Girls "Job Hunting"	The Golden Girls "Blind Ambitions"	The Golden Girls "Big Daddy"		
HGTV	39	112	Island Hunters	Island Hunters	Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home	House Hunters	Hunters Int'l	House Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Dream Home		
HIST	45	110	Ancient Aliens "The Einstein Factor"			Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens "The Animal Agenda"		(:15) Ancient Aliens (DVS)		(:13) Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens	
ION	13	18	Law & Order "Take-Out" Detectives search for a writer's killer.			Law & Order "Anchors Away" TV reporter is murdered.		Law & Order "Promote This!" Hate crimes against Hispanic men.		Law & Order "All New" Firefighter and his wife are murdered.		Law & Order "Exchange" Two young scientists die in a fire.		Law & Order "Skate or Die"	
LIFE	50	145	Bring It! "Summer Slam: Enhanced" Dianna names the team's next leader.			Bring It! Dianna overloads her team. (N)		Bring It! The competition takes a shocking turn. (N)		(:02) Bring It! Dianna concocts an ambitious dance. (N)		(:02) So Sharp "For the Love of Todd" Todd selects a demanding routine.		(12:02) Bring It!	
MSNBC	36	92	Hardball With Chris Matthews (N)			All In With Chris Hayes (N)		Richard Engel On Assignment (N)		The Last Word		The 11th Hour With Brian Williams (N)		Richard Engel On	
NICK	16	210	Henry Danger			Nickelodeon's Sizzling Summer Camp		*** "Ice Age" (2002) Voices of Ray Romano.		Full House		Friends		Friends	
SPIKE	64	153	Cops "Cops "Fort Worth"			Cops		Bellator MMA Live Chael Sonnen vs. Wanderlei Silva; Fedor Emelianenko vs. Matt Mitrione. (N)		Wynonna Earp "No Future in the Past" Wynonna learns more about her curse.		** "Fast & Furious" (2009) Vin Diesel. Fugitive Dom Torretto and Brian O'Conner resume a feud in Los Angeles.		Cops "Atlanta"	
SYFY	58	152	(5:30) *** "Immortals" (2011, Adventure) Henry Cavill, Stephen Dorff.			Killjoys "Attack the Rack" A secret attack against the Rack. (N)		Dark Matter "Isn't That a Paradox?" The Raza is transported through time.		ELeague "Valve's Free to Play" Gamers in the Dota 2 Championships. (N)		** "The Green Hornet" (2011)			
TBS	24	156	Seinfeld Jerry buys his folks a new car.			The Big Bang Theory		The Big Bang Theory		The Big Bang Theory					
TCM	49	186	(5:30) *** "Anchors Aweigh" (1945, Musical) Frank Sinatra, Gene Kelly.			*** "Marnie" (1964, Suspense) Tippi Hedren, Sean Connery, Diane Baker. A woman's complex life turns her into a compulsive thief.		*** "Torn Curtain" (1966, Suspense) Paul Newman, Julie Andrews, Lila Kedrova. A U.S. physicist seeks missile secrets in East Germany.							
TLC	43	157	90 Day Fiancé "Family Secrets" Russ and			Pao struggle to get on track.		90 Day Fiancé "Lost in Translation" Chantel and Pedro's families meet.		90 Day Fiancé Russ and Pao struggle to get on track.					
TNT	23	158	Bones "The Murder of the Meninist" Brennan assaults a person of interest.			*** "The Hunger Games" (2012, Science Fiction) Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson, Liam Hemsworth. In a dystopian society, teens fight to the death on live TV. (DVS)						(:01) Good Behavior Letty tries to be a better person. (DVS)		(12:08) Good Behavior	
TRUTV	38	129	Impractical Jokers			Impractical Jokers		(:14) Impractical Jokers "Swim Shady"		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers	
TV LAND	55	161	M*A*S'H			M*A*S'H		Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	King of Queens	King of Queens	King of Queens	King of Queens	
USA	25	132	Modern Family "Arrested"			Modern Family "Mystery Date"		Modern Family (DVS)	Modern Family "Party Crasher"	Modern Family "Fulgencio"	Modern Family (DVS)	Modern Family "Bad Hair Day"	Modern Family "Best Men"	Modern Family "The 'Wow Factor"	Modern Family "New Year's Eve"
WE	68	166	(6:41) CSI: Miami			(:43) CSI: Miami		Matchmaker	Kendra on Top (N)	Kendra on Top (N)	Kendra on Top	Kendra on Top	(:15) CSI: Miami "Special Delivery"		(12:15) CSI: Miami
WGNA	8	172	M*A*S'H			M*A*S'H		M*A*S'H	M*A*S'H	M*A*S'H	How I Met/Mother	How I Met/Mother	How I Met/Mother	How I Met/Mother	How I Met/Mother

Viewers enter the strange world of ‘Room 104’ on HBO

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

Remember TV anthology series? Created by the Duplass Brothers (“Together-ness,” “Animals”), the new series **“Room 104”** (11:30 p.m., HBO, TV-MA) invites viewers to watch an unconnected half-hour drama every week, each with a new cast and crew. All the episodes take place in the single, rather nondescript motel room that gives the show its name.

In tonight’s opening episode, “Ralphie,” a baby sitter (Melonie Diaz) is left alone in the room with pre-adolescent Ralph (Ethan Kent). The conversation ranges from banal battles over bedtime to more uncomfortable questions about sex. Things take a stranger turn when Ralph suggests that his evil, dangerous twin, Ralphie, lurks in the bathroom.

In another episode, a woman rents the room to conduct a cult ritual with a mysterious priest. The episode makes the most of the fine line between spiritual hunger and fraudulent sham. Although the late-night airtime and TV-MA rating suggest subjects of an explicit nature, both episodes I reviewed were more grown-up in their intense conversation and content than suggestively “adult.”

As with HBO’s psychiatric drama “In Treatment,” the 30-minute running time really works. The room itself becomes a kind of stage for these occasionally theatrical exercises. Asking viewers to enter the strange world of “Room 104” for much longer would probably break the spell.

The best of “The Twilight Zone” episodes were a half-hour in length. While well written and executed, episodes of the speculative and

paranoid anthology series “Black Mirror” (Netflix) can seem too long at 50 minutes and might be more powerful at 30.

TBS will air its new anthology series “The Guest Book,” created by Greg Garcia (“My Name Is Earl”), beginning on Aug. 3.

• Amazon Prime begins streaming a very loose, nine-episode adaptation of **“The Last Tycoon,”** F. Scott Fitzgerald’s final work, an unfinished novel inspired by the life of the late Hollywood producer Irving Thalberg.

Matt Bomer stars as producer Monroe Stahr, a golden boy with a bad heart still carrying the torch for his late wife, a silent screen actress lost in a house fire. Stahr also carries on a combustible and creative relationship with studio owner Pat Brady (Kelsey Grammer).

They bicker over creative decisions, unions and ominous threats from Germany (then a major movie market) to boycott Hollywood productions that do not mesh with the country’s master race ideology.

Brady is like a father to Stahr. And that gets complicated when the studio owner’s precocious daughter (Lily Collins) throws herself at the widowed producer.

Much attention has been placed on sets and costumes. Too often, the dialogue comes off as needlessly arch and riddled with jazzy zingers. Except for a revelation at the end of episode one, Stahr seems impossibly noble and one-dimensional. Grammer appears to enjoy himself as the grouchy mogul. Bomer looks good in period clothes, but shows up in nearly every scene, a burden for any performer.

“Tycoon” is the latest effort



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Things go horribly wrong when a babysitter (Melonie Diaz, left) watches an unusual boy named Ralph (Ethan Kent) in “Ralphie,” the first episode of “Room 104,” airing at 11:30 p.m. today on HBO.

to prove that Fitzgerald’s elegant prose rarely translates well to the screen.

TONIGHT’S OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- Sampling a recent vintage on **“Shark Tank”** (8 p.m., ABC, r, TV-PG).
- **“Return to the Isle of Jaws: Sharkopedia Edition”** (8 p.m., Discovery, TV-PG) explores a rise in shark sightings off the coast of western Australia.
- John Quinones hosts **“What Would You Do?”** (9 p.m., ABC).
- Mob-related violence on **“Blue Bloods”** (10 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14).
- **“20/20”** (10 p.m., ABC) airs controversial footage of abusive behavior by U.S. Border Patrol agents.

CULT CHOICE

TCM concludes its month-long Alfred Hitchcock film festival by presenting his final films in order of their release, from the 1964 suspense film **“Marnie”** (8 p.m.) to the ghoulish **“Family Plot”**

inspiration on **“MasterChef”** (8 p.m., Fox, r, TV-14) * On two episodes of **“Masters of Illusion”** (CW, TV-PG), Billy Kidd (8 p.m.), Barry and Stuart (8:30 p.m., r) * Sex trafficking on **“Hawaii Five-0”** (9 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14).

LATE NIGHT

Jimmy Fallon welcomes David Spade, Desus Nice, The Kid Mero and Penn & Teller on **“The Tonight Show”** (11:35 p.m., NBC) * Kit Harington, Regina Hall and Trey Songz appear on **“Jimmy Kimmel Live”** (11:35 p.m., ABC, r) * Patrick Stewart, Alison Brie, New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman and Matt Johnson visit **“Late Night With Seth Meyers”** (12:35 a.m., NBC, r) * Goldie Hawn, Kevin Bacon and Dreamcar appear on **“The Late Late Show With James Corden”** (12:35 a.m., CBS, r).

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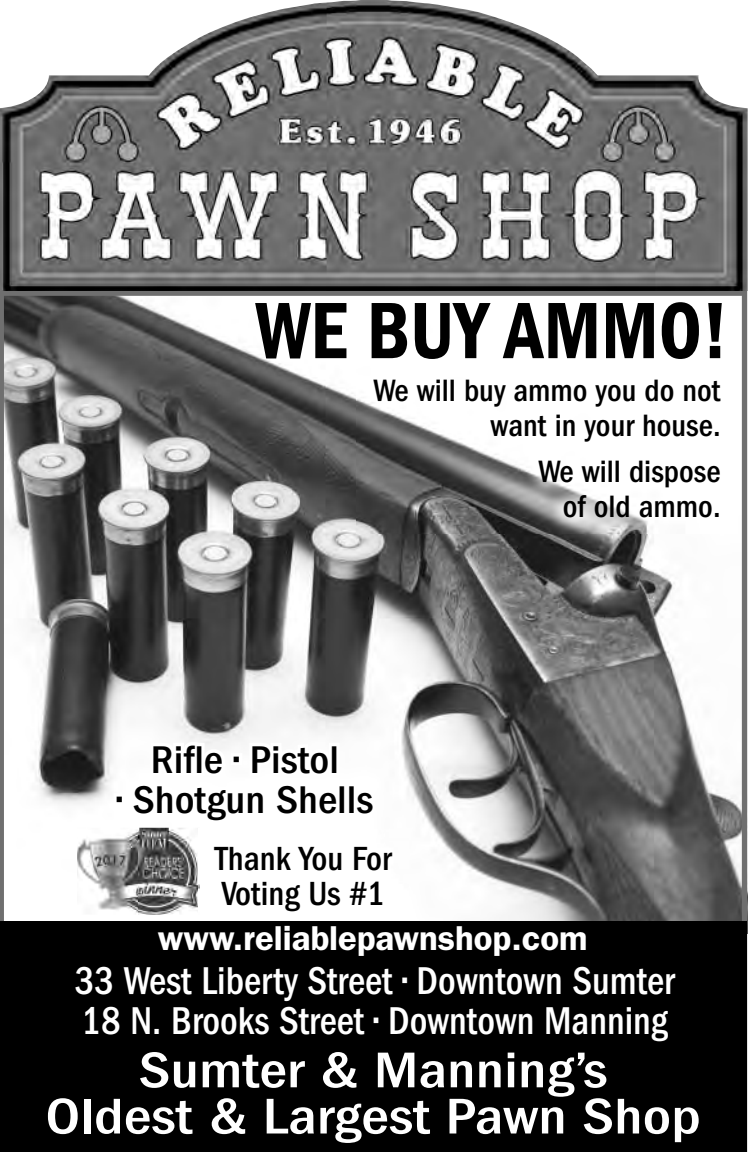


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LOCAL CHANNELS													
WIS	10	3	10	Entertainment Tonight (N)		Dateline NBC		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Spellbound" The SVU investigates a spiritual healer. (DVS)		WIS News 10 at 11 (N)		(:29) Saturday Night Live "Lin-Manuel Miranda; Twenty One Pilots" Lin-Manuel Miranda; Twenty One Pilots.	
WLTX	19	9	9	Inside Edition Weekend	Paid Program Paid programming.	Doubt "To See, to Tell" Albert questions Sadie's judgement. (N)		48 Hours (N)		48 Hours (N)		News 19 at 11pm (N)	Blue Bloods "The Bogyman" A new, deadly type of heroin.
WOLO	25	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "America the Beautiful"	Jeopardy!	America's Funniest Home Videos A toy train gets stuck in a man's hair.		20/20: In an Instant "Deliver Us From Evil" A woman escapes a rural Minnesota cult.		Still Star-Crossed "Something Wicked This Way Comes" (Season Finale) Rosaline returns to Verona. (N)		ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	American Ninja Warrior "Venice Finals" Obstacles include Rumbling Dice. (Part 2 of 2)
WRJA	27	11	14	Secrets of Highclere Castle: The castle that serves as Downton Abbey.		Father Brown "The Tanganyika Green" Murder of a postal service officer.		The Doctor Blake Mysteries "The Sky is Empty" Blake investigates a priest's death.		Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries An unidentified woman is killed outside an Air Force base.		Austin City Limits "Sam Smith; Future Islands" Singer Sam Smith; trio Future Islands.	Food Flirts "Burger Meets Dosa"
WACH	57	6	6	The Big Bang Theory "The Discovery Dissipation"	The Big Bang Theory "The Hesitation Ramification"	The F Word With Gordon Ramsay "Episode Three" Friends and family compete; Kal Penn. (DVS)		Love Connection "Beauty and the Geek" Singles recount their date experiences. (DVS)		WACH FOX News at 10 (N)	Panthers Huddle: Camp Wofford	American Grit "Role Reversal" Gossip raises tension back at camp. (DVS)	Ring of Honor Wrestling
WKTC	35	4	22	Last Man Standing Mandy arranges a holiday surprise.	Last Man Standing The Baxters have a run-in with the law.	Rookie Blue "God's Good Grace" Andy looks for Swarek.		Leverage "The Two Horse Job" The team helps a horse trainer.		Anger Management	Anger Management Charlie risks his life.	Bob's Burgers Animated. Bob organizes a strike.	Bob's Burgers "Sliding Bobs"
CABLE CHANNELS													
A&E	46	130	(5:00) Live PD "Live PD -- 07.21.17" Riding along with law enforcement.		Live PD: Rewind "Live PD: Rewind No. 34" (N)		Live PD "Live PD -- 07.29.17" Riding along with law enforcement. (N) (Live)					Live PD "Live PD -- 07.29.17"	
AMC	48	180	(5:30) ** "The Da Vinci Code" (2006, Mystery) Tom Hanks, Audrey Tautou, Ian McKellen. A religious mystery could rock foundations of Christianity.				TURN: Washington's Spies Abe and Simcoe settle their score. (N)		(:02) TURN: Washington's Spies Abe and Simcoe settle their score.		(:04) ** "The Da Vinci Code" (2006) Tom Hanks. A religious mystery could rock foundations of Christianity.		
ANPL	41	100	Pit Bulls and Parolees		Pit Bulls and Parolees		Pit Bulls & Parolees: Back to the		Pit Bulls & Parolees: Back to the		Pit Bulls and Parolees		Pit Bulls-Parole
BET	61	162	(5:00) *** "Boyz N the Hood" (1991) Larry Fishburne, Ice Cube.		** "Lottery Ticket" (2010, Comedy) Bow Wow, Brandon T. Jackson, Naturi Naughton. A young man wins a multimillion-dollar prize.		Wow, Brandon T. Jackson, Naturi Naughton. A young man wins		BETX On The Road: DMV		(:02) ** "All About the Benjamins" (2002) Ice Cube. A bounty hunter and his prey get mixed up in a diamond scam.		
BRAVO	47	181	(6:30) Below Deck Mediterranean		The Real Housewives of Orange County "The Great Divide"		The Real Housewives of Orange County Lydia launches her magazine.		The Real Housewives of Orange County Vicki sets up her new office.		** "Last Vegas" (2013, Comedy) Michael Douglas, Robert De Niro. Premiere. Four aging pals go to Las Vegas to relive their glory days.		
CNBC	35	84	Undercover Boss "Hooters"		Undercover Boss "Johnny Rockets"		Undercover Boss "Orkin"		Undercover Boss		Undercover Boss		Undercover Boss
CNN	3	80	CNN Newsroom With Ana Cabrera (N)		CNN Newsroom With Ana Cabrera (N)		Declassified: Untold Stories-American		The Nineties "Can We All Get Along?"		The Nineties Bill Clinton's presidency.		Declassified
COM	57	136	(6:15) *** "Due Date" (2010) Robert Downey Jr. A high-strung man takes a road trip with an annoying stranger.		*** "Hitch" (2005, Romance-Comedy) Will Smith, Eva Mendes, Kevin James. Premiere. A smooth-talker helps a shy accountant woo an heiress.						(:10) *** "We're the Millers" (2013) Jennifer Aniston. A dealer goes to Mexico with a fake family to score drugs.		
DISN	18	200	Liv and Maddie		Liv and Maddie		"Disney's Descendants 2" (2017, Children's) Dove Cameron, Cameron Boyce, Sofia Carson. The pressure to be perfect gets to be too much for Mal.		(:05) Bizaardvark "Friend Fight!"		K.C. Undercover	Raven's Home Nia contacts her father.	K.C. Undercover
DSC	42	103	Return to the Isle of Jaws		Shark-Croc Showdown: Sharkopedia		Sharkmania		Shark Vortex: Sharkopedia Edition		Sharkmania		Shark
ESPN	26	35	(6:00) SportsCenter On the Road (N)		(7:55) International Champions Cup 2017		Real Madrid CF vs FC Barcelona. (N)		MLS Soccer Seattle Sounders FC at LA Galaxy. (N) (Live)				SportsCenter (N)
ESPN2	27	39	International Champions Cup 2017		International Champions Cup 2017 (N) (Live)				MLS Soccer Seattle Sounders FC at LA Galaxy. (N) (Live)				Boxing
FOOD	40	109	Diners, Drive		Chopped "Summer Heat"		Chopped "Bangin' Backyard Cookout"		Chopped "Grill Game"		Chopped "Big Barbecue Bout"		Chopped
FOXN	37	90	Fox Report		Watters' World (N)		Justice With Judge Jeanine (N)		The Greg Gutfeld Show (N)		Watters' World		Justice Judge
FREE	20	131	(5:30) *** "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" (2005) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. Voldemort lays a trap for Harry at the Triwizard Tournament.				*** "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" (2009, Children's) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. New dangers lurk for Harry, Dumbledore and their friends.						
FSS	21	47	(6:30) Triathlon		Future Phenoms		Big 12 Media		Big 12 Media		WNBA Basketball Minnesota Lynx at Atlanta Dream.		Facing Waves
HALL	52	183	"Love at First Glance" (2017, Drama) Amy Smart, Adrian Grenier. A woman sets out to track down a handsome stranger.				"Destination Wedding" (2017, Romance) Alexa PenaVega, Jeremy Guilbaut, Andrea Brooks. A woman and her ex-beau try to save her sister's wedding.				Facing Waves		Xterra
HGTV	39	112	Fixer Upper "Retiring to the Country"		Beachfront Bargain Hunt: Renovation		Beachfront Bargain Hunt: Renovation		House Hunters Renovation (N)		House Hunters (N)		The Golden Girls
HIST	45	110	Pawn Stars		Pawn Stars		(:05) Pawn Stars: Pumped Up "Summer Pawnin'" Madonna's 1988 day planner. (N)				House Hunters		The Golden Girls
ION	13	18	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A woman's dismembered body is found.		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit Two police officers attack their wives.		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Demons" Stabler goes under cover.		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A pregnant woman threatens suicide.		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit When a 9-year-old girl calls for help.		Beachfrnt Reno
LIFE	50	145	(6:00) "Deadly Ex" (2016) Natasha Henstridge, Marguerite Moreau.		"The Wrong Neighbor" (2017, Suspense) Michael Madsen, Andrea Bogart, Steve Richard Harris. A deranged woman obsesses over her neighbors.		Michael Madsen, Andrea Bogart, Steve Richard Harris. A deranged woman obsesses over her neighbors.		(:02) "Running Away" (2017, Drama) Holly Deveaux, Paula Trickey, William McNamara. A woman tries to find her runaway daughter.		Holly Deveaux, Paula Trickey, William McNamara. A woman tries to find her runaway daughter.		Pawn Stars
MSNBC	36	92	The Rachel Maddow Show		The Last Word		Dude Perfect		Full House		Lockup: Pendleton: Extended Stay		Lockup: Wabash
NICK	16	210	Henry Danger		Henry Danger		School of Rock (N)		The Thundermans		Full House		Friends
SPIKE	64	153	Cops "Fight Night"		Cops		Cops (N)		Gone: The Forgotten Women of Ohio		(:02) *** "Wedding Crashers" (2005, Comedy) Owen Wilson, Vince Vaughn.		Friends
SYFY	58	152	(6:30) ** "Fast & Furious" (2009, Action) Walker, Michelle Rodriguez.		Vin Diesel, Paul Walker, Michelle Rodriguez.		*** "Hellboy" (2004, Fantasy) Ron Perlman, John Hurt, Selma Blair. The son of the devil fights paranormal creatures.				** "Devil" (2010, Horror) Chris Messina. Elevator passengers get trapped with a malevolent entity.		
TBS	24	156	Seinfeld "The Friars Club"		Seinfeld "The Wig Master"		The Big Bang Theory		The Big Bang Theory		The Big Bang Theory		Full Frontal With Samantha Bee
TCM	49	186	(6:15) *** "Them!" (1954) James Whitmore, Edmund Gwenn.		**** "Some Like It Hot" (1959, Comedy) Tony Curtis, Jack Lemmon. Two gang-land murder witnesses disguise themselves as women.		Tony Curtis, Jack Lemmon. Two gang-land murder witnesses disguise themselves as women.		(:15) *** "Trapeze" (1956, Drama) Burt Lancaster, Gina Lollobrigida, Tony Curtis. A love triangle threatens to destroy a circus act.		Burt Lancaster, Gina Lollobrigida, Tony Curtis. A love triangle threatens to destroy a circus act.		Wrecked "Sister Mercy"
TLC	43	157	Say Yes, Dress		Say Yes, Dress		Say Yes, Dress		Say Yes, Dress		Say Yes, Dress		People of Earth "New Beginnings"
TNT	23	158	(6:15) *** "The Bourne Supremacy" (2004) Matt Damon. Jason Bourne fights back when the CIA tries to kill him.		*** "The Bourne Ultimatum" (2007, Action) Matt Damon, Julia Stiles, Joan Allen. Jason Bourne continues to look for clues to unravel his true identity. (DVS)		Julia Stiles, Joan Allen. Jason Bourne continues to look for clues to unravel his true identity. (DVS)		(:01) Good Behavior "We Pretend We're Stuck" Letty returns to her hometown.		(:01) Good Behavior "We Pretend We're Stuck" Letty returns to her hometown.		King of Queens
TRUTV	38	129	I'm Sorry		Carbonaro Eff.		Carbonaro Eff.		Carbonaro Eff.		Carbonaro Eff.		Carbonaro Eff.
TV LAND	55	161	The Golden Girls		The Golden Girls		Love-Raymond		Love-Raymond		Love-Raymond		King of Queens
USA	25	132	NCIS "Past, Present and Future" Tony is determined to find Ziva.		NCIS "Scope" An American couple is attacked in Iraq. (DVS)		NCIS "Return to Sender" British prisoners flee stateside. (DVS)		NCIS "Homefront" A 14-year-old stops a home invasion. (DVS)		NCIS "Dead Letter" The hunt for the British spy continues. (DVS)		Queen of the South
WE	68	166	Law & Order "Dazzled"		Law & Order "Foul Play"		Law & Order "Attorney Client"		Law & Order "Oxymoron"		Law & Order "Patriot"		Law & Order
WGNA	8	172	Blue Bloods "Friends in Need"		Blue Bloods "Town Without Pity"		Blue Bloods "Blast From the Past"		Blue Bloods "Down the Rabbit Hole"		*** "The Patriot" (2000) Mel Gibson, Heath Ledger.		

‘The Lost Tapes’ looks at serial killer Son of Sam

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

A team of experts and wise guys go for rides in innovative cars and Motor City classics on **"Top Gear America"** (8 p.m. Sunday, BBC America, TV-14), the latest incarnation of the internationally popular British series. The American version of "Top Gear" that aired for six seasons on the History Channel has completed its run.

The latest installation of **"The Lost Tapes"** (9 p.m. Sunday, Smithsonian) recalls a period between 1976 and 1977, when a serial killer who called himself "Son of Sam" frightened New York City residents. He preyed on women and young couples in parked cars, killing six and wounding seven over the course of a year.

"The Lost Tapes" presents never-before-seen and rare contemporary news footage in chronological order. It continues without voiceover narration and minimal explanation, giving viewers a sense that they are "there" as the historical events unfold.

This "Lost Tapes" installment captures New York City at the depths of economic collapse, rising crime and social chaos. It includes footage of riots that followed a power outage in the summer of 1977. At the same time, it reflects a much younger, exciting and more economically diverse city than the "gentrified" version that exists today.

News buffs should enjoy footage of a young, willowy Geraldo Rivera, interviews with the late Jimmy Breslin and a glance at *The New York Post's* pugnacious tabloid columnist Steve Dunleavy sporting a Bee Gees-inspired hairdo.

The fact that the search for the killer unfolded during the height of disco only adds to this show's period appeal. Much of the footage featuring interviews with ordinary young people on the street seems like outtakes from "Saturday Night Fever."

In November, "The Lost Tapes" will turn its focus to the sage of the Patty Hearst kidnapping.

- Just when you thought it was safe to go back into the water, Discovery's Shark Week concludes with **"Shark School With Michael Phelps"** (8 p.m. Sunday) and two shark-themed helpings of "Naked and Afraid" (9 p.m. and 10 p.m. Sunday).

Meanwhile, Syfy launches Sharknado Week, premiering six original and ridiculous movies in anticipation of "Sharknado 5: Global Swarming," airing next Sunday. First up: **"5-Headed Shark Attack"** (8 p.m. Sunday).

SATURDAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

- A woman loses touch with reality and becomes obsessed with the recently separated father next door in the 2017 shocker **"The Wrong Neighbor"** (8 p.m., Lifetime).
- A woman escapes a cult on **"20/20: In an Instant"** (9 p.m., ABC, r).
- Ben appeals to Washington on **"Turn: Washington's Spies"** (9 p.m., AMC, TV-14).

- Mrs. S makes demands on **"Orphan Black"** (10 p.m., BBC America, TV-14).

SUNDAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

- Repeat profiles scheduled on **"60 Minutes"** (7 p.m., CBS): a 14-year resident of Guantanamo Bay prison recalls his ordeal; Pablo Picasso's electrician reveals a collection of 271 works that he claims was a gift from the painter.
- **"Teen Wolf"** (8 p.m., MTV, TV-14) enters the second half of its sixth and final season.
- Villagers search for a missing boy on "Grantchester" on **"Masterpiece"** (9 p.m., PBS, TV-14, check local listings).
- **"The Nineties"** (9 p.m., CNN) recalls the immediate aftermath of the collapse of the USSR, the Gulf War coalition to stop Saddam Hussein and the end of apartheid in South Africa.
- Daenerys (Emilia Clarke) holds court on **"Game of Thrones"** (9 p.m., HBO, TV-MA).
- Ghost becomes embroiled in a new scheme on **"Power"** (9 p.m., Starz, TV-MA).
- A Vegas assignation on **"Ballers"** (10 p.m., HBO, TV-MA).... Nick has second thoughts on **"I'm Dying Up Here"** (10 p.m., Showtime, TV-MA).
- Issa is puzzled by an encounter on **"Insecure"** (10:30 p.m., HBO, TV-MA).

CULT CHOICE

After witnessing a mob hit, two jazz musicians (Tony Curtis and Jack Lemmon) go undercover in drag to evade their criminal pursuers in Billy Wilder's 1959 comedy **"Some Like It Hot"** (8 p.m. Saturday, TCM). Co-starring Marilyn Monroe, "Hot" often tops critics' lists of great Hollywood comedies.

SATURDAY SERIES

"Dateline" (8 p.m., NBC) ... **"The F Word With Gordon Ramsay"** (8 p.m., Fox, r, TV-14) ... **"America's Funniest Home Videos"** (8 p.m., ABC, r, TV-PG) ... Two hours of **"48 Hours"** (9 p.m., CBS) ... Andy Cohen hosts **"Love Connection"** (9 p.m., Fox, r, TV-14) ... A preacher may be a predator on **"Law & Order: SVU"** (10 p.m., NBC, r, TV-14).

SUNDAY SERIES

Stuck inside on **"Big Brother"** (8 p.m., CBS, TV-14) ... Chris Hardwick hosts **"The Wall"** (8 p.m., NBC, r, TV-PG) ... Boston bashing on **"The Simpsons"** (8 p.m., Fox, r, TV-PG) ... NBA greats play **"Celebrity Family Feud"** (8 p.m., ABC, r, TV-PG) ... Red Sox fever on **"Family Guy"** (8:30 p.m., Fox, r, TV-14).

Mario Lopez hosts **"Candy Crush"** (9 p.m., CBS, TV-PG) ... Denver Qualifiers of **"American Ninja Warrior"** (9 p.m., NBC, r, TV-PG) ... John Cena hosts **"American Grit"** (9 p.m., Fox, TV-14) ... Shirts and ties on **"Steve Harvey's Funderdome"** (9 p.m., ABC, TV-PG) ... Can artists prey upon the elderly on **"NCIS: Los Angeles"** (10 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14) ... RuPaul plays **"The \$100,000 Pyramid"** (8 p.m., ABC, TV-14).

Spielberg opens up about life, filmmaking

BY SANDY COHEN

AP Entertainment Writer

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — Steven Spielberg isn't afraid to talk about his flops.

"Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom" is his least-favorite film in that franchise, says documentaryarian Susan Lacy, who spent more than 30 hours interviewing the filmmaker for "Spielberg," premiering Oct. 7 on HBO.

Spielberg also acknowledges some mistakes in "1941," Lacy said Wednesday at the Television Critics Association's summer meeting.

She said she only expected to have four interviews with the traditionally private filmmaker but that they ended up meeting 17 times.

"I can only guess that turning 70 is a turning point for many people," said Lacy, who created and produced the "American Masters" series on PBS for decades. Spielberg turned 70 in December.

She also spoke with Spielberg's parents and sister, as well as scores of his collaborators, including Daniel Day-Lewis, Matt Damon and Tom Cruise.

The most compelling thing about Spielberg, both to his colleagues and to Lacy, is his deep knowledge of and enthusiasm for the medium, she said.

"I could not believe how articulate he was about the process of making films and his process of making films, and how much fun he had talking about it," she said. "Every actor I interviewed — and I interviewed everybody ... that's what they were most impressed with: how much

he understands the process of filmmaking and how he sees ahead when he's shooting... There are very few filmmakers who have that skill, and it impressed everyone."

Lacy described her subject as both a populist and an artist, saying his early work reflects his life in the suburbs and as a child of divorce, and his later movies pay homage to the classic Hollywood filmmakers he admired, such as William Wyler and John Ford.

She said Spielberg never tried to influence her documentary's approach and that he didn't see the film until it was finished. When he called Lacy to say he liked it, she let out a two-year-old sigh of relief.

"I didn't allow myself to go there: What happens if Steven Spielberg doesn't like the movie?" she said. "If I'd thought about that, I'd probably have been frozen and immobilized and not able to do it."

"Spielberg" focuses on his work as a director. Lacy said she doesn't get much into his philanthropic efforts or his various projects as a producer.

The documentary's most valuable message for future filmmakers and other creative people, she said, is Spielberg's belief in himself.

