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26 charged, 12 sought in sting

Sheriff's office conducts 6-month drug investigation

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Twenty-six people have been arrested after a six-month undercover drug operation, according to a news release from Sumter County Sheriff's Office. Twelve more people are still being sought in the sting in which methamphetamine, opiates, marijuana, cocaine, crack cocaine, heroin and \$20,000 in

counterfeit items were seized.

Arrested in the drug sweep and transported to Sumter-Lee Regional Detention Center were:

- Tony Baker, 44, of 11 Montreat St., Sumter. Baker is charged with distribution of crack cocaine, one count.
- Tyrone Bradley, 39, of 1259 Jerry St.,

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WHO WAS
ARRESTED?

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Building supply truck spills cinder blocks



JIM HILLEY / THE SUMTER ITEM

A Burgess-Brogdon Building Supply truck traveling northbound spilled much of its load of cinder blocks when it veered off U.S. 521 north of Sumter on Wednesday afternoon. No injuries were reported. The incident is under investigation by the South Carolina Highway Patrol.

Laying a new foundation

Interim superintendent works to build winning culture in Sumter district

BY **BRUCE MILLS**
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Serving mostly as an administrator during her career in public education, Debbie Hamm said her most gratifying work has been creating winning cultures that bring about positive change and improve academic achievement.

Various things instill and breed a successful culture including a leadership style that's inclusive and an optimistic mindset and personality, according to Hamm.

She's working to implement that type of culture in Sumter.

A life-long educator who spent most of her career in Richland School District 2 in Columbia, in-

cluding the last four years as superintendent, Hamm is about 2 1/2 months into her post as interim superintendent in Sumter School District.

After starting in the position Aug. 1, Hamm basically hit the ground running. Her initial weeks and months on the job included meeting people in the community, forming relationships with the various school principals and understanding their goals and dealing with lingering financial issues in the district related to overspending and a program's previous misuse of state funding that initiated a State Law Enforcement Division investigation during the summer.

She said she's been happy with the progress that's been made to date, which includes increased fiscal responsibility and transparency under the direction of new district

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Monks celebrate annual Kathina

BY **ADRIENNE SARVIS**
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On Sunday, monks at Sumter Forest Temple on Thomas Sumter Highway received new robes during Thot Kathin, or Kathina, the annual robe offering ceremony celebrated by Buddhists.

Kathina is celebrated at Buddhist temples between the middle of October and the beginning of November.

Before celebrating Kathina, Buddhist monks must stay at one temple, where they study and meditate, during the three-month rainy season between July and September.

After the rainy season and after celebrating Kathina, the monks are allowed to travel to other temples and do missionary work.

Each temple can only celebrate Kathina once a year.

During the ceremony, laypeople

present new robes and financial donations to the monks, who cannot purchase or solicit those things for themselves. Buddhist temples are maintained by financial contributions from laypeople.

Every year, laypeople sponsor the Kathina ceremony at Buddhist temples.

This year, three women sponsored Kathina at Sumter Forest Temple on Sunday.

One of the sponsors who did not want to be named said she sponsored the ceremony in memory of her husband, who passed away earlier this year.

After her husband died, the sponsor began visiting the temple multiple times a week and speaking with the monks.

One day while visiting the temple

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Ven. Chinnaphat Khotwong, president of Sumter Forest Temple, leads a procession around the temple building during the Kathina ceremony on Sunday. During Kathina, laypeople offer new robes and financial contributions to the monks.

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SECOND FRONT

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Sumter Mall to host local performers at Festive Five

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Sumter Mall, 1057 Broad St., has announced the launch of The Festive Five, a new event that will kick off the holiday season.

The five-night event will feature choirs, musicians, dance groups and spreading of holiday cheer through live performances in the new Festive Five performance area in the mall. The event will be held the week of

Nov. 13, with performances each night.

Throughout the week, friends, family and shoppers can vote for their favorite holiday performance. The act with the most votes will win the title of Sumter’s Festive Favorite. The winner will be featured on a mural in the mall, receive the 2017 Festive Favorite award and be announced in a news release.

“Our goal is to bring the community

together to showcase local talent and kick off the start of the holiday season here in Sumter. We have fun new seasonal décor that will be displayed throughout the mall and a holiday-inspired performance area for The Festive Five participants. We want shoppers, performers and the entire community to engage in a new holiday experience and enjoy the spirit of the season through song, dance, music and scenes from Christmas classics,”

said Coles Doyle, marketing director for Hull Property Group, owner of the mall.

The Festive Five is hosted by the Sumter Mall at no cost to participating performers. Registration is open, and individuals or groups interested in performing can visit www.thefestivefive.com or email thefestivefive@hullpg.com to sign up. A full list of performances will be announced before the event and featured in the mall.

LOCAL BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Launch a sky lantern for charity on Oct. 28

American Pontoon, 11141 S.C. 260, Manning, will host a Sky Lantern Celebration at 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28.

For a \$10 donation, attendees receive dinner and a sky lantern. Additional sky lanterns are available for \$5. Lantern send-off is at 7:30 p.m.

The eat-in or take-out dinner will include pulled pork, corn on the cob, homemade coleslaw, a roll and dessert.

Listen to music, huddle around the bonfire and watch the sky lanterns all while supporting the Community Angels Fund Inc.

For more information, call (803) 979-4950.

11 co-workers will split Powerball prize

Eleven Sumter co-workers are celebrating after learning they will share a \$150,000 Powerball prize they won Saturday night.

The group, which has played Powerball for the past three years, traveled to Columbia on Wednesday to cash in their ticket, which was bought at Youngs No. 3619, 1233 N. Main St.

Their ticket with PowerPlay matched four of the five white ball numbers and the Powerball number drawn on Saturday to win \$50,000. With the \$1 Power-Play, the prize was tripled.

Each co-worker will win \$13,635 before taxes, and the winners are planning to buy Christmas gifts and cars and pay off debt. The winners range in age from 33 to 67.

One winner learned about the prize during a church service on Sunday.

“I cried the rest of the church service,” the winner said.

The group said others have asked to join them, but all said no more members are allowed.

“We are buying lunch for everyone,” said another winner. “Happy Meals all around!”

The Youngs store received a commission of \$1,500 for selling the claimed ticket.

CORRECTION

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Sumter chapter president speaks in Florence



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Col. Frank Brown, second from left, president of the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution in Sumter, was guest speaker at the October meeting of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Samuel Bacot Chapter meeting. Seen from left to right are SAR member Dr. Tom Barnett, Col. Brown, NSDAR Samuel Bacot Regent Anne Jenkins and Vice Regent Ruth Barnett. Held at Florence Country Club, Brown educated NSDAR members about SAR, the largest male lineage organization in the U.S., consisting of 50 societies, more than 500 chapters and more than 34,000 members. It is dedicated to assisting members, schools, teachers and the public in efforts to sustain and preserve history and constitutional principles. Brown added that the local Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter is very involved in the area, working with local veterans, JROTC programs, Eagle Scouts and community leaders. He added that the local chapter represents the Pee Dee area, and prospective members can visit www.scssar.org for more information. Known as the largest women’s patriotic organization in the world, DAR has more than 170,000 members with approximately 3,000 chapters in all 50 states and 11 foreign countries. DAR has long promoted patriotism through commemorative celebrations, memorials, scholarships and activities for children and programs for new immigrants. For more information about DAR and the local Samuel Bacot Chapter, visit www.dar.org or http://www.scdar.org/Samuel_Bacot.htm.

6th-annual car show will be at Cut Rate on Saturday

BY JIM HILLEY
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The 6th-Annual Caffeine and Gasoline Car & Motorcycle Show will rev up at 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at Sumter Cut Rate Drugstore & Soda Fountain, 32 S. Main St.

New at this year’s Caffeine and Gasoline Car Show will be a live auction by JR Dixon Auctions and Real Estate. Included in the auction is a 1965 Ford Mustang GT fast back. Todd Touchberry, manager of Cut Rate Soda Fountain and event organizer, said there may be additional cars up for bidding at the auction.

More than 20 trophies will be awarded at the show, including such categories as Oldest Car, Kids Choice, Best Grocery Getter and more. Trophies will be presented by reigning Young Teen Miss America Mary Kaitlynn Boyce.

Making another appearance this year will be the jet-powered minivan.

“He will be parked away from the show cars,” Touchberry noted. “He splattered a little oil on some of the cars last year.”

Entry fee for car owners is \$15 if preregistered and \$20 the day of the show. Preregistration is suggested as entries are limited to 200.

Attendance for spectators is free. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Sumter Military Museum and local veterans.

“We will also have grocery gift cards for veterans when they visit the military museum,” Touchberry said. The museum is at 102 S. Harvin St. in the James E. Clyburn Intermodal Transportation Center.

Touchberry said the name of the show came during the show’s first year.

“I woke up in the morning to go do the show, and I thought, ‘I need some caffeine before I smell all that gasoline.’”

Musical entertainment will be pro-

vided by the band Distant Cousins.

“They play a variety of music,” Touchberry said. “From country to pop rock.”

Also at the event will be additional food vendors, Touchberry said, including the Shriner’s Potato House and With These Hands Natural Gourmet Foods.

A display from Sumter Military Museum’s vast collection of artifacts will also be set up at Cut Rate, Touchberry said.

Of course, the main attraction will be the beautiful cars, trucks and motorcycles on display.

“We are optimistic about the entries,” Touchberry said.

He said Cut Rate will remain open until 8 p.m. for the event.

Touchberry said he is grateful to his primary sponsors, Roger Armfield of Geico Insurance and Charlie Fossett with ERA Wilder Realty.

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STATE BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

South Carolina gets extension for REAL ID-compliant licenses

BLYTHEWOOD — South Carolina has gotten another year to get driver’s licenses in line with federal identification requirements for boarding a plane, entering a federal building or getting onto a military base.

The state Department of Motor Vehicles said Wednesday the U.S. Department of Homeland Security had given South Carolina an extension through Oct. 10, 2018, to implement the changes.

In April, Gov. Henry McMaster signed a law allowing South Carolinians to obtain REAL ID Act-compliant licenses, reversing the state’s decade-long refusal to comply. Homeland Security gave the state until this month to become compliant. That deadline was extended for one year on Tuesday.

Once the state is certified as compliant, South Carolinians have until October 2020 before a REAL ID license is needed to show at military bases or airports.

Police: 1 dead after man gives child, 3, gun to chase victim

WARRENVILLE — Authorities said they have charged a man with murder after he gave a 3-year-old boy a gun and told him to chase the victim around the yard of a South Carolina home.

Aiken County Sheriff’s Sgt. Stephen Shunn said witnesses told deputies that 24-year-old Timothy Johnson was shot in the chest Tuesday afternoon after the gun fired while the child was carrying it outside a home in Warrentville.

Shunn said in a statement that 31-year-old Albert Davis is charged with murder, possession of a stolen handgun and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Shunn said deputies are still investigating why Davis gave the child the gun and whether Davis was angry at Johnson.

Neither court nor jail records indicated whether Davis has an attorney.

Trooper gets ticket in fatal wreck with 88-year-old woman

SPARTANBURG — A South Carolina trooper has been written a ticket after investigators determined he was driving 26 mph over the speed limit just before a fatal crash with an 88-year-old woman.

A report from the Spartanburg County Sheriff’s Office found both 26-year-old Trooper First Class C.J. Nicholls and the other driver, Marianne Eubanks, at fault for the Aug. 21 wreck in Spartanburg.

The sheriff’s report said Eubanks didn’t yield to Nicholls, while the trooper was driving 61 mph before starting to brake and was still going 42 mph when they collided.

This is not what it looks like



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Cpl. Cleveland Pinkney of Sumter Police Department stands next to the department’s golf cart while it is parked behind a truck that stopped working at the intersection of West Liberty and Sumter streets on Wednesday morning. The truck driver, who came from Columbia, said he was on his way to pick up a delivery on Lafayette Drive when he stopped at a red light on West Liberty Street. However, the truck would not move when the light turned green. The fuel gauge was not displaying correctly, and the truck ran out of gas, he said. Pinkney arrived on scene and parked the cart behind the truck to let the public know that law enforcement was aware of the situation and to direct other drivers around the truck. Pinkney said the cart was the perfect vehicle for the situation because it is small enough to be driven on the sidewalk in case of emergencies, especially during peak traffic hours like Wednesday’s incident. He said the cart was purchased to help officers quickly navigate through the narrow downtown area when needed. Pinkney said it must have looked a little funny to see the police department’s smallest vehicle parked behind the large truck, and it was just a coincidence that the incident occurred in front of the office of *The Sumter Item*.

Many new vehicles not equipped with spare tire

FROM STAFF REPORTS

To reduce weight and improve fuel economy, automakers continue to eliminate spare tires from new vehicles. According to new research from AAA, nearly one-third of 2017 model-year vehicles do not come with a spare tire as standard equipment, creating an unnecessary hassle and expense for drivers.

In South Carolina and North Carolina, AAA Carolinas came to the rescue of 2,476 vehicles with a flat tire and no spare from January to Sept. 30, 2016.

Though new vehicles are equipped with tire pressure monitoring systems that alert drivers to low tire pressure, AAA’s roadside assistance data shows that tire-related problems continue to be one of the top reasons why members call for assistance. Even if drivers do have a spare tire, they often call for roadside assistance instead of changing the tire themselves. According to a previous AAA survey, nearly 20 percent (39 million) of U.S. drivers do not know how to change a flat tire.

“Having a spare tire on board is an easy way to save time and money in the event of a flat,” said AAA Carolinas Foundation for Traffic Safety President Tiffany Wright. “It

is of equal importance that motorists take the time to learn how to change a flat. It is a skill that will benefit you greatly down the road.”

As a replacement for a spare tire, some automakers are including tire-inflator kits that can temporarily repair small punctures in flat tires. However, a 2015 AAA study found that tire-inflator kits have limited functionality and cannot provide even a temporary fix for many tire-related problems, including sidewall damage or blowouts.

“Tire-inflator kits and other temporary fixes may bring a false sense of comfort to drivers,” Wright said. “AAA Carolinas urges drivers to make it a priority to check their vehicle’s equipment and know what to do if faced with a flat tire.”

To prevent drivers from being stranded in the event of

a flat tire, AAA Carolinas offers these precautionary tips:

- Do not assume there’s a spare. When purchasing a new vehicle, always ask for a detailed list of equipment and whether a spare tire can be purchased.
- Inspect all five tires. Check tire pressures monthly, and have all tires inspected as part of routine maintenance. If your vehicle has a spare tire, be sure that it’s properly inflated.
- Read ahead. If your vehicle is equipped with a tire-inflator kit, read the owner’s manual and understand how it works and its limitations.
- Check expiration dates. If your vehicle is equipped with a tire-inflator kit, check its expiration date. Most need to be replaced every four to eight years.
- Consider roadside assistance coverage. Roadside as-

sistance coverage can offer peace of mind when faced with roadside trouble, including a flat tire. To become a AAA member, visit AAA.com/join.

In addition, drivers should identify a repair shop they trust to help keep their vehicle tires in good shape. The AAA Approved Auto Repair network consists of nearly 7,000 facilities that have met AAA’s high standards, including technician certifications, ongoing training, financial stability, facility cleanliness, insurance requirements, rigorous inspections and customer satisfaction. AAA members have saved a total of

more than \$3 million by visiting AAR facilities in the last year. Visit AAA.com/AutoRepair to find a nearby facility.

AAA Carolinas offers a hassle-free auto-buying service to members and non-members. For more information on purchasing a vehicle through AAA, visit aaa.com/autobuying.

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International Walk to School Day



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Manning Primary School students and staff participated in International Walk to School Day on Thursday, Oct. 4. International Walk to School Day is a global event that involves communities from more than 40 countries walking and biking to school on the same day. It began in 1997 as a one-day event. Over time, this event has become part of a movement for year-round safe routes to school and a celebration — with record-breaking participation — each October. Today, thousands of schools across America from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico participate every October. MPS would like to say a special thank you to the family members who joined them on their walk, the Manning Police Department for ensuring safety and the MPS Wellness Committee for organizing this event.

Nearly 3 decades later, Weinstein saga reminds Hill of her harassment story

BY JOCELYN NOVECK
AP National Writer

It's been 26 years since Anita Hill, soft-spoken and deliberate in her bright blue suit, sat before a Senate panel and detailed the lurid sexual harassment charges that would transfix a nation. Clarence Thomas went on to the Supreme Court, but Hill's testimony was a watershed moment that raised awareness in incalculable ways.

Will the sordid Harvey Weinstein scandal be recalled as another one of those watershed moments, its reverberations spilling out of Hollywood into the everyday workplace? Hill is one of those who think it will.

"I absolutely think we needed something to push the needle, and this has done it," Hill said in an interview from Brandeis University, where she has led a quiet academic life since 1998.

All along, Hill says, there have been bits and pieces that have moved that needle a bit. But the Weinstein story, with its ever-growing cascade of disturbing revelations, reminds her of her own ordeal. "I think one of the reasons 1991 was so impactful was how public it was — people had

faces and voices, and it was almost like a long conversation about how these things play out. This Weinstein story feels like a long conversation too, with different parts getting developed and different people being brought into it."

Since the story broke more than a week ago, some 30 women, from lesser-known names to megastars such as Angelina Jolie and Gwyneth Paltrow, have emerged to recount disturbing experiences with Weinstein, who has issued a blanket denial of non-consensual sexual conduct. (In just the latest accusation, actress Eva Green said Saturday she once had to physically "push off" the powerful producer in a meeting.) Simultaneously, a growing chorus of public figures has been denouncing him.

One of the latest high-profile figures to weigh in: Gloria Steinem. In an email message to the Associated Press, Steinem said: "I hope and believe all the attention to Harvey Weinstein will encourage many more women — and men — to tell the firsthand truth about sexual assault, harassment and bullying. I remind the media and prosecutors that people who come for-

ward in these cases are likely to be telling the truth because there is so little reward — and often punishment — for doing so. Please believe the accusers and investigate!"

But Steinem added that not everyone should be expected to have known of Weinstein's alleged misdeeds. "My one worry is that this case is being made to seem too obvious, with blame for people who didn't know," she said. "In fact, Weinstein also made great movies with and about powerful women he did not sexually harass, because like so many sexual abusers, he exploited powerlessness." (Weinstein was among 425 donors to a chair in feminist studies at Rutgers University named after Steinem; Rutgers says it will keep that donation.)

While Hill, now 61 and a professor of social policy and gender studies, has been buoyed by the attention being paid to sexual harassment in light of the Weinstein story, she cautioned that progress is always incremental: "This case may be bigger than some in the past, but I think we're kidding ourselves if we think that everything is going to change overnight from one episode, even as big as this one."

Slain Army sergeant's mother says Trump showed 'disrespect'

BY CALVIN WOODWARD and JONATHAN LEMIRE
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The mother of an Army sergeant killed in Niger said Wednesday that President Trump, in a call offering condolences, showed "disrespect" to the soldier's loved ones as they drove to the airport to meet his body. Trump, engulfed in controversy over the appropriate way for presidents to show compassion for slain soldiers, strongly disputed that account.

Sgt. La David Johnson was one of four American military personnel killed nearly two weeks ago whose families had not heard from Trump until Tuesday. Rep. Frederica Wilson said that Trump told the widow that Johnson "knew what he signed up for."

The Florida Democrat said she was in the car with the widow, Myeshia Johnson, on the way to Miami International Airport to meet the body when Trump called. La David Johnson's mother, Cowanda Jones-Johnson, said Wednesday that the congresswoman's account was correct.

"Yes the statement is true," Jones-Johnson said. "I was in the car, and I heard the full conversation. Not only did he disrespect my son," but he disrespected his wife and me and my husband.

That's simply not so, Trump said Wednesday. He declared on Twitter: "Democrat Congresswoman totally fabricated what I said to the wife of a soldier who died in action (and I have proof). Sad!"

But Wilson did not back down from her account, adding that Trump at one point could not remember the slain sergeant's name.

"It's disgraceful for him to even tweet about this," she told CNN. She added a personal insult: "And as I say, this gentleman has a brain disorder and he needs to be checked out."

Like presidents before him, Trump has made personal contact with some families of the fallen but not all. What's different is that Trump, alone among them, has picked a political fight over who's done better to honor the war dead and their families.

He placed himself at the top of the list, saying on Tuesday, "I think I've called every family of someone who's died" while past presidents didn't place such calls.

But The Associated Press found relatives of two soldiers who died overseas during Trump's presidency who said they never received a call or a letter from him and relatives of a third who did not get a call. And proof is plentiful that Barack Obama and George W. Bush — saddled with far more combat casualties than the roughly two dozen so far under Trump, took painstaking steps to write, call or meet bereaved military families.

After her Army son died in an armored vehicle rollover in Syria in May, Sheila Murphy says, she got no call or letter from Trump, even as she waited months for his condolences and wrote him that "some days I don't want to live."

In contrast, Trump called to comfort Eddie and Aldene Lee about 10 days after their Army son was killed in an explosion while on patrol in Iraq in April. "Lovely young man," Trump said, according to Aldene. She thought that was a beautiful word to hear about her boy, "lovely."



THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Myeshia Johnson cries over the casket of her husband, Sgt. La David Johnson, upon the arrival of his body Tuesday in Miami. The army sergeant was killed in an ambush in Niger on Oct. 4. President Trump reportedly told the widow that her husband "knew what he signed up for," according to Rep. Frederica Wilson, who said she heard part of the conversation on speakerphone. In a Wednesday morning tweet, Trump said Wilson's description of the call was "fabricated."

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Laypeople hold robes while they pray during the Kathina ceremony celebrated at Sumter Forest Temple on Sunday. The robes were later offered to the monks.

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KATHINA

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she went into the yard and read some of the messages that were painted on signs posted along the wooden walkway that runs along the edge of the property.

One of the signs said that sadness does not last forever, she said.

No one will be happy or sad all the time, so you have to learn to live with both emotions, she said.

The sponsor said she also began to look inward to find happiness instead of waiting on the world to bring it to her. You cannot change the world, but you can work on becoming a better person, she said.

She said Sunday was also an opportunity to support the monks and the temple.

No one is required to give a certain amount, she said. Everyone just gives what he or she can, she said.

The Kathina ceremony began with chanting and meditation, but afterward the laypeople and monks went outside to give and collect donations.

After donating to the monks, the laypeople presented food to the monks, who prayed over the meal before both groups ate.

Later, Ven. Chinnaphat Khotwong,



Sponsors of the Kathina ceremony at Sumter Forest Temple placed robes in the temple before the event started. The robes were later presented to the monks of the temple.

president of the temple, led a procession around the temple three times before the laypeople presented new robes and more donations to the monks inside the temple.

Khotwong said the robe offering ceremony benefits the monks because they promise to live simple lives and only take what they need when things are offered to them.

Monks do not work and cannot ask for donations, so they depend on the charity of the public, he said. Without contributions, monks cannot stay in the temple nor travel to do charity work, he said.

At Sumter Forest Temple, many of the laypeople cook meals for the monks throughout the week or bring snacks and drinks during services on Sundays.

The temple becomes more meaningful to those who donate, Khotwong said.

He said the financial contributions received on Sunday will go toward purchasing a used modular building that will be used as a guest house for visitors who wish to meditate.

Now that Kathina has passed at Sumter Forest Temple, Khotwong will travel to Connecticut to participate in another Kathina ceremony before he will travel to another temple, where he will help build bathrooms.

Astronaut's memoir provides blunt take on his year in space

BY MARCIA DUNN
AP Aerospace Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — In his new autobiography, retired astronaut Scott Kelly gives an unflinchingly blunt take on his U.S. record-breaking year in space and the challenging life events that got him there.

This isn't your usual astronaut's memoir.

Kelly recounts dumpster diving on the International Space Station for discarded meals after a supply capsule was destroyed and ending up with "some dude's used underwear" in his hands. He writes about the congestion, headaches and burning eyes he endured from high carbon dioxide levels and the feeling no one cared at Mission Control in Houston.

In his book, Kelly tells how prostate cancer surgery almost got him banned from space station duty and how his vision problem during an earlier spaceflight almost cost him the one-year mission, which spanned from March 2015 to March 2016.

He tells how he visited a tat-

too parlor before launch and got black dots all over his body to make it easier to take ultrasound tests in orbit and how he fashioned extra puke bags for a nauseous crewmate.

Kelly said his goal in writing "Endurance: A Year in Space, A Lifetime of Discovery" was to tell the whole story.

So many other NASA astronauts' memoirs "focus on the good stuff and not necessarily the personal things that happened in their lives, things they might not be proud of, things that we all have that makes us normal, relatable people," he told The Associated Press. "So I felt like sharing is good, but ... the bad stuff, too, makes the story more believable."

In the book, he writes about a little-known incident that he says occurred during his first space station stint in 2010, when a Russian cosmonaut came untethered during a spacewalk and began floating away. Luckily, Oleg Skripochka happened to hit an antenna that bounced him back toward the space station, enabling him to grab on and save his life, according to Kelly.



AP FILE PHOTO

Astronaut Scott Kelly takes a photo of himself inside the Cupola, a special module of the International Space Station which provides 360-degree viewing of the Earth and the station, in July 2015.

Even though he was aboard the space station at the time, Kelly said he didn't learn about it until his yearlong mission five years later, when it casually came up in conversation with other cosmonauts. "I was like really? Holy crap. Crazy," Kelly recalled in an AP interview.

He remembered Skripochka had looked shaken but thought it was because he had been out on his first spacewalk.

On Wednesday, the Russian Space Agency's press department said it contacted Skripochka, who did not confirm Kelly's account. No other comment was provided.

"I've often pondered what we would have done if we'd known he was drifting irretrievably

away from the station," Kelly writes. "It probably would have been possible to tie his family into the comm system in his spacesuit so they could say good-bye before the rising CO2 or oxygen deprivation caused him to lose consciousness — not something I wanted to spend a lot of time thinking about as my own spacewalk was approaching."

Published by Knopf, "Endurance" came out Tuesday. So does a version for children, "My Journey to the Stars," put out by Penguin Random House.

The 53-year-old Kelly said he didn't discover his passion for aviation and space until reading Tom Wolfe's 1979 book "The Right Stuff" in college. Kelly writes that he was a terrible student and likely suffered from attention deficit disorder.

The former spaceman also tells how he realized right before his wedding that he didn't want to go through with it, but did anyway, leading to a troubled marriage and eventually divorce, and how he initially didn't want "that space station stink" on him — getting space station assignments — for fear it would limit his shuttle-flying opportunities. He flew twice on space shuttles and had two extended stays at the space station, sharing the entire 340-day mission, his last, with Russian Mikhail Kornienko.

When asked if it was difficult exposing his weaknesses when astronauts are supposed to be perfect or close to it, Kelly replied, "Naw, I feel like I'm like a below-average guy doing slightly above-average stuff."

Kelly figured he might write a book, given it was NASA's longest single spaceflight ever. So he kept a journal in orbit and took notes about how the place looked, smelled and felt "to make someone feel like they were on the space station."

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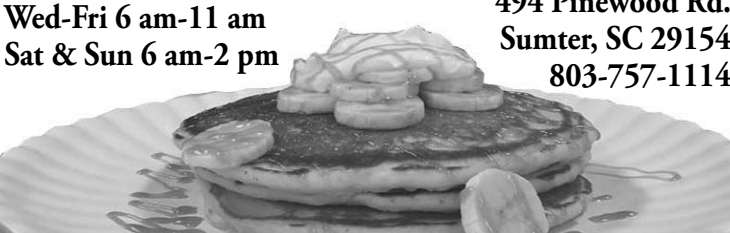




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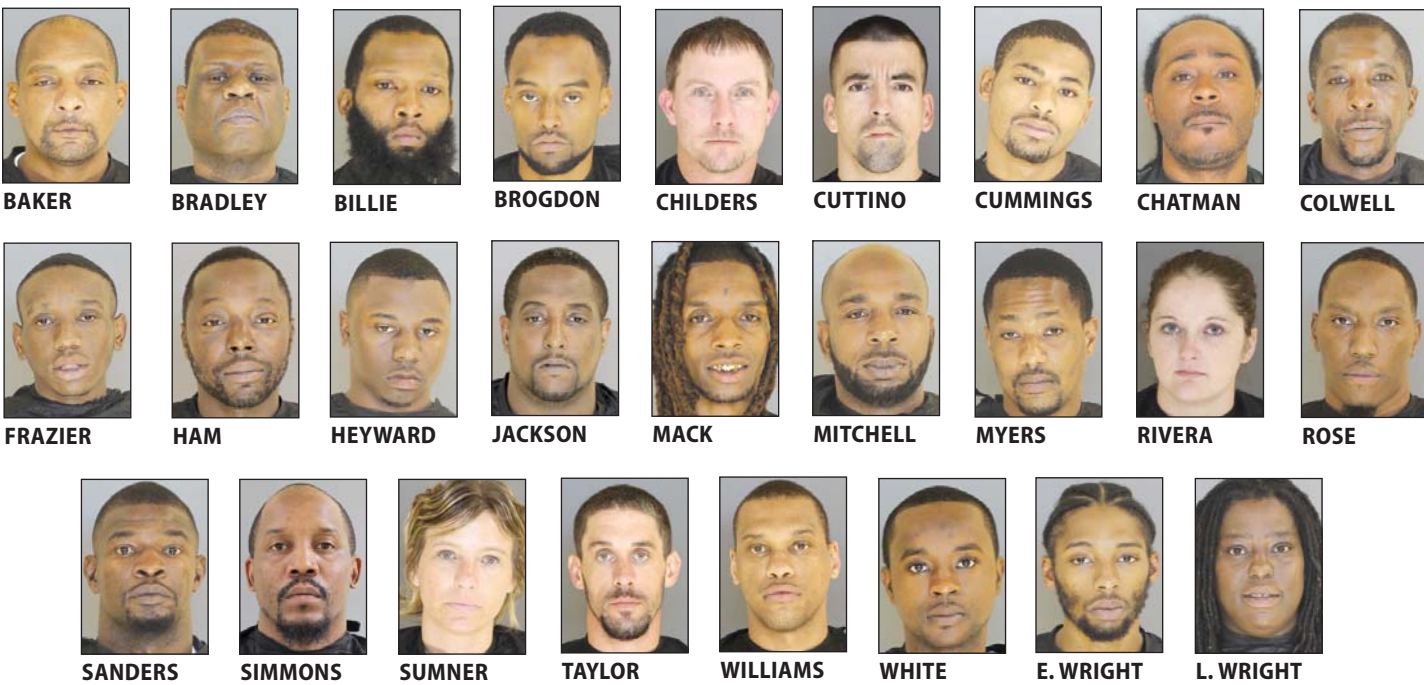
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- James Henry Brogdon, 27, of 5501 Edgehill Road, Sumter. Brogdon is charged with trademark counterfeit items (approximately \$21,000).
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- Deron Chatman, 32, of 418 Robney Drive, Sumter. Chatman is charged with distribution of marijuana.
- Andrew Colwell, 48, of 214 Downtown Inn, Sumter. Colwell is charged with distribution of crack cocaine, two counts.
- David Frazier, 20, of 1358 John Holaday Road, Summerton. Frazier is charged with conspiracy and possession of methamphetamine.
- Larry Ham, 32, of 1025 Old Pocalla Road, Sumter. Ham is charged with distribution of crack cocaine, three counts; distribution of marijuana, one count; and felon in possession of a firearm.
- Tyburious Heyward, 19, of 1015 Vaughn St. Heyward is charged with possession of a controlled substance.



- Quinton Jackson, 33, of 3361 Moses Dingle Road, Summerton. Jackson is charged with possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine, possession of cocaine and possession of marijuana.
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- Andrew Rose, 34, of 975 Morning-side Drive, Sumter. Rose is charged with distribution of crack cocaine, three counts, and distribution of marijuana, two counts.
- Titus Sanders, 34, of 221 Armstrong Blvd., Sumter. Sanders is charged with distribution of crack cocaine, four counts.
- Steven Simmons, 36, of 807 Peace St., Sumter. Simmons is charged with possession with intent to distribute marijuana.
- Jessica Sumner, 33, of 2801 Tindal Road, Sumter. Sumner is charged with possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine.
- Scott Taylor, 29, of 2801 Tindal Road, Sumter. Taylor is charged with possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine.
- Donavin Williams, 34, of 3803 National Cemetery Road, Florence. Williams is charged with contraband at detention center and conspiracy.
- Donell White, 26, of 1021 Booker St., Sumter. White is charged with distribution of marijuana, three counts.
- Erick Wright, 21, of 2890 September

Drive, Sumter. Erick Wright is charged with possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine.

- Latanya Wright, 36, 200 S. Pike W., Sumter. Wright is charged with distribution of cocaine, five counts.

Deputy Ken Bell, public information officer for the sheriff's office, said deputies seized counterfeit hats, shoes and T-shirts during the bust.

Sumter County Sheriff Anthony Dennis credited a solid investigation using undercover officers with the arrests.

"Any time we can take drugs and drug dealer off of our streets is a great day in Sumter County," he said. "Our officers worked hard, often under difficult circumstances, to make these arrests."

"Make no mistake about it," Dennis said, "we will continue to fight diligently to rid Sumter County of as many drugs and drug dealers as possible."

HAMM FROM PAGE A1

Chief Financial Officer Chris Griner, a "millage rate swap" that will add \$2 million to the district's fund balance this year without increasing anyone's taxes and implementing a corrective plan to rectify financial improprieties in the Child Development Education Program.

She said she's also enjoyed getting to know community members and appreciates the work of the principals to take on leadership and responsibility for increasing student academic achievement moving forward with various best practices plans. Hamm said she thinks principals — and employees in general — are motivated by a leader who gives a sense of direction but also one who gives them a voice in how things are accomplished.

"To have very inclusive decision making in an organization, especially in education, is important," Hamm said. "If people have had a part in deciding how they are going to achieve a goal, then they are much more likely to engage in that. And I think

that's motivating."

She said she also thinks it's motivating for employees when leaders recognize their accomplishments and when they create a culture of high expectations.

A culture of optimism can also go a long way to achieving success in any organization, according to Hamm. She said she brings optimism and joy to her job in part because she's an optimistic person, and she's passionate about education.

She said she's also learned the power of optimism from experience. In her career with Richland District 2, Hamm said she was blessed to work with outstanding leaders in the district superintendents who preceded her. She also points to re-

search that shows that if people are happy, then they tend to be more successful and productive — not the other way around.

"People want to be successful and do the right things," Hamm said. "If you just empower them to do those things, then it turns around. And I think that has already happened here; so, I am optimistic because I have seen people respond and rise to the challenges and be willing to put the past behind us and move forward. I have seen it here, and I have seen it other places, and I think that makes me an optimist."

Lori Smith, the school district's coordinator for science and fine arts, said she thinks Hamm's optimism is making a difference in the district.

"I agree totally with her idea that if you can get the culture and that belief that you can do it, then you can do it," Smith said. "Then you can move mountains. But you have to believe you can."

Smith said Hamm has high expectations for district staff members, and she thinks that permeates down to students and teachers.

"I don't believe there has been one wrong step," Smith said. "She truly is moving us forward, and I think we are lucky to have her."

Hamm expects she will serve in the interim post through June because a new full-time superintendent — even after being selected by Sumter School District's Board of Trustees — will likely finish

out this school year in his or her current district before coming to Sumter.

After this school year, Hamm said she may do some part-time consulting, but she plans to retire and pursue some personal dreams. During the next several months, she said she's looking forward to continuing to lay the foundation for a better future for the school district.

"I am really enjoying working in Sumter," Hamm said. "I am enjoying the people I work with and being a part of this community. I see a bright future, and I am excited to be part of at least leading us up to that future. I feel there is a great group of people here who want to jump on board and be part of making that happen, and that's nice to see."

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COMMENTARY

The Democrats will soon display their cultural extremism

WASHINGTON — What would America’s abortion policy be if the number of months in the gestation of a human infant were a prime number — say, seven or 11? This thought experiment is germane to why the abortion issue has been politically toxic and points to a path toward a less-bitter debate. The House of Representatives has for a third time stepped onto this path. Senate Democrats will, for a third time, block this path when Majority Leader Mitch McConnell brings the House bill to the floor, allowing Democrats to demonstrate their extremism and aversion to bipartisan compromise.

Democracy, which properly is government by persuasion rather than majority bullying or executive or judicial policy fiat, is a search for splittable differences.

Abortion, which supposedly is the archetypal issue that confounds efforts at compromise, has for two generations — since the Supreme Court seized custody of the issue in 1973 — damaged political civility.

Pro-abortion absolutists — meaning those completely content with the post-1973 regime of essentially unrestricted abortion-on-demand at any point in pregnancy — are disproportionately Democrats who, they say, constitute the Party of Science.

They are aghast that the Department of Health and Human Services now refers to protecting people at “every stage of life, beginning at conception.”

This, however, is elementary biology, not abstruse theology: *Something* living begins then — this is why it is called conception. And absent a natural malfunction or intentional intervention (abortion), conception results in a human birth.

In 1973, the court decreed — without basis in the Constitution’s text, structure or history, or in embryology or other science — a trimester policy.

It postulated, without a scintilla of reasoning, moral and constitutional significance in the banal convenience that nine is divisible by three. The court decided that the right to abortion becomes a trifle less than absolute — in practice, not discernibly less — when the fetus reaches viability, meaning the ability to survive outside the womb. The court stipulated that viability arrived at 24 to 28 weeks.

On Oct. 3, the House passed (237-189) the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act banning abortions (with the usual exceptions concerning rape, incest and the life of the mother) after the 20th week.

The act’s supposition is that by then the fetus will feel pain when experiencing the violence of being aborted and that this matters. Of

course, pro-abortion absolutists consider the phrase “unborn child” oxymoronic, believing that from conception until the instant of delivery, the pre-born infant is mere “fetal material,” as devoid of moral significance as would be a tumor in the (if they will pardon the provocative expression) mother.

Whether a 20-week fetus has neurological pathways sufficient for feeling pain is surely a question that science can answer, if it has not already.

Already there are myriad intrauterine medical procedures, some involving anesthesia: Doctors can heal lives that America’s extremely permissive abortion law says can be terminated with impunity. Only seven nations allow unrestricted abortion after 20 weeks. Most European nations restrict abortions by at least week 13. France and Germany are very restrictive after 12, Sweden after 18.

Getting a scientific answer to the pain question, even if it is “yes,” should gratify the Party of Science. If the answer is “yes,” those who think fetal suffering is irrelevant can explain why they do.

New medical technologies and techniques are lowering the age of viability. And increasingly vivid sonograms, showing beating hearts and moving fingers, make it increasingly difficult to argue that the “fetal material” is at no point, in any way, a baby. Science is presenting inconvenient truths to the Party of Science, truths that are the reasons the percentage of pregnancies aborted is the smallest since 1973.

In 1973, the court bizarrely called the fetus “potential life”; it is, of course, undeniably alive and biologically human. A large American majority is undogmatic, because uncertain, about — and the House bill does not address — the question of when the living thing that begins at conception should be held to acquire personhood protectable by law.

This majority’s commonsensical, prudently imprecise, split-the-difference answer is: Not at conception but well before completed gestation.

Hence this majority, its vocabulary provided by the court’s arbitrary jurisprudence, thinks first-trimester abortions (more than 90 percent of abortions) should be legal. After which, approximately a two-thirds majority supports restricting abortions.

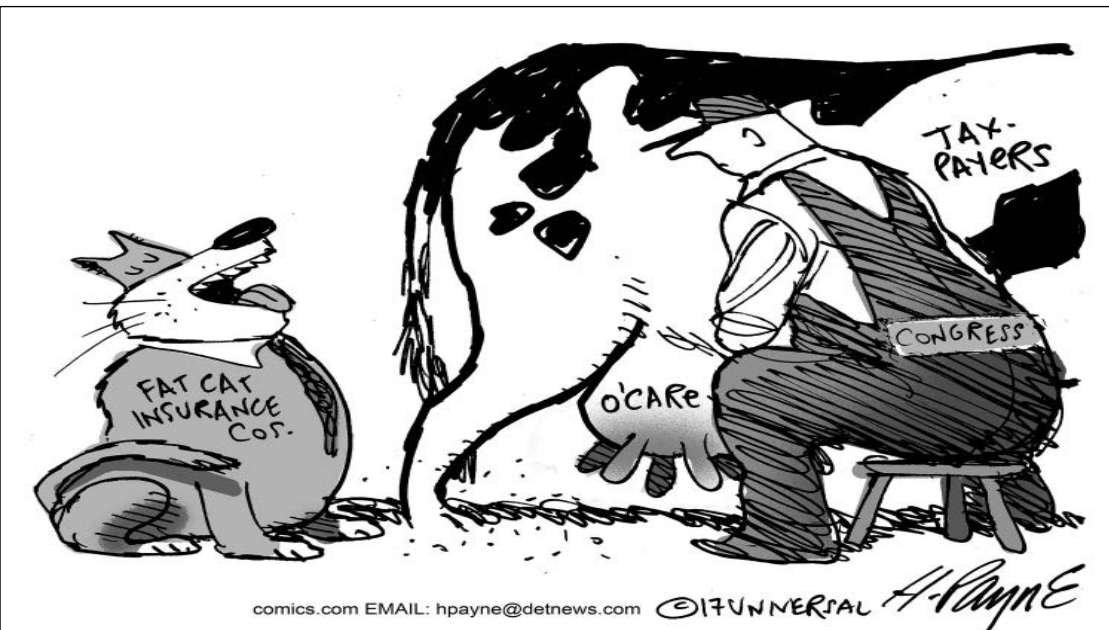
When — the sooner the better — the House bill comes to the Senate floor, Democrats will prevent a vote on it. This will be a tutorial on the actual extremists in our cultural conflicts.

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COMMENTARY

North Korea’s frightening cyber army

WASHINGTON — It turns out that North Korea isn’t just a nuclear threat. It’s also a cyberthreat, and in some ways, this may be more frightening. Launched largely anonymously, cyberattacks can cripple essential infrastructure — power grids, financial networks, transportation systems — and inflict social disorder and political anarchy. Immediate retaliation is difficult.

All this now seems plausible. Until recently, cybersecurity experts dismissed North Korea’s attack capabilities. It was too backward to pose a serious threat. No more. In a lengthy front-page story on Oct. 16, *The New York Times* reported that cybersecurity experts admit that they underestimated North Korea, which has now been tied to some major cyberattacks. This includes the heist of an estimated \$81 million of funds from the central bank of Bangladesh.

The *Times*’ story ought to command everyone’s attention. Assuming it’s not discredited, it alters the military balance between the United States and North Korea — and not favorably for the United States. Written by journalists David Sanger, David Kirkpatrick and Nicole Perlroth, the article reported that North Korea has more than 6,000 hackers whose performance is “undeniably improving,”

according to American and British security experts.

North Korea “can hold large swaths of nation-state infrastructure and private-sector infrastructure at risk,” said former deputy director of the National Security Agency Chris Inglis. In part, the North Koreans were instructed and encouraged by Iran, the *Times* said. But mostly, their gains reflected persistence.

“How can such an isolated, backward country have this capability?” asked a former British government official. “Well, how can such an isolated backward country have this nuclear ability?”

In the *Times* story, the late North Korean leader Kim Jong Il is quoted, based on the testimony of a defector, as saying in 2003: “If warfare was about bullets and oil until now ... warfare in the 21st century is about information.”

Here are some other takeaways from the article:

- The goal in the Bangladesh heist was to divert \$1 billion through electronic fund transfers. A clerical error stopped most of the transfer. Still, North Korea allegedly reaped \$81 million and earns up to \$1 billion annually from ransomware and other digital techniques. These funds dilute the effectiveness of sanctions against Kim’s regime.

- North Korea was behind the so-called WannaCry hack — one of the largest to date — in May. An avalanche of data shut down hospitals in Britain and “banks and transportation systems across dozens of countries.” Even now, it’s not clear what the hack’s in-

tent was, except possibly to stir chaos. Another fortuitous discovery of a software error shut down the hack.

- North Korea is reported to have penetrated South Korea’s military computers “to steal war plans.” It may also have planted “sleepers” in South Korea that, in the event of war, “could be activated to paralyze power supplies and military command and control networks.”

By the *Times*’ telling, North Korea’s capabilities go well beyond its angry response to the 2014 movie satire “The Interview” when it hacked Sony Pictures, the studio that produced the movie. Still, North Korea continues to resort to hacks to deter criticism of Kim.

Just how the United States can react to North Korea’s cyberprowess is unclear. According to the *Times*, “Hundreds, if not thousands, of American cyberwarriors spend each day mapping the North’s few networks, looking for vulnerabilities that could be activated in time of crisis.” By some accounts, the United States has planted sleeper cells in North Korea’s networks.

But the United States is constrained by its huge commitment to the internet. We are more dependent on the web than the North Koreans. In practice, this means that we are more vulnerable to attacks on it. More systems can be shut down and crippled than in North Korea. Americans think that technological superiority works to our benefit. Here, the opposite may be true.

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The American Red Cross encourages all eligible donors to give blood to support cancer patients and others during the month of October, which is recognized as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Schedule your donation appointment by using the free Blood Donor App, by visiting www.redcrossblood.org or by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Help save a life by participating in one of the following American Red Cross blood donation opportunities: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. today, Palmetto Health Tuomey, 129 N. Washington St.; 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20, USC Sumter Arts & Letters Building, 109 Miller Road; 2-7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, Grace Baptist Church, 219 W. Calhoun St.; and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, Mount Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church, 7355 Camden Highway, Rembert.

The Sumter County Chapter of AARP will meet at 2:30 p.m. today at Sumter Senior Services Center, 119 S. Sumter St. All persons age 55 years or older are invited to join us. For further information, call Johnny Jones at (803) 773-9681.

The General George L. Mabry Jr. Chapter 817 Military Order of the Purple Heart will meet at 6 p.m. today at the Sumter Combat Veterans Group building, 529 N. Wise Drive. All Purple Heart recipients and those interested in association membership are invited. Life membership is available for only \$25. For more information, call (803) 773-0658.

The 14th Annual Sumter Coin Show will be held 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 21, at the fellowship hall of Bethesda Church of God, 2730 Broad St. (next to the Honda dealership). Buy, sell and trade. There will be door prizes and a drawing for a gold coin. Free appraisals. Numismatic curiosities and more. Call (803) 775-8840.

Join Sumter County Active Lifestyle for a Halloween-inspired walk on Main Street on Saturday, Oct. 21. Sign-in / registration will be held at 11:30 a.m. by the old courthouse with the walk beginning promptly at noon. The walk should last approximately an hour. Water, comfortable shoes and a camera are recommended. Costumes are encouraged but not required. All costumed walkers will be eligible to get their picture on SCAL's Facebook page.

Sumter High School Class of 1978 will hold a 40th class reunion planning meeting at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 22, at the Sumter County Library, 111 N. Harvin St. Email sumterhigh1978@gmail.com or join the group on Facebook.

The Sumter Branch NAACP will meet at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 22, at Mount Glory Baptist Church, 841 N. Main St. The public is invited.

VFW Post 10813 will hold its “4th Sunday Wine & Cheese Af-fair” from 5 to 9 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 22, at 610 Manning Ave. Come and support the veterans and families programs.

The Sumter / Clarendon Chapter of the Building Industry of Central South Carolina will host a golf tournament on Monday, Oct. 23, at Beech Creek Golf Club, 1800 Sam Gillespie Blvd. The tournament is limited to 32 four-person teams for \$300 per team. Fee includes green fees, golf cart, door prizes, drinks and dinner. Several charitable organizations will receive donations from the event. Contact Nelle Tomlinson at (803) 775-6800 or hbasumclar@ftc-i.net or Ruth Ellen Hardee at (803) 256-6238 or ruthellen@columbiabuilders.com.

The United Way Diamonds will hold a “Roots and Wings Workshop” from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 24, at the Sumter County Magistrate's building, 115 N. Harvin St., first floor. This free workshop is for parents and trusted adults (aunts, uncles, teachers, coaches, youth pastors, etc.) to get tips for talking with young people about love, sex and relationships. Light refreshments will be served. Diamonds is the United Way's teen pregnancy prevention program. Call Melanie Dees at (803) 773-7935, extension 113, to RSVP.

Disabled American Veterans Gamecock Chapter 5 will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 24, at 18 Hardpack Road (off of Peach Orchard Road / S.C. 441).

VFW Post 10813 will host a barbecue / fish and chips sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 28, at 610 Manning Ave. Call Walter Johnson at (803) 847-0212.

The Ain't No Stopping Us Aerobics annual health and wellness fair and trunk-or-treat will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 28, at the South HOPE Center, 1125 S. Lafayette Drive.

PUBLIC AGENDA

CLARENDON SCHOOL DISTRICT 3
Today, 7:30 p.m., district office, Turbeville

The last word in astrology

EUGENIA LAST

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You'll be unpredictable and easily

sidetracked. Plant your feet firmly on the ground and refuse to make a last-minute decision that has the potential to lead you into a predicament that can cause emotional upset.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You'll be pulled into something questionable if you let your emotions take over, causing you to give in to someone who is asking too much of you. Back away before it ends up costing you emotionally or financially.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): A change at work will turn in your favor. Do everything in your power to equalize your position with upper management. An important partnership will flourish if you choose charm rather than force to get what you want.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Family and friends will bring out the best in you. You'll be motivated by what others have to say. A short trip or a learning experience will make you see things differently from what you thought was possible. Speak up.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Moderation will be necessary if you don't want to upset someone close to you. Say little but do a lot to show your appreciation. A personal change to the way you treat someone will have an impact on your relationship.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A deal will not be as good as it appears. Look for any flaws before you invest in something you know little about. Stay focused on your responsibilities and finding ways to increase your income. Think big and be creative, but remain

prudent.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A creative approach will help you hold the attention of whomever you are dealing with. Your vision will be remarkable. Sharing how you see situations unfolding will give hope to those with less insight. Take a position of leadership.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Look for any opportunity to get ahead professionally or financially. Look over settlements, investments and matters that can influence your health. Don't fear being different. Do your own thing and you will get the greatest satisfaction.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Put everything you've got into bringing about positive change. Someone will have interesting ideas, but that doesn't mean you should deviate from your plans. Follow your gut feeling and make the changes you see fit. Romance is in the stars.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Communication will be met with discord. If you can't agree, it may be best to walk away. Put your time, energy and commitment into something tangible that will bring you something in return. Think big but stick to basics.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Make a commitment to spend more time with someone you love. Show how much you care and you will enjoy what you receive in return. Now is not the time to overreact. Offer love and affection and live in the moment.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You'll be tempted to invest in something that isn't likely to pay the rewards you are expecting. A cautious approach will save you from loss. Explore other possibilities, but don't feel like you have to make an impulsive decision.

DAILY PLANNER

WEATHER

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AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Sumter

TODAY	TONIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Nice with plenty of sunshine	Clear	Sunny and pleasant	Partly sunny	Some sun with a shower	Showers around in the p.m.
78°	48°	82° / 50°	80° / 58°	80° / 64°	79° / 65°
Chance of rain: 0%	Chance of rain: 0%	Chance of rain: 0%	Chance of rain: 0%	Chance of rain: 40%	Chance of rain: 80%
NNE 4-8 mph	VAR 2-4 mph	NNE 3-6 mph	E 3-6 mph	SE 6-12 mph	SSE 6-12 mph

TODAY'S SOUTH CAROLINA WEATHER

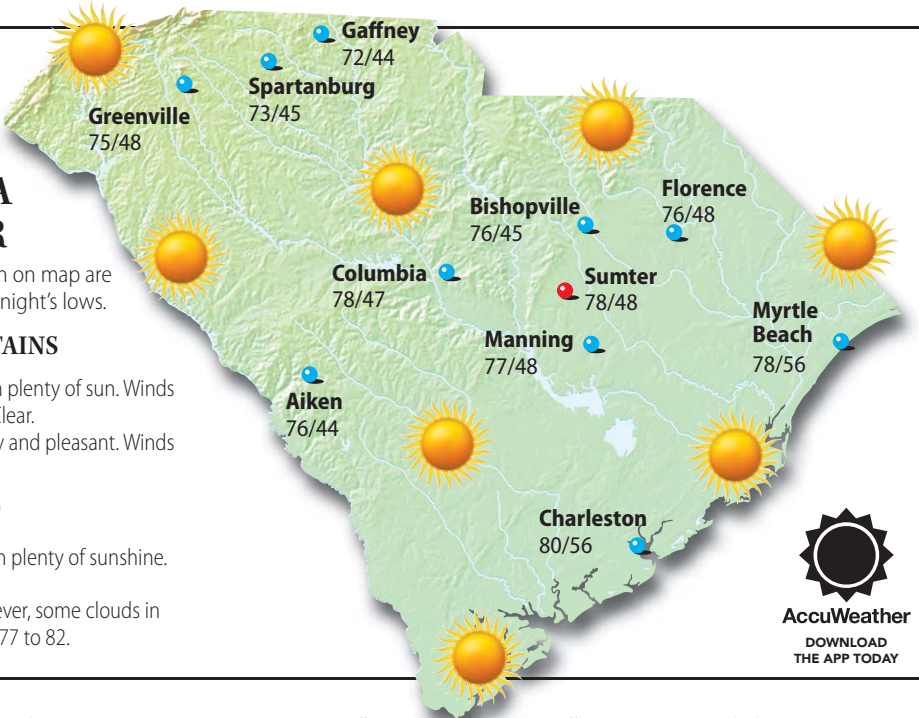
Temperatures shown on map are today's highs and tonight's lows.

IN THE MOUNTAINS

Today: Pleasant with plenty of sun. Winds southeast 3-6 mph. Clear.
Friday: Mostly sunny and pleasant. Winds east 3-6 mph.

ON THE COAST

Today: Beautiful with plenty of sunshine. High 77 to 81.
Friday: Sunny; however, some clouds in southern parts. High 77 to 82.



LOCAL ALMANAC

SUMTER THROUGH 2 P.M. YESTERDAY

Temperature	
High	69°
Low	42°
Normal high	74°
Normal low	50°
Record high	88° in 2007
Record low	34° in 1970

Precipitation	
24 hrs ending 2 p.m. yest.	0.00"
Month to date	0.84"
Normal month to date	2.13"
Year to date	31.84"
Last year to date	44.55"
Normal year to date	39.37"

LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Full pool	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Murray	360	354.49	-0.01
Marion	76.8	74.28	-0.02
Moultrie	75.5	74.25	none
Wateree	100	97.70	+0.08

RIVER STAGES

River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Black River	12	3.76	-0.16
Congaree River	19	2.90	+0.25
Lynches River	14	4.07	-0.02
Saluda River	14	2.25	+0.56
Up. Santee River	80	75.26	-0.01
Wateree River	24	6.19	+0.05

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise	7:30 a.m.	Sunset	6:43 p.m.
Moonrise	7:11 a.m.	Moonsset	7:01 p.m.

New	First	Full	Last
Oct. 19	Oct. 27	Nov. 4	Nov. 10

TIDES

AT MYRTLE BEACH

	High	Ht.	Low	Ht.
Today	9:30 a.m.	3.6	3:51 a.m.	0.1
	9:40 p.m.	3.4	4:18 p.m.	0.1
Fri.	10:12 a.m.	3.6	4:32 a.m.	0.1
	10:19 p.m.	3.3	5:02 p.m.	0.2

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	74/50/s	79/53/pc
Chicago	71/51/s	77/59/pc
Dallas	84/64/pc	84/68/pc
Detroit	72/44/s	70/53/s
Houston	85/65/pc	82/69/t
Los Angeles	78/63/pc	76/59/pc
New Orleans	83/68/s	83/72/pc
New York	72/57/s	72/54/s
Orlando	86/71/pc	85/71/pc
Philadelphia	73/54/s	74/52/s
Phoenix	96/68/s	91/63/c
San Francisco	67/55/c	65/51/pc
Wash., DC	73/55/s	76/52/s

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Asheville	75/42/s	77/46/s
Athens	76/45/s	79/47/pc
Augusta	81/44/s	84/49/s
Beaufort	81/57/s	82/60/pc
Cape Hatteras	78/63/s	76/66/s
Charleston	80/56/s	81/56/s
Charlotte	75/45/s	80/49/s
Clemson	74/48/s	79/50/pc
Columbia	78/47/s	82/52/s
Darlington	76/45/s	79/49/s
Elizabeth City	77/52/s	78/55/s
Elizabethtown	76/49/s	79/52/s
Fayetteville	77/47/s	80/50/s

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Florence	76/48/s	79/50/s
Gainesville	83/64/sh	85/65/pc
Gastonia	74/46/s	78/47/s
Goldsboro	76/49/s	78/51/s
Goose Creek	78/54/s	80/55/s
Greensboro	73/48/s	77/51/s
Greenville	75/48/s	78/50/s
Hickory	73/45/s	78/48/s
Hilton Head	79/60/s	80/61/s
Jacksonville, FL	80/65/pc	83/69/pc
La Grange	77/47/s	79/51/pc
Macon	79/46/s	82/50/pc
Marietta	74/45/s	78/50/pc

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Marion	74/43/s	77/45/s
Mt. Pleasant	79/59/s	80/59/s
Myrtle Beach	78/56/s	78/57/s
Orangeburg	77/48/s	80/50/s
Port Royal	80/61/s	80/62/pc
Raleigh	74/46/s	78/49/s
Rock Hill	72/44/s	77/47/s
Rockingham	76/44/s	80/49/s
Savannah	81/56/s	83/61/pc
Spartanburg	73/45/s	77/48/s
Summerville	78/53/s	79/53/s
Wilmington	79/53/s	79/54/s
Winston-Salem	73/47/s	77/49/s

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PICTURES FROM THE PUBLIC



Nancy Byer comments on her photo submission, “On a recent trip to Cades Cove in the Smoky Mountains, I was lucky to capture this photo of three adorable black bear cubs who posed for my camera!”

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Myrtle Beach bound



ABOVE: Wilson Hall's Courtney Clark and Thomas Sumter's Karleigh Young battle above the net during their match earlier this season. Thomas Sumter and Wilson Hall are both preparing for this weekend's SCISA state volleyball tournament at Myrtle Beach Sports Center.

Wilson Hall hopes tough schedule will pay dividends in SCISA 3A tournament

BY DENNIS BRUNSON
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The Wilson Hall varsity girls volleyball team doesn't own a gaudy record, but rather a good, sturdy 20-13. There is a reason for that though. The Lady Barons played a difficult non-region schedule, and did so pointing to this weekend.

WH is the upper No. 2 seed in the SCISA 3A state tournament that will be played on Friday and Saturday at Myrtle Beach Sports Center.

"We talked a lot about the schedule and what we wanted it to be," said Wilson Hall head coach Rip Ripley. "The girls wanted it to be 3-confer-

ence schedule. That's why we played teams like Thomas Sumter, Robert E. Lee, Sumter High; that's why we played in the Porter-Gaud tournament, that's why we played host to our tournament. We did this so we could try and be ready for this time of year."

The Lady Barons started the season 3-9, but won 17 of their final 21 on the way to winning a share of the Region II title with Florence Christian. FCS won the first match between the teams 3-0, while WH swept the second match.

"I think we're playing pretty good right now," Ripley said. "We've had some matches

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Seasoned TSA focused, with high expectations

BY TREVOR BAUKNIGHT
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The Thomas Sumter Academy varsity volleyball team enters this weekend's SCISA 2A state tournament in Myrtle Beach with a 23-2 record and high expectations.

The Lady Generals, one of the top seeds in the lower bracket of the tournament, will face Hilton Head Prep on Friday at 1:30 on Court 7 at Myrtle Beach Sports Center. The winner will face the winner between Spartanburg Day and Trinity-Byrnes, one of the two teams to hand TSA a loss this season, at 5 p.m. Should the Lady Generals win, they'll play a third game on Friday, and the tournament concludes on Saturday.

TSA head coach Gwen Herod said the tournament's move from Sumter to Myrtle Beach two years ago when Sumter County Civic Center was being used for flood relief operations has been a mixed blessing.

"At the Exhibition Center, it was easier to get neighbors and church members to come by and see

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AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Yankees top Keuchel, Astros 5-0 for 3-2 lead

BY MIKE FITZPATRICK
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Masahiro Tanaka pitched seven innings of three-hit ball and the New York Yankees finally solved Houston Astros nemesis Dallas Keuchel, beating the ace lefty 5-0 on Wednesday for a 3-2 lead in the AL Championship Series.

Gary Sanchez hit an RBI single off Keuchel and later homered to help the wild-card Yankees win for the third straight day at home and move within one victory of their first trip to the World Series since 2009.

The teams head back to Houston for Game 6 on Friday night, when Justin Verlander and the reeling Astros will try to regain their footing following an off day and force a decisive Game 7. Luis Severino is scheduled to start for New York.

Just days ago, Houston was up two games to none and appeared to be closing in on its second World Series appearance. But the Astros, like defending AL champion

Cleveland before them, have been unable to put away these poised Yankees, who improved to 6-0 at home in this postseason in front of their cheering, chanting fans.

Aaron Judge, Greg Bird and Didi Gregorius also delivered big hits as New York chased Keuchel in the fifth and handed him his first postseason loss. The 2015 AL Cy Young Award winner had been Yankees kryptonite throughout his career, entering 6-2 with a 1.09 ERA in eight career starts against New York, including a pair of scoreless outings in playoff wins.

Both of those came at the expense of Tanaka, who lost 3-0 to Keuchel in the 2015 AL wild-card game at Yankee Stadium and 2-1 in Game 1 of this series.

But this night belonged to Tanaka and the Baby Bombers.

New York finally broke through against Keuchel with two outs in the second, when Starlin Castro doubled



New York Yankees Greg Bird, left, and Todd Frazier celebrate after Game 5 of the Yankees 5-0 victory over Houston in the American League Championship Series on Wednesday in New York. The Yankees lead the best-of-seven series 3-2.

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USC BASKETBALL

SEC teams looking to topple Kentucky

BY STEVE MEGARGEE
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Kentucky opponents have trouble agreeing on what it takes to topple a program that annually brings in multiple future first-round NBA picks.

Yet a few Southeastern Conference teams may have stumbled across a winning formula the last couple of years. Experience matters against the talented, but young Wildcats.

"I'd take five first-round picks every day of the week, but not all of us get to have five first-round picks on our

team," South Carolina coach Frank Martin said. "Those of us that don't, we have to depend on experience."

The right kind of experience — that comes with

some toughness and talent in its own right — can be Kentucky's kryptonite.

The Wildcats are the pre-season favorite to finish first in the SEC after winning at least a share of the league's last three regular-season titles. They're the favorites again despite losing three first-round draft pick from last year's squad: De'Aaron Fox, Marcus Monk and Bam Adebayo.

"Kentucky's No. 1 because they've earned the right to be No. 1 as long as John Calipari is still at the helm," Mississippi coach Andy Kennedy said. "People don't even really know who their players are (but) they know they're going to be good and they know he's going to have them ready."

They also know they're going to be young.

Last season's South Carolina squad and the 2015-16 Texas A&M team countered Kentucky's freshman firepower with senior-laden rosters.

SEC player of the year Sindarius Thornwell led South Carolina to the Final Four last season. Texas A&M tied Kentucky for the 2015-16 SEC regular-season title with a lineup that featured seniors Danuel House, Jalen Jones, Alex Caruso and Anthony Collins.

"Those four seniors were grown men," Texas A&M coach Billy Kennedy said. "We knew what we were going to get every day and every night."

Plenty of SEC programs are hoping their own senior guards can enable them to challenge Kentucky for league supremacy.

Arkansas has six seniors, including the backcourt duo of Jaylen Barford and Daryl Macon. Florida's Chris Chiozza, who made one of the most memorable shots of last year's NCAA Tournament with a buzzer beater to defeat Wisconsin in the Sweet 16, is back along with junior preseason all-SEC selection KeVaughn Allen.

Mississippi added Memphis graduate transfer Markel Crawford to join a backcourt already featuring senior Deandre Burnett and junior Terence Davis. Vanderbilt has four-year starter Riley LaChance at point guard.

"I was a lot different as a 22-year-old than as an 18-year-old mentally, physically, emotionally a lot different," Martin said. "There's a difference there - a big, big difference. When you deal with 22-year-olds who have been through it, they handle moments differently than the

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AREA ROUNDUP

Bates advances

Bantams to play for middle school football championship for 4th time in 5 years

The Bates Middle School football team advanced to the championship game of the Sumter Middle School Conference for the fourth time in five years with a 28-20 victory over Mayewood on Wednesday at the Bates football field.

The Bantams, 7-0 on the season, will take on Manning Junior High School in the championship game. The game will be played on Wednesday at 6 p.m. at Lakewood High School's J. Frank Baker Stadium.

Keion Brown ran for a touchdown and threw a touchdown pass to Zyeir Gamble. K'shawn Boyd ran for two TDS and two 2-point conversions and Jalen White ran for a score.

Jabarri Tiller led the defense with six tackles and a forced fumble. Boyd had four tackles and a fumble recovery and Brent Brooks had four tackles.

LEE CENTRAL 22
KINGSTREE 14

KINGSTREE — Lee Central improved to 4-1 with a 22-14 double-overtime victory over Kingstree Junior High School on Wednesday at the KJHS field.

DeAngelo Century led the Stallions with 95 rushing yards and two touchdowns, including the game winner behind the blocking of offensive lineman Eurik Prickette. Somaki Hickman had 30 receive-

ing yards.

Jaquan Powell scored LC's other touchdown on a fumble recovery.

The defense was led by Jaquan Jones and Tykawn Slater with 10 tackles apiece.

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

THOMAS SUMTER 3
ROBERT E. LEE 0

DALZELL — Thomas Sumter Academy closed its regular season with a 3-0 victory over Robert E. Lee Academy on Tuesday at Edens Gymnasium.

The Lady Generals, who improved to 23-2, won by the scores of 25-7, 25-20, 25-18.

Anita Cookey-Gam led TSA with 18 kills, while Taja Hunley had 12 and Carmen Silvester had eight. Sydney Daniel had 22 assists, Josie Reed had 18 and libero Diamond Gibson had 24 digs.

JV VOLLEYBALL

ROBERT E. LEE 2
THOMAS SUMTER 0

DALZELL — Thomas Sumter Academy ended its season with a 10-9 record after losing to Robert E. Lee Academy 2-0 on Tuesday at Edens Gymnasium.

Logan Scruggs led TSA with 10 assists. Maci Willetts had eight kills and Lindsay Daniel had 15 digs.

From staff reports



SUMTER ITEM FILE PHOTO

Thomas Sumter's Anita Cookey-Gam (9) goes up for a kill during the Lady Generals' match at Wilson Hall earlier this season. Both Thomas Sumter, 23-2, and Wilson Hall, 20-13, will compete in the SCISA state volleyball tournament this weekend at Myrtle Beach Sports Complex in Myrtle Beach.

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us play; but (the new venue is) court after court after court. It's an intense setting, and we play very intense," Herod said. "We try to use everything that happens. We want to turn it to work for us and not against us, so we use that time to bond and to get away and stay focused on volleyball. In some ways it's good - we know where we're at and we're together, and that works out good for us sometimes."

Thomas Sumter is a veteran team, with five senior starters, and has been very businesslike over the course of the season, Herod said.

"The girls have been very disciplined," she said. "They haven't brought a bunch of drama to the court, and it's been a good season as far as staying focused. I couldn't be more proud of them. They've worked hard, and they know where they want to go. They've been accountable to each other, and it's been a good season; and now none of that matters going into this weekend."

Focus is the key word for the Lady Generals, entering the tournament with the loftiest of goals.

"Our goal right now is we want to win the last game we play in the tournament," Herod said. "We're still working hard and get-

ting ready, but I've been very pleased with their dedication and practice and their work ethic. We hope we go and stay focused."

Senior outside hitter Anita Cookey-Gam leads the Lady Generals with an average of 18 kills per match and a game-high of 25, while senior Carmen Silvester, her counterpart on the front line, averaged nine kills per game this season.

"Anita, of course, is just a great player," Herod said. "She's an asset and just a sparkplug on the court."

Herod noted that Silvester returned to the team this season after sitting out last year with an injury.

"She has stepped back up this year and is starting as an outside hitter, and has really contributed both defensively and offensively," Herod said.

Setting up the outside hitters, junior setter Sydney Daniel averaged 19 assists and senior Josie Reed added 16. In the middle, senior Taja Hunley averaged 14 kills per game and Karleigh Young, playing her first year at the varsity level after being brought up from the junior varsity, averaged nine.

In back, senior libero Diamond Gibson averaged 18 digs per match.

"That's a new position for

her," Herod said of Gibson. "She's played for us before, but she's played outside and different positions. Diamond is the kind of player that can play wherever you need her to play, and we asked her to play libero and she has done a great job. Diamond is a good defensive player and was willing to step up and do that, and that's been a big deal for us this year. She has played very well."

Herod said the quality of volleyball in the area has helped her team prepare for this weekend, when it all comes together.

"We've played a lot of good teams, she said. "Some games we won in three and some we battled to five, and you play so much - we had three matches a week two or three weeks this year. We tried to stay on track with our goals and stay focused and I think that we have done a good job with that."

"They set high goals for themselves and have high expectations," Herod said. "So we'll work hard and pray hard and go down there and see what happens."

WANT TO GO?

2017 SCISA State Volleyball Tournament

Myrtle Beach Sports Center
2115 Farlow Street
Myrtle Beach, SC, 29577

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to deep left-center and scored on Greg Bird's sharp single. Cheering fans almost sounded surprised by the hit — big enough for Bird to flash both thumbs down, doubling up on the Yankees' playful sign to each other for clutch swings.

In the third, Judge grounded an RBI double just inside the third base line and past a diving Alex Bregman. Brett Gardner sped all the way around from first and scored with a headfirst slide.

Bregman's throwing error on Chase Headley's infield single aided the Yankees in the fifth. Keuchel pitched around Judge and walked him with two outs before Sanchez lined a run-scoring single into the left-field corner.

Going into that at-bat, Sanchez was 1 for 16 with seven strikeouts in the series — and 0 for 8 with 6 strikeouts against Keuchel overall.

Gregorius then grounded an RBI single up the middle that grazed the glove of diving second baseman Jose Altuve. With the score 4-0, that was it for Keuchel after he yielded his most runs ever to New York.

Sanchez hit his third post-season homer off Brad Peacock in the seventh to make it 5-0.

Despite beautiful weather in the Bronx, the Astros didn't take batting practice on the field. If they were hoping that might help their slumping hitters reset, it didn't.

The highest-scoring team in the majors this season,

Houston batted .153 through the first four games of the series and fared no better against Tanaka. The normally reserved right-hander from Japan, who can opt out of his \$155 million contract this winter, has been at the top of his game in October and showed rare emotion on the mound during this one.

He worked around a lead-off double in the second, when the Yankees — with a stingy Keuchel undoubtedly in mind — successfully played their infield in with Yuli Gurriel on third and one out in a scoreless game. Tanaka later spun around and shouted in excitement after striking out struggling table-setters George Springer and Josh Reddick with two on to end the fifth.

Tanaka received treatment on his leg between starts after being struck by Reddick's liner in Game 1, but showed no ill effects. Keeping the ball down with his slider and splitter, he struck out eight and walked one.

TIES THAT BIND

Andy Pettitte threw out the ceremonial first pitch in a Yankees jacket. The former New York and Houston left-hander appeared in the World Series for both the Yankees and his hometown Astros.

MISTER OCTOBER

Wednesday marked the 40th anniversary of Reggie Jackson's three-homer game at old Yankee Stadium in the 1977 World Series against the Los Angeles Dodgers.

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18-year-olds."

But experience alone won't get it done.

"If you say, 'OK, would you rather have talent or experience,' I want talent," Kennedy said.

Kentucky has plenty of the latter. The Wildcats signed seven of the nation's top 31 prospects in the 2017 class according to composite rankings of recruiting sites compiled by 247Sports : Hamidou Diallo (No. 10), Kevin Knox (No. 11), Jarred Vanderbilt (No. 12), P.J. Washington (No. 15), Nick Richards (No. 18), Quade

Green (No. 26) and Shai Gilgeous-Alexander (No. 31).

"Growing up, I always liked to be around players that compete and be around the best of the best," Diallo said. "When I found out a couple of the great players in my class were going there, I wanted to join them and wanted to help us all make our goals possible. That's what drove me to Kentucky."

That's why the teams that have challenged Kentucky lately have some potential NBA talent to go along with experience.

Thornwell, a second-round draft pick, is on the Los Angeles Clippers' roster after his standout senior season with South Carolina. Texas A&M's 2015-16 team relied heavily on seniors but also featured Tyler Davis, a former top-35 recruit who was a freshman that year.

Missouri's Cuonzo Martin cites another trait possessed by most conference title contenders.

"For me, one of the biggest things is you got to have a level of toughness," he said. "Of course talent is what it is, but you can kind of gauge talent what fits what you're trying to do. But I think you have

to have a level of toughness."

Martin inherits a Missouri program that finished in the SEC basement each of the last three years. He appears to be mimicking the Kentucky approach in trying to help Missouri regain relevance.

Missouri signed a heralded freshman class that includes Michael Porter Jr., ranked second in his class by the 247Sports Composite. Of course, LSU showed two years ago having the nation's top recruit isn't a sure thing when the Tigers failed to reach the NCAA Tournament despite having Ben Simmons, the No. 1 overall pick in the 2016 draft. Perhaps the person with the

best insight on competing with Kentucky in the SEC is Calipari himself. He said any team that wants to win the SEC must have plenty of talent and toughness.

Then he added one more factor.

"You can't be a team that scores 50-60 points a game in this league and do well in this league," Calipari said. "You've got to be a team that scores 70 or more in this league to have a chance to win games, because the other team's going to score that much, whether you're really good defensively or not."

Experience was not on Calipari's list.

SCOREBOARD

TV, RADIO

TODAY
6 a.m. — Professional Golf: European PGA Tour Valderrama Masters First Round from Sotogrande, Spain (GOLF).
6 a.m. — Professional Tennis: Stockholm Open Early-Round Matches from Stockholm, Sweden (TENNIS).
9:30 a.m. — Professional Golf: European PGA Tour Valderrama Masters First Round from Sotogrande, Spain (GOLF).
12:30 p.m. — LPGA Golf: Taiwan Championship First Round from Taipei, Taiwan (GOLF).
12:30 a.m. — Professional Tennis: Stockholm Open Early-Round Matches from Stockholm, Sweden (TENNIS).
1 p.m. — International Soccer: UEFA Europa League Group I Match — Vitoria de Guimaraes vs. Marseille (FOX SPORTSOUTH).
3 p.m. — International Soccer: UEFA Europa League Group E Match — Lyon vs. Everton (FOX SPORTS 1).
3 p.m. — International Soccer: UEFA Europa League Group D Match — AEK Athens vs. AC Milan (FOX SPORTS 2).
3:30 p.m. — NASCAR Racing: K&N Pro Series West from Roseville, Calif. (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).
4:30 p.m. — Professional Tennis: Kremlin Cup Early-Round Matches from Moscow (TENNIS).
5 p.m. — Women's College Soccer: Texas Tech at West Virginia (ESPNU).
6:05 p.m. — Talk Show: Sports Tald (WDXY-FM 105.9, WDXY-AM 1240).
7:30 p.m. — High School Football: Dalton (Ga.) vs. Harrison (Ga.) from Kennesaw, Ga. (ESPN2).
7:30 p.m. — College Football: Louisiana-Lafayette at Arkansas State (ESPNU).
8 p.m. — College Football: Memphis at Houston (ESPN)
8 p.m. — Major League Baseball: National League Championship Series Game 5 — Los Angeles Dodgers at Chicago Cubs (If Necessary) (TBS).
8 p.m. — NBA Basketball: New York at Oklahoma City (TNT).
8:25 p.m. — NFL Football: Kansas City at Oakland (WLTX 19, NFL NETWORK, WWFN-FM 100.1, WNKT-FM 107.5).
8:30 p.m. — Women's International Soccer: United States vs. South Korea from New Orleans (FOX SPORTS 1).
9 p.m. — NHL Hockey: Carolina at Calgary (FOX SPORTSOUTH).
10 p.m. — PGA Golf: CJ Cup @ Nine Bridges Second Round from Jeju Island, South Korea (GOLF).
10:30 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Los Angeles Clippers at Los Angeles Lakers (TNT).

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE							
EAST							
New England	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Buffalo	4	2	0	.667	172	159	
Miami	3	2	0	.600	89	74	
N.Y. Jets	3	2	0	.600	61	84	
	3	3	0	.500	109	130	
SOUTH							
Tennessee	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Jacksonville	3	3	0	.500	146	164	
Houston	3	3	0	.500	156	110	
Indianapolis	3	3	0	.500	177	147	
	2	4	0	.333	119	195	
NORTH							
Pittsburgh	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Baltimore	4	2	0	.667	118	102	
Cincinnati	3	3	0	.500	114	124	
Cleveland	2	3	0	.400	84	83	
	0	6	0	.000	94	157	
WEST							
Kansas City	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Denver	5	1	0	.833	177	130	
L.A. Chargers	3	2	0	.600	108	97	
Oakland	2	4	0	.333	116	131	
	2	4	0	.333	124	126	

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST							
Philadelphia	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
	5	1	0	.833	165	122	

Washington	3	2	0	.600	117	113	
Dallas	2	3	0	.400	125	132	
N.Y. Giants	1	5	0	.167	105	132	
SOUTH							
Carolina	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
New Orleans	4	2	0	.667	128	122	
Atlanta	3	2	0	.600	145	116	
Tampa Bay	3	2	0	.600	121	109	
	2	3	0	.400	118	121	
NORTH							
Minnesota	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Green Bay	4	2	0	.667	122	103	
Detroit	4	2	0	.667	147	135	
Chicago	3	3	0	.500	161	149	
	2	4	0	.333	105	148	
WEST							
L.A. Rams	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Seattle	4	2	0	.667	179	138	
Arizona	3	2	0	.600	110	87	
San Francisco	3	3	0	.500	119	158	
	0	6	0	.000	113	146	

TODAY'S GAME
Kansas City at Oakland, 8:25 p.m.

SUNDAY'S GAMES
Tampa Bay at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Baltimore at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Miami, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Arizona vs L.A. Rams at London, UK, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Dallas at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 4:25 p.m.
Seattle at N.Y. Giants, 4:25 p.m.
Denver at L.A. Chargers, 4:25 p.m.
Atlanta at New England, 8:30 p.m.
Open: Detroit, Houston

MONDAY'S GAME
Washington at Philadelphia, 8:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, OCT. 26
Miami at Baltimore, 8:25 p.m.

SUNDAY, OCT. 29
Minnesota vs Cleveland at London, UK, 9:30 a.m.
San Francisco at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Oakland at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Chicago at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
L.A. Chargers at New England, 1 p.m.
Houston at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.
Dallas at Washington, 4:25 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Detroit, 8:30 p.m.
Open: L.A. Rams, Arizona, N.Y. Giants, Jacksonville, Tennessee, Green Bay

MONDAY, OCT. 30
Denver at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE							
ATLANTIC DIVISION							
New York	W	L		Pct		GB	
Toronto	0	0		.000			
Philadelphia	0	0		.000			
Brooklyn	0	1		.000			
Boston	0	2		.000		—	
SOUTHEAST DIVISION							
Orlando	W	L		Pct		GB	
Washington	1	0		1.000		—	
Atlanta	0	0		.000		½	
Charlotte	0	1		.000		1	
Miami	0	1		.000		1	
CENTRAL DIVISION							
	W	L		Pct		GB	

Detroit	1	0		1.000		—	
Indiana	1	0		1.000		—	
Milwaukee	1	0		1.000		—	
Cleveland	1	0		1.000		—	
Chicago	0	0		.000		½	

WESTERN CONFERENCE							
SOUTHWEST DIVISION							
Houston	W	L		Pct		GB	
Dallas	1	0		1.000		—	
Memphis	0	0		.000		½	
New Orleans	0	0		.000		½	
San Antonio	0	0		.000		½	
NORTHWEST DIVISION							
Denver	W	L		Pct		GB	
Minnesota	0	0		.000		—	
Oklahoma City	0	0		.000		—	
Portland	0	0		.000		—	
Utah	0	0		.000		—	
PACIFIC DIVISION							
L.A. Clippers	W	L		Pct		GB	
L.A. Lakers	0	0		.000		—	
Phoenix	0	0		.000		—	
Sacramento	0	0		.000		—	
Golden State	0	1		.000		½	

TUESDAY'S GAMES
Cleveland 102, Boston 99
Houston 122, Golden State 121

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Detroit 102, Charlotte 90
Indiana 140, Brooklyn 131
Orlando 116, Miami 109
Washington 120, Philadelphia 115
Milwaukee 108, Boston 100
New Orleans at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Atlanta at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at Utah, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at San Antonio, 9:30 p.m.
Houston at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Portland at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

TODAY'S GAMES
Chicago at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

FRIDAY'S GAMES
Atlanta at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Boston at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Washington, 7 p.m.
Portland at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Orlando at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at New Orleans, 9:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

SATURDAY'S GAMES
Philadelphia at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Houston, 8 p.m.
Detroit at New York, 8 p.m.
Golden State at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Indiana at Miami, 8 p.m.
Orlando at Cleveland, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Portland at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Utah, 9 p.m.
Sacramento at Denver, 9 p.m.
Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE							
ATLANTIC DIVISION							
Tampa Bay	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	7	5	1	1	11	27	23
Detroit	6	5	1	0	10	28	19
Ottawa	6	4	2	0	8	20	15
	6	3	1	2	8	20	13

Boston	5	2	3	0	4	14	18
Florida	5	2	3	0	4	17	20
Buffalo	7	1	4	2	4	18	28
Montreal	6	1	4	1	3	10	22

METROPOLITAN DIVISION							
New Jersey	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Columbus	6	5	1	0	10	26	17
Pittsburgh	6	5	1	0	10	21	13
Philadelphia	7	4	2	1	9	25	29
Washington	6	4	2	0	8	26	16
Carolina	7	3	3	1	7	23	24
N.Y. Islanders	4	2	1	1	5	12	11
N.Y. Rangers	6	2	3	1	5	15	18
	7	1	5	1	3	17	26

WESTERN CONFERENCE							
CENTRAL DIVISION							
Chicago	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	6	4	1	1	9	25	13
Colorado	6	4	2	0	8	18	16
Nashville	7	4	3	0	8	20	17
Winnipeg	6	3	2	1	7	18	17
Dallas	6	3	3	0	6	18	23
Minnesota	6	3	3	0	6	14	14
	4	1	1	2	4	15	16
PACIFIC DIVISION							
Vegas	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	6	5	1	0	10	20	15
Calgary	5	4	0	1	9	16	9
Vancouver	6	4	2	0	8	17	17
Anaheim	5	2	2	1	5	12	14
San Jose	6	2	3	1	5	12	17
Edmonton	5	2	3	0	4	13	16
Arizona	5	1	4	0	2	11	19
	6	0	5	1	1	12	25

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

TUESDAY'S GAMES
Philadelphia 5, Florida 1
Pittsburgh 5, N.Y. Rangers 4, OT
Toronto 2, Washington 0
Vancouver 3, Ottawa 0
New Jersey 5, Tampa Bay 4, SO
Nashville 4, Colorado 1
Columbus 5, Winnipeg 2
Dallas 3, Arizona 1
Carolina 5, Edmonton 3
Vegas 5, Buffalo 4, OT
San Jose 5, Montreal 2

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Detroit at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Montreal at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

TODAY'S GAMES
Tampa Bay at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Vancouver at Boston, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
Nashville at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Carolina at Calgary, 9 p.m.
Dallas at Arizona, 10 p.m.

FRIDAY'S GAMES
Vancouver at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
San Jose at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Winnipeg, 8 p.m.
Montreal at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

SATURDAY'S GAMES
Nashville at N.Y. Rangers, 12:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.
San Jose at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at Boston, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Ottawa, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Florida at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Carolina at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Chicago at Arizona, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at Calgary, 9 p.m.
St. Louis at Vegas, 10:30 p.m.

OBITUARIES

LOUISE ANDREWS

Lillian Louise Andrews, 86, widow of Roy E. “Andy” Andrews, died on Sunday, Oct. 15, 2017, at McCoy Memorial Nursing Center in Bishopville.

Born on March 20, 1931, in Land O Lakes, Florida, she was a daughter of the late Charles H. and Lillie Stringer Meyer. She was a member of Grace Baptist Church and retired from the banking industry.

Survivors include three sons, Harold Andrews of Bishopville, Earl Andrews (Tammy) of Zephyrhills, Florida, and Carl Andrews (Dean) of Sumter; a daughter, Julie Bradley (Jeff) of Lawrenceville, Georgia; 11 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Eula M. Williams (Allen).

A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday at the Fort Jackson National Cemetery with the Rev. Mark Partin officiating.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. today at Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and other times at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Andrews, 3350 Southern Hills Drive, Sumter.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer’s Association, 4124 Clemson Blvd., Suite L, Anderson, SC 29621.

The family would like to express their appreciation to the staff of McCoy Memorial Nursing Center and Amedisys Hospice for all of their loving care and compassion.

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

LEON LANDS

Leon Lands, 83, widower of Evelyn Shirly Lorraine Lands, died on Monday, Oct. 16, 2017, at a Columbia nursing facility.

Born in Morehead, Kentucky, he was a son of the late Boone and Rora Kissinger Lands. Mr. Lands attended Alice Drive Baptist Church. He retired from the U.S. Air Force after more than 27 years of service and was a veteran of the Vietnam War. Following his retirement, he

worked with civil service at Shaw Air Force Base as a housing inspector and was a welding instructor at Central Carolina Technical College.

Survivors include one son, Doug Lands (Jan) of Macon, Georgia; one daughter, Rhessa Duncan (Patrick) of Dallas; three grandchildren, Seth Duncan (Amanda), Emily Duncan and Sarah Duncan; and one great-grandchild, Savannah Grace Duncan.

A funeral service will be held at 4 p.m. today at the Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Clay Smith officiating.

The family will receive friends from 3 to 4 p.m. today at Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home.

A graveside service with full military honors will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday at the Cherry Cemetery in Woodbury, Tennessee.

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

JOHNNIE M. MCLEOD

Johnnie M. McLeod, 84, widower of Patricia Pauline Dantzler McLeod, died on Monday, Oct. 16, 2017, at his home.

Born in Sumter, he was a son of the late Joe and Evie B. Geddings McLeod. Mr. McLeod was a member of Alice Drive Baptist Church. He was a retired postmaster and received numerous postal awards. He was also a Mason.

Surviving are a son, Johnnie M. McLeod Jr. (Gina) of Sumter; two daughters, Deborah M. Zolniger (Greg) of Lincolnton, North Carolina, and Dale M. Morris of Manning; five grandchildren, Ashleigh Church (Matt), Anna Mink (Thomas), Johnathon Zolniger (Kristina), Brendon Roof (Erin) and Austin McLeod; three step-grandchildren, James Edens Rabon, Fletcher Rabon and Mary Margaret Rabon; and eight great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held at 3 p.m. today at Sumter Cemetery with the Rev. Dr. Clay Smith and Chaplain Ed Cheek officiating.

Pallbearers will be Perry Morris, Johnathon Zolniger, Matthew Church, Glen Ogle, Andrew Morris and Woody McLeod.

The family will receive friends from 1 to 2:30 p.m. today at Elmore Hill McCreight Funeral Home.

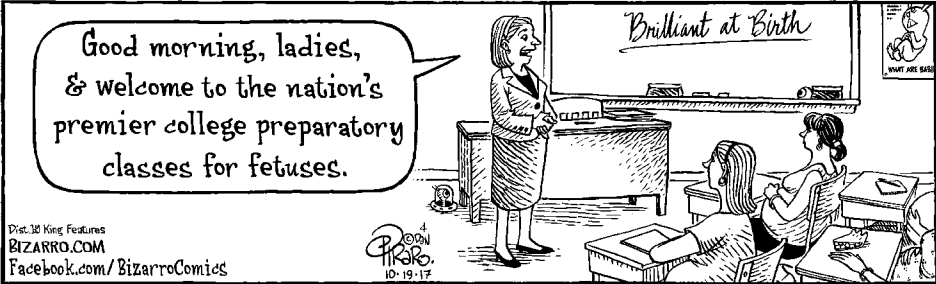
Memorials may be made to Alice Drive Baptist Church, 1305 Loring Mill Road, Sumter, SC 29150.

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.



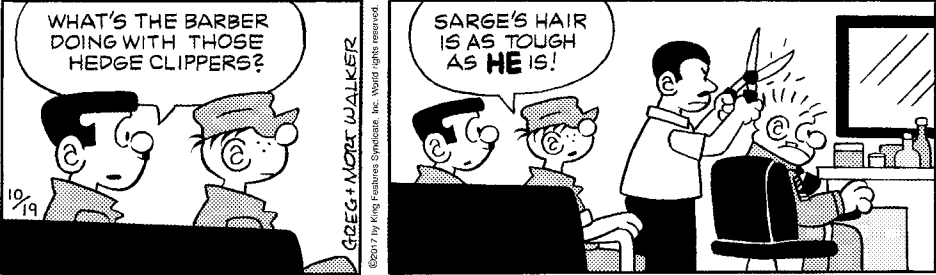
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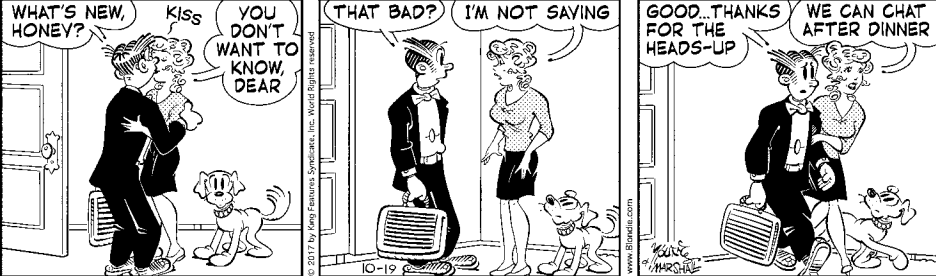
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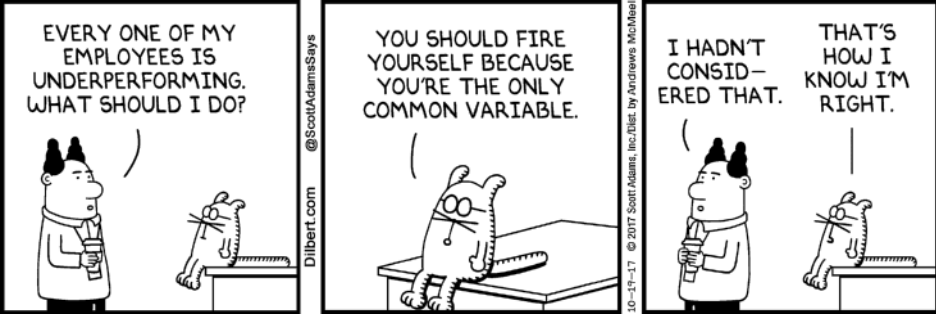
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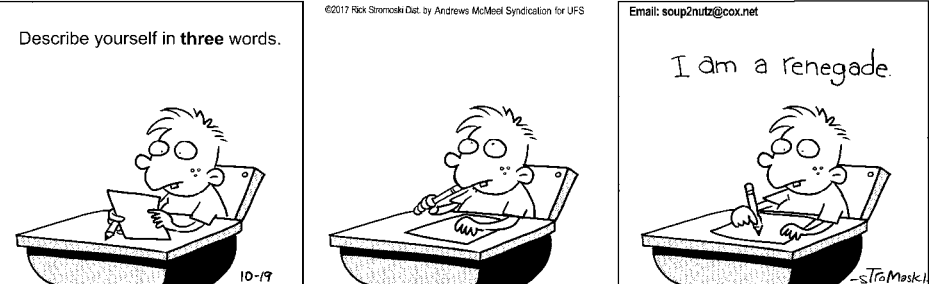
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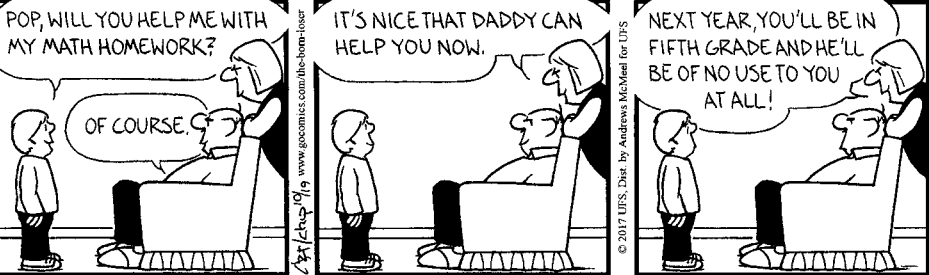
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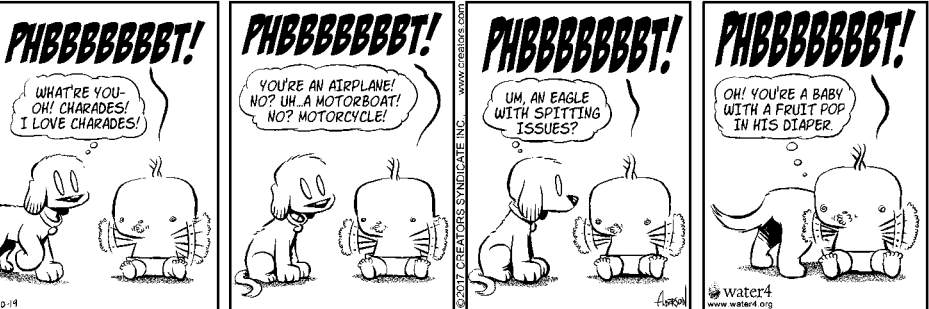
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DOG EAT DOUG



JEFF MACNELLY'S SHOE



Extreme hoarding poses risk to mom's house, health



Dear Abby
ABIGAIL
VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY — My 36-year-old son lives with me, which benefits both of us. I am retired and his income helps. The problem I'm having is he hoards garbage.

It's terrible. There's garbage on his bed, and it has reached the ceiling in other parts of the room. This has been going on for many years.

Two years ago, I filled up two large garbage bags to throw out. It didn't even make a dent. When he got home, he was furious and deducted \$50 from the rent because he felt I

needed to have consequences for what I did. I realized then how serious this is. I know it's a health hazard as well as a fire hazard.

I'm at my wits' end. I understand this has to do with loss, and he has had many, including a dad who left when I was pregnant. There has been no contact during his lifetime. Please help.

Son's a hoarder

DEAR SON'S A HOARDER — Your son is suffering from a mental disorder. There is help for it — IF he is willing to admit that he needs it.

A licensed mental health professional could help him understand why he is hoarding and motivate him to change the habits that have led to it. There are also medications that can lessen his

compulsion to hoard. However, it won't happen unless you finally put your foot down and inform your son that what he's doing is a health and safety hazard, and a risk you will no longer tolerate. Tell him that unless he gets help, he will no longer be able to live under your roof.

DEAR READERS — Today marks the celebration of Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights. It spiritually signifies the victory of light over darkness, good over evil, knowledge over ignorance and hope over despair. My best wishes to all who celebrate it.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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

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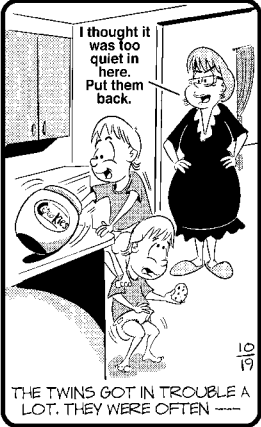
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: SHAKY APART TRICKY INJECT

Answer: To promote his business, the locksmith wore — "KHA-KEY" PANTS



SUDOKU

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

PREVIOUS SOLUTION								
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9	1	6	5	7	2	4	8	3
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6	9	1	2	4	8	3	7	5
2	5	7	9	1	3	8	4	6
4	8	3	7	5	6	2	9	1

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

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THE DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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By Bruce Haight

10/19/17

ACROSS

- Wing it
- Doing battle
- Quarterback Brady
- "Fun With Dick and Jane" (2005) actress
- Hourglass, e.g.
- Political commentator Navarro
- Southern dish, so we hear
- Tap site
- Justice Dept. branch
- Fair
- What "A" is for, in Sue Grafton's mystery series
- Hot rod?
- World's navigable waters, so we hear?
- Friday
- Savory Chinese snack
- Manufacturing facility
- Manhattan developer?
- #1 texting pal
- Welcome relief, so we hear
- Sevilla sun
- Nice way to say no?

- signs
- "I bet!"
- Composes, as music for a poem
- Suggestive dance, so we hear
- Put on
- Hindu class
- Works on walls
- Nursery complaint
- Dhabi
- Warning hint, so we hear
- "Little ol' me?"
- "Middlemarch" novelist
- Flowed back
- Soup cooker
- Criticize sharply
- Butch and Sundance chasers

- Gum ball
- Galaxy
- download
- Maintain, as roads
- Bookie's work
- Last non-AD yr.
- Tricks
- Wicked
- Cut of lamb
- Belted out
- Burn slightly
- They may ring or have rings
- Calculating pros
- Plus
- Outfit with bell-bottom trousers
- Steak named for its shape
- Bravo automaker
- Dough used in baklava

- Letter-shaped fastener
- One might be made of sheets and pillows
- Exceed, as a boundary
- Bris, e.g.
- Flop's opposite
- Gushed
- Go it alone
- Rapsallion
- Just not done
- Quick with comebacks
- Funk
- Halloween decor
- All in favor
- Literary alter ego
- Stadium cry
- Wrestler Flair nicknamed "The Nature Boy"
- "Entourage" channel

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved												
OPT	ELAPSE	ROSSA										
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	OVERT	BLOOM										
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SDS	TOO	ENCODE										
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ELEV	ENTRETE	REVE										
PANE	ACETYL	EYE										

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SP		FT	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM
LOCAL CHANNELS													
WIS	10	3	10	WIS News 10 at 7 (N)	Entertainment Tonight Blake Lively; "Chicago Fire." (N)	Superstore An attempted robbery increases tensions.	The Good Place Tahani confides in Janet. (N)	Will & Grace Jack learns that his son is a father. (N)	(:31) Great News Katie attends an awards show. (N)	Chicago Fire "A Breaking Point" Casey takes on additional duties. (N) (DVS)	WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon Reese Witherspoon; Bono; The Edge; U2.	
WLTX	19	9	9	News 19 at 7pm (N)	NFL Thursday Night Kickoff (N) (Live)	NFL Thursday Night Kickoff (N) (Live)	(:25) NFL Football West showdown as the Chiefs visit the Raiders. (N) (Live)	Kansas City Chiefs at Oakland Raiders. The Thursday night game features an all-AFC			(:15) News 19 at 11pm (N)	(11:50) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert	
WOLO	25	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "Show You the World" (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown	Toy Story OF TERROR!	Scandal "Day 101" Fitz stays out of the limelight. (N)	How to Get Away With Murder "Was She Ever Good at Her Job?" Connor gets a visit from his dad. (N)	ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live "Billy Joel; Tracy Morgan; Paul Shaffer" Billy Joel; Tracy Morgan; Paul Shaffer. (N)		
WRJA	27	11	14	Rick Steves' Europe "Western Turkey"	Palmetto Scene Business in South Carolina.	A Chef's Life "Shake, Rattle, and Pole (Beans)"	A Chef's Life Prepping peppers; stuffing peppers.	Poldark on Masterpiece Peasants raid a grain ship.	Shetland Death of a young man.	Tavis Smiley (N)	BBC World News	Charlie Rose (N)	
WACH	57	6	6	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory "The Septum Deviation"	Gotham "A Dark Knight: The Blade's Path" Bruce surprises those around him. (N) (DVS)	(:01) The Orville "Old Wounds" Ed Mercer gets promoted to captain. (DVS)	WACH FOX News at 10 (N)		Sports Zone	DailyMailTV (N)	TMZ (N)	
WKTC	63	4	22	Last Man Standing "Vanessa Fixes Kyle"	Last Man Standing Bud gives Boyd a spanking.	Supernatural "The Rising Son" Sam and Dean explore Jack's powers. (N)	Arrow "Tribute" Oliver tries to balance his life. (N)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "The Good Doctor" Philanderer wife.		Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Crazy" A prominent doctor is murdered.	The Game Jason confronts a steroid provider.		
CABLE CHANNELS													
A&E	46	130	The First 48 "Mother of Two" A woman is found strangled in her car.			The First 48 "Honor Code" A decorated veteran gets ambushed.		The Eleven: An inmate makes a confession. (Premiere) (Part 1 of 6)		The Eleven: Bell retracts his confession. (Part 2 of 6)		(:03) The First 48 "Officer Down" A killer targets the law.	
AMC	48	180	(6:59) The Walking Dead "Alone" One group finds a shelter.			The Walking Dead "The Grove" The group considers things.		The Walking Dead "Us" Glenn races to catch Maggie.		The Walking Dead "Behind the Dead" Discussing the 100th episode. (N)		The Walking Dead "A" Many paths collide.	
ANPL	41	100	Monsters Inside Me			Monsters Inside Me		Monsters Inside Me		I Was Prey: Close Encounters (N)		Monsters Inside Me	
BET	61	162	(4:30) "Madea's Family Reunion"			★ "Blue Streak" (1999, Comedy) Martin Lawrence, Luke Wilson, cache from a police station.		Peter Greene. Thief tries to retrieve a		Martin "Mother of the Bride"	Martin "Girlfriend"	The Rundown With Robin Thede (N)	The Comedy Get Down (N)
BRAVO	47	181	Top Chef Junior			Flipping Out Jeff gets a text full of accusations.		Flipping Out "Full Circle" Jeff and Gage celebrate their blessings.		Real Estate Wars "Property Problems" Jojo is shocked by a home's condition.		Watch What Happens Live	
CNBC	35	84	Shark Tank A cat drawing service.			Shark Tank All-inclusive project kits.		Shark Tank		Secret Lives		Secret Lives	
CNN	3	80	Erin Burnett OutFront (N)			Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)	
COM	57	136	(6:50) South Park "Die Hippie, Die"			(2:5) South Park		Tosh.0 Daniel samples an udder.		Nathan for You "The Anecdote"		The Daily Show With Trevor Noah	
DISN	18	200	Bunk'd			Andi Mack		Tosh.0		The President Show (N)		(12:01) South Park	
DSC	42	103	Alaskan Bush People "Bush Code"			Alaskan Bush People "A New Chapter"		Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush	
ESPN	26	35	College Football Countdown (N) (Live)			College Football Memphis at Houston. (N) (Live)		Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush	
ESPN2	27	39	SportsCenter (N)			Dalton (Ga.) at Harrison (Ga.). (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter	
FOOD	40	109	Chopped "Light Makes Right"			Halloween Wars "Monster Party"		Chopped "Feel The Burn" (N)		Beat Bobby Flay		Chopped	
FOXN	37	90	The Story With Martha MacCallum (N)			Tucker Carlson Tonight (N)		Hannity (N)		Fox News Tonight (N)		Hannity	
FREE	20	131	(6:45) ★★ "Addams Family Values" (1993, Comedy) Anjelica Huston, Raul Julia. A greedy nanny plots to marry and murder Uncle Fester.			(8:50) ★★ "Hocus Pocus" (1993, Comedy) Bette Midler, Sarah Jessica Parker. Youths conjure up three child-hungry witches on Halloween.		Bette Midler, Sarah Jessica Parker. Youths conjure up three child-hungry witches on Halloween.		The 700 Club God answers a woman's prayer.		*** "ParaNorman" (2012)	
FSS	21	47	Running			Boxing World female welterweight title bout. February 24, 2017.		Power of Sports		Atlanta United		ACC All-Access	
HALL	52	183	Last Man Standing			Last Man Standing		The Middle "The Graduate"		The Middle "Cutting the Cord"		The Golden Girls	
HGTV	39	112	Flip or Flop			Flip or Flop		The Middle "The Graduate"		The Middle "The Shirt"		The Golden Girls	
HIST	45	110	(6:58) Forged in Fire "The Cutlass"			(7:57) Forged in Fire: Cutting Deeper		House Hunters (N)		Hunters Int'l		Flip or Flop Vegas	
ION	13	18	Blue Bloods "New Rules" NYPD Deputy Chief Donald Kent is killed.			Blue Bloods "The Greater Good" A woman asks Frank for a favor.		Ice Road Truckers "Of Ice and Men"		(:03) Ice Road Truckers		Forged in Fire	
LIFE	50	145	Project Runway "Client on the Go" The designers create an on-the-go look.			Project Runway Creating an avant garde look. (N)		Blue Bloods "The Price of Justice" A hostage victim won't press charges.		Blue Bloods "Mob Rules" A mob attacks Gormley outside his home.		Blue Bloods "For the Community"	
MSNBC	36	92	Hardball With Chris Matthews (N)			All In With Chris Hayes (N)		Project Runway "Driving Miss Unconventional" The designers must use safety materials. (N)		(:32) American Beauty Star Makeovers for women in public service. (N)		(:32) Project Runway (N)	
NICK	16	210	Henry Danger			Dude Perfect		The Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word		The 11th Hour With Brian Williams (N)	
SPIKE	64	153	Friends			Friends		Fresh Prince		Fresh Prince		Friends	
SYFY	58	152	★★ "Trick 'r Treat" (2007, Horror) Anna Paquin, Brian Cox, Dylan Baker. Terror runs rampant in a small town during Halloween.			★★ "Shrek Forever After" (2010, Children's)		★★ "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004) Dennis Quaid. Global warming leads to worldwide natural disasters.		★★ "The Faculty" (1998) Jordana Brewster. High-school students suspect that their teachers are aliens.		*** Taken	
TBS	24	156	MLB Postseason Pre-Game (N) (Live)			MLB Baseball Los Angeles Dodgers at Chicago Cubs. The Cubs and Dodgers wrap up their stint at Wrigley Field in Game 5 of the NLCS. (If necessary).		Van Helsing "Love Bites" Vanessa makes a horrific decision. (N)		Ghost Wars A research scientist self-experiments. (N)		Conan	
TCM	49	186	(6:30) ★★ "Manhunt in the Jungle" (1958) Robin Hughes, Luis Alvarez.			★★★★ "The Crowd" (1928, Drama) Eleanor Boardman, James Murray, Bert Roach. Silent. A hopeful man becomes an anonymous failure.		Power of Sports		SportsMoney		Atlanta United	
TLC	43	157	My 600-Lb. Life "Amber's Story"			My 600-Lb. Life "Bettie Jo's Story"		The Middle "The Graduate"		The Middle "The Shirt"		The Golden Girls	
TNT	23	158	Bones "The Lady on the List" The murder of a high school principal.			NBA Basketball New York Knicks at Oklahoma City Thunder. From Chesapeake Energy Arena in Oklahoma		My 600-Lb. Life "Nikki's Story"		My 600-Lb. Life "June's Story"		(:01) My 600-Lb. Life "Amber's Story"	
TRUTV	38	129	Impractical Jokers			Impractical Jokers		Blue Bloods "The Price of Justice" A hostage victim won't press charges.		Blue Bloods "Mob Rules" A mob attacks Gormley outside his home.		NBA Basketball Los Angeles Clippers at Los Angeles Lakers. From Staples Center in Los Angeles. (N Subject to Blackout) (Live)	
TV LAND	55	161	M*A*S*H			M*A*S*H		Ice Road Truckers "Of Ice and Men"		(:03) Ice Road Truckers		The Chris Gethard Show (N)	
USA	25	132	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Blood" Assault and carjacking.			★★ "Diary of a Mad Black Woman" (2005, Comedy-Drama) Kimberly Elise, Steve Harris, Shemar Moore. A woman starts over after her husband leaves her. (DVS)		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers	
WE	68	166	Mary Mary "Who Is Number 1?"			Mary Mary "Do You Still Love Him?"		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers	
WGNA	8	172	Cops			Cops		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers	



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Members of the British Library staff look over various items on display at the “Harry Potter — A History of Magic” exhibition at the British Library in London.

Harry Potter exhibit marks 20th anniversary of 1st book

BY DANICA KIRKA
The Associated Press

LONDON — Harry Potter fans owe a debt of gratitude to Alice Newton.

Alice was 8 years old when her father, a Bloomsbury Publishing executive, brought home a new manuscript for her to read.

“The excitement in this book made me feel warm inside,” she scrawled in a note to her dad. “I think it is probably one of the best books an 8/9 year old could read.”

Based on this glowing review, Bloomsbury published “Harry Potter and the Philosopher’s Stone,” launching a literary juggernaut that brought magic to a generation of children.

Alice’s penciled note is part of the British Library’s new exhibition, “Harry Potter: A History of Magic.” The show, which coincides with the 20th anniversary of the publication of J.K. Rowling’s first book, is an unabashed celebration of the stories and their antecedents.

“There are some rich historical traditions behind the magic in the Harry Potter stories, which J.K. Rowling was aware of,” said Alexander Lock, one of the exhibit curators, who added that he was impressed with Rowling’s ability to layer information and offer depth. “They go into the stories and make them so rich.”

The exhibit, which opens Friday, includes Rowling’s

outline for the book, her personal drawings of characters and a map of Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry.

It also looks at magic and the nature of belief, revealing that many of the things Harry Potter fans thought were imaginary were actually based in fact — or folklore. It includes rare books and manuscripts from around the world, together with cauldrons, broomsticks, crystal balls and potion manuals that offer insight into Rowling’s inspiration and how the books came to be.

The show is divided into rooms based on the subjects studied at Hogwarts, the setting for Rowling’s novels following the adventures of Harry, the orphan who learns at age 11 that he is a wizard. Sections include Potions, Herbology, Divination, Care of Magical Creatures and Defense Against the Dark Arts.

Each section touches on the legends and beliefs that Rowling wove into her stories, with historical objects illustrating the scholarship behind the narrative.

The exhibition runs from Oct. 20 to Feb. 28, 2018 and has already sold some 30,000 tickets — the highest amount of advance tickets ever sold for a British Library exhibition. It will then travel to New York to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the release of “Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone,” the book’s title in the United States.

‘Eleven’ revisits unsolved Texas serial killer case

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

Created for obsessive true crime buffs, “**The Eleven**” (9 p.m. and 10 p.m., A&E, TV-14) recalls unsolved serial killings from the 1970s. Beginning in 1971, 11 young girls disappeared and were found murdered in the area between Houston and Galveston. Some were last seen hitchhiking, leaving their school bus or awaiting a ride from their parents. Despite the notoriety of the crimes, no suspect was ever tried.

Nearly a half-century later, local journalist Lise Olsen and retired police detective Fred Paige have revived the cold case and have decided to follow a peculiar lead. In the midst of the original investigation, authorities received a cryptic note from inmate Edward Harold Bell, serving time for an unrelated homicide. Filled with strange references to government conspiracies, Bell’s confessional note was dismissed at the time. Olsen and Paige believe that was a mistake.

Unfortunately for viewers, there is very little surviving contemporary news footage concerning this horrific case. The 1970s was a time when a lot of news was still shot on film; storing film canisters in this pre-digital age was expensive, as well as space- and time-consuming.

So, in addition to interviews with friends of the victims, now in their 50s and 60s, a great deal of “The Eleven” consists of re-enactments, or what the makers of this production call “cinematic dramatizations.”

There’s an emphasis here on clips of lurid depictions of execution-style killings. Information about the case and its new investigation is doled out in spoonfuls in-between repeated viewings of these shock-value tableaux.

One gets the sense that there’s about 15 minutes of actual exposition per hour-long episode. Look for two helpings of “The Eleven” tonight. The remaining four helpings will air at 10

p.m. on subsequent Thursday nights.

- ABC recycles holiday favorites of different vintages. Linus embraces an unorthodox view of Halloween in the 1966 cartoon “**It’s the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown**” (8 p.m., TV-G). The gang hunts for one of their own amid things that go bump in the night in the 2013 CGI offering “**Toy Story OF TERROR!**” (8:30 p.m., TV-G).

TONIGHT’S OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- Big changes in Bruce on “**Gotham**” (8 p.m., Fox, TV-14).
- Contestants find themselves caught between safety and unconventionality on “**Project Runway**” (9 p.m., Lifetime, TV-PG).
- A compromised commander gets a second chance on the pilot episode of “**The Orville**” (9 p.m., Fox, r, TV-14).
- Fitz adjusts to private life on “**Scandal**” (9 p.m. ABC, TV-14).
- Eileen Brennan, Martin Mull, Lesley Ann Warren, Tim Curry and Madeline Kahn star in the 1985 adaptation of the board game “**Clue**” (9 p.m., Discovery Family).
- An awards ceremony allows members of the team to rub shoulders with their heroes on “**Great News**” (9:30 p.m., NBC, TV-PG).
- Crawling from the wreckage on “**Chicago Fire**” (10 p.m., NBC, TV-14).
- Annalise regains her confidence on “**How to Get Away**

With Murder” (10 p.m., ABC, TV-14).

SERIES NOTES

Security concerns on “**Superstore**” (8 p.m., NBC, TV-14) * The brothers get a sense of Jack’s potential on “**Supernatural**” (8 p.m., CW, TV-14) * Sorting out ethics on “**The Good Place**” (8:30 p.m., NBC, TV-14) * Jack discovers he’s a grandfather on “**Will & Grace**” (9 p.m., NBC, TV-14) * Anately returns to Star City on “**Arrow**” (9 p.m., CW, TV-14).

LATE NIGHT

“**The Daily Show With Trevor Noah**” (11 p.m., Comedy Central) visits Chicago * Carl Reiner, Nikki Glaser and Pokey LaFarge are on “**Conan**” (11 p.m., TBS, r) * Jeff Bridges, Sen. Jeff Flake (R-Ariz.) and Miguel are on “**The Late Show With Stephen Colbert**” (11:35 p.m., CBS, r) * Jimmy Fallon welcomes Reese Witherspoon and U2 on “**The Tonight Show**” (11:35 p.m., NBC, r) * Billy Joel, Tracy Morgan and Paul Shaffer appear on “**Jimmy Kimmel Live**” (11:35 p.m., ABC) * Jim Parsons, Chrissy Metz, Ruston Kelly and Gregg Bissonette visit “**Late Night With Seth Meyers**” (12:35 a.m., NBC, r) * Michael Keaton, Dylan O’Brien and Superfruit appear on “**The Late Late Show With James Corden**” (12:35 a.m., CBS, r).

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Summons & Notice

SUMMONS AND NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT 2017-CP-43-01458

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF SUMTER

LaQuesta S. Rufus, Plaintiff,
-v-
Tyler C. Scott, Defendant.

TO THE DEFENDANT:
Tyler C. Scott

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Complaint for damages in an automobile accident, the original of which has been filed in the office of the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, on the 4th day of August, 2017, a copy of which will be delivered to you upon request; and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint upon the undersigned attorney for the Plaintiff, John D. Clark at the Clark Law Firm L.L.C., at Post Office Drawer 880, 22 E. Liberty Street, Sumter, South Carolina 29151-0880, within thirty (30) days following the date of service upon you, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer the complaint within the time stated, Plaintiff will move for an Order declaring you, the Defendant in default on the ground that Defendant failed to timely answer or otherwise submit responsive pleadings to the Complaint filed with this Court on August 4, 2017. In addition, the Plaintiff will seek the relief requested in the Complaint previously filed in this matter.

John D. Clark, Esquire
Attorney for Plaintiff
22 East Liberty Street
P.O. Drawer 880
Sumter, SC 29151

SUMMONS AND NOTICES (Non-Jury)

FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS C/A NO.: 2010-CP-43-01155

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF SUMTER

Wells Fargo Bank, NA, Plaintiff,

v.

Bernard Kalish; Any heirs-at-law or devisees of Elizabeth Housen, deceased, their heirs, Personal Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons or entities entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons or entities with any right, title, estate, interest in or lien upon the real estate described in the complaint herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as Richard Roe; and any unknown minors, incompetent or imprisoned person, or persons under a disability being a class designated as John Doe; Sumter National Bank n/k/a First Citizens Bank and Trust

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Company, Inc.; AMLI Residential Properties; Virginia Federal Savings Bank a/k/a Suntrust Bank; United States of America, acting through its agency, Department of Treasury - Internal Revenue Service; Dolly Brown,

Defendant(s).

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

TO MINOR(S) OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE, AND/OR TO MINOR(S) UNDER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND THE PERSON WITH WHOM THE MINOR(S) RESIDES, AND/OR TO PERSONS UNDER SOME LEGAL DISABILITY:

YOU ARE FURTHER SUMMONED AND NOTIFIED to apply for the appointment of a guardian ad litem within thirty (30) days after the service of this Summons and Notice upon you. If you fail to do so, application for such appointment will be made by Attorney for Plaintiff.

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

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

LIS PENDENS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an action has been or will be commenced in this Court upon complaint of the above-named Plaintiff against the above-named Defendant(s) for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage of real estate given by Bernard P. Kalish to National Bank of South Carolina dated January 24, 1992 and recorded on January 29, 1992 in Book 539 at Page 1270 and rerecorded on February 24, 1992 in Book 541, Page 126, in the Sumter County Registry (hereinafter, "Mortgage"). Thereafter, the Mortgage was transferred to the Plaintiff herein by assignment and/or corporate merger.

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

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate, lying and being in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, and being more particularly shown and delineated as Lot #78 and a portion of 2.2 acres adjoining lot #78 and owned by the mortgagor according to that certain plat by D.D. Edmunds, dated December 9, 1991, revised on January 1, 1992 and recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court for Sumter County in Plat Book 92 at page 112. Said lot #78 and the .10 acre adjoining are bounded and measure as follows: On the North by lot #79 measuring 62.00 feet, Northeast by Lot #79 on said plat whereon it measure 150.0 feet; on the Southeast by the right of way of Clematis Trail whereon it measures 109.95 feet; on the Southwest by Lot #77 on said plat whereon it measures 198.82 feet, and by lands of J.T. Buxton measuring 13.18 feet;

and on the Northwest by land of Bernard P. Kalish, mortgagor, measuring 111.54 feet. All of said measurements according to said plat a little more or less.

This property is subject to all invisible and recorded easements, rights of way and covenants, including those restrictive covenants of record in the office of the clerk of court for Sumter County in Deed Book G-10 at page 509.

This is a portion of the property conveyed to Bernard P. Kalish by deed of record in the office of the Clerk of Court for Sumter County recorded on January 29, 1979 in Deed Book K-10 at page 120 and reflected on the Sumter County Tax Map as #204-02-01-011 and 014.

TMS No. 204-02-01-011(Lot 78) & 204-02-01-014(portion of)

Property Address:
2421 Clematis Trl,
Sumter, SC 29150

NOTICE OF FILING COMPLAINT

TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED:

YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the original Complaint, Cover Sheet for Civil Actions and Certificate of Exemption from ADR in the above entitled action was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Sumter County on June 1, 2010.

ORDER APPOINTING GUARDIAN AD LITEM AND APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY

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

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

ORDERED that Kelley Woody, Esquire, P.O. Box 6432, Columbia, SC 29260 phone (803) 787-9678, be and hereby is appointed Guardian ad Litem on behalf of all unknown minors and all unknown persons who may be under a disability, all of whom may have or claim to have some interest or claim to the real property commonly known as 2421 Clematis Trl, Sumter, South Carolina 29150; that he is empowered and directed to appear on behalf of and represent said Defendants, unless said Defendants, or someone on their behalf, shall within thirty (30) days after service of a copy hereof as directed, procure the appointment of Guardian or Guardians ad Litem for said Defendants.

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

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

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