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Things are changing: A new administrative building is going up to the right of the current offices of the Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission on Highway 221 south of Laurens. The new building will give LCWSC office space for all of its 32 employees and centralize much of its operations. — Photo by Bristow Marchant

Agency planning 50 years ahead

By Bristow Marchant
Staff Writer

First in a series

The people overseeing the county's water and sewer lines are operating under a 50-year plan to meet the growing needs of the county's water customers. And while 50 years may sound like a long time to plan for, meeting those needs will require a lot of change in the near-term.

Right now, the Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission is in the middle of a string of projects that will reposition the agency for the future.

Maybe the biggest outward sign of that change is the new building going up beside the LCWSC headquarters on Highway 221.

With a foundation of 4,600 square feet, what today looks like just the frame of a building next to the parking lot will soon provide new office space for the water and sewer commission's employees while also centralizing its operations in two closely connected buildings.

"We want to move it all under one roof," said Jeff Field, the LCWSC executive director. "We're going to put all our operations staff and our two engineers in there so they can work side-by-side."

Field said the new building will move some staff out of an "old metal building" on site that's no longer serviceable as an office and which will be converted into a warehouse.

Construction of the new office is being paid for by a \$2.565 million loan from the rural development program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture,

which also includes money for water line improvements and the water and sewer commission's debt-service reserves.

Beside some staff already located on Highway 221, the new building will also include space for workers in the sewer department who currently work out of the wastewater treatment plant in Joanna.

"We want to have more of the water side and sewer side working together," Field said. "Right now most of their work can be done out of Joanna, but as we grow and add more sewer lines in Ware Shoals, Fountain Inn and Gray Court, they're going to be doing a lot more work up there, and we need to have a more central location for them to work out of."

LCWSC's office expansion is meant to fit that bill. When the project is finished, all 32 of the commission's employees

will have their own office space in the building complex south of Laurens.

"There's room for a lot of plans and projects to run out of there," Field said. "It will be a little crowded, but it will be better organized."

Having all staff members in one location will improve communication, which is especially important since LCWSC recently did away with its water and sewer supervisors in favor of having work crews report directly to management.

"Our crews now operate almost as their own departments," Field said. "Our four crews have been together for some time, and one member acts as the supervisor for budget purposes... now our monthly staff meetings have grown from four

LCWSC, 11A



City Council receives reports from department heads before setting goals

By Larry Franklin
Publisher

First in a series

Clinton City Council held its annual strategic planning workshop Nov. 4 at the Clinton YMCA. At the retreat, council received reports from all city departments, along with an update on the progress made on last year's goals. Council then set goals and objectives for the coming year.

This series will look at the information council received at the workshop and at the goals established.

Council divided the goals into four categories last year and decided to keep the same categories this year: exceptional infrastructure, grow the economy, develop and

maintain sustainable revenue sources and promote community development.

In growing the economy, council agreed the city should aggressively pursue the recruitment of industry and business leading to job creation while working to retain existing businesses.

City staff and the Clinton Economic Development Corporation (CEDC) are working with the Laurens County Development Corporation, Upstate Alliance and the S.C. Department of Commerce to lure new business to Clinton.

There are four pending projects considering Phase III of ClintonPark Corporate Center, the city-owned industrial park, City Manager Frank Stovall said.

Planning, 14A

Griffith says time is right for PC to find new president

First in a series

When Dr. John V. Griffith retires as the president of Presbyterian College at the end of the current academic year, he will leave behind some pretty impressive accomplishments - including establishing a School of Pharmacy, internationalizing the undergraduate program and moving the college into Division I status in the NCAA.

Those things are the things he talked most about when asked about his accomplishments, and the mix of academics and athletics reflect the philosophy of the man who has been president of the college since 1998.

"I grew up in a town of 2,500

(Hamilton, N.Y.). My dad was the dean of the local college," Griffith said. "And I have worked all my life in high-quality education institutions (Davidson College, Lyon College in Arkansas and PC). In PC, I found a place that offered me a job that fit with what I valued.

"I found a college that was eager to plan. The theme (of the first plan) was 'Moving Without Leaving Home,'" he said. "Education is not static. Society changes and the way you educate changes. But at home are the core values."

"I found a very fine faculty, very committed to the students. They were ready to move, but were insistent on keeping the

core values," Griffith said.

The reason Griffith has decided now is the time to retire is related, he said, to understanding the internal pulse of the institution.

"Many of the things central of our strategic plan are completed or nearing maturity," he said, mentioning internationalizing the undergraduate curriculum, strengthening faculty research, the School of Pharmacy and moving to Division I.

"We've worked hard on these things," Griffith said. "I'll be 64 soon and I've been a college president for 24 years. I'd like to do new things."

Griffith, 11A



Griffith to leave PC next year: Presbyterian College President Dr. John V. Griffith will retire as PC's 16th president on June 30, 2012. During his tenure, PC began a School of Pharmacy and has almost completed the transition to NCAA DI (FCS) in athletics.

-- Photo by Larry Franklin

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Potter's Field service will memorialize those forgotten

By Bristow Marchant

Staff Writer

As Laurens County's coroner, Nick Nichols is tasked with dealing with the recently departed. But now he wants to show more concern for the many bodies long left lying in a mostly unmarked field off Torrington Road.

The Potter's Field, as it's called, is a county-owned plot where citizens have long been buried when there is nowhere else to go.

"There are hundreds of graves out here," Nichols said last week. "These are the forgotten ones. But on Nov. 20 at 3 p.m., we're going to memorialize these people."

Nichols' office has records of poorer county residents being buried in Potter's Field going back to 1938, but burials have been taking place on the site for much longer.

A search of deeds reveals that 212 acres were purchased by five Laurens County citizens in their capacity as "Commissioners of the Poor" in 1829. The land purchased includes the Laurens County Memorial Home for the Aged, which was once a county-owned facility, and the Laurens County Airport.

For more than 180 years citi-



"Forgotten ones": Coroner Nick Nichols is calling attention to the county-owned graveyard where those unable to afford a burial have been laid to rest for almost 200 years. Laurens County will hold a memorial service at the site off Torrington Road on Sunday.
— Photo by Bristow Marchant

zens who die without means for burial have been brought to Potter's field and here many still lie.

Its unknown how many people have been buried at the site or where. Only a handful of the more recent graves are marked. Nichols said he's heard that vet-

erans of the Revolutionary War and the Civil War are buried in the Potter's Field, as are many slaves. The last person buried in Potter's Field was a child interred little more than a year ago.

"Nobody knows the names of most of them," says Nichols.

"They're known only to God."

This Sunday at 3 p.m., Laurens County will recognize those who in death and often in life were anonymous. There will be a memorial service for people who probably never had any such thing. Congressman Jeff

Duncan will be in attendance as well as the high school ROTCs.

The coroner's office tries to maintain the field as much as possible. The county mows the grass and Nichols helped erect a stone memorial on the site inscribed with a verse from Hebrews 13:2; "Don't forget to be kind to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it."

The expression "Potter's Field" itself derives from the Bible, referring to a field used for the extraction of potter's clay, which was useless for agriculture but could be used as a burial site.

Those who can't afford the costs of a burial today are still buried in the Potter's Field, often at the request of a dying individual or their family.

"I see several cases a month where people can't afford to be

buried," Nichols said, and the amount of space available in the field is finite. "These days I'm doing more cremations."

Anyone who wants to be part of Sunday's service can contact Deputy Coroner Vickie Cheek at 984-8804. As part of Sunday's ceremony, money will be raised for the nearby Memorial Home, which cares for elderly county residents who often can't afford to stay anywhere else. Many of the Home's former residents are also buried in Potter's Field.

"Maybe this is one instance where the dead can help the living," the coroner said.

A reading of all the names of the dead won't be possible, but Nichols said, "We can all pause and remember that many, many of our fellow citizens have lived and died and are buried out here. I want everyone to know this place is more than just a field."

Dutton to sign copies of novel Thursday in Clinton

Monte Dutton will sign copies of his novel, *The Audacity of Dope*, at My Friend's Bookstore on Thursday, Nov. 17, 5-6 p.m.

The Audacity of Dope, Dutton's first novel, was released on Nov. 1 by Neverland Publishing of Miami, Fla.

Riley Mansfield, the main character, is a singer-songwriter who unwittingly becomes a national hero after thwarting an attempt to blow up an airplane on a flight from New York to Greenville, S.C. Mansfield shies away from the attention, and when powerful forces attempt to manipulate him for their ends, he fights back. Things get ugly, and *The Audacity of Dope* evolves into a suspense thriller.

"I made Riley an ex-athlete because he needed to be bold, courageous and decisive," Dutton said. "I made him a musician because he needed to be independent and rebellious."

"Let's just say that Riley has an attitude."

Emboldened by his own obstinacy, Mansfield and his girl Friday, Melissa Franklin, lead the government and the Republi-

cans on a sometimes merry, sometimes painful, sometimes lucky chase. There is a love affair of sex, drugs and country-folk. Along the way they stumble across unlikely friends — a Democrat strategist, a *Rolling Stone* writer, a pair of sympathetic FBI agents — and ruthless enemies. All for the sake of freedom. And the truth the American people deserve to hear.

The Audacity of Dope begins in Texas, but the story weaves its way through South Carolina, Florida, North Carolina, Kentucky, Oregon and Virginia en route to a tense conclusion in Washington, D.C.

Peter Farris, author of *Last Call for the Living*, wrote, "*The Audacity of Dope* is both lyrical and folksy, a Kerouac-ian road novel that is also laugh-out-loud funny, featuring an anti-hero so potentially iconic you'll be surfing eBay for Riley Mansfield tees before long. Imagine if *The Big Lebowski* had wandered into a Larry McMurtry novel and decided to write the common man's sequel to *Primary Colors*."

Dutton has previously written a number of non-fiction books,

among them *Pride of Clinton: Clinton High School Football 1920-85* (1986), *Rebel with a Cause: A Season with NASCAR's Tony Stewart* (2001) and *True to the Roots: Americana Music Revealed* (2006).

My Friend's Bookstore is just

off the square in Clinton at 112 Musgrove Street. *The Audacity of Dope* may also be purchased at amazon.com and neverland-publishing.com. A Kindle version will be released at amazon.com on Dec. 1.

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Wesberry leads 600-member congregation at First Presbyterian

(Editor's note: The Chronicle continues a series of Pastor Profiles, featuring the pastors of churches in Laurens County. If you would like your pastor to be profiled, call 833-1900 and give us: the pastor's name, the name of the church, a **daytime** phone number for the pastor, and the pastor's email address (if you know it).

Pastor Profiles

Tell our readers about yourself. Include your name, the name of your church and a little bit about your background, education, family, etc.

I am the Rev. Dr. Wain Wesberry, Senior Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Clinton. I was born and raised in Batesburg-Leesville and love the mustard based barbeque of

Shealy's! Education: Columbia Theological Seminary, Doctor of Ministry (2008); Masters of Divinity (2000); Presbyterian College Bachelor of Arts in English (1996). My wife of 14 years, Sarah, is also a PC graduate, and we have two amazing children, Will (10), and Aubrey June (8). We are all Blue Hose fans and enjoy attending PC athletic

events as a family. I love to play golf, bass fishing, and cooking though I never attempt to do all three at the same time.

Describe your congregation.

First Presbyterian Church of Clinton is in its 156th year of ministry and service in our community. It is a congregation of nearly 600 members that takes great pride in being the mother church to the Thornwell Home for Children and Presbyterian College. The worship of God, Christian Education of disciples of all ages, fellowship of the faith community, and service to all our neighbors, particularly to those in need, are all important aspects of who we are as a congregation. FPC Clinton is the 11th largest congregation of the 70 churches of Trinity Presbytery, and you can learn more about us at: www.fpcclinton.org

What about your church are you the most proud?



Dr. Wain Wesberry

I am really proud of the multitude of ways our church members give very unselfishly to support the ministries and mission of the church with their time, talents, and treasures in order to make our community a better place. This year, in particular, I thank God for all that we have been able to do to fight hunger and its

ravaging effects on children as we have developed our Snack Pack program with United Ministries.

What is the biggest challenge your church faces?

Overcoming the perception by some in the community that the members of FPC perceive themselves to be better than others. We strive to create an atmosphere of genuine welcome and hospitality and deeply desire for all of our neighbors to experience the words "grace" and "love" in tangible ways because of our love of God through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Your testimony in 100 words or less

I cannot name a time in my life that I was not connected to God, to God's purposes for me, and to God's people in and through the church family. I was nurtured by the church and give thanks to God for many who modeled the Christian

faith to me. Although Presbyterians practice the sacrament of baptism for infants, I was not baptized as an infant but as a sixth grader upon the completion of a confirmation program on Easter Sunday. There are many people who led me to understanding the saving love of Jesus Christ and God's call to me to become an ordained minister but none more significant than my childhood pastor and mentor, the Rev. Dr. Thomas Engle, "Pastor Tom."

If I could do anything, I would...

End hunger in Laurens County. It absolutely breaks my heart to know that so many people, children in particular, face the grinding realities of poverty and hunger in our community. All Christians have a mandate from Holy Scripture to work together to live as advocates for the needy, and there is so much more we could and should be doing to end hunger.



Bible Verse Contest winner: David Nelson of Clinton, left, was the winner of The Chronicle's Bible Verse Contest for Week #3. He is shown receiving \$50 and a new Bible from Chronicle Ad Manager Shirley Pace. The Chronicle and the Bible Verse Contest sponsors have given away \$18,900 and 313 Bibles since the contest began in 2006. The contest continues this week.

Countywide litter pick-up Saturday

By **Bristow Marchant**

Staff Writer

Laurens County should look a little cleaner after next Saturday.

Saturday, Nov. 19, is the date for the fourth-quarter countywide clean-up effort organized by the Laurens County Chamber of Commerce and its Beautification Committee.

Volunteer groups from around the county will be working on roadsides from 8 a.m. to noon picking up litter, and organizers hope to bring out more people this quarter than ever before.

"Our goal is to get 1,000 people out there this time," said Harry Agnew, the chairman of the Beautification Committee, "and I think we can do it."

This month's clean-up is expanding the number of groups involved. Not only will Chamber members be working in different areas, but they're also coordinating with the DOT's Adopt-A-Highway sponsors, who will clean up their stretches of the state highways. The Beautification Committee is also issuing a Church Challenge to get local congregations involved.

"Part of caring for God's world is keeping it beautiful," Agnew said. "We want preachers to talk to their congregations and do something either that Saturday or whenever they can."

Anybody can get involved by calling the Chamber office at 833-2716 or e-mailing salexander@laurenscounty.org. The Chamber can recommend areas

that can be cleaned up, keep count of everyone involved, and even provide the vests, gloves and bags needed to pick up trash.

"Families can sign up, individuals, groups. Anybody can do it," said Marilyn Easter, who also serves on the Beautification Committee.

After Easter picked up enough litter on an earlier clean-up day, she made a hat out of all the items she found on the side of the road and wore it to Squealing on the Square.

"I put a sign on the front that said 'Don't Be a Trash-head,'" she said. "Kids were coming up to me saying 'wow, where did you get that hat?'" Education is the one thing you've got to do, so you don't end up cleaning the same area and then go back

within hours and see more trash there."

After all the trash in a particular area has been cleaned up, volunteers can take it to any of the county convenience sites and leave their trash in specially-marked beautification receptacles.

These help organizers keep track of how much trash is collected. Over the last six months, between 40,000 and 50,000 pounds of trash have been collected from roads in Laurens County.

"It's amazing what you can find on the side of the road; car parts, a toilet, old tires," Agnew said. "Every convenience center has a bin to collect anything you find."

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Cobra on display in Laurens and Clinton: The Piedmont Technical College Foundation is providing the opportunity for one lucky person to drive off in a 1965 Cobra Replica. The Foundation is offering up to 500 tickets for a \$100 donation per ticket for the purpose of a drawing to select one winner to win the second student-built Cobra. The Cobra will be on display at Cooper Motor Company in Clinton through Nov. 22. The car has been on display at Firmin Ford in Laurens and also Aaron Industries in Clinton. Aaron Industries purchased 100 tickets and had a drawing for all fulltime employees. Tickets will be available through Dec. 2 or until 500 are sold. Tickets are available from any Foundation board member, the PTC automotive technology department or Fran Wiley, executive director of the PTC Foundation. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Wiley at (864) 941-8351 or at wiley.f@ptc.edu.

PTC Foundation selling tickets for '65 Cobra replica

The Piedmont Technical College Foundation is providing the opportunity for one lucky person to drive off in a 1965 Cobra Replica.

The Foundation is offering up to 500 tickets for a \$100 donation per ticket for the purpose of a drawing to select one winner to win the second student-built Cobra.

The Cobra Project was a joint effort between the first year and second year students in Piedmont Tech's automotive technology class. The top two percent of those students were chosen to work on the prized creation that was started in late October 2006. This was the second effort in building a Factory Five kit.

"It is the ultimate tool to illustrate to the community and to enthusiasts of all ages the quality of our automotive technology program," said Keith Lasure, dean of engineering and industrial technology at Piedmont Tech.

Like its predecessor, the 2009 project is a 1965 Cobra Replica, but with its own personality. The '79 Lamborghini-red version has twin roll bars, a different rear end and a different composition on the engine. Between the driver and the passenger seats is an embroidered coiled cobra that warns drivers of the speed and power that the Cobra possesses.

Tickets will be available through December 2 or until 500 are sold. On Dec. 5, 10 finalist

tickets will be drawn. The winner of the Cobra will be selected from those 10 finalists through a reverse drawing at the Piedmont Technical College employee Christmas luncheon on Dec. 15.

Tickets are available from any Foundation board member, the PTC automotive technology department or Fran Wiley, executive director of the PTC Foundation. Part of the proceeds from the ticket sales will go to scholarships and to assist the automotive technology department. Rules and conditions can be found at www.ptc.edu/cobra. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Wiley at (864) 941-8351 or at wiley.f@ptc.edu.

Parents and others can help reduce dropouts in District

By Larry Franklin

Publisher

Last in a series

There are a number of things that parents, schools and others in the community can do to lower the number of students who drop out of school.

According to information provided by officials in Laurens County School District 56, parents can help their child get into the habit of regular routines and learn the value of the routines.

Also, parents can teach the child that attending school is non-negotiable unless they are sick.

Building relationships with other families and discussing how parents can help each other out - drop off, pick up, etc. - in times of need or emergencies is also a good thing for parents to do.

Clinton High School Principal Maureen Tiller and Henry Simmons, director of guidance, have placed a renewed emphasis on reducing the number of drop outs in the district.

Parents are being encouraged to identify non-academic activities (drama, art, music, etc.) that can help motivate students' interest in school.

The schools should educate families about the impact that poor attendance has on school achievement, as well as inform parents about the positive incentives students receive for good attendance.

Schools should also consider

recognizing parents for their role in a student's good attendance.

Parents should be notified by the school if the student is absent, something that happens at Clinton High School, Simmons said.

Finally, schools should reach out of families to find out what is happening if students begin to miss school regularly and should refer the families to other resources in the community when that happens.

Community agencies can help reduce the number of drop outs by teaching parents the importance of regular attendance - beginning in kindergarten.

Agencies can help parents of older students to understand that excessive absence is a "critical warning sign" for dropping out.

Agencies can partner with schools to provide social work and case management support to the families of students with high number of absences.

The information gathered by Tiller and Simmons said that chronic absence in kindergarten is associated with lower academic performance in first grade among all children.

For poor children, extended absence in kindergarten is a predictor that the lowest levels of educational achievement will be at the end of fifth grade.

By the ninth grade, missing 20 percent of school (two months) is a better predictor of dropping out than eighth grade test scores, the information said.

According to the Upper Savannah Dropout Prevention Task-

force, the school climate is sometimes a barrier to graduation.

Schools are urged to use best practice strategies and data analysis to improve school climates beginning at the middle school level.

A second identified barrier to school success is a low level of student motivation to achieve in school.

The taskforce encourages schools to use service learning, career exploration, job shadowing, goal setting, college visitation, character education and other strategies to improve levels of student motivation.

One way to achieve that is by building partnerships with local business and industry "to help schools teach requirements for the world of work."

Students often drop out because they have not mastered the "soft skills" necessary for employment or success in post secondary education.

Schools should teach the skills - including working in cooperative and collaborative groups, ethical thinking and core values - as part of instruction in all subject areas.

Early literacy is a key to preventing drop outs and schools should - at the elementary level - identify potential drop outs.

Seventy-five percent of prisoners are drop outs, the information provided by the district said. The main reasons students give for dropping out are boring classes, classes too long, failing grades, discipline, absenteeism.

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Broad Street plans 6th annual Thanksgiving for community

By Bristow Marchant
Staff Writer

If you need a hand finding something or somewhere to eat this Thanksgiving, Broad Street United Methodist Church is there to offer one.

The church is holding its annual Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, Nov. 24, at noon in Broad Street's activities center on North Broad Street.

"Anybody is welcome to come," said Chrissy Cruickshanks, who is helping to organize the dinner for the church. "We'd like (anyone coming to call), so we have an accurate count of how many people to expect, but we welcome walk-ins too."

This is the sixth annual dinner hosted by the Broad Street church. Last year's dinner served around 600 people either on site in the church's Cunningham Center, or through take-out and delivery services offered by the church.

Hickory Hills will prepare a

traditional Thanksgiving meal for those who attend, and organizers will offer gifts and entertainment for people who attend.

"We're going to have a coat give-away and a blanket give-away," Cruickshanks said. "We'll have children's activities and music. We're also asking the children who do come to make cards for children who are in the hospital."

Those who plan to attend or want to order a meal are asked to call DeLane Barnes at 981-3762 or First Baptist Church of Clinton at 833-2578. Organizers are also seeking volunteers who can help prepare and serve all the meals.

"This year we're offering a bus service to go out and pick up people who want to come," Cruickshanks said. "Anybody who calls in and says they want to come and they don't have any way of getting here, they're welcome to have one of the buses from First Baptist come and provide them with a ride."

The dinner has grown substantially from the 100 people

who showed up for the first Broad Street dinner five years ago. Two weeks out from this year's event, about 300 people had already signed up. Cruickshanks said many of those were signed up for home delivery.

The United Methodist Church will also be feeding police officers, firefighters and other city employees who have to work on the holiday.

Cruickshanks said preparing the meals is an all-day affair. "We want to get all the deliveries out before we open the doors at noon, so it takes us about an hour and a half to do that," she said. "Then it takes about an hour to get every sitting down, and some people hang around to socialize and talk after they eat, but everybody usually clears out by 1:30 or 2 p.m."

The dinner began as a Sunday school class project, and has grown ever since.

"We wanted to keep it going," Cruickshanks said, "because the community really needs it."

Nov. 22 BBQ dinner will help families, Thornwell

The third annual Doghouse Thanksgiving BBQ fundraiser will be held Tuesday, Nov. 22 at WPCC, 1766 Hwy. 72 West.

This year's event is sponsored by WPCC, Musgrove Mill Golf Club and the Young Adult Sunday School class at First Baptist Church, Clinton.

The money raised from the sale of BBQ plates will be used to help local families, as well as funding some of Christmas at Thornwell Home for Children.

BBQ plates, which can be picked up at WPCC from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m., will include pulled pork BBQ, baked beans,

creamy southern cole slaw, hushpuppies and a drink.

Tickets for the plates, which are prepared by JP of Musgrove Mill Golf Club, are \$7 each and must be purchased in advance from JP at Musgrove Mill or Rhonda Cruickshanks at 833-1410.

Clinton woman opens law marketing firm

Legal industry management and marketing veteran Brenda Stewart of Clinton is using her 27 years of law firm experience in the Carolinas and Virginia to launch her own firm, Stewart Marketing and Consulting.

The firm provides marketing and strategic consulting services to law firms ranging in size from solo practitioners to midsize law firms and legal-related associations.

"Stewart Marketing and Consulting fills a void for solo legal practitioners and mid-sized firms with limited marketing and administrative resources," said Stewart. "An independent consultant is perfect for law firms and other professional service firms who need guidance from an experienced marketing professional to build their reputation and client base. Even those firms with an internal marketing staff can benefit from an external perspective to shed new light on firm practices to help overcome obstacles and advance strategic initiatives."



Brenda Stewart

involved in the legal field for decades.

Currently one of 15 non-attorney members of the South Carolina Commission on Lawyer Conduct, she is also a member of the Legal Marketing Association and the American Bar Association.

She served on the South Carolina Association of Legal Administrators board of directors from 2000-2011, serving as the organization's president from 2005-2008.

Stewart was also recently named the city group leader for the Columbia chapter of the Legal Marketing Association.

She is a regular speaker at the South Carolina Bar "Bridge the Gap" live sessions, which every attorney in South Carolina must attend before receiving a license to practice.

She has also presented at numerous meetings of the South Carolina Chapter of the Association of Legal Administrators and at the Association of Legal Administrators National Conference.

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Formerly the director of marketing and client services for Smith Moore Leatherwood LLP and the executive director of Leatherwood Walker Todd & Mann, Stewart has been

Founders FCU returns \$10 million

Founders Federal Credit Union President and CEO Bruce Brumfield said Founders is celebrating its success in 2011 and sharing it with its members in a big way this year. Founders is returning \$10 million to its membership as a bonus dividend - the largest in the credit union's history.

"In 2011, many financial institutions are creating additional customer fees and searching for ways to further charge consumers. Founders Federal Credit Union has no stockholders involved in our decisions.

Instead, we are owned by our members and operate under the leadership of a volunteer Board of Directors. So, our success is our members success," Brumfield said.

"With the recent turmoil surrounding the financial services industry, our ability to distribute this bonus dividend is especially important. And, we'll do it before the holiday season - when our members need it most."

Founders Federal Credit Union will distribute the bonus dividend among savers and borrowers on Nov. 30. The an-

nouncement of this bonus dividend brings the total bonus dividend amount for the credit union to \$30 million over the last 11 years.

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County moving to reclaim land

By **Bristow Marchant**
Staff Writer

At one time, Greenlight Biofuels looked like a promising new industry for Laurens County. Economic development deals were struck with county officials in October 2007 to open a production facility on Charlotte's Road in Clinton beside the Sterilite plant. The future for the business looked bright.

Then in 2008, the economy took a turn for the worst. Greenlight couldn't go forward with its plans to build a new plant. Things went from bad to worse until last month, Laurens County Council formally canceled its agreements with the company and started the process of buying the Charlotte's Road property back.

Last Tuesday, county council passed two measures related to the canceled project. First, council passed third and final reading approval of an ordinance to "repeal, rescind and declare null and void Ordinances #650 and #651," the two ordinances establishing an inducement agreement with Greenlight, "and other matters pertaining thereto."

The repeal was requested by Greenlight itself, which in-

formed the county that "due to the economic impact of the recent recession... the viability of such a plant, considering the current market conditions, is not feasible for the company to undertake," according to the repeal ordinance.

But the loss of one opportunity can create new ones. At the same time council voted to repeal the Greenlight agreement, they also moved forward with plans to re-purchase the nearly eight-acre site set aside for the company.

Council passed second reading of an ordinance authorizing the purchase of 7.978 acres on Charlotte's Road for a price of \$64,000. The site can then be resold by the county to a new industry.

The site has access to a rail spur and would be attractive to a new industry seeking to locate in Laurens County, council decided, and officials negotiated the purchase from the biofuels company so Laurens County will be able to sell the land if a new prospect comes along.

Money for the purchase will come from the county's general funds. The county has already paid an "earnest money deposit" of \$500, and the balance of the purchase price will be paid by Dec. 31.

In other news, council approved third reading of two other ordinances related to economic development.

Council voted to amend its agreement with the Laurens County Chamber of Commerce about use of the Chamber's offices on Professional Park Road. The county gave the Chamber the property for the building with the understanding that the Chamber couldn't sell any part of the property without it reverting to the county.

When the Laurens County Development Corporation, which shares the building, finishes a planned expansion of its

office space, the Chamber wants to give them a 25 percent ownership stake in the property. Council voted unanimously to amend the agreement.

Also approved was a new multi-county park agreement between Laurens and Greenville counties. Laurens County Council approved the inclusion of Coast Sign in the Donaldson Center in Greenville. Coast Sign is a company that manufactures signs for banks, and will employ 135 people at its new facility. Laurens County has a 1 percent partnership with Greenville in the Donaldson Center park.

Entries sought for parade

The 2011 Clinton Christmas Parade will be held Saturday, Dec. 3, beginning at 10 a.m.

The parade will follow the usual downtown parade route — starting at East Maple Street to South Broad Street; cross the railroad tracks to North Broad Street; continue north to Ferguson Street; right on Ferguson

and end at the parking lot at the Community Building.

There is no entry fee but an application is required. Applications are available at the M. S. Bailey Municipal Center.

For more information, contact Dianne Wyatt at 864-833-7505.



Veterans saluted and veterans salute: Ms. Copeland's and Mrs. Irene's 4K class at the M.S. Bailey Child Development Center celebrated Veterans Day with special guests: veterans Joe White, Bruce Brown, Russell Robinson and Nathaniel Copeland. All veterans were presented with a poem and thank you song. The class and the veterans then went to the front of the school for the Pledge of Allegiance. The teachers said they wanted to thank all veterans and members of the military for "helping to make this the land of the free and home of the brave."

Piedmont Tech gets \$8 million in grants

In these tough economic times, Piedmont Technical College is maximizing all possible funding resources. PTC was recently awarded three new grants, bringing the fiscal year total to more than \$8 million.

The three newest grants awarded to the college are the

Title III grant totaling \$2 million, the Predominately Black Institutions (PBI) grant from the U.S. Department of Education for \$2.4 million and the Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training Grant (TAACCCTG) for \$1.65 million.

"One of our strategic goals is to identify new sources of funding to improve the college's services," said Dr. Ray Brooks, president. "By pursuing these grant opportunities, we are able to provide tools and programs to achieve our ultimate goal - the success of our students."

"The number of grants we are pursuing continues to rise each year," said Bryan Campbell, grants coordinator. "As we refine our procedures and do continuous improvement, it will be a more efficient process, allowing us to continue to seek these financial opportunities."



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Man worried about gunfire near his home

By **Bristow Marchant**
Staff Writer

A Gray Court area man came to county council last Tuesday to ask for changes to the county noise ordinance to stop his neighbors from firing weapons and setting off high-powered explosives.

Wayne Osborne of Cook Road told council his neighbors regularly make such a racket on their property that his rural drive "sounds like a war zone," and he needs help to get them to stop.

"The ordinance says you can shoot a gun on your property if you are shooting into a bank," Osborne said. "But the way the ordinance reads, you could shoot a military tank into a bank on your property."

"The days of someone grabbing a shotgun and going rabbit hunting are over," he said. "(County ordinances) don't really apply to today's weapons."

Osborne said his neighbors have ignored his requests to stop or limit their activity, and law enforcement hasn't been able to help. Since June, he said, his next-door neighbors have set off explosions and fired more powerful, and louder, weapons than the usual hunting rifle on an almost daily basis.

"I live nearby the rock quarry, and the rock quarry doesn't make as much noise as they do," he said.

Not only is the noise from these weapons a nuisance, he said, but Osborne feels they pose a danger to himself and his neighbors.

"One of my friends said it sounded like an M1 being fired within 1,000 feet of my house, and those can kill someone from two miles away."

Council Chairman Jim Coleman said the county will examine its noise ordinances on gunfire.

In other news, council heard

from members of the Chamber of Commerce Beautification Committee about its upcoming county clean-up campaign this Saturday.

The Committee is challenging as many people as possible to volunteer between 8 a.m. and noon Saturday to clean up litter and other debris on the county's roadways.

"We've picked up 50,000 pounds of trash so far, and we want to pick up enough trash to fill up Edmunds Hall at PC," said Harry Agnew, chairman of the Beautification Committee. "The fact that the Chamber has made this a permanent committee shows the commitment they have for this project."

Chamber CEO Greg Alexander echoed Agnew's comments, saying "strong community development is a part of economic development."

Coleman said council stands behind the clean-up effort "100 percent," and even proposed a

surtax on fast food restaurants to pay for what seems like much of the litter on county roads.

He noted the effort county officials make to attract visitors and businesses to Laurens County.

"If you have a dirty county," Coleman said, "that can turn people off."

Council also approved a proposal by Public Works Director Scott Holland to add the Palmetto Country Estates subdivision to the county roads system. Holland said an inspection last month found the subdivision near the Greenville County line meets the standards for a county-maintained road, and with more than 17 residences, it easily meets the residency requirements for a county roadway.

Referencing the fact the county has recently removed several unused roads from the system, Coleman said Palmetto Country "about replaces what we took out."



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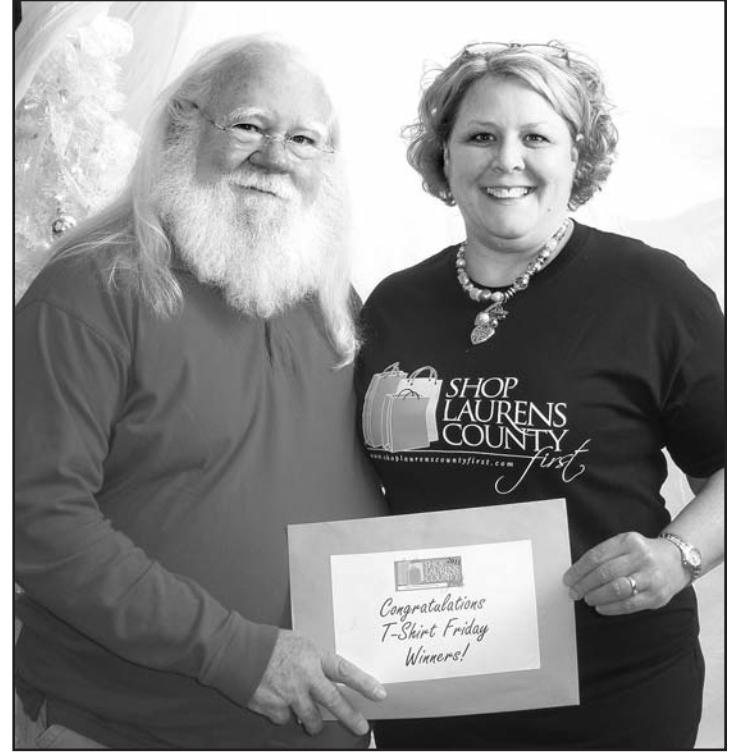


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Santa is a Laurens County Bucks fan: Suellen Holmes of Holmes Photography was the Shop Laurens County First t-shirt Friday winner on Friday, Nov. 11. It was perfect timing since Santa was visiting for his annual photo shoot. The Shop Laurens County First campaign continues until the end of December.

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Each participant should bring a handgun, 50 rounds of ammunition, eye and ear protection, and a concealed carry holster. The cost of the course is \$75 per person.

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Singer sews up four TDs in Blue Hose win

Quarterback Ryan Singer (Dunedin, Fla.) threw for two touchdowns and ran for a pair of scores to help the Presbyterian College football team knock off visiting VMI on Saturday afternoon, 38-6.

PC improves to 3-7 on the year and 2-3 in Big South Conference action, marking the most conference wins in a season since first playing a Big South schedule in 2008. VMI falls to 1-9 overall and 1-4 in league play.

PC returns to Bailey Memorial Stadium for its season finale on Saturday with a 1 p.m. Senior Day kickoff against Charleston Southern.

The contest saw a Big South Conference record fall as PC defensive back Justin Bethel (Blythewood) made two solo tackles to break the all-time conference record in that category, with 196. Charleston Southern linebacker Jada Ross set the previous record of 195 from 2004-07.

PC churned out a season-high 491 yards on offense and held VMI to 222 yards, a season-best for the Blue Hose defense. The Blue Hose also enjoyed a 36:47 time of possession to VMI's 23:13, including letting the Keydets hold the ball for only 3:36 of the first quarter.

Lance Byrd (Jacksonville, Fla.) led PC on the ground with a game-high 117 yards on the ground and Singer followed with 106 rushing yards, just two shy of a career high. Byrd also posted a rushing touchdown on the day. The two have rushed for over 100 yards in a game for



Singer slinger: Sophomore quarterback Ryan Singer (5) drops back to pass as Billy Kaylor (50) chases down a VMI pass rusher. Singer scored twice through the air and added two more on the ground in Presbyterian College's Saturday victory. — Photo by Fletcher Pruitt Jr

the second time in three games after the pair each broke the century mark against Liberty on October 29.

Singer went 18-for-29 passing for 182 yards, finding Anderico Bailey (Covington, Ga.) and Arthur Williams (Baxley,

Ga.) for one touchdown apiece. Six different PC receivers caught at least two passes and Bailey led the squad with seven receptions.

Defensively, Cedric Byrd (Tyrone, Ga.) led the Blue Hose with six solo tackles, an assist

and three pass breakups. Linebacker CeeJay Harris (Long Beach, Calif.) also recovered two fumbles and Fred Marshall (Ocilla, Ga.) grabbed an interception. Derren Evans (Lawrenceville, Ga.) and Josh Polk (Lithonia, Ga.) each

notched a sack.

VMI running back T.J. Talley ran seven times for 60 yards and a touchdown. Quarterback Eric Kordenbrock went 8-for-21 for 90 yards.

PC wasted little time finding the scoreboard, marching for 63 yards on 11 plays on the game's first offensive series. Singer helped the Blue Hose down the field through the air and on the ground, scrambling three times before breaking off a 21-yard run into the end zone on third-and-12.

VMI traveled deep into the PC end on the ensuing possession, but Nick Newton (Clearwater, Fla.) jarred the ball loose from Keydet running back T.J. Talley and Cedric Byrd recovered on the PC five to end the VMI drive.

The Blue Hose offense struck once more in the first quarter. A marathon 83-yard drive ended with a four-yard Lance Byrd rush into the end zone to put the home side up, 14-0. A 29-yard completion to Ruff and a 22-yard run by Singer highlighted the drive, as well as five Byrd rushes.

The teams searched for a score for much of the second quarter and both teams hit paydirt with less than four minutes left. A 44-yard punt return put VMI on the PC 16, and T.J. Talley gave the Keydets their first points of the day on a seven-yard run with 3:17 left in the first half. VMI could not convert on the extra point, however, and PC led by 14-6 margin.

The score spurred the PC offense to action as the Blue Hose

moved down the field on the next possession. Ruff provided a big play by escaping from tacklers on screen for 23 yards and Byrd hauled in a 20-yard pass to set up a 14-yard Arthur Williams touchdown pass from Singer to put PC up, 21-6.

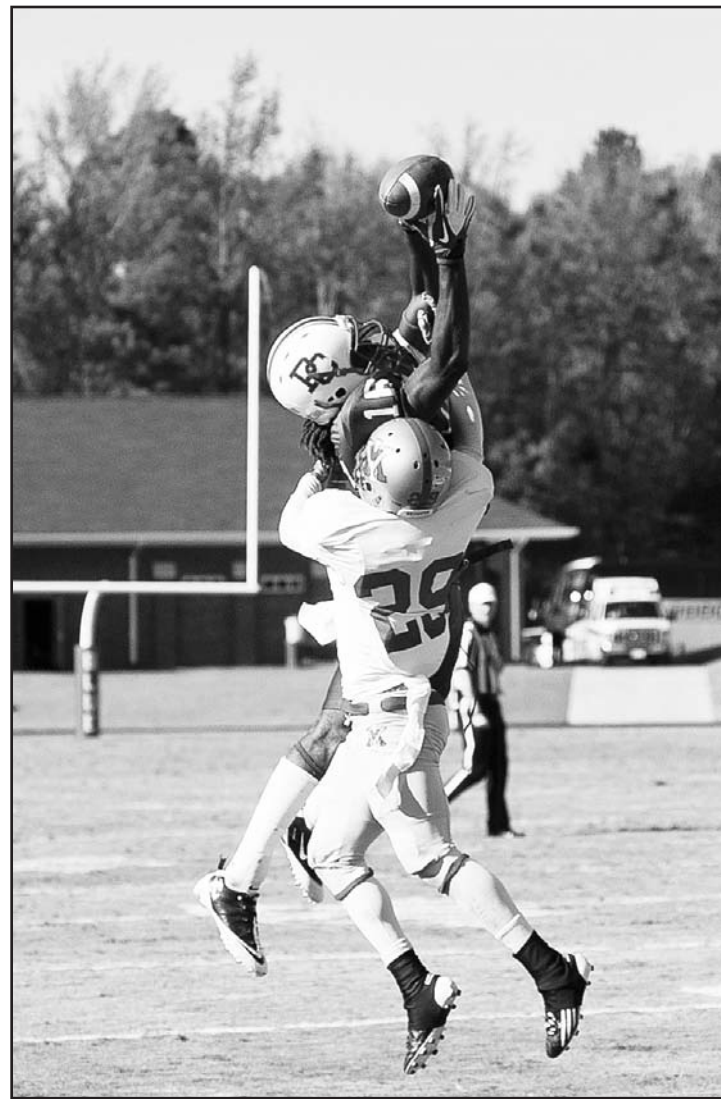
The Blue Hose took the ball right back as CeeJay Harris recovered a Keydet fumble to give PC the ball with 1:32 to go before halftime. PC took advantage of the new possession and cashed in on a 35-yard Aaron Mayes (Blythewood) field goal to take a 24-6 lead into the locker room at the half-time break.

PC kept the points coming by scoring twice in the third quarter. Singer capped a five-play, 50-yard drive with a 19-yard rushing touchdown on an option keeper. Arthur Williams made a key block to give the quarterback room to squeeze past the Keydet defense into the end zone and extend PC's lead to 31-6.

Each team turned in two stalled drives before Marshall reclaimed the Ball for PC on an interception with 4:35 left in the third quarter.

The Blue Hose used the turnover to score its final touchdown late in the third quarter, as Singer found Bailey for a 10-yard rushing touchdown pass to put an exclamation point on a seven-play, 63-yard drive. PC then led, 38-6.

PC chewed up the clock in the final quarter with a time of possession of 9:22 and allowed only two unsuccessful VMI drives to hold on to the win, 38-6.



Anatomy of a play: Presbyterian's Anderico Bailey (18) goes up against Keydet corner Greg Walker (29) to catch a Ryan Singer pass in Saturday's game at Wilder Stadium. Bailey and Arthur Williams both caught touchdown passes, and Bailey led the PC receiving corps with



seven. Six different receiver caught at least two passes as Singer went 18-for-29 for 182 yards. — Photo by Fletcher Pruitt Jr



PC women open season with loss at Charlotte

By Keith Cannon
For The Chronicle

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The Presbyterian College women's basketball team picked an ambitious season-opener for the 2011-2012 season — a road game against the Charlotte 49ers, a perennial contender in the Atlantic 10 conference.

But Coach Ronnie Fisher didn't seem discouraged by the Blue Hose's 58-42 loss to Charlotte on Friday night at Halton Arena.

"We wanted to come in here and compete against a team that's been in the post-season (NCAA or NIT tournaments) nine straight years, and I think we did that," he said. "Games like this and the ones we'll play against North Carolina and Alabama later are just going to

make us better."

Guard Kristen Stevens, PC's only senior, scored 10 points and junior center Maria Pietrowski added nine for the Blue Hose, who stayed close in the first half.

After taking their only lead of the game at 5-4 on a Shereece Smith layup, PC kept within one or two points for most of the rest of the first half, trailing 30-27 at the break.

"I was proud of our defensive effort and I really thought we had some energy going into the second half," Fisher said.

But the 49ers, led by 12 points from guard Epiphany Woodson, opened the second half with a 14-0 run. That gave Charlotte a 44-27 lead with about 12 minutes left and the Blue Hose didn't get closer than eight the rest of the way.

"We played well defensively, but we just couldn't get a lot of shots to fall in the second half,"

said Stevens, who hit two of PC's three three-pointers in the game. The Blue Hose hit only 6-of-28 shots from the field in the second half (21.4 percent) after hitting 41.7 percent from the field in the first half.

The 49ers, who gave new Charlotte coach Cara Consuegra her first career head coaching victory, also capitalized on a 48-31 rebound advantage.

Coming off a 9-19 season which was Presbyterian's best win total in their short Division I history, the Blue Hose's goal for this season is simple, Stevens said.

"We just want keep improving and win as many games as we possibly can," she said.

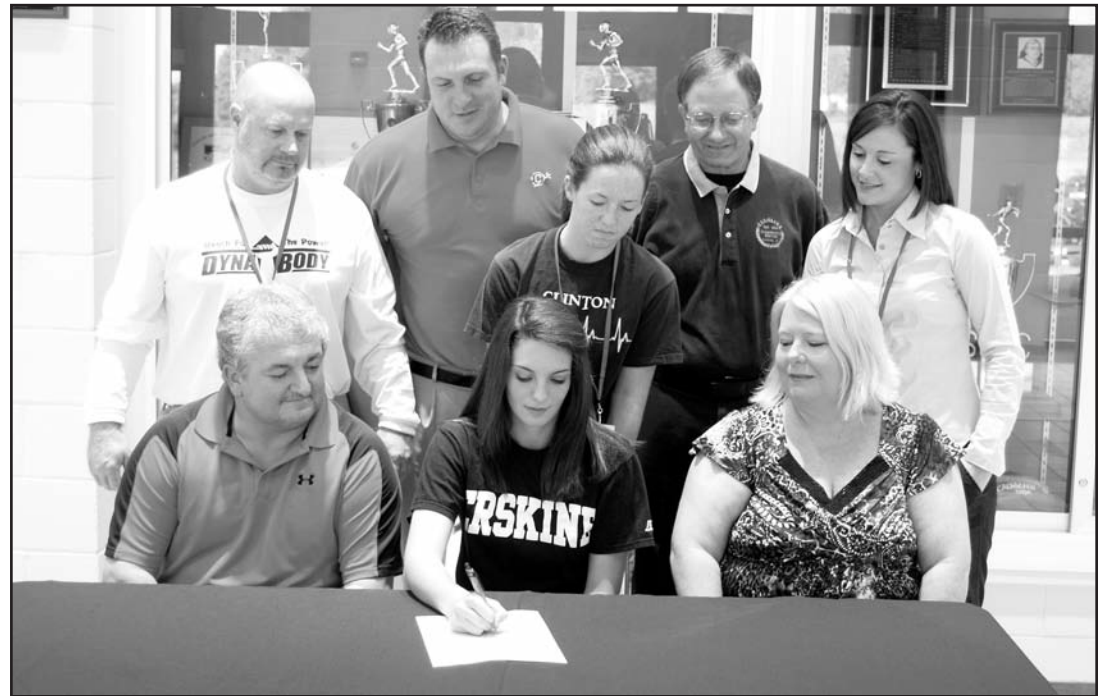
Guard Dria David scored eight points and added four assists for the Blue Hose, who hosted Furman on Tuesday night at the Templeton Center in their first home game.



PC women open season on the road: Guard Kristen Stevens, PC's only senior, scored 10 points in PC season opener Friday against UNC-Charlotte. After taking their only lead of the game at 5-4 on a Shereece Smith layup, PC kept within one or two points for most of the rest of the first half. - Photo by Keith Cannon



Hard slog: CHS senior quarterback Neil Lee (11) takes the ball himself against the Laurens defense earlier this season. Teammates Malik Floyd (50), Jacob Adams (33) and Roderick Richardson (40) look on. Lee finished the season as the Red Devils' fifth-leading rusher, in addition to throwing 11 touchdown passes. — Photo by Fletcher Pruitt Jr



Into left field: CHS softball player Katelyn Oxner signed Wednesday to play outfield for Erskine College. Oxner was flanked by her father Ricky, left, and mom Lisa, right. Standing, from left to right, are coaches Stoney Lunsford and Sean McCarthy, Katelyn's sister Allison, and coaches Gee Ramage and Nickie Templeton. — Photo by Bristow Marchant

PC men's basketball rolls past Eastern Kentucky, 78-50, at home

The Presbyterian College men's basketball team used a stellar shooting performance from all over the floor to knock off the visiting Eastern Kentucky Colonels on Monday night, 78-50.

PC improves to 2-1 on the year while Eastern Kentucky falls to 1-2.

PC returns to action on Thursday in the second half of a Blue Hose basketball doubleheader. The PC women's squad opens with a 5:30 p.m. tip-off against Allen and the men's team follows with a 7:30 start against Western Carolina.

The Blue Hose raced out of the gate, leading 42-23 at halftime, and continued to pour on the points in the second while limit-

ing Eastern Kentucky to 35.4 percent shooting and a one-for-19 performance from behind the three-point line on the night.

Joshua Clyburn (Charlotte) punctuated the effort with two rim-shaking dunks in the closing minutes. PC's biggest lead of the night came when the Blue Hose led by 33 with 6:25 left in the contest.

PC shot 52.9 percent from the floor and hit 10 three-pointers.

Al'Lonzo Coleman (Charlotte) led all players with 18 points and eight rebounds. Khalid Mutakabbir (Suwanee, Ga.) added 13 points and six boards. Josh Johnson (Hendersonville, Tenn.) and Pierre Miller (Warner Robbins, Ga.) each dished out a

game-high four assists.

PC also received 30 points from its bench to Eastern Kentucky's 10, bolstered by an 11-point night from Tyler Deihl (Woodstock, Ga.). Ryan Hargrave (Taylorsville, N.C.) chipped in seven points and Clyburn added six. The home side also took advantage of 17 points off turnovers.

Jaron Jones led Eastern Kentucky with 15 points. The Blue Hose put together six and eight-point runs in the first half to take a 42-23 lead over the Colonels at the halftime break. PC shot a blistering 60 percent from the floor, including knocking down six-three pointers at a 54.5 percent pace.

Coach K ties win record with win over Blue Hose

The Presbyterian College men's basketball team fell to #6 Duke on Saturday at Cameron Indoor Stadium by a score of 96-55. The loss moves the Blue Hose to 1-1 on the season, while the Blue Devils advance to 2-0. The win also gave Coach Krzyzewski his 902nd career win, tying him with Bob Knight for the most career wins in Division I men's basketball.

Al'Lonzo Coleman (Charlotte, N.C.) led PC with 11 points, while Pierre Miller (Warner Robbins, Ga.) chipped in ten. Coleman and Josh Johnson (Hendersonville, Tenn.) each grabbed five rebounds in the loss. The Blue Devils had

six players reach double digits in points, led by Ryan Kelly's 17.

PC shot 32.1 percent from the field in the game to Duke's 61.4 percent, but the Blue Hose knocked down 16 of 17 free throws for a 94.1 free throw percentage to Duke's 58.1 percent.

To start the first half, Duke took a 6-0 lead before a three pointer by Johnson put PC on the board. The teams traded baskets and the Blue Hose trailed by three after a three pointer by Miller at 15:24. Miller connected on another three minutes later to bring PC within two, 17-19.

Duke answered with a 7-0 run over the next three minutes,

and would extend their lead to 11 points with just under eight minutes remaining in the half, and despite some late first half baskets by the Blue Hose, the Blue Devils took a 55-30 lead into the locker rooms at half time.

Duke started the second half with a 10-0 run, and PC responded with a layup from Coleman and Johnson's second three pointer of the game to bring the score to 61-35. The Blue Devils continued to push, however, and would lead by 40 points for the majority of the second half. PC ended the game making four straight free throws, but Duke came away with the 96-55 win.

Michael Nobles wins Football Contest in Chronicle

Michael Nobles of Joanna was the winner of the Football Contest in the Nov. 9 issue of The Chronicle.

Nobles missed three of the 21 games and will receive the \$40 prize.

The contest continues this

week on Page 9B.

The deadline for this week's contest is Friday, noon.

King says Devils played hard

By Bristow Marchant
Staff Writer

The 2011 football season will be remembered as a season of struggles for Clinton High. The Red Devils lost seven games by seven points or less, including an overtime loss in the opening round of the playoffs to a young Nation Ford program.

But the season did include some bright spots. With a record of 4-7, Clinton managed to repeat as county champions with a shutout victory over Laurens, 28-0. Once they reached the Enoree River conference portion of their schedule, the Red Devils won three of their last four games, including a one-point victory over an undefeated Blue Ridge team, ensuring the team a second-place finish in the region.

Just as important to Head Coach Scott King, despite a tough year that often left Clinton with the short end of the stick, his players worked throughout the season to improve and play like winners.

"Of course it's tough. Losing's always tough. But I felt like we were in every game we played, and our players worked hard," King said. "They always played four quarters. They played from whistle to whistle and buzzer to buzzer. There might have been a few plays where we didn't come through on special teams or turnovers, but it wasn't ever a question of not playing hard."

If anything, Clinton's season came down to bad luck and an ever-present injury

bug. Junior kicker Truett Burns was knocked out of the opening game against Newberry Aug. 26 with a broken arm, which kept him off the field until the final two games of the season. That injury forced sophomore Matthew Craven into a starting varsity role for much of the season.

Later, senior receiver and cornerback Keenan Caldwell broke his foot Sept. 16 against Boiling Springs, ending his season. At that point, Caldwell was the Red Devils' leading receiver with 112 yards and two touchdowns, and he'd grabbed two interceptions at corner a week earlier in the county championship game.

"We had to deal with Caldwell being out almost the whole season," King said. "This was the second year in a row he got hurt, and we had to shake up our whole secondary without him."

Once the defense got settled after the loss of Caldwell, Clinton put together its best stretch of the season. An interception by Jacob Adams and a two-point conversion pass from Lavadrack Glenn to Kenyon Brown gave the Red Devils a 29-28 win at Blue Ridge, and Clinton finished the season strong with a 34-14 win at Union County and a 55-28 home victory over Chapman.

"We kept doing the same things. By then we'd had a couple weeks without Caldwell to get our secondary set, and we made some more plays, played better and finished games better," King said. "Then in the playoffs it was the same (problems), with the turnover (returned 95

yards for a Nation Ford touchdown) and Glenn getting hurt in the first half and having to leave the game."

It was a sad ending for the team's seniors. Quarterback Neil Lee finished the season passing 50-for-97, for 1,167 yards and 11 touchdowns. Lee also rushed for 123 yards, making him Clinton's fifth leading rusher behind fellow seniors Anthony Henley (877 yards, nine touchdowns) and Branderius Simpson (260 yards and a touchdown).

"Neil Lee was a leader on this team. He had a great year and he was an outstanding quarterback," King said. "Henley played well, Caldwell was probably our best defensive player before he got hurt... O'Neal Speaks and Timothy Williams blocked for us all year. A lot of these guys were sophomores on the state championship team, so they knew what it took, but it just didn't play out this year."

Next season, the Red Devils are set to bring back junior running threat Glenn, who finished the season with a team-leading 996 yards rushing, 216 receiving and 15 touchdowns. Also returning is aerial target Kenyon Brown, who caught 20 passes for 562 yards and six touchdowns, as well as a host of linemen with starting experience.

But King is just as excited to see where this year's seniors go from here.

"Our seniors played hard here for six years, and now we expect them to go out and be Red Devils in the community and in their adult lives," he said. "We know they'll make us proud."

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PC volleyball falls in season finale to Winthrop

The Presbyterian College volleyball team fell to Winthrop, 3-0, Friday in its last match of the season. Caroline Cann and Allison Brown led the team with seven kills apiece as the Blue Hose lost by scores of 25-18, 25-14 and 25-19.

PC, which is not eligible to compete in the Big South Tournament until next season as it makes its transition to NCAA Division I, ends its season with a 13-17 overall mark and a team-best 7-7 league record. Winthrop improves to 19-7 and 12-2.

Following Cann and Brown in kills was Rachel Hall, who had six on the night. Total, the team collected 29 kills, but had 23 errors off 111 attacks for a .054 hitting percentage.

Winthrop was led by Brittany Blackman with 11 kills as the Eagles hit 39 total, with just nine errors in 96 attacks for a .312 percentage.

Presley Mabrey and Mary Trimpe posted 12 digs each as the Blue Hose finished with 43 o the night. Winthrop recorded 47, with Stephanie Palmer pacing the team with 12.

PC tops UNC Asheville

A career-high 21 kills from Caroline Cann (Landrum) helped lift the Presbyterian College volleyball team to a 3-1 victory (25-23, 21-25, 25-18, 26-24) over UNC Asheville on Saturday in PC's final home match of the year.

The Blue Hose win their fifth straight and fourth in Big South Conference play to improve to 13-16 on the year and 7-6 in league matches. UNC Asheville slips to 14-11 overall and 7-5 in conference action.

Prior to the game, Presley Mabrey (Lyman) was honored for her 1,000th career kill.

Cann's 21 kills mark the highest single-match total for the sophomore and tie for the sixth-most over the last four years for PC. Cann also led PC defensively with 21 digs.

Four players hit double-digits in kills for the Blue Hose. Mabrey chipped in 15, Kelly Berryman (Normal, Ill.) added 12 and Allison Brown (Plano, Texas) contributed 10. Mabrey also racked up 20 digs and Mary Trimpe (Normal, Ill.) added 19 as well. Ashtin Frank (Bloomington, Ill.) also ended the day with 56 assists.

Rachel Hall (Roswell, Ga.) posted nine kills and led all players with seven block assists and a block solo.

Cindi Miller led UNC Asheville with 14 kills.

The two sides battled through a tight first set that saw 16 tie scores and six lead changes. PC broke away from the Bulldogs early to take a 10-7 lead, but UNC Asheville pulled even again and took a two-point lead at 19-17.

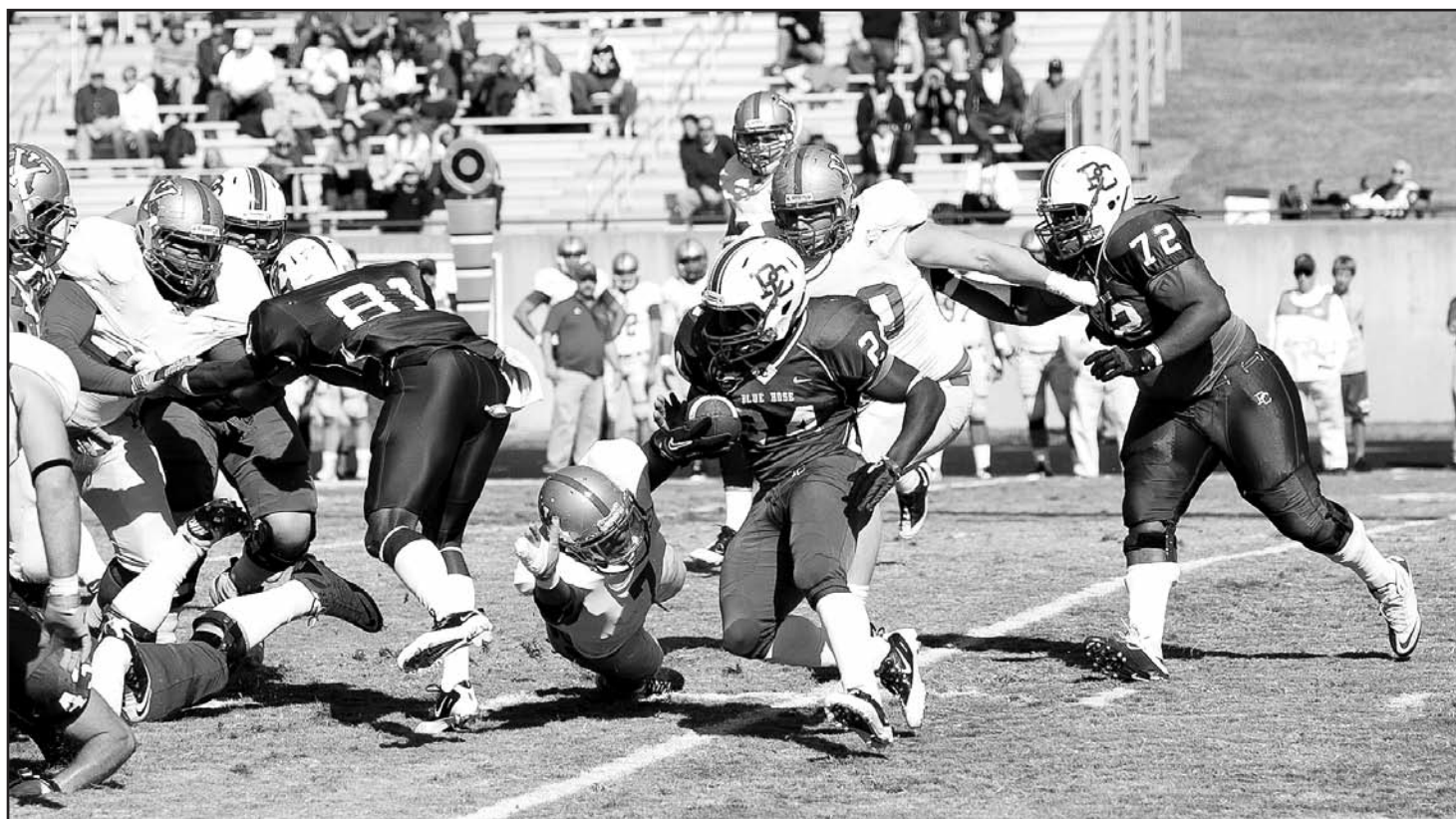
A Cann kill and a bad Bulldog set tied the frame again at 19-19, setting up several more even scores before a 23-23 deadlock. With UNC Asheville serving, Hall provided a kill to put the Blue Hose in the driver's seat and a Cann kill sealed the first set for PC, 25-23.

PC opened a 10-1 lead in set number two before UNC Asheville went on a run to force

a 13-13 tie. The Bulldogs took the lead on an Alex Stewart ace and never let the Blue Hose pull even, despite PC clawing to within one several times late, including 22-21. A Holly Shelton kill and two PC errors gave the set to the Bulldogs as the match stood tied, 1-1.

The third set opened with a back-and-forth battle for the lead before a Cann and Hall block gave PC an 11-10 advantage the squad would not relinquish. A 10-6 run helped PC to a five-point lead and prompted a Bulldog timeout. The Blue Hose kept up their momentum after the stoppage by using a UNC Asheville error and a Brown kill to go ahead, 22-16. Kills from Cann and Brown sandwiched around an error then lifted PC to a set three victory, 25-18.

The fourth and final set provided a wild atmosphere, with two distinct swings and PC surviving a late rally from UNC Asheville. An opening 6-1 score from UNC Asheville turned into a tie set at 8-8 before an eventual 6-0 PC run boosted the Blue Hose lead to 18-10. The Bulldogs clawed back, however, tying the set at 20-20 and repeating the feat twice more to force a 24-24 standoff. With Cann serving, Mabrey gave PC the lead with a kill and Berryman followed with another to take the set, 26-24, and the match, 3-1.



Byrd is the word: PC's Lance Byrd (24) led the Blue Hose in rushing yards against VMI Saturday. Byrd had a game-high 117 yards on the ground and posted a rushing touchdown, and combined with Ryan Singer to gain more than 100 yards each for the second time in three games. Byrd's teammates Jeremiah McKie (81) and Stephon Williams (72) help clear the Keydets out of the way. — Photo by Fletcher Pruitt Jr



Undefeated: BB&T's "Green Machine" rolled to an undefeated 7-0-1 season in the Clinton YMCA's 2011 6-8 year old soccer league. Pictured, front row, from left: Daniel Gossett, Zach Fortman, Emily Bridgeman, Christian Barradas and Holt Smith; second row, from left: Hunter Gossett, Hannah Martin, Kate Marshall and Jackson Martin. Back row are coaches Darin Bridgeman and Jeff Smith. Not pictured are Nathan Hill and General Manager Joel Martin. After the season's last game, the team celebrated with pizza.

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Rains have helped, but all of state still at least moderate drought status

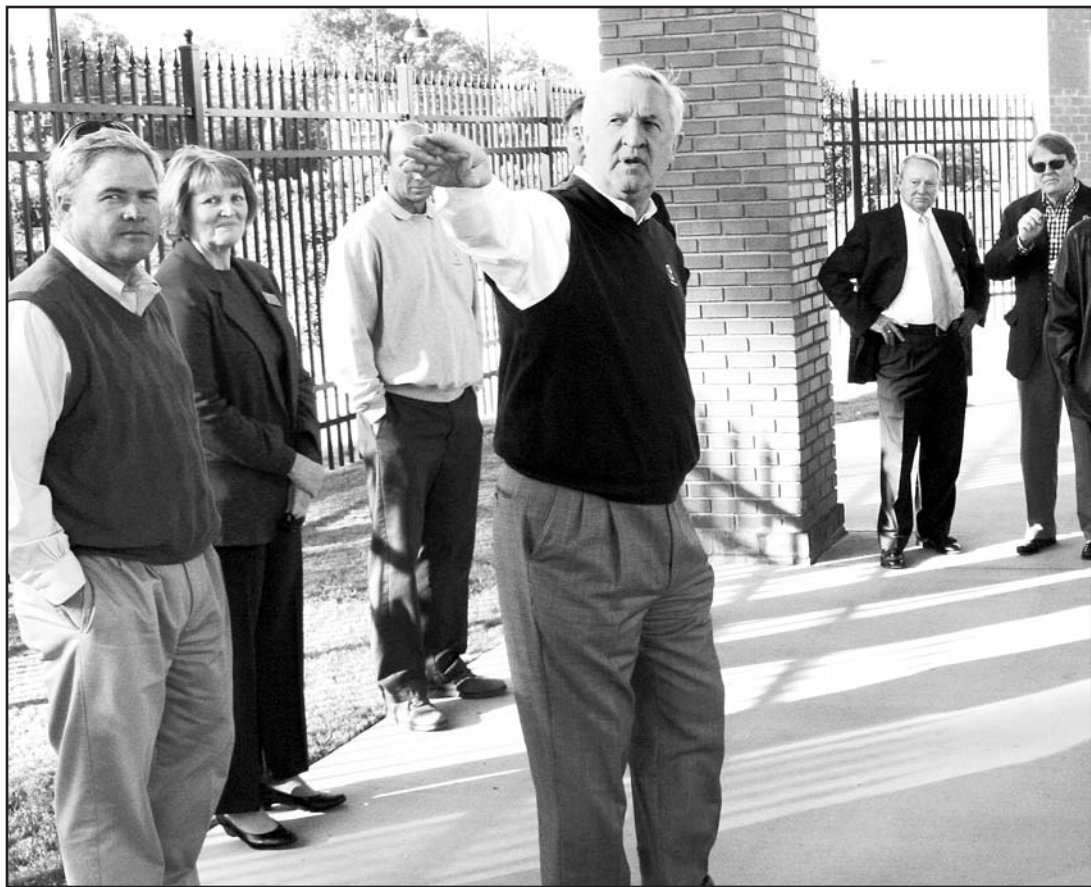
Recent rains have not lessened the drought conditions in South Carolina. All of the state remains at least at moderate drought status.

Members of the S.C. Drought Response Committee, meeting via tele-conference on Nov. 8, upgraded six counties in the

Upper Savannah Basin to severe status. Those counties include: Oconee, Pickens, Anderson, Abbeville, McCormick and Edgefield. All other counties in the state remain at moderate drought status.

The Committee upgraded the drought status for the six coun-

ties due to concerns about deficit levels in the upper Savannah lakes of Jocassee, Keowee, Hartwell and Thurmond. Low streamflow in the basin such as Little River and the Chattooga was also a factor in the decision to upgrade.



Lawmakers tour Lander facilities: Lander athletic director Jeff May gestures toward a feature of Lander's recreation, wellness and sports complex named in his honor, as he leads members of the region's legislative delegation on a tour of the facility. Sen. Danny Verdin of Laurens County is shown at left along with Glenda Ridgely, Lander's vice president for Business and Administration and assistant athletic director Steve Grogan.

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or five people to eight or 10." Field said the new building will also be used to hold training sessions for staff, and will include a separate parking lot

for engineers and business-related visitors, freeing up the current parking lot in front of the old building for LCWSC customers. He said construction will likely be complete by the end of February.

"The substantial part of it

will be done by the end of the year, but then the interior still needs to be painted and carpeted, so that will take a little longer," he said. "Officially they're scheduled to be done by April, but I think they'll finish ahead of that."



LCDSNB talent show: Staff and individuals served by the Laurens County Disabilities and Special Needs Board held their annual talent show at Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church on September 2. "We would like to thank Rep. Mark Willis for hosting this event and Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church for the use of their fellowship hall," said LCDSNB spokesperson Rita Quinton.

Basketball, cheerleading sign-up underway

The Clinton Family YMCA and the City of Clinton is taking its youth basketball registration and cheerleading for ages 5 - 15 with six different playing divisions being offered this season.

The registration deadline is Dec. 29. Registration is being taken daily at the YMCA reception desk.

Ages 5 - 6 will be in the Basics instructional league and practice and play each Monday and Thursday. The mini-mites league, for ages 7 - 8, will practice each Tuesday and Friday. Both the 5 - 6 and 7 - 8 leagues are strictly instructional leagues and no score will be kept in the simulated games.

Ages 9 - 10 will play in the Jr. Mite league and will play on the regulation court but will use modified height goals of 9 feet. Ages 11 - 12 will be in the Mite

league and play regulation middle school type rules and regulations. Ages 13 - 15 will play in the Midget league and also play JV rules and regulations. A league for girls will be offered for age groups 9 - 12 and will follow the Jr. Mite League rules. Fall out is scheduled for Jan. 5, 2012.

League games for ages 9 and up will be on Tuesdays and Saturdays. Teams will practice twice weekly during the pre-season period and then practice once weekly and play twice weekly during the regular season.

Cheerleaders are for grades K5 - 6 and will also practice twice weekly until the season begins and then cheer for the teams on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Cheerleaders will be divided into several age groups

and teams and cheer for the various age divisions of the YMCA teams.

Cheerleaders will be under the guidance and direction of Mrs. Laura Martin and various local high school and middle school cheerleaders. Cheerleaders will receive a cheerleading shirt and pom-poms.

Fees are \$50 for YMCA members and \$65 for nonmembers. Participants will receive a \$10 discount if registered by the deadline.

All players will receive a YMCA team t-shirt. Financial aid and assistance is available and no child will be denied the opportunity to participate in the YMCA league play or cheerleading.

For additional information call the YMCA at 833 - 1555.

Griffith

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During his tenure, the college has "moved, but we're still home," he said.

"I'm proud of what the trustees, the faculty and administrative leaders have done. My dad constantly worked on town and gown. I hope we've improved the relationship with Clinton and Laurens County."

Griffith said opening the School of Pharmacy and the bookstore in the Clinton central business district has helped meld the college into the community.

Griffith said he gets great pleasure in being able to talk about "when student X is in graduate school Y and what they have discovered or that a faculty member is doing remarkable research with students here."

"This is a people industry," he said. "What happens to people here is the most important thing. Everything else we do - such as building Lassiter Hall (a science classroom and lab building) - supports that."

He said when he first entered higher education at Davidson College as dean of admission

and financial aid, the mantra was higher education is to "prepare citizens for leadership in a democratic society."

Today, he said institutions of higher education must "prepare leaders in a democratic society who can fully engage the global community."

The challenge of presiding over a liberal arts college in a "small town in rural South Carolina is to get our (college) community to think globally."

The globalization of PC includes agreements with 37 other institutions and being awarded a Confucius Institute, one of 316 partnerships that promote Chinese language and culture within college and universities around the world.

"If I were 10 years younger, I'd love to see what we have in place now, where that leads us," he said. "It's exciting to think about. And I'm just part of the team that includes key faculty, key trustees, key donors."

Griffith and his wife Nancy have two sons.

Matt is a graduate of Davidson College and N.C. State University. He is an architect in Raleigh, where he has his own

firm and also teaches at N.C. State. He is married to a Presbyterian minister and they have three children.

The other son, Chris, is married and lives in New Hampshire, where he is a clinical psychologist.

Griffith said he and Nancy plan to live in Clinton, where they own a house.

In a letter to the "Presbyterian College family," Griffith said he will be on campus very little during the spring semester.

"I will be away...focusing on completing several long-term projects related to higher education and Presbyterian College. As well, Nancy and I plan to take several short trips associated with accumulated sabbatical leave and to spend time with our two sons and their families," he wrote.

Bob Staton, who was appointed chief of staff at PC this year, will be in charge in Griffith's absence.

"This assignment has been authorized by (the) board of trustees," Griffith said.

(Next week: changes at PC during the Griffith presidency.)

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Help beautify county on Saturday

This Saturday - Nov. 19 - Clemson plays N.C. State in Raleigh, South Carolina hosts The Citadel in Columbia and Presbyterian College hosts Charleston Southern at Bailey Memorial Stadium in Clinton.

Football notwithstanding, it's going to be a great day to get out of the house and pick up some litter, one of our county's most easily fixed problems.

On Saturday, volunteers from across the county (organizers are hoping for 1,000 people) will take part of the third litter pickup this year organized by the Laurens County Chamber of Commerce's Beautification Committee.

Saturday's event will be the fourth quarter clean-up (there wasn't one in the first quarter of the year) and the number of groups and individuals taking part is growing - just as the litter problem grows every time someone is careless and lazy.

Beautification Committee Chairman Harry Agnew is the driving force behind the quarterly clean-ups. He recognized the litter problem just driving to work from his home on Lake Greenwood.

He knows that because so many of our neighbors take no pride in their county, we are not making a good first impression to someone considering moving here or building a factory here.

Sure, quality schools are vitally important to providing a qualified cadre of workers. Absolutely, a quality hospital and physicians are key ingredients to determining a county's quality of life.

Without a doubt, government has a vital role to play, as do recreational facilities, churches, restaurants and so many other things.

But a drive through a litter-filled road to an industrial site will leave the prospect with a very bad impression of our county and the people who live here.

In the first two clean-ups, the Beautification Committee has partnered with the Department of Transportation's Adopt-A-Highway groups. This time, a challenge is being given to churches to get local congregations involved.

"Part of caring for God's world is keeping it beautiful," Agnew told The Chronicle. "We want preachers to talk to their congregations and do something either this Saturday or whenever they can."

The two previous clean-ups - in May and August - have drawn hundreds of volunteers to clean up a designated area in the county.

Agnew is an abiding optimist. He thinks those volunteering for the quarterly pickups can make a significant difference. And he just might be right. Tons and tons of trash have been collected and disposed of already this year.

The answer, Agnew says, can be as simple as walking outside your home.

"I tell people you don't even have to leave home. If you walk a half-mile down the street, you'll find something to pick up."

Groups who want to take part in the clean-up Saturday need to register with the Chamber of Commerce, but they are not assigned a particular area to police.

"You tell us where you want to clean up," Agnew said.

When groups or individuals register, the chamber will provide safety vests, gloves and trash bags.

To get involved, call the chamber at 833-2716 or email salexander@laurenscounty.org.

The permanent solution is for people to properly dispose of litter and trash. It's a simple thing to do.

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Target misses the mark with guests

In the not-too-distant past, I saw a program on CNBC about Target.

Target's claim to fame is that it is an "upscale" Wal-Mart. It is often pronounced Tar-shzay.

I like shopping at Target. I wish we had one in Laurens County. I find their employees to be friendly and helpful. Target has more than one check-out open at a time.

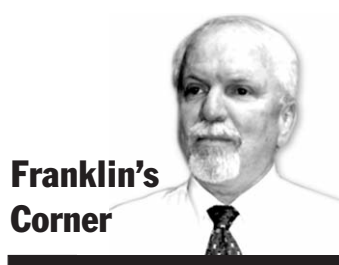
I've never understood why a store will put 22 checkouts in one of those super places and then open just one or two of them.

What is now Target was founded in Minnesota by George Dayton.

The first Dayton Dry Goods Company opened in 1902. The company grew and became known as the Target Corp. in 2000.

Target is the country's second-largest retailer behind only Wal-Mart. Earlier this year, Target announced they will move out of the United States for the first time, expanding into Canada.

Currently, there are 1,750 Target stores. There are none in Vermont. Don't know why. Maybe George Dayton had a bad childhood experience with maple syrup. Maybe they don't



Franklin's Corner

By Larry Franklin

like plaid shirts.

Target's 355,000 employees produced \$67 billion in revenue last year. That's almost \$190,000 per employee. That's about twice what the average Chronicle employee produces, so I admire their productivity.

Target, again mimicking Wal-Mart, has opened a group of SuperTarget stores. Wikipedia declares that SuperTarget is a chain of hypermarkets.

OK.

If you remember, I started this by saying Target is seen as an upscale Wal-Mart. The company focuses on more trendy merchandise at lower costs, rather than a razor focus on low prices.

George Dayton's brother Douglas put it this way: We will offer high-quality merchandise at low margins, because we are cutting expenses. We would rather do this than

trumpet dramatic price cuts on cheap merchandise."

Ouch, Sam Walton.

I cringe a bit whenever I read about someone "cutting expenses." That usually means somebody is going to lose their job.

Here's my beef with Target. In trying to look upscale, it has copied the Mickey Mouse company's idea - started in 1989 - of referring to employees as associates (or team members).

Target has taken this practice to ridiculous levels. Supervisors are "team leaders." Management levels then go to executive team leaders, store team leaders, district team leaders, group team leaders and regional team leaders.

After they move into Canada, I imagine that will add a level of management - worldwide team leaders.

Willie the Shakespeare said a rose by any other name would smell just as sweet. I suppose, then, that a rude associate is really just a renamed rude employee.

I'm not an associate of the company that owns The Chronicle. I'm an employee. I do not feel degraded by that. They employ me to do certain things - such as write this col-

umn. They employ me to do things, I do those things and then they pay me for doing them.

I like the way it works.

The guy who owns the company is a nice man and I consider him a friend. But we're not associates. His name is on all the important documents. He's the one ultimately responsible for making sure all his newspapers have enough money to pay the employees.

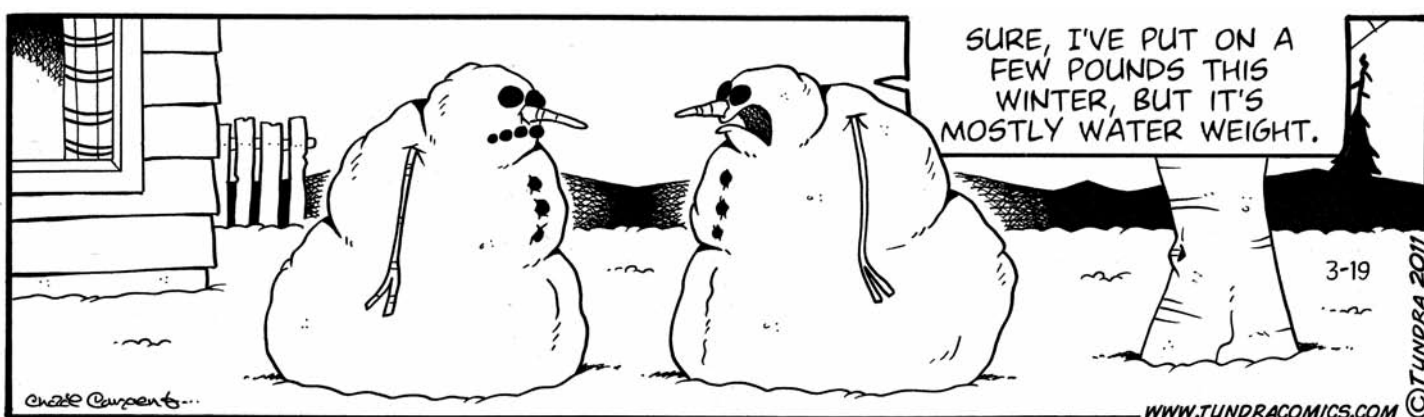
And there's more. Target calls customers "guests."

When I walk into a Target store, I'm not a guest. Every time I've gone somewhere as a "guest," I've never had to pay my way out.

A guest gets to eat, drink and watch your TV for free. If you're going to make me pay to leave - and every Target I've ever been in has wanted my money for any selection I've made - I'm not your guest.

I'm your customer. And the customer is always right. That makes me the boss.

(Larry Franklin is publisher of The Chronicle. His email address is lfranklin@clintonchronicle.com. Franklin's Corner can be read online at www.clintonchronicle.com.)



Letters to the editor

The editor:

My name is Duane Dennie. DENNIE - not Dendy. I am the "other" grandfather Mr. Franklin writes about sometimes when he is telling stories about our grandchildren.

I have never written an article/letter to the editor/opinion letter or column in my entire life (I'm 58 years old, which is younger than Mr. Franklin). I will not be as good as Mr. Franklin, or Ernie Segars (I love his columns) but I will do my best.

Today, Nov 9 is the fourth anniversary of my son's death. He actually died on Friday, Nov 9, 2007 so this coming Friday, to me, is the true anniversary. Believe me, even though it has been four years, my grief has not lightened. Conversely, each year that passes seems to be worse.

Perhaps, because I am a teacher, I tend to reflect on

things. This morning, in thinking about Joseph, I felt compelled to write this - to share my feelings with all parents, to remind them of the unbelievable responsibility we have to love our children.

Today, our children need us more than ever. Our society, while still filled with a majority of good-willed people, has become one in which our children need constant support, guidance, discipline and most of all, love.

Joseph had these things, and despite having a terminal disease ended up being a confident young man who thought about others before thinking of himself.

His hero was Jesus, and I can honestly say that he tried to live his life according to God's will.

I have lost my mother. I have lost my father. My beloved wife Laura has had cancer. All of these things have been difficult to bear.

But nothing compares to losing one of your children. We have all heard this before and I can verify that it is so.

Raise your children to be patient and kind. Teach them not to envy or be proud in the wrong way. Teach them not to be rude, selfish, or easily angered. Teach them to protect, trust and hope. Teach them to never give up. Most of all teach them to love.

My son was far from perfect. Like all men he had his faults. But he lived his life trying to accomplish what God intended for him to do, and, thinking about him this morning, I feel so very blessed.

Raise your children by giving them your time and love, and you, too, will feel so very blessed.

Duane Dennie
Laurens, S.C.

Letters, 13A

Along These Lines



By Nick Thomas

Why did chicken cross road

ALONG THESE LINES
This age-old question has always eluded a definitive answer. But apparently, if you're six years old, "to get to the other side" is an acceptable and singularly humorous one. We adults, however, demand more elegant answers. These might include: "It saw the pedestrian crossing," or "The Colonel was coming," which are clearly more sophisticated responses. The answer may also depend on whom you ask. Along these lines, I wondered how some of our current notable leaders and celebrities might respond to this question:

Barack Obama: "It was looking for a better future. I know times have been tough the chickens everywhere. So I've just proposed a \$1.5 billion stimulus package to produce more chicken droppings. I think when you spread the fertilizer around, it's good for everybody."

John Boehner: "It was looking for free government hand-outs. I'm opposed to any legislation that would provide special benefits for chickens that aimlessly wander public highways."

George W. Bush: "I don't know about things like that - Laura doesn't let me cross the road alone. But I hope the poor chicken doesn't underestimate the traffic."

Dick Cheney: "It was fleeing from me and my hunting buddies, but I winged it with my

Thomas, 13A

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Pilgrims, indians, educators and community members, oh my!

We are fast approaching one of the highlights of fall-Thanksgiving. It is a time of family, food, festivities, and friendship.

Truly, if we take the time to pause and step back from the hustle and bustle around us, we have so much for which to be thankful. In our school district's case, if we take an inventory of our blessings, we have safe and well-kept facilities, dedicated teachers, capable administrators, a supportive Board of Trustees, many caring parents and conscientious students.

I am sure if we were to think back to what we were taught about that very first Thanksgiving, we would have some misconceptions and myths. The Christian Science Monitor published an article citing "What historians do know about Thanksgiving." Here are nine things we do know are true about the holiday:

- * The first Thanksgiving was a harvest celebration in 1621 that lasted for three days.
- * The feast most likely oc-

curred between Sept. 21 and Nov. 11.

- * Approximately 90 Wampanoag Indians and 52 colonists - the latter mostly women and children - participated.

- * The Wampanoag, led by Chief Massasoit, contributed at least five deer to the feast.

- * Cranberry sauce, potatoes - white or sweet - and pies were not on the menu.

- * The Pilgrims and Wampanoag communicated through Squanto, a member of the Patuxet tribe, who knew English because he had associated with earlier explorers.

- * Besides meals, the event included recreation and entertainment.

- * There are only two surviving descriptions of the first Thanksgiving. One is in a letter by colonist Edward Winslow. He mentions some of the food and activities. The second description was in a book written by William Bradford 20 years afterward. His account was lost for almost 100

School Talk



By Dr. David O'Shields

years.

- * Abraham Lincoln named Thanksgiving an annual holiday in 1863.

Rather than focusing on what we do not have, I would like to take a few moments and celebrate what we do through a different, modern day parable of an Educator's Thanksgiving.

If we can substitute the Pilgrims with educators and the Native Americans with the greater community and you as their leader, then I would like to offer another spin on the holiday and promote a needed conversation for the betterment of our schools and the community. This particular account is taken from the National Geographic for Kids

website—<http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/kids/stories/history/first-thanksgiving/>.

I have substituted words from the listed account to drive home the desired moral. I have emboldened the changed words.

"One day that fall, four educators were sent to hunt for resources for a harvest celebration. The Community heard gunshots and alerted their leader, you, who thought the educators might be preparing for war. You visited the educators with 90 of your men to see if the war rumor was true. Soon after their visit, the Community realized that the educators were only hunting for the harvest celebration. You sent some of your own men to hunt deer for the feast and for three days, the educators and community ate together. The meal consisted of deer, corn, shellfish, and roasted meat, far from today's traditional Thanksgiving feast. They played ball games, sang, and danced."

If we substitute "deer, corn, shellfish, and roasted meat" for resources and support, then I

think the moral becomes increasingly clear: "Schools Cannot Do It Alone."

Jamie Vollmer, a one-time critic of public education, wrote a book with the above title. The essence of his thesis is schools are besieged with numerous external responsibilities (additional requirements far beyond the original scope of their purpose) and without community support, the schools are in for serious trouble.

Granted, we in education have not always played well with others, especially the community. We must work together to engage educators and the public in ongoing discussions that leads to increased student success. We must recognize that traditional evening meeting times may not be the best times for meetings. We must also recognize that meetings about school do not necessarily have to be at school.

The bottom line is simple: schools need the community. We need your participation, your support, and your confidence. We in turn need to focus on student

learning, student graduation, and student success not only in school but throughout life.

This likely means a rethinking of how we do school. How can we work better with our communities and rethink or rework what isn't working well for our students? For all of our students?

As we turn our minds to Thanksgiving 2011, I want to tell each of you how thankful I am for the current level of support. I believe that desired changes come from our willingness to meet and discuss how together we can equip our students to be successful. Vollmer concluded a presentation I heard with these words, "Poorly educated people yields one of two results: (1) we will take care of them for the rest of their lives or (2) we will be afraid of them for the rest of our lives." Let's work together to avoid either option.

Happy Thanksgiving!

(Dr. David O'Shields is superintendent of Laurens County School District 56.)

Letters to the editor Thomas

From 12A

The editor:

I was in attendance at the Sixth Annual Veterans Day Observance (Friday) at Bell Street Middle School. I had been graciously invited by my great-niece Jill Meadors.

I was impressed, perhaps even in awe. The preparation was in great detail.

The participation by both students and faculty was almost flawless. I sensed that things were as they should be at school, public or private.

Certificates of appreciation were presented to the veterans. Songs of the various branches of the service were played and the veterans were asked to stand when the song for the branch in which they served was played.

A speaker gave a timely ad-

dress. Those currently serving in the military were recognized.

And I almost forgot that the colors were presented and retired at the appropriate time and the National Anthem as well as other patriotic songs were rendered by the school chorus.

I hurried home and told my Facebook friends that if patriotism was alive and well anywhere it was alive and well at Bell Street Middle School.

My reason for writing is to assure the people of School District 56 that wonderful things are going on in our schools.

How I wish that the school received even half of the recognition and thanks that they so richly deserve.

Kindest regards,

Bobby J. Meadors
Clinton, S.C.

From 12A

AK-47."

Michele Bachmann: "I suspect it was trying to sneak over the border. We need to secure the road by building a wall. There are enough illegal chickens in this country already."

Rick Perry: "I'm against building a wall to keep the chicken out. We need the eggs."

Herman Cain: "I propose several steps to help address this question. Number 1: Identify the road. 2. Isolate the chicken. 3. Erect a chicken-crossing walkway. And finally, 4: Release the unsupervised chicken."

Ron Paul: "Who cares! That's none of our concern. Chickens should be free to cross roads without government intervention. Washington shouldn't get into the chicken crossing business."

Sarah Palin: Fry baby, fry!

Arnold Schwarzenegger: "I don't know the answer, but I can tell it's a girlie chicken by the way it walks."

Michael Moore: "After being confined, abused, and repressed by capitalistic poultry farmers, the chicken was fleeing to freedom, to star in my new movie Chicko."

Charlie Sheen: Winging!
Dr. Phil: "The issue is not why the chicken is crossing, by why we're enabling it to engage in risky activities."

Steve Jobs: "Why worry about real chickens and potential poultry highway carnage? I'll soon be releasing my new i-chicken which will only cross virtual roads."

Woody Allen: "I can't look at chickens. I get the urge to move to Rhode Island."

Mel Gibson: "Bloody Chickens! They're responsible for all the bad eggs in this world."

Martha Stewart: "It was try-

ing to escape from my crockpot; my bad. I wanted it for a recipe I was testing for my new book, "Cooking With Conviction."

Pat Robertson: "Only the good Lord knows. As it says in Leviticus 14:53, 'he is to release the live bird in the open fields outside the town.' But rest assured folks, if the chicken does get run over while crossing the road on its way to the fields, and is dying, it's okay to abandon it and look for another."

Tiger Woods: "It was probably scared of me. I used to hit a lot of birdies and eagles."

Kirstie Alley: "Because I was chasing it. Why? Three words: Chicken Pot Pie."

William Shatner: "ChicK-HAAAAAANN!!!"

DeForest Kelley: "I don't know, I'm a doctor, not a chicken plucker. Wait! Look out for that car! Oh no... he's dead, Jim."

Steven Wright: "I met this

grouchy chicken by the side of the road today. I think it was brooding."

Donald Trump: "You're fried!"

Bill O'Reilly: "Stupid chicken! It was walking in my No Spin Zone. Okay, so the secular, union-loving, veggo, anti-gun totting, pro-choice, global warmer, far left nutjobs have no problem allowing the chicken to just wander recklessly across the road. They don't care what damage it may do to my Mercedes if I'm driving and hit it, ALRIGHT? Oh, so it's MY fault if the chicken gets hit? GET OFF THE ROAD! And that's a memo.

(Nick Thomas is a freelance writer. He has written features for the Washington Post, Los Angeles Times, Chicago Tribune, Boston Globe, San Francisco Chronicle, and the Christian Science Monitor.)

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The Clinton Christmas Parade is scheduled for Saturday, December 3 at 10:00 a.m.

Tigers squeeze by Gamecocks at annual oyster roast

By Bristow Marchant

Staff Writer

One of the highlights of the college football season in Laurens County pulled in hundreds of fans Thursday.

The Chamber of Commerce hosted its fourth annual Clemson/Carolina Fan Challenge and Oyster Roast last week, combining food, football, fans and fun in the Chamber's biggest fundraiser of the year.

More than 500 fans of the state's two biggest football programs — including Chamber volunteers, cooks and servers who offered their time and labor — turned out for a competitive night of festivities that included seafood, a silent and a live auction for Clemson and USC memorabilia, and a fireworks show.

After all the food and drinks were consumed, Clemson came out on top in the fan challenge, with 232 paying fans in attendance versus Carolina's 227.

Each fan paid \$35 for a ticket, and was handed a rubber Tigers or Gamecocks wrist band as they entered the party (through separate entrances, of course). Attendees ate under a giant tent beside the Chamber offices on Professional Park Road, shucking oysters at alternately garnet or orange tables, or warming themselves beside the outdoor wood fire.

At the end of the evening, organizers tabulated the winning side based on how many of the



Hot meal on a cold night: Chamber volunteers served up some seafood for guests at the annual Clemson/Carolina Oyster Roast hosted Thursday by the Laurens County Chamber of Commerce. More than 500 people came out for the party, including a nearly even number of Tiger and Gamecock fans. — Photo by Bristow Marchant

600 wrist bands were handed out at the door.

"We have 300 bands for each team that we give out to people, and (we counted) the left overs to award one team the win," said Chamber president and CEO Greg Alexander.

Carolina did hold the lead in the number of former players in attendance. Clinton's J.D. Fuller, the Gamecocks' all-time tackles leader, and Kevin Long, who played running back at USC and

for the New York Jets, were both under the Chamber's tent Thursday. USC also had former tight ends Rod Lorick and Willie Scott at the oyster roast.

Clemson, on the other hand, was represented by national championship player Perry Tuttle and the Tiger Cub, wearing jersey number 1/2.

WYFF TV weatherman John Cessarich was on hand to broadcast his weather report from the oyster roast.

Fans also got a chance to bid in two auctions selling off 33 items worth of memorabilia in a silent auction, plus three autographed footballs in a live auction during the oyster roast.

Tina Garrett volunteered to monitor a long table of auction items, including shirts, hats, portraits and gift baskets filled with candles, scarves, drinks, even a coffee maker.

"When they come in, everyone seems to gravitate toward



Guest of honor: The Tiger Cub was one of the guests at Thursday's Clemson/Carolina Oyster Roast, interacting with Tigers fans to balance out the Gamecock players in attendance. — Photo by Bristow Marchant

the food, but now that they're finished eating, more people are moseying over here," she said during the event.

Chamber staff worked most of the day Thursday to set up the auction display, but Garrett arrived for the event without knowing what part she'd play.

"My best friend Amanda Munyan works at the Chamber, and I just came in and she set me up over here," Garrett said.

Other volunteers worked to

serve the food. Jim Firmin of Firmin Food provided the Low-country boil, the Clock restaurant served the gumbo, and Sea Eagle of Charleston provided the steaming oysters.

Thanks to all that volunteer labor and the ferocity of the Palmetto State rivalry, the Chamber rated the event a big success.

"I'm really pleased with the turnout," Alexander said. "It looks like everybody's having a good time."

Planning

From 1A

Stovall said he "feels good" about one of them choosing to locate in the park.

Key to growth in Phase II of the park is the completion of a frontage road along I-26 connecting Hwy. 56 and Hwy 72. Stovall said the road, which has been beset by years of delays, is scheduled to open in April, 2012.

The city is working with a subcommittee of the Laurens County Chamber of Commerce to develop a workforce training plan.

The city wants to develop a tourism plan, but no significant action has been made this year.

Recruiting and fostering the development of housing is an active goal with four projects underway or completed and another seven possible.

The goals call for the city to market itself to residents, businesses and visitors through the Laurens County Visitor's Guide, billboards, regional newspapers and Sandlapper magazine.

Another goal is to annex economically strategic properties along the interstate and by using requirements that certain property must be annexed to receive city water service.

Stovall said the city is contin-

uing to recruit and maintain commercial development on the north side of Clinton, with two projects currently being listed as "possible."

The city will pursue the development of a business incubator through a partnership with the National Business Incubator Association.

Council discussed adding a new goal of upgrading Phase III to a class 2 industrial park. Stovall said a class 2 park

would have additional signage, gateway landscaping, fire protection, utility lines, lights and clearing "so folks can see the topography."

Council Member Bob McLean said, "We need to put signs on all the land we have for sale. Nobody's going to buy it if they don't know it's for sale."

The city manager said the city could add a goal of "being more visible with our economic development efforts."

Stovall said the CEDC is looking at the possibility of selling timber from ClintonPark and using the money for some of the improvements needed at Phase III.

"We're getting a lot of folks looking at Clinton III, so anything we can do to help prepare it (for development) is important," Mayor Randy Randall said.

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Time & Again
1998

From The Chronicle

EAA may be scaring students, officials say

A four-year old kindergarten student recently walked up to her teacher and said, "I don't know my letters yet, is that OK?" "We haven't had that before," said Laurens County School District Superintendent Dr. Vickie Kivell.

The concern by the child is another example of what impact the Education Accountability Act (EAA) is having on students, Kivell said. But Kivell said, striking fear in the hearts of children is not the way to increase student achievement.

She said, "Anxiety has an impact on the child's ability to learn." "When you are anxious or scared, you won't learn."

The bottom line of the EAA is retention, according to Kivell.

Improving Westchase helps Boyd win award

Changing the reputation of Westchase Apartments is one of the reasons Boyd Management Company recently won the 1998 Housing Achievement Award presented by the S.C. Housing and Finance Authority.

Boyd Management Company, which manages apartment complexes throughout the southeast, manages Westchase, Countryside, Colony Square, Belle Ville and Tallwood Apartments in Clinton.

Voice for homeless animals wants to change euthanasia

The method Laurens County uses to put animals to sleep was brought under fire at Tuesday night's meeting of County council.

Donna Cohn of the People for Animal Welfare and Safety (PAWS) organization presented a petition with 427 signatures to council and asked council to reconsider the county's method of euthanizing animals.

A self-described "voice for homeless animals," Cohn said 600 dogs were put to sleep by Laurens County in 1997.

The county uses a method called intracardiac euthanasia to kill homeless animals who are not adopted or claimed at the county's animal control facility.

PC Clinches 2nd

Presbyterian College clinched second place in the South Atlantic conference race with a 38-9 clubbing of Gardner-Webb last Saturday in Boiling Springs, North Carolina.

Perhaps even more significant was the fact that the victory represents PC's seventh win of the season, a total that no Blue Hose football team has reached since 1987, when PC compiled an 8-5 mark.

A win over arch-rival Newberry this week will give Presbyterian its best record since the 1979 Blue Hose went 11-2.



This is CNN

PC students tour Atlanta headquarters

By Chelsea Dean

For The Chronicle

The Media and Society class of Presbyterian College took a trip to Atlanta on Oct. 7. The trip was led by Mark Anderson and Terry Barr. Anderson's specialty is art and Barr is an English professor. The two have been teaching Media and Society, which serves as an Art 300 class, for over 20 years.

The course deals with experiencing and analyzing various types of media such as motion pictures, newspapers, and music and learning how these types of media impact society.

Since Presbyterian College is a liberal arts college, courses like Media and Society are important in order for students to be immersed in the arts and develop a greater understanding of them. Although it is an art class and serves as an English elective credit, many students who are currently enrolled in the course are not English majors or art majors.

Anyone can relate to the course, no matter what their interests are, because we all make up our surrounding society and media affects us daily.

The field trip to Atlanta was scheduled and designed to engage the students in the media worlds of WSB, CNN, the High Museum, and a concert at the Tabernacle. Our first stop in Atlanta was WSB-TV, which, according to ratings, has the number one news team in America. It is also affiliated with ABC.

Our tour was led by Kathy Arndt. We explored various aspects of WSB such as the newsroom, control room, and one of the studios. WSB not only serves as a television network, but also includes five radio stations. We were able to get a glimpse into the radio station rooms and the traffic center. Inside the newsroom, reporters were working to research and write stories.

Monitors were set up in order for the reporters to watch the latest news and "keep an eye on the competition." Arndt said, "We are number one and we want to keep it that way." Reporters are also able to stay on top of the news by listening to police and fire scanners in order to be informed of the latest emergencies.

In the studio, we got to meet



Camera equipment on a WSB news set

WSB's meteorologist, Brad Nitz. Nitz expressed his love for meteorology when he said, "Forecasting anything in the future keeps you humble." There, we learned that the cameras used to tape live news are no longer operated by camera men, but are instead controlled by joy sticks from the control room. This further illustrates how technology is advancing. Arndt told us that each individual camera is valuable and cost about \$500,000 a piece. At the end of the tour, we were taught a little about the history of WSB. We learned that the station started in 1922 and that WSB actually stands for "Welcome South Brother."

Following the tour of WSB, we moved through town and went to the CNN center. We walked in only to be totally amazed with busy people and the hustle and bustle of the food court.

The CNN Center was much more protected and after going through the security check, we were able to go up the eight story escalator to get to the actual CNN building.

In total, CNN has an astounding 98 million viewers. Andy, our tour guide, was very engaging. He took us through the CNN newsroom, which was huge, and also the control room and studio. The CNN center was much larger than WSB and we learned that CNN has over 1,000 affiliates and HLN serves

as a sister network.

We were also told that on September 11, 2001, it only took CNN four minutes to get the image of the first plane crashing into the World Trade Center around the entire world. Media and technology works in ways that are very impressive.

A major aspect of CNN that our tour guide focused on was the addition of CNN Espanol. He explained that it serves as a good communication network. This shows how Spanish is becoming a very dominant lan-

guage in our country and how important it is to relay news to different ethnicities.

Moving on from the CNN Center, we reached the High Museum which included many different types of art such as sculptures, paintings, and historical furniture. Anderson and Barr asked us to keep in mind the space presented in each of the places we toured. We observed that the space in the High Museum was very open and contemporary.

This created a very different

atmosphere than that of the CNN Center which was crowded and busy. After observing various types of art, we went to dinner, and then we went to see a Ben Harper concert at the Tabernacle.

The Tabernacle is an old church in Atlanta that has been restored into a venue. "On our trip, a visit to an exhibit at the High Museum is contrasted by attending a rock concert," explained Anderson. He explained the differences in atmospheres when he said, "The noisy cheers and physical crowding of the concert is contrasted with the relative quiet and solitary spaciousness of the museum's more contemplative space."

By touring both CNN, a wider known news source, and WSB, a local station, "we got a distinctively different sense of style of attitude in the use of media, reflective of the values inherent in the mission of each sponsoring entity."

Our entire trip served as a way to help us to understand how media affects culture and society. Every place we went "involved an encounter with a different medium, broadcasting, or narrowcasting on a different band," said Anderson. The Atlanta field trip was definitely an enlightening experience and brought more meaning to the Media and Society course.



A WSB-TV anchor desk

Miss Blind, Mr. Bontrager are wed Looking for canning coaches to provide information

Lauren Suzanne Blind of Atlanta and Todd Ryan Bontrager of Woodstock, Ga., were married Saturday, November 5, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Clinton.

The wedding was officiated by Dr. Blake Harwell, Rev. Steven Cooper and Rev. Tracey Cooper.

The bride is the daughter of Birney and Laura Blind of Clinton. She is a graduate of Clemson University where she earned a Bachelor of Science in health science. She is employed by Wellstar Corporate and Community Health where she is providing corporate wellness initiatives in the Metro Atlanta area.

The groom is the son of Gerald and Kay Bontrager of Mount Juliet, Tennessee. He is a graduate of Wheaton College where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in German. He is employed by Informative Technology Companies.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Mrs. Courtney Mann of Dallas, Texas, cousin of the bride, was the matron of honor.

Bridesmaids were Yvette Broughton of Atlanta; Mrs. Rachel Owens of Mount Juliet, Tenn., sister of the groom; and Mrs. Cynthia Simpson of Lau-



Mr. and Mrs. Todd Ryan Bontrager...

...the bride is the former Lauren Suzanne Blind

rens. The groom chose Will Paul of Gary, Ga. as best man. Groomsmen were Tyler Blind of Atlanta, brother of the

bride; Bob Barrett of Springfield, Mo; and Patrick Walker of Woodstock.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at The Over-

look, Clinton House Plantation.

After a wedding trip to Mexico, the couple will reside in Atlanta, Ga.

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In 2012, Food Safety agents will work from more grant dollars to identify and train local canning coaches. That means lessons will be developed and volunteers will be trained to teach canning classes in their community. These coaches will be well trained by the Clemson Extension Agents and will be

Around the Table



By Rhonda Matthews

canning mentors in the areas where they live. This will double or triple the ability of agents to get reliable, science-based canning information into communities across South Carolina.

Currently, the search is underway for canning coaches. If you would like more information on being trained as a canning coach, contact me for details at 864-446-2276 x 112 or email Rhonda@clemson.edu. We'd love to have you join our team.

(Rhonda Matthews is a Clemson Extension County Agent. Her email address is rhonda@clemson.edu.)

Question: There are a fair number of tiny, almost square-looking greenish bugs that seem to be coming into my home from outside. What are these and what can I do? Are they harmful?

Answer: Bryan Smith, our Laurens County Clemson Extension Agent, provided the following information:

We have had many reports of this problem this year. The insect in question is commonly known as the Kudzu bug, or more correctly the bean plataspid. We first saw this in-

sect in the State last summer and, while it seems to love kudzu, we were concerned that it would also feed on soybeans and other bean plants. It turns out that our concerns were well-founded, since the kudzu bug is becoming a major pest of soybeans in our State. They are generally not an issue for home gardens, but can infest bean crops in some numbers.

Kudzu bugs pose no threat to humans and pets, since they only feed on kudzu and legumes, so the home invasion of these insects is something like that of asian ladybeetles (ladybugs) - a

Ask A Master Gardener

nuisance, but not something to lose sleep over. Corey Tanner, our Extension Agent in Greenville, reports that they will give off a mildly offensive odor when disturbed, similar to the response of stink bugs. According to Corey, "The best solution is to seal cracks and crevices around doors, windows and other entry points in an effort to exclude the pests from the home." The best way to remove them from the home is to vacuum them up,

then place the vacuum bag in hot, soapy water to kill them.

Occasionally a homeowner calls with an infestation in their garden they would like to remove. The kudzu bug feeds on plant stems, usually sucking sap from the infested plant. Since this is the method of feeding, the chemical carbaryl (Sevin, etc.) - in dust or liquid form - and other insecticide dusts should have little if any effect on these insects. According to Dr. Powell Smith,

Extension Agent in Lexington County, insecticides labeled for the home garden containing either the chemical bifenthrin, z-cypermethrin, or cyhalothrin seem to work well. Products containing the chemical permethrin provide intermediate control (meaning reinfestation can occur rapidly), and products containing the chemical cyfluthrin do not work well. (Please note that none of these garden insecticides should be used on or around a house. Only insecticides labeled for use on a household structure should be used in that fashion.)

The University of Georgia Extension Service has a nice factsheet on-line concerning Kudzu bugs located at <http://gabugs.uga.edu/documents/KudzuBugCircular991.pdf> if you would like more information.

Have a question about any of your landscaping or gardening issues? Send your questions to: Claude W. Blakely Ask a Master Gardener The Laurens County Master Gardener Association P. O. Box 152 Waterloo, SC 29384-0152 cblakely@prtcnet.com

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PC choir and orchestra bring Christmas to campus

It began in August as over 100 choral and instrumental students moved into dorms for the annual observance of choir, handbell, and pep band camps. Even in the middle of the late summer heat, Christmas was already in the air on the Presbyterian College campus.

Child of the Stable, Christmas at PC 2011, will be presented in Belk Auditorium on the PC campus in Clinton on Dec. 2 and 3 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 4 at 3 p.m. Reserved seat tickets for the production are \$12 and available only at My Friend's Bookstore in downtown Clinton.

Singers, instrumentalists, and handbell ringers began to arrive on campus on Aug. 14. The camps began in the week before freshmen were to arrive for orientation so that the pep band could organize before football season and the choirs and handbells could begin the task of preparing for Christmas.

And rehearsals have continued with increasing intensity throughout August, September, and October as the choirs and orchestras have held joint rehearsals and work has begun on producing the sets, lights, and costumes.

But instead of burning out the Christmas flames, PC's music students return to campus each year eagerly asking, "what is Christmas going to be this year?"

Both the students and the faculty view the effort and production with pride and affection, knowing that for the most part, those Christmas performances will be the best-attended performances of the year for



Presbyterian College choir and orchestra

the Department of Music.

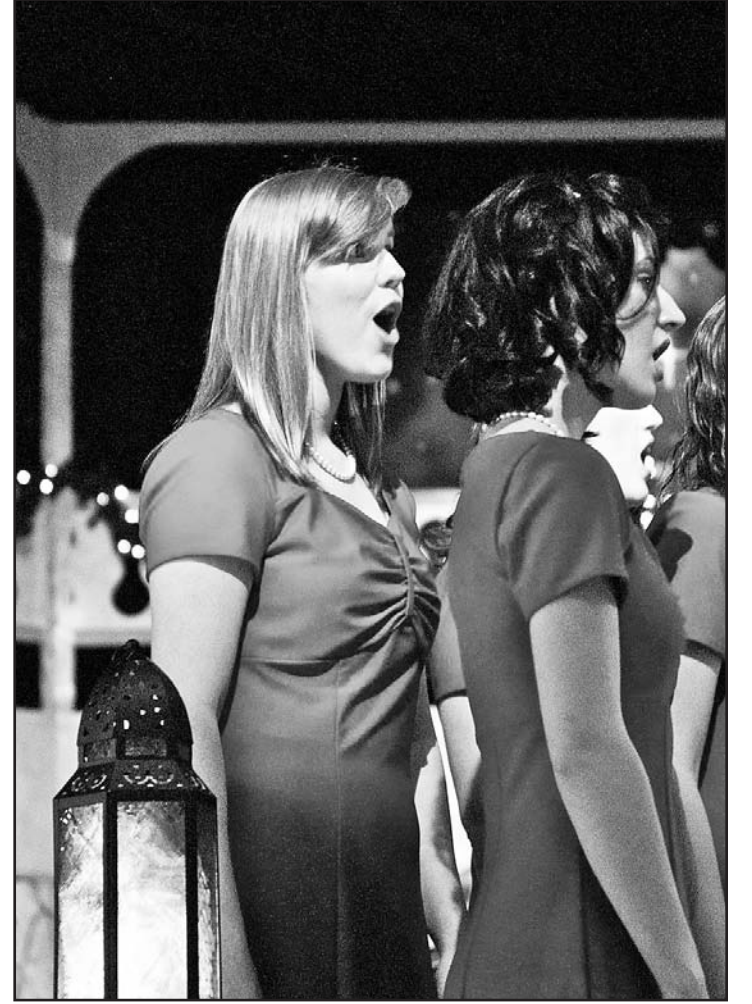
Pressly Caldwell is a senior at PC majoring in early childhood education and has been in the PC Choir for all four of her PC years. "I always look forward to Christmas at PC as much as I look forward to anything during the school year. For me, it's more than just a performance - it's an experience that has helped define my PC career - and, I know that I'll be able to look back and say that the Christmas productions

were among my most treasured PC memories."

"This Department of Music is about much more than just the Christmas productions," says Dr. Porter Stokes, chair of the Department of Music at PC, "but from the public's perspective, the Christmas performances here are probably the most visible thing that we do every year. That is precisely why we devote so many resources to this particular event. I'd say that at least some aspects of the Christmas perform-

ances are in process every month of the year except for January. It is common practice to choose the theme and scenario in February, review new music in March and April, create a script for the program in May, prepare the orders for new music or music rentals in June, place the orders for new music in July, and begin rehearsals in August - and that continues with increasing frequency right into the first of December."

Heidi Moore, a senior music



PC choir members

major from Laurens, sings in two choral groups and is a member of the PC Ringers. In a recent interview, she said that it had recently occurred to her that over her four years at PC, she will have performed, during the Christmas production, for over 10,000 ticket holders.

"It made me think about the far-reaching consequences of these performances," Moore said, "since many of those in

the audiences have told others outside of the Clinton area about their experiences here in Clinton and at PC. In fact, the Christmas at PC performances are more than just concerts; they're acts of praise, of worship, of celebration, and learning with a purpose - and reaching out to serve - through the medium of music. Exactly one of the reasons I came to PC."

PC School of Pharmacy students hold first Service Day

The PC School of Pharmacy recently held its first Service Day, a day during Orientation Week devoted entirely to fulfilling the school's promise of caring for the community.

The entire class of incoming first year students, as well as several faculty and staff members, volunteered at eight loca-

tions in Clinton and the surrounding area.

"It's a great opportunity for us to become more of a part of the community and see the people we can help serve," said Kayce Shealy, assistant professor at the School of Pharmacy. "It brings us back to reality. Most of the time we're in our of-

ices and classrooms.

"(Service Day) is a chance for us to get out and meet people we serve."

Shealy and several students, including Kasey Wilson, met and served ice cream to residents at Bailey Manor, a retirement community in Clinton.

"I enjoyed the most just talk-

ing to the elderly," Wilson said. "The residents told me numerous times how glad they were that we were there. You could tell on their faces how happy they were."

PCSP students also served ice cream to residents at Presbyterian Community Home in Clinton. Other students painted,

tended the garden, and did yard work at the United Ministries Food Bank. And some helped the facility at the Equestrian Center in Clinton and the Humane Society in Greenwood.

Students, faculty, and staff also volunteered at the Hospice Thrift Store, the Safe Home of Laurens County, and the Har-

vest Hope Food Bank.

"I love PCSP's commitment to service," Wilson said. "I think service is one of the biggest parts of the pharmacy profession and by instilling this value in ourselves now, will make it come more natural when we are out of school."

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A replica of a 1965 Cobra, built by Piedmont Technical College's first and second year students in the automotive technology class, was on display at Aaron Industries on Monday, Nov. 7th, before heading off to Firmin Ford in Laurens to be on display through November 15 and then will be at Cooper Motor Company in Clinton through November 22nd.

Aaron Industries purchased 100 tickets and had a drawing from all full time employees giving them a chance to win the car.

The Foundation is offering up to 500 tickets for a \$100 donation per ticket.

Tickets will be available through December 2 or until 500 are sold. On Dec. 5th, 10 finalist tickets will be drawn. The winner of the Cobra will be selected from those 10 finalists through a reverse drawing at the Piedmont Technical College employee Christmas luncheon on Dec. 15.

Tickets are available from any Foundation board member, the PTC automotive technology department or Fran Wiley, executive director of the PTC Foundation. Part of the proceeds from the ticket sales will go to scholarships and to assist the automotive technology department. Rules and conditions can be found at www.ptc.edu/cobra. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Wiley at (864) 941-8351

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Upcoming Events

~ NOV. 16~

WORKSHOPS AT TIMKEN CENTER, 1840 TORRINGTON RD., CLINTON
Networkers Job Club at 10 am; Job Search 2011 at 1:30 pm; Computers for Beginners at 3 pm.

~ NOV. 17~

LAURENS COUNTY TEA PARTY
will meet at 7 pm at the Laurens County Higher Education Center, 663 Medical Ridge Rd., Clinton, Room 404. The vetting committee will present their research on the presidential candidates, followed by discussion. For more information, call 864-983-2205 or visit www.laurensteaparty.org

THE LAURENS COUNTY NAACP
will meet at the Pleasant View Center, West Mill Street. Gray Court. Executive Committee meeting at 6 pm, regular membership meeting at 7 pm.

~ NOV. 20~

SOUTH CAROLINA'S FIRST PURPLELIGHT NATIONAL VIGIL FOR HOPE
for pancreatic cancer awareness will be held at 5 p.m. at South Carolina Oncology Associates, 166 Stoneridge Drive, Columbia. Register at no cost at www.purplelight.org or at the event. The event program will include a reading of the names of all those we have lost to pancreatic cancer (in memory of) or those who are survivors (in honor of). For more information call 864-547-0138. Governor Haley has proclaimed November 2011 as PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.

~ NOV. 23~

WORKSHOPS AT TIMKEN CENTER, 1840 TORRINGTON RD., CLINTON
Networkers Job Club at 10 am, provides the basic information to generate useful information, referrals and advice that lead to job interviews and offers. Topic: Coping with a job loss. Job Search 2011 at 1:30 pm, the differences between job searches in the past and job searches today. Additional information needed for a successful job search. Resume clinic/WIN lab at 3 pm, bring a resume or completed resume worksheet.

~ NOV. 25~

NEW BETHEL AME CHURCH WILL HOST A SHOPPING TRIP ON BLACK FRIDAY TO TANGER OUTLET, CHARLESTON
proceeds will benefit the New Bethel youth. The public is invited. Cost is \$30 per person and all money is due by Nov. 6. Contact Deidra Moore, 337-0612 or 833-6688.

~ DEC. 3~

THOMAS SANDER HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1968
will hold a class reunion at 6 p.m. at Ryan's Family Steak House in Simpsonville. All classmates are urged to attend. For more information, call 864-984-3841.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLINTON MUSEUM located at 400 N. Broad St., is open Sundays from 2-5 p.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1-4 p.m. Free admission. Group tours by appointment, call 864-833-2549.

THE CLINTON TEXTILE HERITAGE MUSEUM at the M.S. Bailey Municipal Center, 211 North Broad Street, Clinton, is open Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

THE LAURENS COUNTY MUSEUM, 205 West Laurens St., Laurens, is open every Sunday, 2-5 p.m. Admission is free. For tours, call 984-3860 or 1-864-684-5639..

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BLUEGRASS MUSIC is featured every Saturday night at the Owings Music Hall in Owings.

LAURENS COUNTY FARM BUREAU is accepting applications for several scholarships, not only for youth, but also for certified teachers. Farm Bureau membership is required. For information, contact the local Farm Bureau office, 984-0413 or apply at www.SCFB.org.

THE LAURENS COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT PHOTO CONTEST aims to encourage people to participate in nature photography, thereby fostering greater understanding and appreciation of the natural resources in Laurens County. For information about the photography contest for youth and adults, visit www.laurensconservation.com or call 984-6921, ext. 101.

~ ONGOING ~

A SUPPORT GROUP DEALING WITH BREAST, OVARIAN, UTERINE AND CERVICAL CANCERS will meet the 1st Mon. night of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Laurens County Hospital. For more information, call Harriet Ramage at 984-4858.

ADULT BASIC SKILLS/BASIC LITERACY LABS of the Literacy Council are Mon.-Thurs. 9 a.m.-noon, and Tues. & Thurs. from 5:30-7:30 p.m. To volunteer or participate, call 984-0466. A yearly registration fee applies.

AIDS TASK FORCE OF LAURENS COUNTY has merged with the Upper Savannah Care Consortium. Meetings are held the 4th Tues. of every month. Call Jennifer at 984-4332 for more information.

ALANON, for friends and families of alcoholics, meets Mon. a 8 p.m. at the Alconon Serenity Club on U.S. 221 south of Laurens.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets Tues. at 8 p.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church in Clinton; Fri. at 8 p.m. at First Baptist in Joanna; Mon. Thursdays & Sat. at 8 p.m.; and Mon., Wed. and Sat. at 10 a.m. at the Alconon Serenity Club on U.S. 221 south of Laurens.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION program and services. For information, call 866-844-0995 or visit www.alz.org/sc.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY'S BEST CHANCE NETWORK PROVIDES FREE Pap tests, breast exams and mammograms for women ages 47-64 who meet income guidelines, have no insurance or have insurance that only pays for hospital care. Income guidelines: 1 person earning \$19,140 or less; 2 people, \$25,660; for additional person, add \$6,520. To see if you qualify, call Hildreth Perrin at (864) 443-2521. "Early Detection is the Best Protection... Every Year for Life."

AMERICAN RED CROSS OF LAURENS COUNTY is located at 16 Peachtree Street. Office hours: 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Mon. - Fri. American Red Cross offers adult, child and infant CPR classes and disaster response services for house fires and other local disasters. Speakers are also available for civic clubs and other groups. Volunteers are always needed. For information or assistance, call the Laurens County Service Center at 938-6306.

ANOTHER DAY MINISTRIES is a non-profit organization that reaches out to help individuals, families, and children through christian counseling. We provide opportunities for individual and family counseling and educational classes for victims of criminal domestic violence and parents with troubled teens. In addition, Another Day offers parenting classes designed for specific needs such as dealing with the oppositional child, parents in crisis, children in trouble with the law, anger management, etc. Another Day is accepting referrals and is open M-F, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. We accept contributions and donations for services rendered. Call 833-4040 for appointments, and for after hours calls, call 923-1444.

THE ARTIST'S COOP IN LAURENS: Class for beginners in clay/pottery, Tues. from 7-9 p.m. Cost for materials: \$25, and a \$10 fee each week. Teacher: Genie Miles. This class is ongoing; you may enroll at any time. Adult art classes, 7-9 p.m. All mediums and levels; for the beginner and ongoing artist. Cost: \$80 for 8 weeks. Provide your own materials. Teacher: Tya Hoteling. For more information or to enroll in any of these classes, call 984-9359 Tues. - Sat.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: Meets the first Thurs. of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room at the Hospice of Laurens County office, 400 Plantation Plaza, Suite G. This group is open to anyone who has lost a loved one and is seeking a positive pathway through grief. Facilitators: Dr. James DuBose and Rev. Dan Compton, chaplain and bereavement coordinators. For more information, call 833-6287.

BRIGADIER GENERAL SAMUEL MCGOWAN CAMP #40, Sons of Confederate Veterans meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the SCV building, 115 Calhoun Street, Laurens.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER LITERACY TUTOR and change someone's life for the better. Call the Laurens County Literacy Council for more information. 984-0466. CAMPBELL LODGE #44 AFM will conduct a regular communication each 3rd Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. at South Broad Street, Clinton. All Master Masons in good standing are urged to attend. AFM members only.

CLINTON AMERICAN LEGION POST 56 meets the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the American Legion Hut.

CLINTON-LAURENS-NEWBERRY TENNIS ASSOCIATION meets the last Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. The public is invited. For more information, call Martha at (864) 833-3933.

CLINTON YMCA "FIT KIDS & TAI JI: Fit Kids, for ages 9-12, is held Mondays and Thursdays 5-5:45 p.m. in the mini-gym. Free to YMCA members, \$30 per month for non-members. Tai Ji is taught Tuesdays at 10 a.m. at the Clinton YMCA by Jianlin Mao, professor of Chinese Studies at PC. Originally created as a martial art. It utilizes the ancient philosophy of Yin-Yang and is one of the most respected practices for exercise, meditation and martial arts in the world. Free to YMCA members, \$30 per month for non-members.

DINERS' CLUB: Senior Options invites you to join us at one of our two diners club locations. Hot meals are served daily in Clinton at Senior Options and in Laurens at Laurelwood. Transportation can be provided. Call Christine at 938-0572 Ext. 30 for more information.

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS, Shands-Lanford Chapter 52 and Auxiliary meet the second Tuesday of each month in the Senior Options Building located behind the Laurens County Hospital. All disabled American veterans are invited to attend. Chapter and Auxiliary members are urged to attend.

GLEAMNS HEAD START is accepting applications for the 2008 - 2009 school year. To be eligible for Head Start, children must be 3 years old or before Sept. 1, 2008. In order for applications to be processed, your child's birth certificate and proof of family income from the previous 12 months (form 140, W-2) are required. Applications will be accepted regardless of race, sex, creed, nationality, immigration status, or disability. For more information, call 984-4814. Notice: Gleamns Head Start does not provide transportation for children residing within a 1-mile radius of the center.

GOSPEL NIGHT AT HARMONY HOUSE (downstairs behind Elaine's): Every Friday night, 7-9 p.m. Full service coffee bar always open. Free admission. Smoke free. Love offering taken at the door.

FOSTER PARENTS NEEDED FOR LAURENS COUNTY. Department of Social Services to provide a stable and loving environment for children ages birth to 18

years old. If you love children and want to help with the future of the next generation, call Sabrina Booker at 833-0100, ext. 223 or Pam Grasseti at ext. 263. FOSTER GRANDPARENTS ARE NEEDED FOR LAURENS COUNTY. Foster grandparents are age 60 and over who are able to make a strong emotional connection with children. Income-eligible FGPs receive a small stipend to help offset the cost of volunteering. Other benefits include pre-service and monthly training sessions, reimbursement for transportation, some meals during service, an annual physical and accident insurance while on the job. For more information, call Dee Deal at 864-547-8101.

GIVE YOUR BABY A HEALTHY START. Free breast feeding classes will be offered the second Tuesday of each month at Laurens County Health Department. Classes begin at 11 a.m. For more information, contact Georgianna Martin at 833-0000.

GLEAMNS HUMAN RESOURCES COMMISSION has available funds for emergency needs at the Sanders Center in Laurens. Contact Tiesha Curennton at 948-5123. GOOD SHEPHERD FREE MEDICAL CLINIC OF LAURENS COUNTY is offering free medical exams to qualifying patients at 245 Human Services Road behind the Laurens County Hospital. Laurens County residents who have no private or government health insurance should bring household income documentation to the clinic on Friday mornings from 9-10 a.m. to complete qualification. Please call (864) 833-0017 for more information.

HOME SCHOOL SUPPORT GROUP. Christian Home Educators of Laurens County (CHELC) is a group for home schoolers which provides opportunities for field trips and enrichment classes for students as well as support and library resources for their parents. If you would like more information about home education or an application for membership, please visit our website at www.chelc.net or e-mail jimnd-family@hotmail.com.

HOSPICE OF LAURENS COUNTY, a non-profit organization, has provided HospiceCare for hundreds of families with compassion and professionalism. Located at 1304 Springdale Dr., Clinton, Hospice is available to speak to any groups or organizations who are interested in knowing more about HospiceCare, End-of-Life planning, End-of-Life Care, Bereavement ministries and other related topics. To arrange a program for your organization, contact Linda Brown, Director of Hospice of Laurens County at 833-6287.

HOSPICE OF LAURENS COUNTY SPONSORS A GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP the third Monday or each month at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Call and reserve space now. Hospice of Laurens County, 864-833-6287. 1304 Springdale Dr., Clinton.

HOSPICE CARE OF SOUTH CAROLINA is devoted to providing the highest quality care for patients living with a terminally ill disease. The coordinated program of comfort and supportive care provides physical, psychological, social and spiritual resources for the patient, as well as their family. Our local office is at 100 Plaza Circle near the hospital. We are available to speak about Hospice Care to church groups, senior or civic groups and community organizations. For more information, contact Jay Wilson at 864-833-3002.

IF YOU ARE BLIND or know someone who is blind or legally blind, contact the Bell Center of the Blind at 984-4714, 1103 North Harper St., Laurens, S.C. There are services available. Meetings days are the second Tuesday of every month at noon. JAMES B. PARROTT CHAPTER #9 Order of the Eastern Star meets at Magnolia Lodge in Joanna on the third Friday of every month.

J.B. KERSHAW CHAPTER OF THE UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY meets quarterly in the homes of their members and invites any eligible women to visit a meeting. For more information, contact Eloise Verdin at (864) 682-3294.

JOANNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION meets every third Tuesday of each month at 115 Reeder St., Joanna.

JOANNA FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS meets the second Tuesday of each month at the firehouse.

KEYS TO SUCCESS Do you know a child 0-6 years old with learning problems or a developmental delay? Our Early Intervention program helps children and their families. Together, we can be the keys to your child's success. Please call Leigh Parker at 984-0355 ext. 23 to make a referral.

KIWANIS CLUB OF CLINTON meets at 6 p.m. every 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at the YMCA in Clinton. Visitors are welcome to attend. The club's mission is serving the children of the world through service. For more information, call Linda Sparks at 833-5360 or 833-9622.

LAURENS COUNTY DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS BOARD meets the first Monday of every month at 6 p.m. at the administration building, 1860 Hwy. 14, Laurens.

LAURENS COUNTY DIVISION OF THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION: anyone interested in being involved with or has questions about the Laurens County Division of the American Heart Association, call 1-800-AHA-USA1.

LAURENS COUNTY FIRST STEPS, a non-profit organization whose sole mission is to get ready for school is taking contributions for its First Steps to School Readiness Fund that will provide child care scholarships for many years to come. In addition, contributions are being accepted to assist the board in funding its Family Literacy strategies in both school districts, child care training and professional development and child care scholarships. Make checks payable to: Laurens County Community Foundation, PO Box 1836, Laurens, SC 29360, or call Executive Director Edith Davis for more information at 984-8130. Enroll in the Bi-Lo Boosters Club, donate your children's books, or your unused cell phones.

LAURENS COUNTY HOSPITAL DIABETIC EDUCATION SUPPORT GROUP/CLASS are held every Monday morning at 8:30 a.m. in the Diabetes Center located at 200 Plaza Circle, Suite D, Clinton. For more information, call 833-4800.

LAURENS COUNTY LITERACY COUNCIL: If improving your basic skills is one of your resolutions, let the Literacy Council help. The Literacy Council can provide testing and direction to help adults choose an educational path. Call the Literacy Council at 984-0466 to schedule a testing time. 221 W. Laurens St., Laurens, SC 29360.

LAURENS COUNTY NETWORKER'S CLUB Wednesdays at Timken Center, 1840 Torrington Road, Clinton, S.C. 10-11:30a.m. Call 833-0142 or 938-9841 for more information.

LAURENS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 56 holds monthly meetings each fourth Monday. Meeting times are normally at 7 p.m. Agendas are posted in all district building prior to meetings and the media is notified at least 24 hours prior to each

meeting.

LAURENS COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS VAN SCHEDULE: The Laurens County Veterans Affairs van will provide weekly trips to four locations on a first come, first serve basis. Call Veterans Affairs Officer Carey Bolt at 984-4041 to reserve a seat. Monday: ID Cards. The van will depart the VA office on the square in Laurens at 8 a.m. and will arrive at its destination at 9 a.m. The van will return to Laurens once all ID cards are issued. Tuesday: Greenville V.A. will depart the Laurens County VA office at 7 a.m. and arrive at the Greenville V.A. by 8:30 a.m.; will depart at 4 p.m. and return to Laurens at 5 p.m. Wednesday: Columbia V.A. will depart the Laurens County VA office at 6:30 a.m. and arrive in Columbia by 8 a.m.; will depart from Columbia at 4 p.m. Thursday: Augusta V.A.: will depart the Laurens County VA office at 7 a.m. and arrive at 8:30 a.m.; will depart from Augusta at 4 p.m.

LAURENS "END OF THE ROAD" GROUP OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS meets every Tuesday and Saturday 8-9 p.m. at the Bethel AME Church, 19035 Hwy. 221 North (at the intersection of Hwy. 49), Laurens.

LOOSE THREADS QUILT GUILD OF CLINTON meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church Family Life Center, Clinton. Anyone interested in quilting is invited to attend. For information, call Marilyn Cooper, 684-0070, or Patt Nelson, 833-1555.

LUPUS SUPPORT GROUP will meet the first Sunday of every month at 3 p.m. at Rocky Springs Presbyterian Church, 1063 Rocks Springs Church Rd., Laurens. 864-682-3627. For people who suffer with Lupus, their families and friends and anyone wanting more information about the disease. www.RSPCLupusSupportGroup.info M.S. BAILEY MUNICIPAL CENTER features an exhibit of historic Bailey bank documents from 1886 to 1950, and photos as well as artifacts from Clinton Mills, The Municipal Center is located at 211 N. Broad St., and is open from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF LAURENS COUNTY is committed to bringing mental health awareness to the county by providing information services. Contact MHALC if you would like a speaker or fact sheet concerning mental health. We have information on all major mental illnesses and can provide a referral for mental health care if needed. Volunteers and new members are always welcome. MHALC, P.O. Box 954, Clinton, S.C. 29325 or call 864-984-0635.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS (Courage to Change group) meets Mondays and Thursdays at Broad Street United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. Meetings are held in Room 7 (second floor) in the Hodges Hall wing of the church. The church is located at 310 North Broad Street. Parking is located behind the church.

NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Laurens County meets the third Tuesday of each month (except December) from 7-8:30 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church CLC building, 303 E. Centennial St., Clinton. NAMI provides mental health education, support and advocacy for individuals and families affected by mental illness. For more information, call Liz Tapp at 833-1812.

NAMI Family Support Group meets the third Tuesday of each month (except September and December) from 6-7 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church CLC building, 303 E. Centennial St., Clinton. Family Support Group focuses entirely on sharing and caring, addressing the needs and questions related to a family member's brain disorder. For more information, call Liz Tapp at 833-1812.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC., Laurens County Section, meets the first Saturday of every month at 11 a.m. in the Laurens County Hospital Board Room.

NATIONAL HEALTH CARE CENTER OF LAURENS offers free speech, language, and hearing screenings for children and adults Mon.-Fri.. Call for appointment at 984-6584 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

NEWCOMERS AND FRIENDS CLUB will meet the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Clinton YMCA. Ladies who are new to the area and current residents are invited.

NU THETA OMEGA CHAPTER OF ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC., meets the 2nd Sat. of every month at 11 a.m. in the Laurens County Hospital Board Room.

OPEN DOOR CHRIST CENTERED DRUG & ALCOHOL MEETINGS Mon.-Fri. at 8-9:15 am and Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri at 7-8:15 pm. All are welcome. For more information, call Rev. Charles at 864-923-16442.

ONESTOP UPPER SAVANNAH WORKFORCE SYSTEM LAURENS NETWORKERS/JOB CLUB invites all unemployed persons to meet every Wed. at 10 a.m. Timken Center, 1840 Torrington Road, Clinton, SC. This club helps develop job searching techniques. For more information, call 833-0142 or 938-9841.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS meets Monday at 10 a.m. at Alconon Serenity Club, 3702 Hwy. 221 South, Laurens. Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step program based on support from others and appeal to a higher power. It is free except for any publication purchased.

S.C. HUMANE SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS SAYS, "Don't litter, fix your critter." If you need financial aid to help pay the cost of your pet's spay/neuter surgery, call 984-6484 and leave a clearly spoken message.

THE SAFE HOME ANNOUNCES A NEW SUPPORT GROUP FOR WOMEN IN ABUSIVE RELATIONSHIPS. The group meets weekly, off-site, and is open to women who are in abusive relationships or are recovering from an abusive relationship. Please call Kim Perry at 682-7270 for more information.

SOUTH CAROLINA FAMILY AND COMMUNITY LEADERS invite all interested persons to attend the following meetings: Heirloom Needle Arts, first Monday 10 a.m.; Gray Court-Owings-Youngs, first Thursday, 10 a.m.; Oak Grove, third Monday, 12 noon. For more information, call Clemson Extension office 864-984-2514.

STAR OF BETHLEHEM #358 meets the 3rd Tues. of each month at 7 p.m. in the Consolation Lodge Hall no. 3 located next to Hebron Baptist Church, Clinton. All Eastern Star members are invited.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR PERSONS WITH EATING DISORDERS. Call Janet at 833-2274.

UNITED MINISTRIES, located at Samaritan's Corner, 500 Academy St., Clinton, is now providing financial assistance on Mon. & Wed., 9 -11:30 a.m. The number of clients may be limited. The Food Pantry is open the second Wednesday of every month 1-3 p.m. All other weeks, the Food Bank is open Tuesday and Thursday, 1-3 p.m. (No new applications accepted after 2:30 p.m.)

WANT TO POST YOUR EVENT ON THIS PAGE?

Deadline for Bulletin Board items is Tuesday, noon, the week of publication. All Bulletin Board information must be submitted in writing to: Bulletin Board, P.O. Box 180, Clinton, SC 29325. Email to: chroniclenews@charterinternet.com. Please include a name and daytime phone number.

Obituaries

Sherwood David Burton

CLINTON - Sherwood David Burton, 82, died November 13, 2011 in the Majesty Health and Rehabilitation of Easley.

He was born in Rowan County, N.C., and was the son of the late William Walter and Gertrude Bentley Burton.

Mr. Burton was retired from B.F. Shaw Co., was a U.S. Army Veteran and was of the Pentecostal Holiness faith. He was also a talented musician, a brilliant inventor and a successful entrepreneur.

He is survived by his wife, Etta Mae Hartman Burton of the home; two sons, David D. Burton of Laurens and Lakeish Burton of the Laurens; three daughters, Carolyn Cromer of Laurens, Jean Holland of Tennessee and Kathy Rogers of Laurens; a brother, Robert Eugene Burton of NC and a sister, Odessa Wells of Rockwell, NC; 7 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

He was predeceased by a daughter, Rita Woodward.

Graveside services will be conducted Wednesday, Nov. 16 at 1 p.m. in the Forest Lawn Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Ark Hospice, 101 Grace Dr., Easley, SC 29640.

Condolences may be expressed online at www.grayfuneralhome.com

Gray Funeral Home of Clinton

Billie Jo Gosnell

CROSS HILL - Billie Jo Gosnell, 38, died Saturday, November 12, 2011.

She was born in Clinton and was a daughter of Bobby Joe Lewis of McCormick and Bonnie Black Lewis of the home.

Mrs. Gosnell was employed with Asten Johnson. She loved to travel, take pictures and watch her children play sports.

In addition to her parents she is survived by her husband, Travis Gosnell; one son, Trey Gosnell and a daughter, Shae Gosnell all of the home and two brothers, Randy Lewis of Woodruff and Bobby Joe Lewis, Jr. of Clinton.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, Nov. 17 at 2 p.m. in the Gray Funeral Home



Chapel with burial in Pinelawn Memory Gardens.

The family will receive friends Wednesday evening from 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Condolences may be expressed online at www.grayfuneralhome.com

Gray Funeral Home of Clinton



Mary Ellen Campbell Patterson

CLINTON - Mary Ellen Campbell Patterson, 79, died Saturday, November 5, 2011 at Self Regional Medical Center.

She was born in Chester and was a daughter of the late James and Florence Perry Campbell.

Mrs. Patterson was retired from Clinton Mills, Lydia Plant and a member of the "Old Timers Club" and a member of New Hope Baptist Church. Her home was always open to anyone who needed a home and a loving mother to all.

She is survived by her husband, Ernest V. Patterson of the home, five children, Dickie Patterson and wife, Cindy, Sam Patterson and wife, Alisa, Tony Patterson and wife, Kim, Flori Lawson and husband, Charles, Pauline Page and husband, Paul; brothers, Buddy Cambell and wife, Joyce, Walt Campbell; sis-

ters, Betty Wallenzine and husband, Maxie, Ruby Stirewalt and husband, Wray; 19 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren and numerous nephews and nieces.

She was predeceased by a son, Thomas Alexander Ellison Jr. and a brother, Ray Campbell, two great-grandchildren Jacey and Little Jayme Patterson

Funeral services were conducted Nov. 8 at the Gray Funeral Home Chapel with burial in Pinelawn Memory Gardens.

Memorials may be made to the New Hope Baptist Church, 4615 Hwy. 72 West, Clinton, SC 29325.

Condolences may be expressed online at www.grayfuneralhome.com

Gray Funeral Home of Clinton

Helen Ginn Richards

CLINTON - Helen Ginn Richards, 79, died Wednesday, November 9, 2011 at the Hospice House of Laurens County.

She was born in Ware Shoals and was a daughter of the late Jessie and Nola Mae Smith Ginn.

Mrs. Richards was a retired nurse, a diploma graduate of York County Hospital in Rock Hill; worked in Bailey Memorial Hospital and Laurens County Hospital and later taught nursing for 13 years. She was a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are her husband, Chesley L. Richards Sr. of the home; one daughter, Laura Hatton of Greenwood; two sons, John Waits of Simpsonville and Eric Chalk of Asheville, N.C.; two step-sons, Dr. Chesley L. Richards Jr. of Atlanta and Anthony Richards of Ninety Six; one sister, Nancy Tucker of Ninety Six; five grandchildren; nine step-grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were conducted Nov. 11 in Rosemont Cemetery by Rev. James Roberts.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Laurens County, P. O. Box 178, Clinton, SC 29325.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.grayfuneralhome.com

Gray Funeral Home of Clinton

Angela Jewel Summer

CHAPPELLS - Angela Jewel Summer, 40, died Tuesday, November 8, 2011.

Born on January 24, 1971, in Greenwood, she was a daughter of the late Everett C. and Joyce Wyatt Summer. She was a graduate of Newberry

High School and Piedmont Technical College and was a member of Chappells Baptist Church.

Miss Summer is survived by her sister, Amelia (Travis) Freeman of Chappells and nephew, Ethan Freeman of Chappells.

Graveside services were held November 12, at Chap-

pells Baptist Church Cemetery by the Rev. Robert Dorn. Memorials may be made to the cemetery fund c/o Chappells Baptist Church, PO Box 6026, Chappells, S.C. 29037.

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www.mcswainevans.com

Church News

Springfield Baptist Church
Springfield Baptist Church, Clinton, will have a Youth Explosion program Sunday Nov. 27 at 11 a.m.

Guest speaker will be Christian rapper and poet Antowne Paden from Getsemane Baptist Church, Greenville.

Any youth or youth groups who wish to participate, contact Erica Camm, 864-404-5399, for more information.

The public is invited.

Christmas Tree sale
His Sheppard Shepherds Ministry, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, will be hosting its 5th Annual Christmas Tree Sale beginning Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24 at 1:30 p.m.

The sale will be held at the corner of Springdale Road and SC Hwy. 76 (former Subway building across from Renfro Distribution). Regular hours will be Monday - Friday 12 noon until 8 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. until 8 p.m., and Sunday 1:30-8 p.m.

His Sheppard Shepherds Ministry is also accepting donations of canned goods; new, unwrapped toys; and new or gently used coats. All items collected and funds from the sale of the trees will support local and regional nonprofit organizations.

Scarlet Chord
Eternal Vision will be in concert at Scarlet Chord in the Bi-Lo Plaza in Laurens on Saturday, Nov. 19, at 7 p.m.

The concert is free.

For more information, call 864-681-0608 or Diane Smith 864-872-2839

Lydia Mill Church of God
Lydia Mill Church of God's Youth Group is selling tickets to

an All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast at Fatz Café, Clinton on Saturday, Nov. 19, 7:30-10 a.m.

Tickets are \$7 and are available from members of the youth group or by calling 864-684-9300. All proceeds will go toward the youth group fund.

Evening Light Church of God

A fall harvest rally will be held Sunday, Nov. 20 at 4 p.m.

Rev. Derrick Barksdale, pastor of Duncan Creek Baptist Church, Clinton, will be the guest speaker.

Rev. Isaac V. Cropp Jr. is pastor.

The public is invited.

Hebron Baptist Church

The YWAs and the Hebron Baptist Church Family will hold a Power of Praise Pre-Thanksgiving service on Wednesday, Nov. 23, at 6:30 p.m.

Rev. Thomas Massey Jr. will deliver the message.

The public is invited.

Bethel Baptist Church

The Dixie Melody Boys will be concert on Sunday, Nov. 27, at Bethel Baptist Church, 885 Bethel Church Road, Laurens at 7 p.m.

This is a love offering concert and the public is invited.

For more information, call 864-984-7016.

Bethel Missionary Baptist Church

Annual youth winter revival Nov. 29-Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m. nightly at Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, Cross Hill. Guest preacher is Min. Detavious Cullars of First Baptist Church, Lincolnton, Georgia.

Dec. 3 is the third annual youth explosion. Youth choirs

and praise dancers. Bishop Emanuel Spearman is pastor.

The public is invited.

Love Zone Ministry

Love Zone Ministry is sponsoring a Toy Drive on Sunday, Dec 11 at 4 p.m. to collect toys for local at risk families. For more information call 864-833-6419.

Love Zone Ministry will hold their Christmas Family and Friends Fellowship on Dec 18 at 4 PM at The Zone 103, AB Jacks Road, Clinton. A day of fun, food and fellowship is planned.

For more information 864-833-6419.

The public is invited.

Miracle Church of God in Christ

Miracle Church of God in Christ will have their annual Family and Friend Day Service Sunday Dec. 11, at 2:30 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Rev. Arthur Raven Pastor of New Bethel A.M.E. Church, Clinton.

The church is located at 205 Hampton Avenue, Clinton.

For more information or directions to the church call Pastor Willie Fant at 864-938-9102 or 864-697-4506.

The public is invited.

Broad Street UMC

There will be a coat and blanket giveaway every Sunday in December and January at Broad Street United Methodist Church, Clinton. 1:30-2:30 p.m. (except Christmas Day). Need one? Take one! Donations of coats and blankets are also welcome. Donations sites: Clinton YMCA, or Wynn Enterprise in Laurens (Stagecoach Road).

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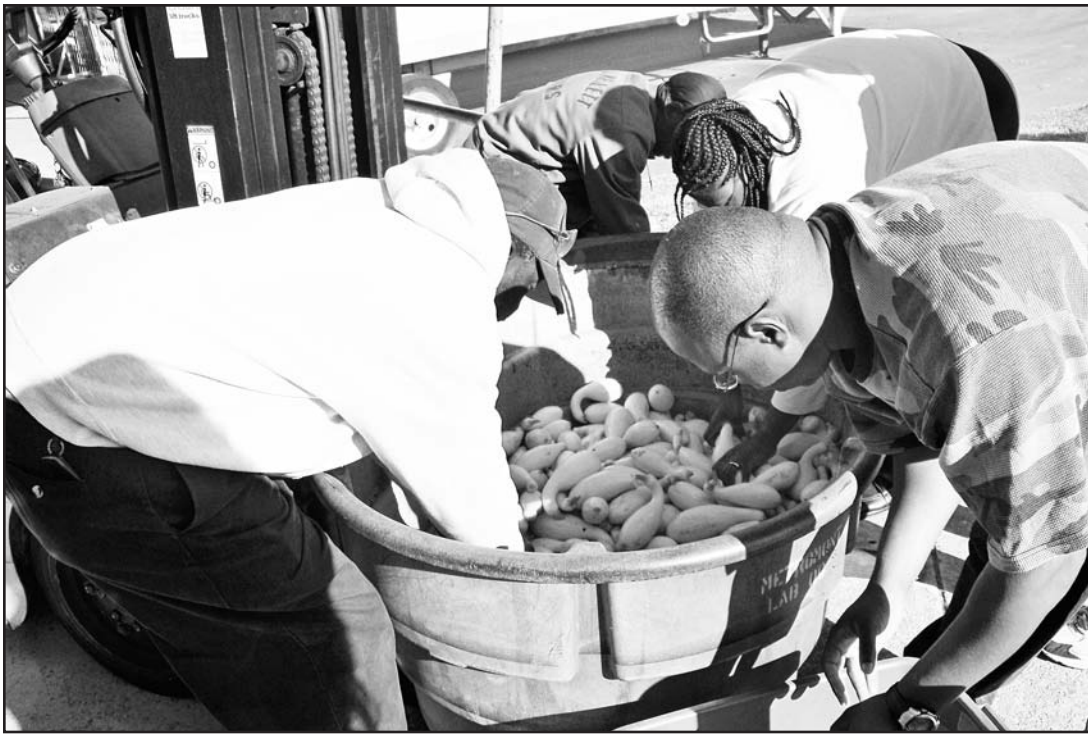
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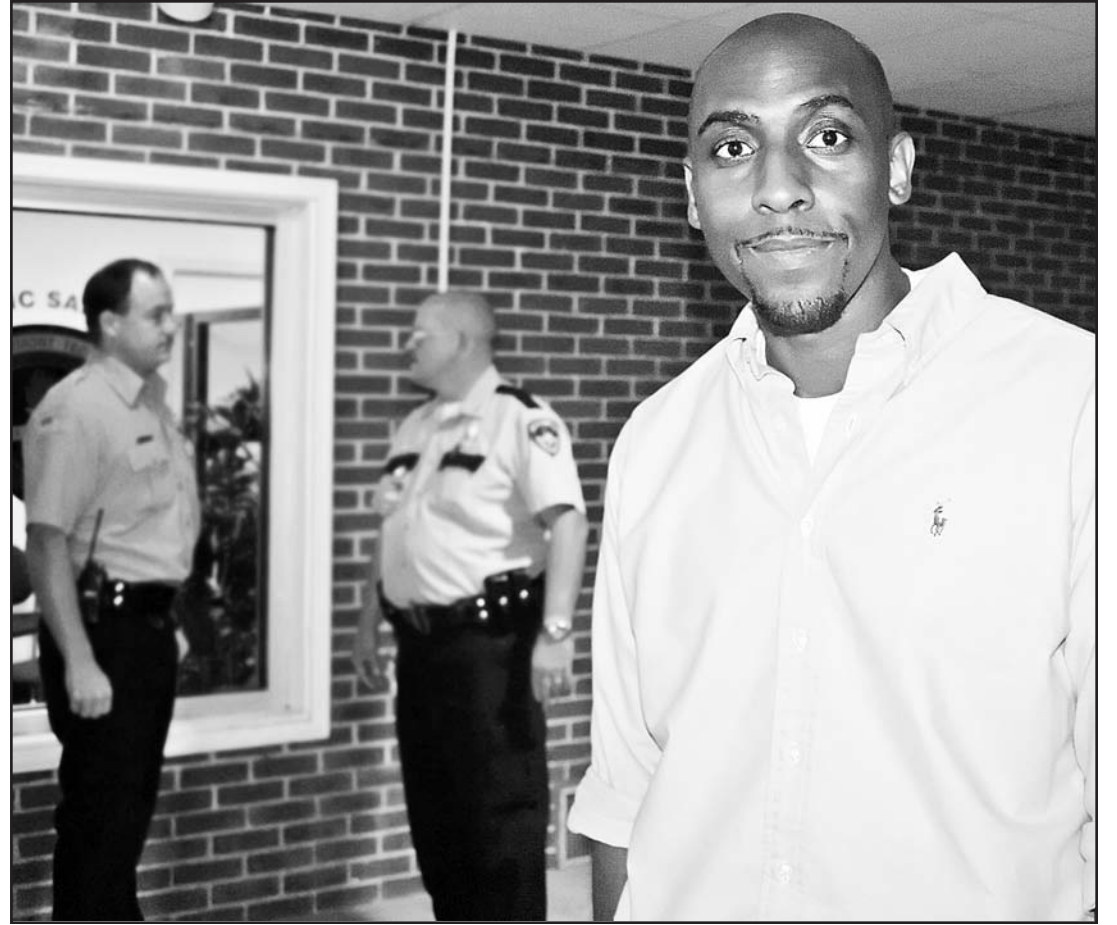
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Fresh squash: Fresh squash was donated to the Laurens County Disabilities and Special Needs Board by Jim and Nancy Ollis of Ollis Farms. Jim Ollis is the Farm Bureau Young Farmer of the Year for 2010 and is currently in the Top 3 for South Carolina Farmer of the Year for 2011.



Clinton High School graduate Joshua Lindsay is coordinator of criminal justice program at Piedmont Technical College

Local legislators tour Lander facilities and hear a pitch for ending cuts in state funding

State funding for higher education was a topic of discussion on Oct. 25, when Lander University hosted seven members of the Lakelands region's legislative delegation. The lawmakers were treated to breakfast followed by a tour of two of Lander's newest facilities: The Jeff May Complex on Montague Avenue, and the Equestrian Center on Hwy. 72/221.

President Daniel Ball said the purpose of the get-together was to update legislators on Lander initiatives and plans for the future.

The attendees were: Sens. Billy O'Dell, Floyd Nicholson, and Danny Verdin and Reps. Paul Agnew, Anne Parks, Gene Pinson and Walt McLeod.

Ball told the group that South Carolina's declining financial support for higher education

comes at a time when young people are being encouraged to get a college degree. He added, "It hurts students and will affect their standard of living, prosperity and quality of life." He also said reductions in state aid have a negative impact on efforts by state-supported colleges and universities to remain competitive.

McLeod, Nicholson and Parks said cutting state aid for higher education has become a trend in South Carolina and they expect it will continue. Nicholson said, "We have to step up and reverse the trend even if it means tax increases." He pointed out that state support for colleges and universities has dropped from about 55 percent to less than 15 percent in just the past three to four years.

Ball noted that he and the other presidents of state institu-

tions have been working with Gov. Nikki Haley on a higher education funding formula but there are still many details to be worked out.

"Lander University," he said, "is a gold star for the state of South Carolina. We offer an outstanding academic program and we are proud of our graduation rate and rate of student retention."

Ball and members of Lander's President's Council joined legislators aboard a university shuttle, which took them to visit the recreation, wellness and sports complex named for longtime athletic director Jeff May.

May said, "This is a quality facility that will serve Lander's recreation, wellness and athletic programs as well as the community." He said he is working with the Greenwood Regional Tourism and Visitors Bureau to attract tournaments from other parts of the state and beyond to use the complex, thus bringing people to Greenwood who would patronize local restaurants and guest services.

At the Equestrian Center, director Nancy Poston told the legislators the university's equestrian program is attracting a new group of students to Lander. She said the equestrian team has 27 riders.

Clinton man takes over criminal justice program at Piedmont

Joshua Lindsay has spent his career working to "protect and serve." Now he is ready to prepare the next generation of those who will enter the criminal justice system. He recently joined Piedmont Technical College as the program coordinator for the criminal justice program.

"When the opportunity opened up, I decided this is what I want to do for the long-term," Lindsay said.

Lindsay worked with Spartanburg Public Safety as both a police officer and a firefighter, serving in many capacities from patrol officer to narcotics investigator. From there, he joined the Greenville County Sheriff's office before joining the United Nations, working as chief of police for the UN mission in Kosovo. He returned to the United States and joined SLED, working as a field agent for the northwestern portion of the state. He moved on to the University of South Carolina Children's Law Center where he worked with the juvenile justice

program.

"Being able to work for all those agencies, I was also assisting other agencies," he said. "It gives me the advantage of being familiar with many areas of the criminal justice system and makes me better able to help students decide which career they want to pursue."

Technology has been the biggest change to the system, Lindsay says, for not only the officers but for the criminals as well. Advances in technology have provided officers with more advanced tools, but they have also opened up new areas for criminals.

"Students are going to have to start learning more about white-collar crimes," he said. "Technology provides more ways for people to deprive people of different things."

Lindsay says he shares his experiences with his students, but only on a limited basis.

"We try to teach them evidence-based information and not personal experience because

everyone has a different life experience," he said. "A real-life situation can illustrate a point, but I make sure they understand and can recite the information because it's embedded in them."

Lindsay says he wants to see the program expand and become one of the most respected in the state.

"I want the word to go out that Piedmont Tech is producing more competent students than anyone else in the state of South Carolina," he said. "We may not have the large numbers because of the size of our population, but our students can be more competent."

Lindsay graduated from Clinton High School and enrolled at South Carolina State University. He completed his bachelor's degree in 1998 in criminal justice and then earned his master's degree from the University of Cincinnati in 2006. He is currently pursuing his doctorate from Capella University.

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PTC thanks area officials with BBQ: The Piedmont Technical College Area Commission recently hosted a barbecue dinner for local, state and federal legislators to raise awareness of PTC's vital role in the work force development of South Carolina's Lakelands region.

Piedmont Tech thanks local lawmakers with BBQ

The Piedmont Technical College Area Commission recently hosted a barbecue dinner at Bermuda's at The Links at Stoney Point, for local, state and federal legislators to raise awareness of PTC's vital role in the work force development of South Carolina's Lakelands region. The event was attended by more than 140 people, including legislative officials, the Piedmont Technical College Area Commission and members of the PTC faculty and staff.

"Without the support we receive at the local, state and federal levels, we'd be unable to continue our work force development efforts in the seven counties we serve," said Dr. Ray Brooks, president of Piedmont Tech.

The event, which was funded by the Piedmont Technical College Foundation, included a so-

cial hour and a sit-down barbecue dinner. Legislators and PTC officials discussed the college's essential function in the region, South Carolina's current economic status and how the budget deficits would affect the services provided by technical colleges.

"This is the fourth year that we have gathered together to recognize collectively the efforts that people in our seven counties make to help us do the job that we do and that is to provide the best opportunity possible for our students," said William Whitfield, PTC Area Commission chairman. "They are the reason we are in business and their success is what our job is all about."

Speakers for the event included two of the Piedmont Technical College Presidential Ambassadors: Elizabeth Morris, an associate degree nursing student from Saluda; and Walt

Lordemann, a business student from Greenwood. The students spoke of the experiences that led them to PTC and what the college has done for them.

"I thought once I started college I would be on my own, but I was wrong," said Morris. "I have found so much support here from friends, instructors and classmates that I thank God the day I set foot in that new Saluda County Campus and said 'I want to enroll here to study.'"

"All of my instructors and professors have bent over backwards to help and keep me focused on my goal. In fact every person that I have had contact with at PTC has been a pleasure to work with," said Lordemann. "I want to thank everyone that supports PTC in any way that has helped make it the institution it is today."

UDC chapter meets Nov. 12 at McGowan camp in Laurens

The Joseph Brevard Kershaw UDC Chapter #205 met Nov. 12 at the Samuel McGowan Camp #40.

Martha Gilcrest and Mary Lee Watkins had fresh watermelon slices, a mixture of plain and cinnamon bagels with creamed cheese fillings and strawberry jam served with either coffee or soft drinks for refreshments as the chapter joined the meeting.

Because Jennifer Sawyer was recovering from chemo treatments, Eloise Verdin, Vice President of the JB Kershaw chapter resided over the meeting.

Ms. Verdin shared the Martin Guards Flag project that the SC Division has taken on as a project to not only restore, but also to give the UDC a higher profile in the Relic Room at the SC State Museum.

Ms. Verdin also discussed the missing Jefferson Davis Highway Marker now missing near

highways 49 and 56 near Cross Keys in Union. To get updated information as to what the UDC is doing within our state go to Kelly Davis e-mail address and ask for her free Division Newsletter at dixiesland@hotmail.com.

Elaine Martin, Laurens County's own genealogist, was the guest speaker. Ms. Martin shared her knowledge on researching the common soldier in Laurens. Ms. Martin is available at the Laurens County Library on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1PM to 4PM if anyone needs assistance with their own genealogy.

Kim Verdin, Treasurer for the JB Kershaw chapter shared her financial report.

Martha Gilcrest committee are finalizing their last details for the Lee-Jackson luncheon in January and should have a full report for the chapter to start selling tickets to it in December.

The Art and Essay Contest on the "Common Soldier during the Civil War" will be going on throughout Laurens County until December 1st. All entries will be picked up by 3:30 p.m. at Clinton School Superintendent's Office, Laurens School Superintendent's Office or at Laurens Academy's Principal's Office. This is a contests for grades 3-4, 7-8 and high school students in public school, private school or home school.

The JB Kershaw Chapter will be meeting as scheduled on December 10 at the Samuel McGowan Camp #40 and sharing Christmas refreshments, family histories of soldiers using pictures and other family heirlooms.

If you are interested in learning more about the contest open to students in Laurens or becoming part of this organization please call Maritom Hardy at 864-682-5600.

November yard and garden tips

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Things to do:

Flowers

Bulbs - it's time to plant those spring-flowering bulbs you purchased in September, such as daffodils, tulips, hyacinths, and crocus. See *Spring-Flowering Bulbs* for more information.

Soil Test - now is the time to test the soil in your planned beds for plant nutrients. Soil tests usually take 10 days, so test now to have the results when you plant bulbs and beds. It is important to till in the lime needed (if any) for faster soil pH adjustment. You may also sample your vegetable garden now if you do not plan to add more fertilizer for late crops. See *How to Collect a Soil Sample* for information on sampling your areas.

Fruits

Fruit sanitation - begin inspecting your fruit trees. Be sure to remove any mummified remaining fruits, and rake up and dispose of old leaves and branches that may harbor diseases over the winter.

Lawns

Fertilizer - it's time for the third application of fertilizer for fescue and other cool-season grass lawns. Follow the

recommendations on your soil test report for your lawn. DON'T fertilize warm-season grass lawns late in the fall! See *Fertilizing Lawns* for more information.

Trampweed - if you saw this fluffy-looking weed last summer and fall, now is the time to treat your warm-season lawn to prevent its return. This should be your first treatment if you have a warm-season lawn. Wait until February if you have a cool-season lawn (such as fescue). See *Annual Trampweed* for more information.

Wild garlic and wild onion - November is the time for the first herbicide application for these two problems if you have them in your yard. See *Wild Garlic and Wild Onion* for information on herbicides and rates of application.

Annual bluegrass - this is a soft little grass weed (also called po annua) the comes up in the yard. Treat this month to keep it under control. See *Grassy Weeds* for more information.

Irrigation - it's time to begin thinking about winterizing your system. See *Winter Irrigation and Winterizing* for more information.

Trees and Shrubs

Leaves - leaves are continuing to fall. If you have space and a little time composting is a great option; if not, you can also till them into any fallow beds you have or the vegetable garden. See *Composting* for more information.

Ponds

Pond Stocking - September through January are good months to stock bream in a fishing pond. See *Stocking & Harvesting Recreational Fish Ponds* for more information.

Pond Liming - September through January are also good times to lime the pond bottom if necessary. See *Liming Recreational Ponds* for information on sampling the bottom and applying lime if needed.

Vegetables

Garden clean-up - Many diseases will over-winter on old infected leaves and stems. Now is the time to finish cleaning and tilling your garden. Planting a nice cover crop, such as crimson clover or vetch, is a great idea!

All pamphlets referenced in this calendar may be found online:

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All that piece, parcel, or lot of land containing 0.76 of an acre, more or less, with the restaurant building and all other improvements thereon, situate, lying, and being on the south side of East Carolina Avenue, in the City of Clinton, County of Laurens, State of South Carolina, and being more fully shown on a plat prepared by F.V. Clinkscales, Jr., RLS, dated May 22, 1989, and recorded in Plat Book 57, at page 65, in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Laurens County. According to the aforesaid plat, the within described lot of land is bounded as follows: on the north by East Carolina Avenue, 128.7 feet, more or less, thereon; on the east by lands now of formerly of Johnson, 271.2 feet, more or less, thereon; on the south by Hampton Avenue, 112.1 feet, more or less, thereon; on the west by a lot now or formerly of Carolina Conference Assn. Of Seventh Day Adventist, 138.2 feet, more or less, thereon; and also on the west by a lot now or formerly of Buice, 152.5 feet, more or less, thereon. For a more full and complete de-

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scription, reference is made to the aforementioned plat. This is the same and identical property conveyed to John G. Kokolis and James G. Kokolis by deed of the Estate of Mihail G. Legakis by Personal Representative pursuant to order of Probate Court (Case Number 99-ES-430), recorded in Deed Book 502, at Page 45, in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Laurens County.
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TERMS OF SALE: For Cash: the purchaser shall be required to deposit the sum of five (5%) percent of the amount of bid (in cash or equivalent) as earnest money and as evidence of good faith. If the Plaintiff is the successful bidder at the sale, the Plaintiff may, after paying the costs of the sale, apply the debt due upon its Mortgage against its bid in lieu of cash. Should the person making the highest bid at the sale fail to comply with the terms of his bid by depositing the said five (5%) percent in cash, then the property shall be sold at the risk of such bidder on the same sales date or some subsequent date as the Special Referee may find convenient and advantageous. Should the last and highest bidder fail to comply with the terms of his bid within twenty (20) days of the final acceptance of his bid, then the Special Referee shall re-advertise and resell the property on the same terms on a subsequent date at the risk of such bidder. The purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the interest rates contained in the Order.
Note: As a Deficiency Judgment was granted, the bidding shall remain open for a period of thirty (30) days after the date of the sale as provided by law in such cases and compliance with the bid shall be made within twenty (20) days after the second sale. Plaintiff reserves the right to waive deficiency prior to the sale.
Note: If the Plaintiff or the Plaintiff's representative does not appear at the scheduled sale of the above-referenced

property, then the sale of the property will be null, void and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day.
Note: This sale is also made subject to all Laurens County taxes and existing easements and restrictions of record.
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