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The Class of 2038 had the chance to witness a big change at their school! Thanks to a summer construction project, M.S. Bailey Child Development Center now boasts a new entrance designed with safety, security, and aesthetics in mind. The updated entryway provides a secure access point for students and staff.

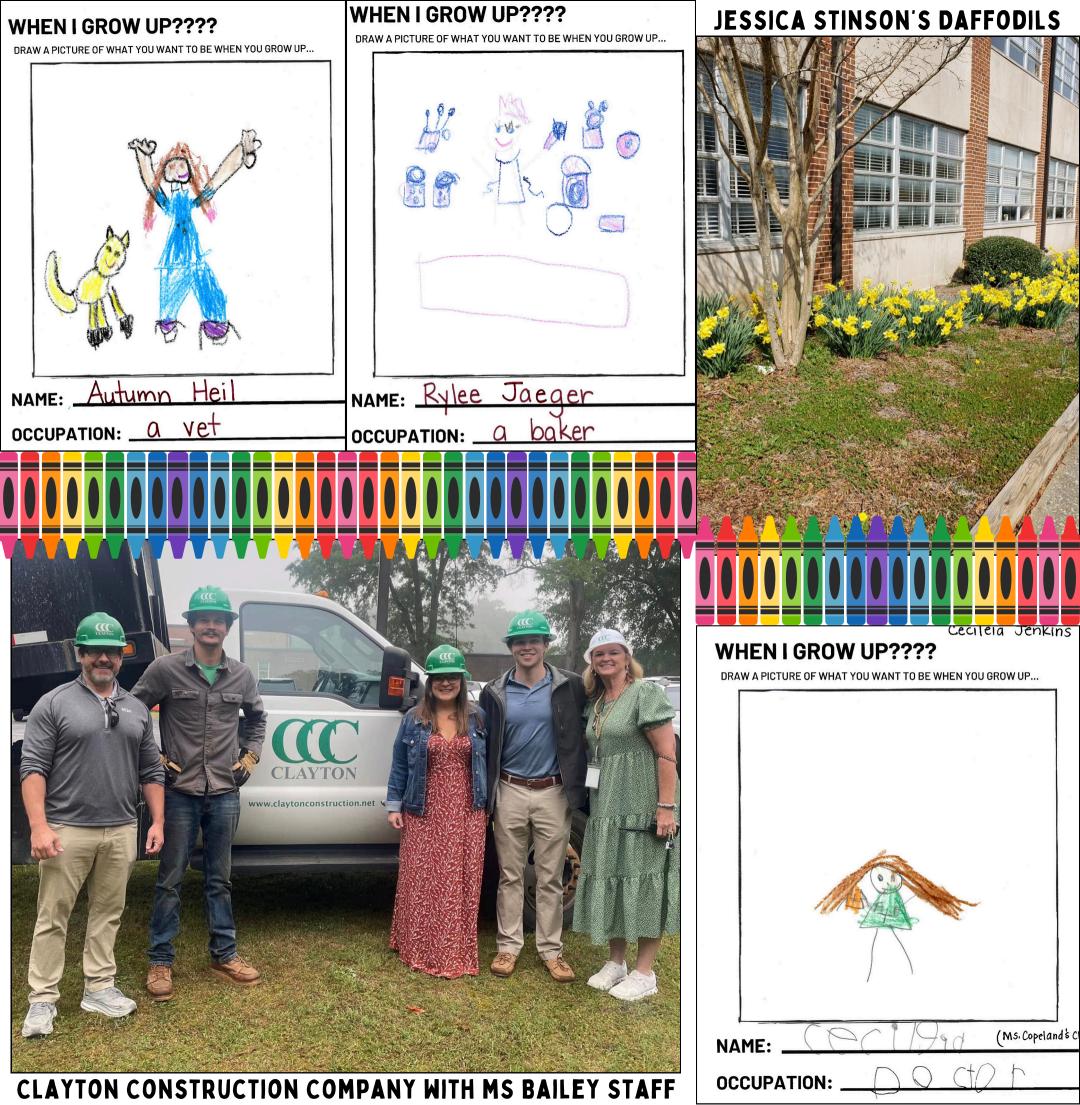
"The new secure entrance is a welcome improvement. It gives parents peace of mind knowing that our children are safer during the school day. It's encouraging to see the school taking proactive steps to prioritize student safety," said Johna S. Finley, Director/Principal of M.S. Bailey CDC.

Leading the project was Clayton Construction Company (CCC), who didn't just build — they engaged with the students. The team brought the kids outside to see the work in progress, giving them hands-on experiences like flying drones and using hard hats and tape measures.

The project also preserved a meaningful part of the school's history. Years ago, daffodils were planted at the front of the school by the mother of Jessica Stinson. To protect them during construction, Jessica carefully dug them up. Afterward, she invited families to help replant them, preserving both the school's history and the community's spirit.

As the Class of 2038 embarks on their journey, they'll remember not just the lessons learned, but the transformation of their school — a place built to keep them safe, help them grow, and welcome them with pride.

M.S. BAILEY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER | 624 ELIZABETH STREET, CLINTON, SC 864-833-0836, 7:40 AM - 2:20 PM













































































































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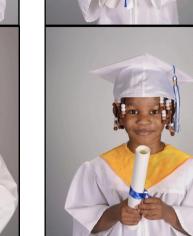








































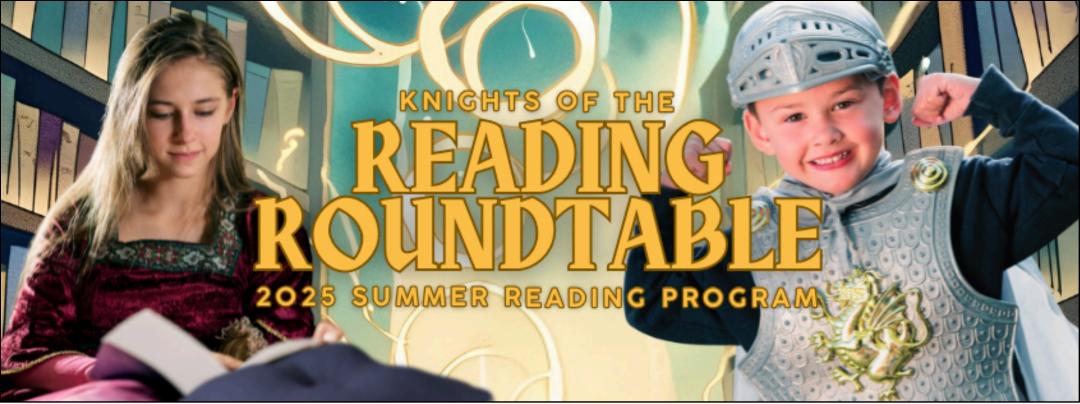












BEYOND THE BOOK SHELVES: WHERE CLINTON COMES TOGETHER

The Clinton Library is more than just a place to borrow books — it's a vibrant community space where learning, creativity, and connection thrive. Throughout the year, the library offers a wide range of free events and programs designed for all ages. Whether it's hands-on crafts for children, engaging educational sessions for teens, or creative groups and workshops for adults, the library creates opportunities for everyone to explore new interests and connect with others. These programs are thoughtfully designed to inspire a love of reading, encourage lifelong learning, and bring the community together in a fun and welcoming environment. No matter your age or background, there's always something happening at the Clinton Library that invites you to be part of the story.

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JUNE 3; 10:30AM

Educate. Empower. Entertain.

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OPEN BOOKS, OPEN MINDS AT THE NEW CLINTON LIBRARY





The West Pitts Street facility was built for \$4.3 Million in Capital Projects Sales Tax money, approved by Laurens County voters in the 2020 General Election. It is an additional 1 cent sales tax that will sunset 8 years from when it was enacted. A recent audit presentation to the Laurens County Council indicates that by the time the tax comes off, it will have generated more than enough to pay for the 16 projects that a citizens' group recommended and that voters approved.

This new library is 1,100 sq ft.

You will see the beginnings of a reading garden behind the Library. Two pillars from the Vance House are there, and the Bailey Foundation contributed the money for a rock stream and landscaping at the site.

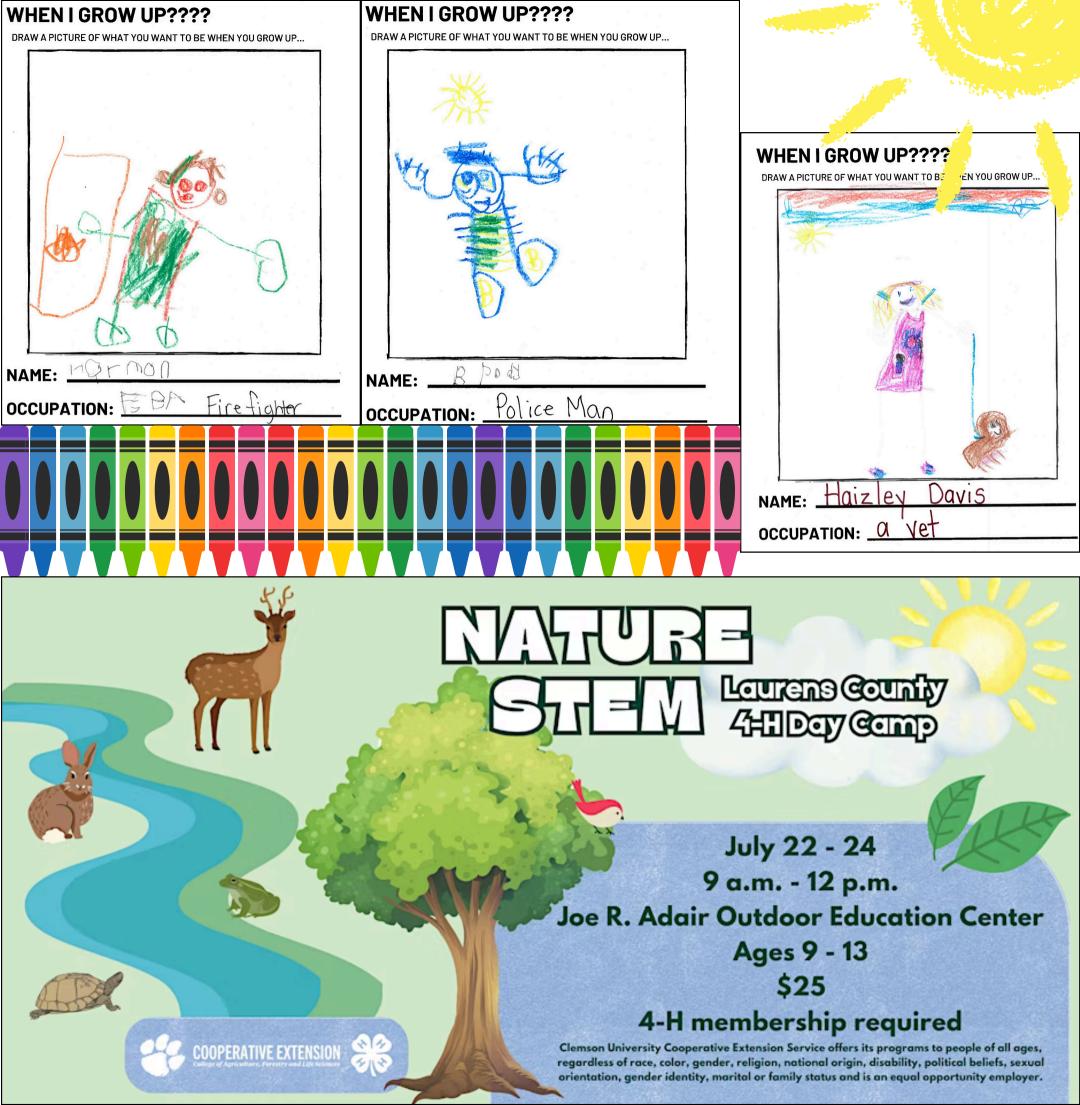
You will see a children's room endowed by the family of the late Leslie Jackson. You will see a conference room where the county library board held its meeting Wednesday afternoon - the room can be accessed from the outside without entering the library proper, that will be important if the community room is used as a voting site. You will see a drive-thru in case you have a car full of kids and you don't want to unload them just to return or obtain a book. You will see a "vending machine" where you can check out laptops, in accordance with Library policies.

You can sit and read in the foyer if there's too much going on inside the Library proper for your taste. Because, this will be an active Library. Children will have access to supervised activites, sewing machines, crafting supplies, science projects, study rooms for small groups with projector TVs, a separate area for tweens so they can watch out for their ride and still hang with each other, and - things you likely can't see - a dedicated work space and break room for the Library staff. All, fully handicapped-accessible.

Eventually, outside, you will see wooden benches.

This is from the trees in Clinton felled by Hurricane Helene. The wood has to cure for 8 months, and now it is in the hands of building students at Piedmont Technical College to craft into benches.

You will be able to sit there in the heart of Uptown Clinton, watching trains go by, with the sun on your face, and the love of learning in your heart.





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SUMMER ART CAMP

- June 9 12
- June 23 26
- July 7 10

Monday -Thursday 1 -3pm



In person registration only, starting April 1st.

*Must have completed 1st grade





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CHS Graduation Keepsake Edition Coming June 4th

Honoring hard work, big dreams, and the Class of 2025!

Don't miss it!



SUMMER EVENTS - JUNE

KICK-OFF PARTY

LET'S KICKOFF THIS YEAR'S SUMMER READING PROGRAM TOGETHER! THERE WILL BE CRAFTS, GAMES, AND TREATS! FOR ALL AGES.

12 CRAFTER'S CINEMA: SHREK - CLINTON • 6-8PM •

COME WATCH A FAMILY FAVORITE, SHREK (PG) WHILE WE CREATE SWAMP PADS! LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED. FOR ALL AGES.

16 SMOKY CAULDRON STEM DEMONSTRATION

STEP INTO A WORLD OF MAGICAL SCIENCE! IN THIS ENCHANTED DEMONSTRATION, YOUNG APPRENTICES WILL GATHER 'ROUND THE CAULDRON TO WITNESS THE WONDER OF DRY ICE. JOIN US FOR A SCIENCE-FILLED ADVENTURE WHERE ALCHEMY MEETS CURIOSITY. FOR AGES 3-10.

17● DRAGON/FAIRY ILLUMINATION JAR -CLINTON ● 11AM-12PM ●

CREATE MAGICAL JARS FILLED WITH WHIMSICAL SILHOUETTES, GLOWING SOFTLY FROM WITHIN WITH FAIRY LIGHTS. EMBELLISH THE LIDS WITH A FANTASTICAL TOUCH-THINK MOSS, SPARKLING GEMS, TINY BUGS, AND OTHER ENCHANTED DETAILS TO BRING YOUR JARS TO LIFE! FOR ALL AGES

26 GRAVITY CHECK

A JUGGLING DUO PRESENTING COMEDY, MAGIC, AND AMAZEMENT! FOR AGES 3 AND UP.

30 DIY DRAGON EGGS LAURENS • 4-5PM

MAKE YOUR VERY OWN SCALY DRAGON EGG IN THIS EASY CRAFTERNOON PROGRAM. (HATCHING NOT GUARANTEED.) FOR AGES 11-17.



2● REN FAIRE TRIVIA - CLINTON ● 4-5PM ●

JOIN US FOR REN FAIRE TRIVIA NIGHT! COMPETE IN A JEOPARDY-STYLE GAME AND TEST YOUR MEDIEVAL KNOWLEDGE FOR A CHANCE TO WIN FUN RENAISSANCE-THEMED PRIZES. LET THE GAMES BEGIN! FOR ALL AGES!

10 COLUMBIA MARIONETTE THEATER

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN CHARACTERS FROM DIFFERENT TALES MEET? DO SHEEP LIKE IT WHEN YOU READ TO THEM? CMT ANSWERS THESE QUESTIONS AND MORE... AS AN UNEXPECTED MIX OF STORYBOOK CHARACTERS FIND THEMSELVES WRAPPED UP IN A BRAND-NEW ADVENTURE! FOR AGES 3 AND UP.

14● FIRE BREATHING DRAGON CRAFT LAURENS ● 2-3PM ● CLINTON ● 4-5PM ●

TRANSFORM SIMPLE MATERIALS INTO A MIGHTY FIRE-BREATHING DRAGON! WATCH AS YOUR CREATION COMES TO LIFE, READY TO BREATHE FIRE AND PROTECT THE KINGDOM. IT'S A CRAFT WORTHY OF ANY YOUNG ADVENTURER. FOR AGES 6-10.

17● CRAFTER'S CINEMA: THE PRINCESS BRIDE - CLINTON ● 6-8PM ●

WATCH A FAMILY FAVORITE WHILE WE CREATE OUR OWN 'POISON'! LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED. FOR ALL AGES.

22● MEDIEVAL CALLIGRAPHY- CLINTON ● 3-4:30PM ●

TO BE OR NOT TO BE? LEARN THE ART OF ELEGANT. MEDIEVAL-STYLE LETTERING USING PEN AND INK, TO CREATE BEAUTIFUL RENAISSANCE FLOURISHES. PERFECT FOR ANYONE LOOKING TO ADD A TOUCH OF CHARM TO THEIR HANDWRITING!

CRITTER KEEPER

IF YOU ARE BRAVE ENOUGH, STRONG ENOUGH, AND READY TO TAKE ON THE JUNGLE, THEN YOU MAY BE READY FOR A CRITTER KEEPER EVENT THAT WILL AMAZE AND ASTOUND YOU! FOR AGES 3 AND UP.

28● NO-SEW DICE BAG CRAFT LAURENS ● 4-5PM ● CAN'T SEW? NO PROBLEM! CREATE YOUR OWN BAG OF HOLDING IN THIS NO-SEW DICE BAG CRAFT. FOR AGES 11-17.

STARRED EVENTS ARE 10AM AT LAURENS AND 2PM AT CLINTON

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