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Judge says winner of coroner's race won't be on ballot

Filing for new election starts today

BY DANNY KELLY
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The judge who ruled earlier this month that La-Nette Samuels-Cooper is not qualified to be a coroner in Clarendon County and South Carolina answered a request to clarify his ruling and said Monday she needs to be taken off the ballot.

A special filing period will start today at noon and last until noon on Aug. 21 for coroner in Clarendon County. If more than one person files, an election will be held on Sept. 4. Samuels-Cooper beat Clarendon County Coroner Bucky Mock in the primary but was deemed ineligible

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Sheriff: Suspect is sovereign citizen

Man wanted in shooting is part of group that violently clashes with law enforcement, doesn't believe in our laws

BY KAYLA ROBINS
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A Moorish sovereign citizen with a combative past against law enforcement is suspected in a fatal shooting of a man at a Sumter County auto repair shop, and authorities are warning he is considered armed, dangerous and still at large.

Sumter County Sheriff's Office investigators have identified Demetrius Alexander Brown, who fled the scene Saturday and was seen



BROWN

Monday in Jasper County, Georgia, and is being actively searched for by officers in South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, Florida and Kentucky, all places he has been known to live, Sumter County Sheriff Anthony Dennis said at a news conference Monday afternoon.

Officers responded to Auto Doctors on South

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from space to sumter



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Rising seventh-grader Alyse King, right, of the all-girls science team at Alice Drive Middle School, holds the spaceflight experiments program project after it was opened Friday in a special ceremony at the school. Teammates, from left, are Mary Brooke Mooneyham, Alana Garrick and Ashlin Farmer.

Students learn chemical mix can help grow plants in space

BY BRUCE MILLS
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"It did. It really did," said Alice Drive Middle School student Alana Garrick. "Yay," said fellow rising seventh-grader Mary Brooke Mooneyham.

That's after the two learned on Friday in a special ceremony at the school that sodium polyacrylate can be used in space for seed germination and plant growth. ... What?

No one would get excited about that, unless you can learn it by chance in a unique and special way.

Garrick and Mooneyham, along with fellow sixth-grade scientists from the

school, Alyse King and Ashlin Farmer, were able to do just that after being selected in January for a student spaceflight experiments program to the International Space Station.

The National Center for Earth and Space Science Education, which is staffed with professional scientists and engineers in Washington, D.C., spearheads the program and selects a limited number of schools to participate in the spaceflight experiments program every two years.

The all-girl team from Alice Drive Middle was a group from one of only 31 schools and colleges in the U.S.,

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Alice Drive Middle School Curriculum Coordinator Stephanie Barribeau, left, allows Alana Garrick to open a shipping box Friday at the school containing her team's spaceflight experiments program project.

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Council to discuss dam project, \$2.5M bond

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Sumter County Public Works/Solid Waste Committee will meet at 4:30 p.m. today in County Council Conference Room to receive an update on the Second Mill Dam project; and to receive information about abandoning maintenance duties for Ohana Circle, Forest Drive Cul-De-Sac, a portion of Winston Road, a portion of Earle Street and Alpenglow Court.

Council members Gene Baten, Artie Baker and Chris Sumpter serve on this committee.

Sumter County Forfeited Land Commission will meet at 5 p.m. today in County Council Conference Room to discuss contractual matters for 10 properties during an executive session.

All members of Sumter County Council are members of the Forfeited Land Commission.

Sumter County Council will hold a special called meeting at 5:30 p.m. today in County Council Chambers to receive information about the \$2.5 million capital bond it approved in June to fund multiple purchases and projects, mainly for county departments.

Council will also receive an update on Robert's Rules of Order, which pertains to council's procedures regarding recusals during meetings.

Later, council will receive a legal briefing and discuss an employment matter during an executive session.

This meeting will begin immediately after the forfeited land commission meeting, which is scheduled for 5

p.m., if it ends early.

Sumter County Council will meet at 6 p.m. today in County Council Chambers, third floor of Sumter County Administration Building, 13 E. Canal St., to consider:

- Third reading of an ordinance to amend a planned development for property at 350 Myrtle Beach Highway specifically for the addition of used motor vehicle parts as a permitted use on a 9.95-acre portion of a 47-acre parcel;
- Second reading of an ordinance to approve an intergovernmental loan agreement with South Carolina Public Service Authority, to be secured by a mortgage, to construct an economic development building and adjoining building pad on 20 acres at the corner of North Wise Drive and Jef-

ferson Road to encourage a manufacturer to locate on the site;

- First reading of an ordinance to amend portions of the county's flood damage prevention ordinance to adopt Wateree Watershed Maps and Flood Insurance Study revisions that will become effective on Sept. 28. This proposed amendment will also make corrections and clarifications noted in the 2017 South Carolina Department of Natural Resources Community Assistance Visit and the Community Rating System Cycle Visit; and
- First reading of five individual ordinances to authorize the transfer of five separate streets to the adjoining property owners, in title only: Ohana Circle, Forest Drive Cul-De-Sac, Winston Road, Earle Street and Alpenglow Court.

Churches show appreciation for first responders



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Members of Long Branch Baptist Church on Peach Orchard Road, along with members of neighboring churches, provided lunch and treats for Sumter County's first responders on Saturday. The congregations prepared food, wrote messages and had posted art by its youngest members for the first responders to see while they dined.

Restaurant news

Food grade scores for inspections conducted by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control at Sumter food establishments Aug. 3-10. A "C" is failing.

- A Plus Store**, 1768 Pinewood Road: **A**
- Bi-Lo #5417 Deli/Bakery**, 2055 Wedgefield Road: **A**
- Country Inn & Suites Sumter**, 2491 Broad St.: **B**
- Domino's Pizza #8762**, 311 Wesmark Blvd.: **A**
- Mr. Teriyaki**, 1315 Peach Orchard Road: **A**
- Pack's Landing**, 9890 Pack's Landing Road: **B**
- Simply Southern Bistro**, 65 W. Westmark Blvd.: **A**
- Thai House and Sushi Bar**, 718 Bultman Drive: **B**
- Willie Sue's Inc.**, 3355 Patriot Parkway: **A**
- Young's Food Store #46**, 976 Miller Road: **B**

3 Sumter residents plead guilty to insurance fraud, ordered to pay restitution

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Sumter residents Tykeem Ra Hsan Jomal Sumpter, 23, Raekwon Rasheen Reyes Owens, 22, and Khalil Jabraun Hilton, 19, entered guilty pleas on Aug. 9 on insurance fraud charges according to a news release from South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson.

Sumpter pleaded guilty to one count of Making a False Statement or Misrepresentation Between \$1,000-\$10,000; Owens pleaded guilty to one count of Presenting a False Claim for Payment Between \$2,000-\$10,000 and one count of Resisting Arrest; and Hilton pleaded guilty to one count of Making a False Statement or Misrepresentation Less than \$2,000.

Judge George M. McFaddin Jr. accepted the pleas and sentenced Sumpter and Owens to prison on their charges suspended to probation. As a special condition of probation, Sumpter and Owens are ordered to pay \$500 of restitution to USAA and \$828.21 of restitution to GEICO, respectively. McFaddin sentenced Hilton to a \$100 fine.

"Insurance fraud may seem like a victimless crime to some because big insurance companies can afford to pay out the money, but it raises insurance rates for all of us," Wilson said in the release. "Some of these staged accidents can also put others in danger. We'll continue to investigate and prosecute anyone who commits this crime."

The incident with

Sumpter began when he presented a fraudulent claim to USAA Insurance Co. for bodily injury. Sumpter sent USAA a bill from Palmetto Health Tuomey for a time when he was never seen there and used an invalid account number. Five hundred dollars was paid out to Sumpter before the insurance company realized the claim was fraudulent.

The fraud incident with Owens occurred after the defendant was in a staged car accident on June 6, 2017. Owens presented a fraudulent claim to GEICO for bodily injury using hospital bills in the amount of \$4,087. GEICO sent Owens \$828.21 before the company realized the claim was fraudulent. The claims were flagged due to the bills being altered. Special Agent Joe Neff was able to arrest him after a brief struggle.

The incident with Hilton began on April 28, 2017, with a vehicle collision on Plowden Mill Road. Hilton solicited a co-defendant to go to the hospital and pose as Hilton. Hilton made a claim to GEICO for \$8,376.50 for the medical bills. Because the claim was flagged early, the amount was never paid to Hilton.

The Attorney General's release states that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty. The case was investigated by SLED and prosecuted by Assistant Attorney General LaR-one Washington.



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Canada and Brazil that were selected last school year for the program.

In June, Mission 12 spaceflight astronauts had liftoff from Cape Canaveral, Florida, and took the team's experiment — sealed in a test tube — with instructions provided to the International Space Station, where they performed it for the Sumter students during the summer.

The experiment was to test the effects of microgravity, which is the lack of gravity, on vegetable seed germination in the sodium chemical mixture.

From their own research in pre-trials last fall, the foursome knew the outcome of the experiment on land — the vegetable seed germinates, or grows, into a small plant. But no one knew the experiment's outcome in space or microgravity.

During the summer, as the astronauts performed the mini-lab experiment in various stages in space, they would log in and communicate that in-

formation down to Earth, and the Alice Drive team would basically simultaneously perform the same steps in a "control group" on the ground here in Sumter at the school.

That meant for a "crazy, busy summer" for the girls who were basically "on call" all the time, said Principal Jeannie Pressley.

Both experiments — the one at the space station and the one at the school — were kept at 70 degrees to ensure uniformity. The only difference, of course, was gravity.

All eight vegetable seeds germinated again for the team here in Sumter. In space, six of eight seeds germinated.

On Aug. 3, the experiment left the International Space Station and eventually splashed down in the Pacific Ocean, Pressley said. It was then picked up by a ship and eventually driven to Houston, Texas.

Houston notified Alice Drive Middle of the experiment's arrival, and it was over-nighted to Sumter for Friday's "grand opening."

To explain the space flight experiment scientifically, the sodium polyac-

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Rising seventh-grader Alyse King, right, holds the spaceflight experiments program project after it was opened Friday at Alice Drive Middle School. Her teammates, from left, Alana Garrick, Mary Brooke Mooneyham and Ashlin Farmer, look on.

rylate interacted with water in the test tube, and therefore the vegetable seeds germinated.

Since germination occurred and it's known that sodium polyacrylate interacts with water in space, other uses of the sodium mixture with water are

possible in space, such as in making an insulator.

"Our results proved our hypothesis, and now we know that the seeds will germinate in sodium polyacrylate in space, and it does expand," said team member Alyse King.

Team member Ashlin Farmer said she thought the whole spaceflight experiments program was awesome.

"It was really cool to see that the last person who touched it was an astronaut," Farmer said. "When we touched it today, it was neat that someone that smart and knowledgeable touched it right before us, and we're only going into the seventh grade."

Also, this summer the girls got to fit in a trip to Washington and presented their project at the Smithsonian Institute.

Farmer and King said the whole process helped their team bond.

"It's also really cool because we got a lot closer as friends when we did this," Farmer said. "We've seen each other a lot over the summer because we've done so many things together."



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Boardwalk collapses in Spanish city, 313 hurt

MADRID (AP) — An oceanside boardwalk collapsed during a nighttime concert in the Spanish city of Vigo, injuring 313 people, five of them seriously, authorities said Monday.

Many young people were on the port's wooden boardwalk when it gave way around midnight Sunday at the closing event of a three-day festival, officials in the northwestern port city said.

The wooden boards cracked along a central section, about 130 feet long, and people slid down into the sea below, emergency services said. Eyewitnesses reported scenes of panic.

The head of the Galician region's health authority, Jesus Vazquez Almuina, told Antena 3 television that 313



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A police officer takes photos at the scene the day after an oceanside boardwalk collapsed in Vigo, Spain, on Monday.

people required treatment. The five people who were seriously hurt did not have life-threatening injuries, officials said.

The president of the Vigo port authority, Enrique Cesar Lopez Veiga, said he suspects there was a structural prob-

lem in the boardwalk, which is supported by concrete pillars.

He told Cadena Ser radio that the boardwalk collapsed "probably because of excessive weight" on it.

Vigo mayor Abel Caballero announced an investigation.

2,000 evacuated, 3 WWII bombs removed from Baltic Sea resort in Poland

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — More than 2,000 people were evacuated Monday while Polish navy experts removed three World War II bombs from the Baltic Sea bed at the vacation resort of Kolo-brzeg.

The spokesman for the local navy unit, Jacek Kwiatkowski, said the bombs were hoisted out of the sea and onto a special truck and were taken to a test range for a controlled detonation.

Each bomb weighed about 660 pounds and their impact radius was estimated at 1.2 miles. Two other metal objects found at the site turned out to be parts of an old anchor and some scrap metal.

Dariusz Trzeciak, a Kolo-brzeg city official, said about 2,000 residents and 200 vacationers were evacuated in their own cars or in buses. They were later allowed to return.



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Navy experts in explosives retrieved three World War II-era bombs from the Baltic Sea bed in the vacation resort of Kolobrzeg, Poland, on Monday.

AP source: Aretha Franklin is seriously ill

NEW YORK (AP) — Fans and friends, including Mari-ah Carey and Missy Elliott, offered prayers and well wishes to Queen of Soul Aretha Franklin, who is seriously ill.

A person close to Frank-lin, who spoke on the condi-tion of anonymity because the person was not allowed to publicly talk about the topic, told The Associated Press on Monday that the singer is seriously ill. No more details were provided.

Carey, who considers Franklin one of her biggest

influences, wrote on Twitter that she is "praying for the Queen of Soul." Missy El-liott said that the public has to celebrate iconic artists before they die.

"So many (of them) have given us decades of Time-less music," the rapper wrote on Twitter.

Mark Frost, Andy Cohen and Ciara also posted about Franklin, who is considered the greatest singer of all time and is known for hits like "Respect" and "(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natu-ral Woman."

Boom in taste for octopus squeezes market

BUEU, Spain (AP) — Whether it's spiced in the Spanish style or sliced as Japanese sashimi, octopus as a dish is becoming a vic-tim of its own popularity.

Prices for the tentacled mollusc have about doubled in the past two years due to a global boom in appetite for these classic dishes. And supplies have tight-ened, with fisheries not yet able to farm octopus and relying on ocean currents to yield a good harvest.

This year has been hard, with lower catches in major producing countries like Morocco and Spain.

"The price will rise even more," says Carmen Torres Lorenzo, who has been sell-

ing fish for three decades in the market of Bueu in Spain's northwestern re-gion of Galicia, famed for its octopus dish. "I wish a lot of octopus would appear ... and the price will come down, but that won't hap-pen."

The price of a regular size, locally caught octopus has risen from about \$8 to \$16 for 2.2 pounds in the last two years. The price is typically somewhat higher in other countries, like the U.S., that do not specialize in its fishing.

The Food and Agriculture Organization says prices are expected to continue to grow as demand has risen in all major markets.



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‘Oh, the places you’ll go,’ Google tracks that

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Google wants to know where you go so badly that it records your movements even when you explicitly tell it not to.

An Associated Press investigation found that many Google services on Android devices and iPhones store your location data even if you've used a privacy setting that says it will prevent Google from doing so.

Computer-science researchers at Princeton confirmed these findings at the AP's request.

For the most part, Google is upfront about asking permission to use your location information. An app like Google Maps will remind you to allow access to location if you use it for navigating. If you agree to let it record your location over time, Google Maps will display that history for you in a "time-line" that maps out your daily movements.

Storing your minute-by-minute travels carries privacy risks and has been used by police to determine the location of suspects — such as a warrant that police in Raleigh, North Carolina, served on Google last year to find devices near a murder scene. So the company will let you "pause" a setting called Location History.

Google says that will prevent the company from remembering where you've been. Google's support page on the subject states: "You can turn off Location History at any time. With Location History off, the places you go are no longer stored."

That isn't true. Even with Location History paused, some Google apps automatically store time-stamped location data without asking.

For example, Google stores a snapshot of where you are when you merely open its Maps app. Automatic daily weather updates on Android phones pinpoint roughly where you are. And some searches that have nothing to do with location, like "chocolate chip cookies," or "kids science kits," pin-

point your precise latitude and longitude — accurate to the square foot — and save it to your Google account.

The privacy issue affects some two billion users of devices that run Google's Android operating software and hundreds of millions of worldwide iPhone users who rely on Google for maps or search.

Storing location data in violation of a user's preferences is wrong, said Jonathan Mayer, a Princeton computer scientist and former chief technologist for the Federal Communications Commission's enforcement bureau. A researcher from Mayer's lab confirmed the AP's findings on multiple Android devices; the AP conducted its own tests on several iPhones that found the same behavior.

"If you're going to allow users to turn off something called 'Location History,' then all the places where you maintain location history should be turned off," Mayer said. "That seems like a pretty straightforward position to have."

Google says it is being perfectly clear. "There are a number of different ways that Google may use location to improve people's experience, including: Location History, Web and App Activity, and through device-level Location Services," a Google spokesperson said in a statement to the AP. "We provide clear descriptions of these tools and robust controls so people can turn them on or off and delete their histories at any time."

To stop Google from saving these location markers, the company says, users can turn off another setting, one that does not specifically reference location information. Called "Web and App Activity" and enabled by default, that setting stores a variety of information from Google apps and websites to your Google account.

When paused, it will prevent activity on any device from being saved to your account. But leaving "Web & App Activity" on and turning "Location Histo-

ry" off only prevents Google from adding your movements to the "timeline," its visualization of your daily travels. It does not stop Google's collection of other location markers.

You can delete these location markers by hand, but it's a painstaking process since you have to select them individually, unless you want to delete all of your stored activity.

You can see the stored location markers on a page in your Google account at myactivity.google.com, although they're typically scattered under several different headers, many of which are unrelated to location.

To demonstrate how powerful these other markers can be, the AP created a visual map of the movements of Princeton postdoctoral researcher Gunes Acar, who carried an Android phone with Location history off and shared a record of his Google account.

The map includes Acar's train commute on two trips to New York and visits to The High Line park, Chelsea Market, Hell's Kitchen, Central Park and Harlem. To protect his privacy, the AP didn't plot the most telling and frequent marker — his home address.

Huge tech companies are under increasing scrutiny over their data practices, following a series of privacy scandals at Facebook and new data-privacy rules recently adopted by the European Union. Last year, the business news site Quartz found that Google was tracking Android users by collecting the addresses of nearby cellphone towers even if all location services were off. Google changed the practice and insisted it never recorded the data anyway.

Critics say Google's insistence on tracking its users' locations stems from its drive to boost advertising revenue.

"They build advertising information out of data," said Peter Lenz, the senior geospatial analyst at Dstillery, a rival advertising technology company. "More data for them presumably means more profit."

The AP learned of the issue from K. Shankari, a graduate researcher at UC Berkeley who studies the commuting patterns of volunteers in order to help urban planners. She noticed that her Android phone prompted her to rate a shopping trip to Kohl's, even though she had turned Location History off.

"So how did Google Maps know where I was?" she asked in a blog post.

The AP wasn't able to recreate Shankari's experience exactly. But its attempts to do so revealed Google's tracking.

Google offers a more accurate description of how Location History actually works in a place you'd only see if you turn it off — a popup that appears when you "pause" Location History on your Google account webpage. There the company notes that "some location data may be saved as part of your activity on other Google services, like Search and Maps."

Google offers additional information in a popup that appears if you re-activate the "Web & App Activity" setting — an uncommon action for many users, since this setting is on by default. That popup states that, when activated, the setting "saves the things you do on Google sites, apps, and services ... and associated information, like location."

Warnings when you're about to turn Location History off via Android and iPhone device settings are more difficult to interpret. On Android, the popup explains that "places you go with your devices will stop being added to your Location History map." On the iPhone, it simply reads, "None of your Google apps will be able to store location data in Location History."

The iPhone text is technically true if potentially misleading. With Location History off, Google Maps and other apps store your whereabouts in a section of your account called "My Activity," not "Location History."



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Social robots are still falling short of hopes

BOSTON (AP) — Personal home robots that can socialize with people are starting to roll out of the laboratory and into our living rooms and kitchens. But are humans ready to invite them into their lives?

It's taken decades of research to build robots even a fraction as sophisticated as those featured in popular science fiction. They don't much resemble their fictional predecessors; they mostly don't walk, only sometimes roll and often lack limbs. And they're nowhere close to matching the language, social skills and physical dexterity of people.

Worse, they're so far losing out to immobile smart speakers made by Amazon, Apple and Google, which cost a fraction of what early social robots do, and which are powered by artificial-intelligence systems that leave many robots' limited abilities in the dust.

That hasn't stopped ambitious robot-makers from launching life-like robots into the market — albeit with mixed results so far.

Two pioneers in a new vanguard of cute, sociable robots — Jibo, a curvy talking speaker, and Kuri, a cartoonish wheeled "nanny" — have been early casualties. The makers of Vector, a less-expensive home robot that was unveiled Wednesday, hope theirs will be a bigger hit.

Still others, including a rumored



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Anki Inc. CEO Boris Sofman holds Vector, the company's new home robot, in New York.

Amazon project and robots designed to provide companionship for senior citizens, remain in the development phase.

"I think we're going to start seeing some come to market this year," said Vic Singh, a founding general partner of Eniac Ventures, which has invested in several robotics startups. But they'll be limited to very specific uses, he warned.

Hopes for social robots keep outpacing reality. Late last year, the squat, almost featureless Jibo graced the cover of Time Magazine's "best inventions" edition. Its creator, MIT robotics researcher Cynthia Breazeal, told The Associated Press at the time that "there's going to be a time when every-

body will just take the personal robot for granted."

That time has not yet arrived. Jibo, a foot-high, vaguely conical device topped by a wide hemispherical "head," stays where you put it, typically on a countertop. But it can swivel its flat, round screen "face" to meet your gaze; tells jokes and plays music; and can shimmy convincingly if you ask it to dance. It was pitched as "the world's first social robot for the home."

At almost \$900, though, Jibo didn't win anywhere near enough friends. It's still for sale online, but its parent company reportedly laid off much of its workforce in June and didn't reply to requests for comment.

"It's a really cool device, but it didn't offer a ton of utility," Singh said.

In late July, another startup, California-based Mayfield Robotics, ceased manufacturing Kuri, a roving \$699 machine that would shoot pictures and video from cameras hidden behind its round, blinking eyes. Other home robots, such as the three-foot, video-screen-equipped personal assistant Temi (\$1,499) and Sony's dog-like Aibo (\$1,800), are even less affordable.

"You cannot sell a robot for \$800 or \$1,000 that has capabilities of less than an Alexa," said Boris Sofman, CEO of Anki, which plans to launch its pet-like Vector this fall.

Promising a robotic future beyond "puck-like vacuum cleaners and life-

less cylindrical talking speakers," Anki is pitching the \$249 Vector as an older brother to its tiny — and feisty — toy robot Cozmo.

Both robots are tiny enough to fit in your palm. They scoot around on tank treads and chirp more than talk, but Vector can answer basic questions, set a timer or deliver messages from email and texts. It can rest on a tabletop until it hears a door open or, using facial recognition, "sees" a familiar person in view. It purrs when you rub its gold-plated back.

Social robots trace their lineage back to an interactive humanoid head named Kismet, which Breazeal built in an MIT lab in the 1990s. Since then, advances in artificial intelligence have propelled the field forward. The popularity of Alexa and its ilk has also helped take the strangeness out of talking machines.

The key for Vector and other companion robots, experts say, is to strike the right balance between usefulness and personality. (Affordability also seems pretty important.) Though there's plenty of disagreement over what makes the proper balance.

Fall short on personality, and "you better be perfect because the moment you make a mistake, you're going to be the big lumbering robot that made a mistake," Sofman said. But people can forgive errors so long as the robot reacts in a realistic way.

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SUSPECT

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Pike Road East on Saturday about 4:30 p.m. to find Sharmine Pack, 34, suffering from “multiple gunshot wounds.” Sumter County Coroner Robbie Baker said Pack was transported to Palmetto Health Tuomey, where he died.

Dennis said the 38-year-old suspect has been under investigation by the sheriff’s office before, has been arrested for burglaries and domestic violence and has been convicted of financial fraud in Sumter County.

“We think this is part of the motive,” he said.

The suspect and victim appear to have known each other. Brown reportedly drove to the auto shop, exchanged words about a transaction over a vehicle with Pack and shot him.

“What’s most disturbing about this incident is that he shot the victim,

and the victim fell. Then he stood over the victim and shot him several more times to make sure he killed the victim,” Dennis said. “The nature of this incident, for someone to stand over someone who we believe — Mr. Pack — was begging for his life.”

Moorish sovereign citizens, often called Moors, are people in a belief system that emerged in the ’90s as a spinoff of the intergovernmental sovereign citizens movement that follows the idea that individual people hold sovereignty over local, state and federal laws, governments and authority, according to the Southern Poverty Law Center. Moors and sovereign citizens historically have violently clashed with law enforcement over their “refusal to obey laws and government regulations.”

They have also been known to conduct “paper terrorism” by committing financial crimes against authorities and governments and sus-

taining themselves by selling fake legal documents, fraudulent auto insurance claims, fake license plates, counterfeit money and passports and other bogus financial instruments and documents, the SPLC describes.

“They don’t seem to recognize the laws of this country as the ones they should abide by. They have their own laws that they consider to be governed by,” Dennis said.

He said the presence and clashing with sovereign citizens in Sumter County has “become more frequent now than ever before.”

“We are seeing more and more sovereign citizens here in Sumter County and I think in all of South Carolina,” he said. “Our officers have been trained in how to deal with them. We use extreme caution with them. They don’t seem to hesitate in identifying themselves.”

Dennis said it appears to investigators that Brown had sold Pack a car.

Brown has lived in Lee County and at least seven locations in Sumter County, where he has had combative arrests before with county and city deputies.

When Jasper County — about 25 miles south of Interstate 20 and an hour southeast of Atlanta — authorities identified Brown about 2 a.m. Monday in a white Toyota Camry, he initiated a chase and escaped, Dennis said. That was a different car, though, than the one he is thought to have been in on Saturday.

Brown should be considered dangerous and violent.

“He’s proven what type of crime he commits,” Dennis said. “If anybody should come into contact with him, we ask you call law enforcement. My belief is he will not hesitate to hurt anyone.”

The sheriff’s office is also asking for assistance from the U.S. Marshals Service and is making Brown’s whereabouts a “nationwide alert.”

CORONER

FROM PAGE A1

by Third Judicial Court Judge R. Ferrell Cothran because of testimony claiming she does not have enough death investigation experience to be qualified for the job.

“There will be a ruling sometime today (Monday),” Cothran said.

Cothran made a split ruling at the beginning of the month saying Samuels-Cooper, who worked as an administrative assistant at the coroner’s office for 13 years under her late brother, Hayes Samuels Jr., and Mock, who was appointed coroner by Gov. Henry McMaster in February after Samuels Jr. died and sued to challenge her qualifications, could be on the ballot as a candidate because Mock did not formally challenge the election results but that she cannot become a coroner without meeting the statutory qualifications.

The Clarendon County and South Carolina Democratic parties filed a motion last week to ask Cothran to reconsider or alter that ruling to provide clarification on whether they should take her off.

Both sides had arguments to why Samuels-Cooper should

or should not be removed.

Samuels-Cooper’s defense claimed Mock decided to wait for the outcome of the election to challenge Samuels-Cooper’s status. They also said they want the judge to clarify what they looked at during a death investigation and claimed that Samuels-Cooper has more than 1,000 hours of death experience.

State law says first-term coroners have one year to become certified through an American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators-approved program. At least 640 hours of death investigation experience are required to sign up. According to testimony for this case, it takes about a year to accumulate 640 hours.

Mock’s defense wanted Cothran to reconsider what he had just heard from Samuels-Cooper’s defense, adding this was the fourth time they had raised the same arguments.

Samuels-Cooper’s defense argued that Samuels-Cooper enrolled in a class at St. Louis University to become certified, but there was debate on whether this course was ABMDI-approved.

“The testimony is that it does not exist,” Cothran said. “Coroners must be approved by a circuit judge, and we

found your client didn’t qualify.”

Cothran also added that in the death investigation, it was determined that Samuels-Cooper did not make a decision on death, which is what a coroner and deputy coroner must do.

Samuels-Cooper’s defense then argued that nurses do not weigh in on the notion of death, but they can qualify to

become certified.

Mock’s defense argued that was not appropriate for the Rule 59-E motion they were hearing Monday and had difficulty with the statute.

Cothran determined that Samuels-Cooper did go to the hospital several times, but it was with the magistrate and not the coroner or deputy coroner, so that does not count as death experience.

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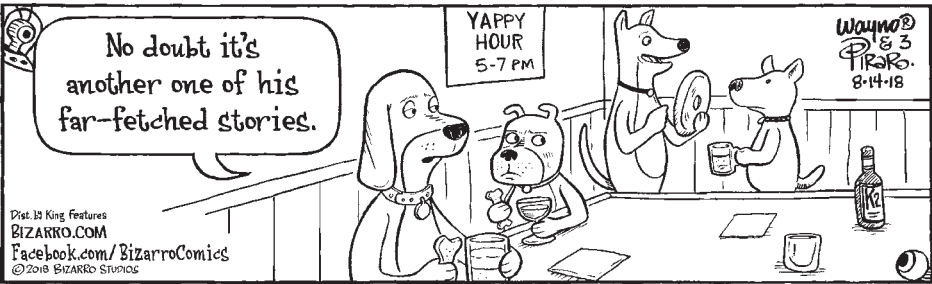
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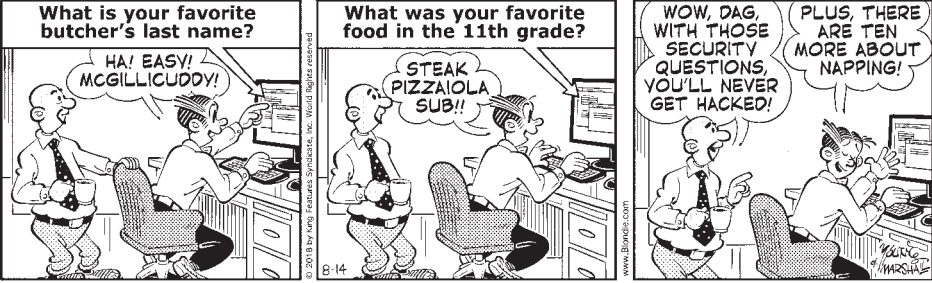
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Man jealous of boyfriend's friendship with woman



Dear Abby
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DEAR ABBY — I'm a 35-year-old gay man who's been in a serious relationship for five years. During the last year, my significant other, "Grady," has grown close with a female co-worker of mine he met at my office party. (I'll call her Tina.) They have become inseparable, and when they aren't hanging out, he's constantly texting and calling her.

At first I didn't have a problem with it, but lately I'm getting some strange vibes. Grady always said he was never attracted to women, but I've caught him ogling Tina when she's at our pool in her bikini.

He acts like a jealous boyfriend when men approach her and even ran off a couple she briefly dated.

Yesterday there was a fire in the building where I work, and everyone had to evacuate. Last night I discovered that when Grady heard it on the radio, he left his job to come and get Tina and drive her home. Not once did he attempt to contact me to see how I was doing.

When I confronted him, he argued that Tina doesn't have a car (true), and said he was worried because she's "just a kid." But, Abby, she's 25 years old and capable of calling a taxi or asking for a ride. I told him that rather than leave work, he could have called me and asked me to drive her home. Later he admitted that she hadn't tried to contact him — that his worry drove him to come and get her, which indicates to me

that something more is going on.

Am I overreacting like he says, or should I be worried I'm about to lose my man?

Jealous in Texas

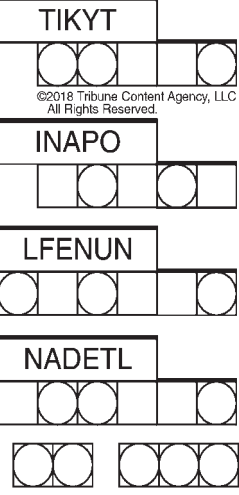
DEAR JEALOUS — Grady does seem fixated on Tina. I've heard of straight men repressing homosexual feelings until they're middle-aged, so I suppose it's possible for a gay man to discover that he's bisexual. That said, I'm not sure you're overreacting. Whether Tina is a threat to your relationship only he can answer.

If Grady is willing to go with you, relationship counseling should be available at your nearest gay and lesbian community center. The two of you may need an unbiased referee to prevent an honest conversation about your feelings from degenerating into an argument.

JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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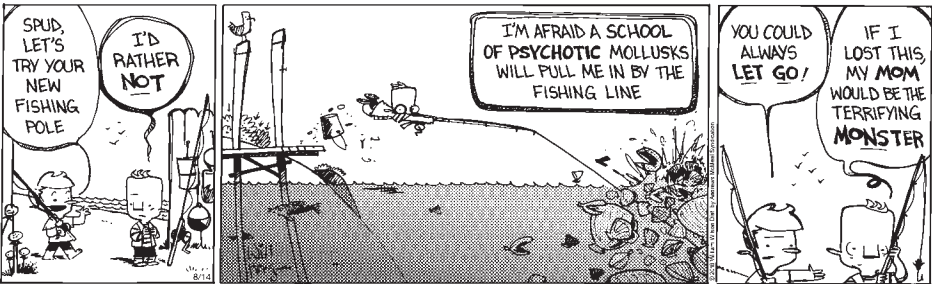
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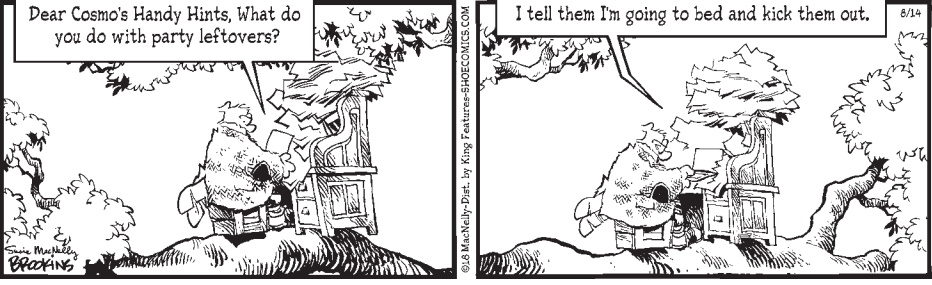
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COMMENTARY

Who determines ‘universal values’?

Is it any of Canada’s business whether Saudi women have the right to drive? Well, Foreign Minister Chrystia Freeland just made it her business.

Repeatedly denouncing Riyadh’s arrest of women’s rights advocate Samar Badawi, Freeland has driven the two countries close to a break in diplomatic relations. “Reprehensible” said Riyadh of Freeland’s tweeted attack. Canada is “engaged in blatant interference in the Kingdom’s domestic affairs.”

The Saudis responded by expelling Canada’s ambassador and ordering 15,000 Saudi students to end their studies in Canada and barred imports of Canadian wheat. A \$15 billion contract to provide armored vehicles to Saudi Arabia may be in jeopardy.

Crown Prince Mohammad bin Salman, who has been backsliding on his promises to modernize the kingdom, appears to have had enough of Western lectures on democratic values and morality.

A week after Pope Francis denounced the death penalty as always “impermissible,” Riyadh went ahead and crucified a convicted murderer in Mecca. In Saudi Arabia, homosexuality can get you a death sentence.

Neither President Donald Trump nor the State Department has taken sides, but *The Washington Post* has weighed in with an editorial: “Human Rights Are Everyone’s Business.”

“What Ms. Freeland and Canada correctly understand is that human rights ... are universal values, not the property of kings and dictators to arbitrarily grant and remove on a whim. Saudi Arabia’s long-standing practice of denying basic rights to citizens, especially women — and its particularly cruel treatment of some dissidents — such as the public lashes meted out to (Ms. Badawi’s brother) — are matters of legitimate concern to all democracies and free societies.

“It is the traditional role of the United States to defend universal values everywhere they are trampled upon and to show bullying autocrats they cannot get away with hiding their dirty work behind closed doors.”

The Post called on the foreign ministers of all Group of Seven nations to retweet Freeland’s post saying, “Basic rights are everybody’s business.”

But these sweeping assertions raise not a few questions.

Who determines what are “basic rights” or “universal values”?

Saudi Arabia is an absolute monarchy that has never permitted women to drive and has always whipped criminals and had a death penalty.

When did these practices first begin to contradict “universal values”?

When did it become America’s “traditional role” to defend women’s right to drive automobiles in every country, when women had no right to vote in America until after World War I?

In the America of the 1950s, homosexuality and abortion were regarded as shameful offenses and serious crimes. Now abortion and homosexu-

ality have been declared constitutional rights.

Are they basic human rights? To whom? Do 55 million abortions in the U.S. in 45 years not raise an issue of human rights?

Has it become the moral duty of the U.S. government to champion abortion and LGBT rights worldwide, when a goodly slice of America still regards them as marks of national decadence and decline?

And if the Saudis are reactionaries whom we should join Canada in condemning, why are we dreaming up an “Arab NATO” in which Saudi Arabia would be a treaty ally alongside whom we would fight Iran?

Iran, at least, holds quadrennial elections, and Iranian women seem less restricted and anti-regime demonstrations more tolerated than they are in Saudi Arabia.

Consider our own history. From 1865 to 1965, segregation was the law in the American South. Did those denials of civil and political rights justify foreign intervention in the internal affairs of the United States?

How would President Eisenhower, who used troops to integrate Little Rock High, have responded to the British and French demanding that America end segregation now?

In a newly de-Christianized America, all religions are to be treated equally and none may be taught in any public school.

In nearly 50 nations, however, Muslims are the majority, and they believe there is but one God, Allah, and Muhammad is his prophet, and all other religions are false. Do Muslims have no right to insist upon the primacy of their faith in the nations they rule?

Is Western interference with this claim not a formula for endless conflict?

In America, free speech and freedom of the press are guaranteed. And these First Amendment rights protect libel, slander, filthy language, blasphemy, pornography, flag burning and published attacks on religious beliefs, our country itself, and the government of the United States.

If other nations reject such freedoms as suicidal stupidity, do we have some obligation to intervene in their internal affairs to promote them?

Recently, *The Independent* reported:

“Since last year, hundreds of thousands, perhaps millions, of innocent Uighurs and other ethnic minorities in the Xinjiang region in northwest China have been unjustly arrested and imprisoned in what the Chinese government calls ‘political re-education camps.’ Thousands have disappeared. There are credible reports of torture and death among the prisoners. ... The international community has largely reacted with silence.”

Anyone up for sanctioning Xi Jinping’s China?

Or do Uighurs’ rights rank below those of Saudi feminists?

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EDITORIAL ROUNDUP

Recent editorials from South Carolina newspapers:

THE TIMES AND DEMOCRAT
Aug. 5

Dominion merger is best solution for future of SCANA, customers

The shareholders of SCANA Corp. got it right. They voted to approve the proposed merger with Virginia-based Dominion Energy but rejected any merger-related bonuses for SCANA executives.

As much as the merger plan is the best solution to ensure the future of a utility that is vital to South Carolina, the bonuses for corporate executives are an insult to ratepayers, particularly when state and federal authorities are investigating possible wrongdoing by top company executives, some of whom have departed SCANA in the past year.

Most paying utility bills to SCANA can relate to the need for the company to find stability via the merger, even though the plan as laid out by Dominion would include customers continuing to pay a percentage of bills to cover debt from the failed SCANA-Santee Cooper nuclear project in Fairfield County.

What they cannot relate to is how those running SCANA could find themselves in line for up to \$110 million in compensation if they lose their jobs in the merger, which despite SCANA shareholder approval faces a major hurdle with the S.C. Public Service Commission later this year.

News of the proposed payouts to executives surfaced this past week during court proceedings related to SCANA challenging a legislative mandate that it cut electricity rates to eliminate most of the charge for the nuclear project. SCANA put aside \$110 million into an irrevocable trust to pay key executives and facilitate the company’s merger plans.

The executive compensation plan immediately drew the ire of politicians and others.

Unfortunately, the vote of SCANA shareholders, which is nonbinding, and the words of politicians are not likely to change the payouts if the merger goes through.

And the payouts to executives are a different issue from the current battle between SCANA and the state over rates. The utility is asking that the federal courts put the brakes on a 15 percent rate cut mandated by the General Assembly and approved by the PSC. The cut would begin appearing on South Carolina Electric & Gas Co. bills this week. SCE&G is a SCANA subsidiary.

SCANA contends the amount being charged for the failed nuclear project was authorized by the Legislature in 2007 and cannot be retroactively undone because the project failed.

On Thursday, a federal judge decided SCANA could go forward with its challenge to the legislative action.

If the rate cuts are not halted, SCANA will be forced to make payouts that some say could seriously damage the company’s health — to the point of bankruptcy. Whether or not that would happen, should the legislature’s action on rate cuts ultimately be overturned as unconstitutional, the state’s taxpayers could find themselves reimbursing the utility for the refunds.

Dominion is offering more than \$1 billion in rebates to SCE&G customers, rate cuts of about 7 percent and a promise not to raise rates for three years. Dominion would also write off about \$1.7 billion in remaining nu-

clear project costs in the plan, which ends ratepayers’ payments toward the project in about 20 years instead of SCANA’s plan for 50 to 60 years.

As distasteful as the SCANA plan for executive compensation is, the Dominion merger remains the best solution for the future of SCANA and for ratepayers, who are never going to be made whole for the nuclear project failure no matter what politicians say.

THE POST AND COURIER
Aug. 5

State police unit fell short of goal to find hardcore criminals

When the Obama administration unwisely loosened immigration policies and put less emphasis on minor crimes, anxious states across the country rushed to enact their own stricter laws. In South Carolina, the response included an elite police unit that would pursue human traffickers and drug smugglers hiding among the state’s illegal immigrant population.

In theory, it sounded like a great idea to focus on protecting South Carolinians from some of the worst criminals out there. In reality, it hasn’t worked out that way.

The small, shadowy police force has fallen disappointingly short of its goal of rooting out hardcore criminals. Instead, it has set its sights much lower, rounding up landscapers and maids with fake documents.

The state has spent almost \$5 million since 2012 on its Immigration Enforcement Unit. It’s a superfluous expense considering that much of the unit’s work duplicates the mission of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the same federal agency some imprudent Democrats want to abolish.

Taxpayers haven’t gotten a lot of return on that investment. About 100 of the 123 cases reviewed by *Post and Courier* reporters Andrew Brown and Greg Yee involved working-class Hispanics who used some sort of fraudulent documentation to get a job. Only nine cases mentioned gangs, drugs or human trafficking.

Reggie Lloyd, a former judge, U.S. attorney and chief of the State Law Enforcement Division, correctly called the program a waste of time that wrongly inserts the state into a federal issue.

To be sure, there is value in catching illegal immigrants using false documents, whether they use them to do nothing more than get a job or are up to something more nefarious. Anyone who’s been the victim of identity theft or had their bank account drained or their credit ruined can vouch for the misery that can cause. The use of false documentation is illegal for a good reason. It’s especially pernicious when the perpetrators are here illegally, making them perhaps even harder to track down.

We can’t afford to look the other way, and neither should the government.

But that’s not how the Immigration Enforcement Unit was sold. Former Gov. Nikki Haley claimed the group was created to go after “trafficking, gang violence and drug smuggling” and praised its efforts that were “getting some of that activity out of South Carolina.”

Finding and prosecuting violent criminals living among the diffuse illegal immigrant community is an important public safety function. But it’s a job for ICE. And with the Trump administration’s intense focus on illegal immigrants and any criminals among them — and Gov. Henry McMaster’s close ties to the president — we should be able to hand off this task to the feds.

AROUND TOWN

The American Red Cross is issuing an urgent call for blood donors of all blood types, especially type O. Schedule your donation appointment by using the free Blood Donor App, by visiting www.red-crossblood.org or by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Help save a life by participating in one of the following American Red Cross blood donation opportunities: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 15, Shaw Air Force Base BX Exchange Building, 370 Rhodes Ave., Building 1403, Shaw AFB; 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, Palmetto Health Tuomey, 129 N. Washington St.; 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, Lakewood Baptist Church, 3140 Nazarene Church Road; noon-5 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 22, Shaw Army Central, 1 Gabreski Drive, Shaw AFB; 2-7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23, Po-calla Church, 1214 S. Guignard Drive; and 2-7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30, Grace Baptist Church, 219 W. Calhoun St.

The Sumter Police Department's Annual Back-to-School Bash will be held from 9 a.m. to noon today at Crosswell Park, North Lafayette Drive. Event will feature DJ Howie, food, balloon artists, face painting, a water park and more. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years of age or older.

The Sumter Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind will meet at 7 p.m. today at Shiloh-Randolph Manor, 125 W. Bartlette St. It is also time to reserve gala tables for Dec. 11. Contact Debra Canty, at (803) 775-5792 or debra.canty@frontier.com.

The Wesmark Branch of the Sumter County Library will present the movie adaption of the August Wilson play "Fences," starring Denzel Washington and Viola Davis, at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 15, in the meeting room, 180 W. Wesmark Blvd.

The Lincoln High School Preservation Alumni Association (LH-SPAA) will meet at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 19, at 26 Council St. Call the alumni office 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Mondays or Wednesdays at (803) 775-

0444.

The DAV Mobile Service Office will provide free counseling and claim filing assistance to veterans from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 23, at Golden Corral, Walmart Boulevard. Call (803) 647-2422.

The Sumter Branch NAACP will meet at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 26, at Union Station AME Church, 945 S. Main St. Jasmine Brown will speak on "Preserving heirs property".

McLeod Hospice will offer a "Hospice Volunteering 101" class from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 30, in the Volunteer Services Office of McLeod Health Clarendon, 10 Hospital St., Manning. This volunteer training program is for those interested in helping Hospice patients and / or assisting Hospice support staff in Clarendon and Sumter counties. Attendees must register in advance to participate in the training. Call Stacy Mosier at (803) 435-5287.

The Lincoln High School Preservation Alumni Association (LH-SPAA) will hold an all white casual attire dance from 8 p.m. to midnight on Friday, Aug. 31, at 26 Council St. D.J. Al will provide music. Tickets are \$15 each. Call the alumni office 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Mondays or Wednesdays at (803) 775-0444.

The Sumter Combat Veterans Group will hold its annual golf tournament on Saturday, Sept. 15, at Crystal Lakes Golf Course, 1305 Clara Louise Kellogg Drive. There will be a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Registration fee is \$50 per golfer limited to the first 40 teams. Fee includes continental breakfast, lunch, souvenirs, cart, green fees and refreshments during play. Team format will be two person Captain's Choice. There will be first and second place prizes for men's and women's teams, closest to the pin and longest drive. Raffle tickets for a La-Z-Boy recliner will be \$2 each or three for \$5. Call Rich Grimsley at (803) 469-6227, Earnest Roland at (803) 840-0935 or Johnny Goodley at (803) 236-0488 or email at vnam6970@yahoo.com.

PUBLIC AGENDA

- LEE COUNTY COUNCIL**
Today, 9 a.m., council chambers

SUMTER HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION
Today, noon, Sunset Country Club

SUMTER COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Today, 5 p.m., library

LYNCHBURG TOWN COUNCIL
Today, 6 p.m., Teen Center on Magnolia Street, Lynchburg

SUMTER COUNTY COUNCIL
Today, 6 p.m., Sumter County Council Chambers

- SUMMERTON TOWN COUNCIL**
Today, 6 p.m., town hall

PINEWOOD TOWN COUNCIL
Today, 6:30 p.m., town hall

TURBEVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
Today, 6:30 p.m., town hall

MAYESVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
Today, 7 p.m., town hall

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

The last word in astrology
EUGENIA LAST

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't worry so much about what others do. As long as you are happy with your performance, kindness and personal and spiritual growth, you can be proud of who you are and what you have to offer. Love and romance are encouraged.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A change of plans shouldn't throw you off your schedule. Don't become disconcerted if someone isn't into doing what you do. Carry on and enjoy yourself, regardless of who is in your corner and who isn't. Consistency matters.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Update your appearance to give yourself a boost. How you present who you are and what you are capable of doing will make a difference. Rely on your intelligence to help you sort through any differences you have with others.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Problems at home will fester if you are moody or don't address the real problem. Skirting issues or sulking will only make others distance themselves from you. Look at whatever positive you can find in any situation; you'll turn things around.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Travel, communication and sorting out any differences you have with someone will lead to greater success and happiness. Work with, not against, what's best in the long term. Short-term benefits will not sustain what you are trying to achieve.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A change to the way you approach others will help you uncover problems that are holding you back. If you want someone to see things from your perspective, find a

fun way to display your feelings and plans for the future.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): If emotions start to take over, look for something to do that gives back. If you are helping someone, you will realize everyone faces adversity, and doing something about it instead of dwelling on the negative is your best recourse.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Keep things in perspective. Steer clear of those unwilling to budge so you can continue to do your own thing without having to put up with nonsense that will slow you down. It's important to keep moving forward.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Do a good job and be proud of your accomplishments. A positive attitude will draw attention to how proficient you are. Build solid relationships at work as well as in your personal life, but don't let others cost you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't let negativity seep into your conversations or the way you treat others. Confront any issues you have with an open mind and heart. Let others do what works best for them; you'll get more in return.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Put all your papers, feelings and plans for the future in order. Knowing what you want to end up with will help you move forward at an even pace. Don't let the actions of others lead to costly setbacks.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Look for new ways to make your money work for you. Go over contracts, negotiate and look for innovative ways to move forward with your plans. Align yourself with positive, productive people who are heading in a similar direction.

WEATHER

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AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Sumter

TODAY	TONIGHT	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
93°	72°	93° / 73°	94° / 74°	93° / 74°	92° / 73°
Chance of rain: 5%	Chance of rain: 0%	Chance of rain: 5%	Chance of rain: 25%	Chance of rain: 50%	Chance of rain: 55%
SW 4-8 mph	S 2-4 mph	NE 3-6 mph	SW 4-8 mph	SW 6-12 mph	WSW 7-14 mph

TODAY'S SOUTH CAROLINA WEATHER

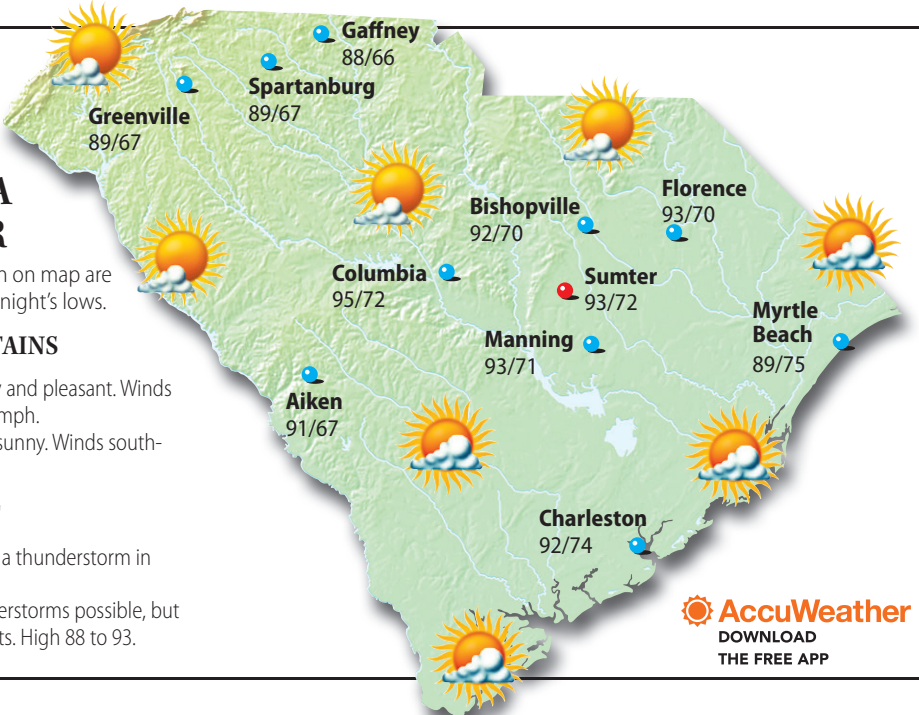
Temperatures shown on map are today's highs and tonight's lows.

IN THE MOUNTAINS

Today: Mostly sunny and pleasant. Winds south-southeast 4-8 mph.
Wednesday: Partly sunny. Winds south-southeast 4-8 mph.

ON THE COAST

Today: Partly sunny; a thunderstorm in spots. High 88 to 93.
Wednesday: Thunderstorms possible, but likely in southern parts. High 88 to 93.



LOCAL ALMANAC

SUMTER THROUGH 2 P.M. YESTERDAY

Temperature	
High	80°
Low	69°
Normal high	89°
Normal low	69°
Record high	102° in 1999
Record low	57° in 1979
Precipitation	
24 hrs ending 2 p.m. yest.	2.80"
Month to date	4.29"
Normal month to date	2.41"
Year to date	26.20"
Last year to date	27.34"
Normal year to date	30.75"

LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Full pool	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Murray	360	357.73	none
Marion	76.8	75.51	-0.04
Moultrie	75.5	74.93	-0.06
Wateree	100	97.09	-0.11

RIVER STAGES

River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Black River	12	5.55	-0.52
Congaree River	19	5.12	-0.66
Lynches River	14	3.02	-0.46
Saluda River	14	6.88	+1.01
Up. Santee River	80	78.72	+0.03
Wateree River	24	11.46	-0.23

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise	6:43 a.m.	Sunset	8:10 p.m.
Moonrise	10:12 a.m.	Moonsset	10:40 p.m.

First	Full	Last	New
Aug. 18	Aug. 26	Sept. 2	Sept. 9

TIDES

AT MYRTLE BEACH				
	High	Ht.	Low	Ht.
Today	12:24 p.m.	3.4	6:45 a.m.	-0.4
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Wed.	12:39 a.m.	3.5	7:34 a.m.	-0.3
	1:18 p.m.	3.3	8:00 p.m.	0.0

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	91/72/pc	91/73/pc
Chicago	90/72/s	81/71/t
Dallas	89/75/pc	94/76/s
Detroit	89/68/s	87/70/pc
Houston	94/76/pc	92/76/t
Los Angeles	85/67/pc	88/66/pc
New Orleans	93/78/pc	91/76/pc
New York	83/70/t	90/74/pc
Orlando	90/73/t	91/72/t
Philadelphia	84/70/t	91/74/pc
Phoenix	105/83/pc	100/80/pc
San Francisco	67/57/pc	67/55/pc
Wash., DC	87/72/t	92/74/pc

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W
Asheville	83/62/s	85/64/pc	Florence	93/70/pc	94/71/pc
Athens	92/68/s	92/70/t	Gainesville	87/73/t	90/73/t
Augusta	95/69/s	94/72/pc	Gastonia	90/66/s	91/68/pc
Beaufort	93/76/pc	93/74/t	Greensboro	87/66/s	90/70/pc
Cape Hatteras	88/76/pc	88/79/pc	Greenville	89/67/s	90/69/pc
Charleston	92/74/pc	92/74/pc	Hickory	87/66/s	88/68/pc
Charlotte	91/67/s	92/69/pc	Hilton Head	90/77/pc	90/77/t
Clemson	90/68/s	90/71/pc	Jacksonville, FL	90/73/t	91/71/t
Columbia	95/72/s	95/74/pc	La Grange	90/71/pc	92/71/pc
Darlington	91/70/pc	94/72/pc	Macon	93/71/pc	93/72/t
Elizabeth City	90/72/pc	90/74/pc	Marietta	90/70/s	92/70/pc
Elizabethtown	90/71/pc	93/73/pc			
Fayetteville	90/69/pc	93/70/pc			

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PICTURES FROM THE PUBLIC



Jeff Byer comments on his photo submission, "I noticed this little waterfall in the pretty creek that runs through the picnic area in Cades Cove, Tennessee. Cades Cove is located in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park."

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PREP FOOTBALL



What is a wet bulb?

A host of Sumter High School defenders brings down Manning's Darias Williams (33) during the Gamecocks' 21-7 victory over the Monarchs in the Sumter Sertoma Club's 37th Annual Sumter County Football Jamboree on Friday at Sumter Memorial Stadium. The game, the third scrimmage of the evening, began after 10 p.m. after hot, humid conditions earlier in the day forced an hour delay in the start time of the jamboree.

Delayed start of jamboree prompts look at rule governing playing in hot weather

BY EDDIE LITAKER
Special to The Sumter Item

Those arriving at Sumter Memorial Stadium early on Friday expecting a 6:30 p.m. start to the Sumter Sertoma Club's 37th Annual Sumter County Football Jamboree were greeted with an announcement that the proceedings were being held up due to a wet bulb delay.

The result was roughly a

1-hour delay in the start of the first scrimmage match between Lakewood and Lee Central high schools, and indications are this could be a continuing trend at least during the opening weeks of the 2018 season.

The wet bulb delay is a concept new to the South Carolina High School League this year that has been instituted in middle and high schools as another measure to assist in

player safety. Detailed information on the policy can be found at <http://www.schsl.org> under the header Wet Bulb Globe Temperature Monitoring (WBGT).

"The High School League issued some wet bulb guidelines that we have to follow," said Sumter High School athletic director Curtis Johnson. "It's a percentage index based on temperature, relative humidity, wind speed — all

kinds of factors go into it. We all have wet bulb thermometers, and the wet bulb globe temperature has got to be under a certain percentage for us to do anything. Early (before) the game here it was at 91, and it had to get down under 87, so we waited until it got under 87 and it's probably going to be like that early in the year."

SEE **WGBT**, PAGE B3

PRO GOLF

Future bright for Woods, but Koepka is in the way

BY EDDIE PELLIS
The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Over an ear-splitting afternoon in which most of the cheers weren't for him, Brooks Koepka got a taste of what golf feels like when Tiger Woods is in the hunt.

And in his exhilarating but ultimately futile attempt to catch Koepka at the PGA Championship, Woods got a taste of what it's going to take to get back on top in the majors.

Woods provided the thrills Sunday — a fist-pumping, club-slamming, roller-coaster ride of a final round in which he threatened from beginning to end but couldn't knock Koepka out of the lead, or deny him the trophy.

Koepka heard the commotion in front of him all day — "You could hear a different roar like every 30 sec-



Brooks Koepka hits out of a bunker on the 10th hole during the final round of the PGA Championship on Sunday at Bellerive Country Club in St. Louis. Koepka held off a hard-charging Tiger Woods to win his third career major.

onds, so we knew what was going on," he said — but did what he does best at the majors: He put on a calm, col-

lected show of precision golf to hold off Woods by two shots and become only the fifth person to win a

U.S. Open and PGA Championship in the same year.

SEE **PGA**, PAGE B3

PREP FOOTBALL

Briggs likes Swampcats' play despite loss to Mississippi team

BY DENNIS BRUNSON
dennis@theitem.com

The Laurence Manning Academy varsity football team traveled to Montgomery, Alabama, to open its 2018 football season on Friday. And while the Swampcats suffered a 30-14 loss to 2-time defending 4A Mississippi Independent School state champion Lamar Academy, head coach Robbie Briggs thought it was more than a worthwhile trip.

"I'm really proud of my guys," said Briggs, whose squad met up against Lamar in the Cramton Bowl. "We played hard, and we played extremely well. I'm proud of how the kids played.

"It was a great event for our guys. We played against a team that is the caliber of (SCISA 3A state champion) Hammond. This was a great opportuni-



BRIGGS

ty for our kids."

LMA received the opening kickoff and drove 80 yards in 18 plays for a touchdown. Wyatt Rowland scored the touchdown on a 2-yard run.

Lamar answered with a touchdown, scoring it on fourth down and 12 yards to go. Laurence Manning scored on its next possession though with Marcus Lane pulling in a short pass from quarterback Burgess Jordan and going 75 yards for a touchdown to make it 14-7.

The Swampcats were on the move again and found themselves facing fourth down and three inside the Lamar 10. Briggs chose to go for it instead of kicking a field goal and LMA didn't get it.

Lamar turned around and drove for a touchdown to tie the game at 14-14 at halftime.

"We probably got a little greedy right there," Briggs said. "We could have kicked the field goal and been up 17-7, but since the game didn't matter we de-

cided to go for it."

Brewer Brunson intercepted a pass to thwart Lamar's first drive of the second half. However, Laurence Manning went three downs and out, and Lamar came back for a touchdown to go up 21-14.

Lamar then picked up a safety to make it 23-14 with four minutes left in the game. When the Swampcats turned the ball over on downs deep in their territory, Lamar punched in one more touchdown.

LMA had 331 yards of total offense, 218 of it coming on the ground. Lamar passed for 238 yards, but ran for just 13.

"We played with them," Briggs said. "We did a good job offensively; we just had some missed opportunities."

Brunson rushed for 48 yards on 12 carries and caught a pass for 17 yards. Rowland ran for 28 yards and caught a pass for 22 yards. Lane rushed for 43 yards on two carries and caught three passes for 84 yards.

AUTO RACING

Harvick gets NASCAR-high 7th win at Michigan

BROOKLYN, Mich. (AP) — Kevin Harvick capped off his father-son weekend by dominating a race and putting 6-year-old son Keelan in the passenger seat to hold the flapping, checkered flag out of the window.

"That was definitely way up there on the bucket list," Harvick said.

Harvick broke a tie atop NASCAR's Big 3 by easily winning at Michigan International Speedway for his Cup-high seventh victory of the season.

His No. 4 Ford finished 3-plus seconds ahead of Brad Keselowski's No. 2 Ford on Sunday in the Consumers Energy 400.

Points leader Kyle Busch finished third in his No. 18 Toyota — more than 4 seconds behind Harvick.



HARVICK

"I was front of him for about 5 laps," Busch joked.

Busch has won six races this year and Martin Truex Jr. has finished in first four times. The rest of the field has combined to win just six of 23 races.

Truex Jr., the third driver in NASCAR's Big 3 with Harvick and Busch, was 14th in the 40-car field in his No. 78 Toyota.

Keselowski said he couldn't be more aggressive late in the 200-lap race because Harvick was simply so far ahead.

Austin Dillon, in the No. 3 Chevrolet, was fourth followed by Ryan Blaney's No. 12 Ford.

Denny Hamlin led the field to the green flag for the second straight week, but his No. 11 Toyota could not stay ahead. He ended up eighth at MIS after finishing 13th in last week's race at Watkins Glen.

WHO'S HOT

Harvick won each of three stages and led 108 laps, more than four times more than anyone else on the 2-mile oval. His seven victories have helped Ford earn 10 Cup victories, matching its total from last year and pulling within one of Toyota's total.

WHO'S NOT

Jimmie Johnson has not finished better than 10th in his last nine races and sits 14th in the standings. The seven-time Cup champion was running in the top 15 late in the race when a loose wheel led to an unscheduled pit stop and a 28th-place finish a week after he was 30th at Watkins Glen.

ROUGH DAY

Truex was running with the leaders during the second stage before running out of gas and going into the pits, which were closed. He also was penalized for an uncontrollable tire and pushed to the back of the 40-car field.

Soon after a restart early in the race, rookie William Byron's No. 24 Chevrolet got loose and made side-by-side contact with Truex to bring out another caution flag.

"Anything that could have went wrong did," Truex said. "We got wrecked by a rookie mistake underneath us, and then ran out of gas. We couldn't win the second stage. We just didn't have enough gas. The car was fast. We just couldn't catch a break all day."

CLOSE KEZ

Keselowski, who is from suburban Detroit, is still desperately seeking his first win in Michigan. The Penske Racing driver finished second in a Cup race for the second time at MIS, where he also has a trio of third-place finishes in 19 career starts.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL '18

Heisman darkhorses: Can Browning repeat Mayfield's path?

BY JOE REEDY
The Associated Press

Washington's Jake Browning is hoping to repeat what Baker Mayfield did last year. Mayfield was a Heisman Trophy longshot in the pre-season, but ended up winning the award while leading Oklahoma to the College Football Playoff for the second time in three years. Browning was sixth in the Heisman voting two years ago after leading the Huskies to the Pac-12 title and the play-off, where they lost to Alabama in the semifinals. His productivity declined last year though as his touchdowns fell from 43 to 19. Washington was 10-3 last season, but is the preseason favorite to win the Pac 12. Browning and the Huskies will also have an early opportunity to make a favorable impression to rest of the nation as they face Auburn in the opener in Atlanta on Sept. 1. Browning — who has thrown for over 9,000 yards and 78 touchdowns the past three seasons — is facing high expectations, but none might be bigger than what coach Chris Peterson expects out of



AP FILE PHOTO

Missouri quarterback Drew Lock set a Southeastern Conference record last season with 44 touchdown passes. That has him being considered a dark horse candidate for the Heisman Trophy.

the senior. "Jake plays really good football and has made some spectacular plays in his career," Peterson said. "We're looking for him to do that at the most difficult position in football at a really high, elite level play after play after play." A look at other Heisman longshots looking to improve their odds:

ED OLIVER, DT, HOUSTON

The junior might have set

the record for being the earliest to announce that he is entering the NFL Draft. But there is good reason for that as Oliver might be the top pick. The 6-foot-3, 290-pound defensive lineman faces huge odds to win, but with 38 1/2 tackles for loss the last two seasons and the possibility that coach Major Applewhite could use him on some offensive plays, he could at least get to New York as one of the finalists.

MCKENZIE MILTON, QB, CENTRAL FLORIDA

Milton was eighth in the voting last year after he led the Knights to an improbable 13-0 record and a victory over Auburn in the Peach Bowl. He was second in the nation in passing efficiency (179.3) and yards per attempt (10.22), finishing behind Mayfield. UCF though has a new coach in Josh Heupel after Scott Frost left for Nebraska. Also hampering Milton's bid is a lack of weekly exposure. The Knights' first national appearance won't be until Sept. 15 against North Carolina.

DREW LOCK, QB, MISSOURI

Lock set an Southeastern Conference record last season with 44 touchdown passes. Three SEC quarterbacks have won the award since 2007, but the senior is going to need to produce wins for a Tigers squad that lost five of its first six last season before finishing 7-6.

CAM AKERS, RB, FLORIDA STATE

New coach Willie Taggart says that the theme of his offense is "lethal simplicity." That is also an apt description of Akers. The sophomore had four 100-yard games last season along with setting Florida

State's freshman rushing record with 1,025 yards. Akers will be counted on early to be a focal point of Taggart's offense, starting with the Sept. 3 opener against Virginia Tech.

BRIAN LEWERKE, QB, MICHIGAN STATE

The junior is a dual-threat quarterback who accounted for 3,352 yards of total offense as the Spartans won 10 games last season. With the turmoil surrounding Ohio State's program, Michigan State could end up as the favorite in the Big Ten East.

RODNEY ANDERSON, RB, OKLAHOMA

There have been only three occasions where the same school has produced different Heisman winners in back-to-back seasons. Anderson didn't even start until mid-season last year, but he finished with 1,442 yards and 18 touchdowns from scrimmage. In his best game, he had 290 yards and four touchdowns from scrimmage in a regular-season win over TCU. At 6-foot-1 and 220 pounds, he is a powerhouse with breakaway speed and good enough hands to have grabbed five touchdown receptions last season.

SCOREBOARD

TV, RADIO

TODAY
2 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Milwaukee at Chicago Cubs (MLB NETWORK).
6:05 p.m. — Talk Show: Sports Talk (WDXY-FM 105.9, WDXY-AM 1240).
7 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Boston at Philadelphia or Tampa Bay at New York Yankees (MLB NETWORK).
7 p.m. — Youth Softball: Little League Softball World Series Semifinal Game from Portland, Ore. (ESPN2).
7:30 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Miami at Atlanta (FOX SPORTS SOUTHEAST, WWFN-FM 100.1, WPUB-FM 102.7).
8 p.m. — WNBA Basketball: Chicago at Minnesota (NBA TV).
9:30 p.m. — Youth Softball: Little League Softball World Series Semifinal Game from Portland, Ore. (ESPN2).
10:30 p.m. — WNBA Basketball: New York at Los Angeles (NBA TV).

MLB STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	85	35	.708	—
New York	74	43	.632	9½
Tampa Bay	60	58	.508	24
Toronto	53	64	.453	30½
Baltimore	35	84	.294	49½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	66	51	.564	—
Minnesota	54	63	.462	12
Detroit	49	69	.415	17½
Chicago	42	75	.359	24
Kansas City	35	82	.299	31

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	73	46	.613	—
Oakland	70	48	.593	2½
Seattle	69	50	.580	4
Los Angeles	59	60	.496	14
Texas	52	68	.433	21½

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Boston 4, Baltimore 1
N.Y. Yankees 7, Texas 2
Toronto 2, Tampa Bay 1
Detroit 4, Minnesota 2
Cleveland 9, Chicago White Sox 7
Seattle 4, Houston 3, 10 innings
St. Louis 8, Kansas City 2
Oakland 8, L.A. Angels 7

MONDAY'S GAMES

N.Y. Mets at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Detroit, 7:10 p.m.
Cleveland at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.
Arizona at Texas, 8:05 p.m.
Toronto at Kansas City, 8:15 p.m.
Seattle at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels at San Diego, 10:10 p.m.

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Boston (Johnson 3-3) at Philadelphia (Pivetta 7-9), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Vargas 2-8) at Baltimore (Cashner 3-10), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (TBD) at N.Y. Yankees (Happ 12-6), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Giolito 7-9) at Detroit (Hardy 4-4), 7:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Kluber 14-6) at Cincinnati (Romano 7-9), 7:10 p.m.
Arizona (Corbin 9-4) at Texas (Gallardo 7-1), 8:05 p.m.
Colorado (Marquez 9-9) at Houston (Verlander 11-7),

8:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Taillon 9-8) at Minnesota (Odorizzi 4-7), 8:10 p.m.
Toronto (Borucki 2-2) at Kansas City (Fillmyer 1-1), 8:15 p.m.
Seattle (Paxton 10-5) at Oakland (Fiers 7-6), 10:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Barria 7-7) at San Diego (Kennedy 0-1), 10:10 p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

Chicago White Sox at Detroit, 1:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Minnesota, 1:10 p.m.
Seattle at Oakland, 3:35 p.m.
Boston at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.
Colorado at Houston, 8:10 p.m.
Toronto at Kansas City, 8:15 p.m.
L.A. Angels at San Diego, 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	65	51	.560	—
Philadelphia	65	52	.556	½
Washington	60	58	.508	6
New York	49	66	.426	15½
Miami	48	72	.400	19

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	68	49	.581	—
Milwaukee	67	54	.554	3
St. Louis	63	55	.534	5½
Pittsburgh	61	58	.513	8
Cincinnati	52	66	.441	16½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	65	54	.546	—
Los Angeles	64	55	.538	1
Colorado	63	55	.534	1½
San Francisco	59	60	.496	6
San Diego	48	72	.400	17½

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Arizona 9, Cincinnati 2
N.Y. Mets 4, Miami 3
Atlanta 8, Milwaukee 7
St. Louis 8, Kansas City 2
Colorado 4, L.A. Dodgers 3
San Diego 9, Philadelphia 3
San Francisco 4, Pittsburgh 3
Chicago Cubs 4, Washington 3

MONDAY'S GAMES

Atlanta 9, Miami 1, 1st game
N.Y. Mets at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.
Miami at Atlanta, 7:35 p.m., 2nd game
Arizona at Texas, 8:05 p.m.
Washington at St. Louis, 8:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels at San Diego, 10:10 p.m.
San Francisco at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Milwaukee (Chacin 11-4) at Chicago Cubs (Quintana 10-8), 2:20 p.m.
Boston (Johnson 3-3) at Philadelphia (Pivetta 7-9), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Vargas 2-8) at Baltimore (Cashner 3-10), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Kluber 14-6) at Cincinnati (Romano 7-9), 7:10 p.m.
Miami (Richards 3-7) at Atlanta (Sanchez 6-3), 7:35 p.m.
Arizona (Corbin 9-4) at Texas (Gallardo 7-1), 8:05 p.m.
Colorado (Marquez 9-9) at Houston (Verlander 11-7),

8:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Taillon 9-8) at Minnesota (Odorizzi 4-7), 8:10 p.m.
Washington (Gonzalez 7-8) at St. Louis (Gant 4-4), 8:15 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Barria 7-7) at San Diego (Kennedy 0-1), 10:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Suarez 4-8) at L.A. Dodgers (Wood 7-6), 10:10 p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

Pittsburgh at Minnesota, 1:10 p.m.
Milwaukee at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.
Boston at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.
Colorado at Houston, 8:10 p.m.
Washington at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m.
L.A. Angels at San Diego, 9:10 p.m.
San Francisco at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

NFL PRESEASON

AMERICAN CONFERENCE
East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	1	0	0	1.000	26	17
N.Y. Jets	1	0	0	1.000	17	0
Miami	0	1	0	.000	24	26
Buffalo	0	1	0	.000	23	28

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	1	0	0	1.000	17	10
Indianapolis	1	0	0	1.000	19	17
Jacksonville	0	1	0	.000	20	24
Tennessee	0	1	0	.000	17	31

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	1	0	0	1.000	31	14
Baltimore	2	0	0	1.000	50	23
Cleveland	1	0	0	1.000	20	10
Cincinnati	1	0	0	1.000	30	27

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	1	0	0	1.000	16	10
Denver	0	1	0	.000	28	42
Kansas City	0	1	0	.000	10	17
L.A. Chargers	0	1	0	.000	17	24

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	0	1	0	.000	21	24
N.Y. Giants	0	1	0	.000	10	20
Washington	0	1	0	.000	17	26
Philadelphia	0	1	0	.000	14	31

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Carolina	1	0	0	1.000	28	23
New Orleans	1	0	0	1.000	24	20
Tampa Bay	1	0	0	1.000	26	24
Atlanta	0	1	0	.000	0	17

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	1	0	0	1.000	31	17
Minnesota	1	0	0	1.000	42	28
Detroit	0	1	0	.000	10	16
Chicago	0	2	0	.000	43	47

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	1	0	0	1.000	24	21
Arizona	1	0	0	1.000	24	17
Seattle	0	1	0	.000	17	19

L.A. Rams	0	1	0	.000	7	33
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THURSDAY'S GAMES

New Orleans 24, Jacksonville 20
Pittsburgh 31, Philadelphia 14
Carolina 28, Buffalo 23
Cleveland 20, N.Y. Giants 10
Tampa Bay 26, Miami 24
Cincinnati 30, Chicago 27
New England 26, Washington 17
Baltimore 33, L.A. Rams 7
Green Bay 31, Tennessee 17
Houston 17, Kansas City 10
Indianapolis 19, Seattle 17
San Francisco 24, Dallas 21

FRIDAY'S GAMES

N.Y. Jets 17, Atlanta 0
Oakland 16, Detroit 10

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Minnesota 42, Denver 28
Arizona 24, L.A. Chargers 17

THURSDAY, AUG. 16

Philadelphia at New England, 7:30 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Washington, 8 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Green Bay, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUG. 17

N.Y. Giants at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Kansas City at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Miami at Carolina, 7:30 p.m.
Buffalo at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Arizona at New Orleans, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUG. 18

Jacksonville at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Oakland at L.A. Rams, 4 p.m.
Cincinnati at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Tennessee, 8 p.m.
San Francisco at Houston, 8 p.m.
Chicago at Denver, 9:05 p.m.
Seattle at L.A. Chargers, 10 p.m.

MONDAY, AUG. 20
Baltimore at Indianapolis, 8 p.m.
WNBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Atlanta	22	10	.688	—
x-Washington	20	11	.645	1½
x-Connecticut	18	13	.581	3½
Chicago	11	20	.355	10½
New York	7	23	.233	14
Indiana	5	26	.161	16½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Seattle	24	8	.750	—
x-Los Angeles	18	13	.581	5½
x-Phoenix	18	14	.563	6
x-Minnesota	17	14	.548	6½
Dallas	14	17	.452	9½
Las Vegas	13	18	.419	10½

x-clinched playoff spot

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Atlanta 86, New York 77
Washington 93, Dallas 80
Connecticut 82, Chicago 75
Seattle 81, Minnesota 72
Phoenix 86, Los Angeles 78

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Dallas at Connecticut, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
New York at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

Washington at Indiana, 7 p.m.
New York at Las Vegas, 10 p.m.

PRO BASEBALL

Toussaint wins big league debut, Braves rout Marlins 9-1

BY PAUL NEWBERRY
The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Touki Toussaint wants to lead other Haitians to the big leagues. He set quite a compelling example in his debut with the Atlanta Braves.

The 22-year-old Haitian-American broke into the majors with six dazzling innings , leading the first-place Braves to a 9-1 rout of the Miami Marlins in the first game of a doubleheader Monday. Ronald Acuna homered and drove in three runs to make things easier for his fellow rookie.

Looking cool as can be on a sweltering summer day in Atlanta, Toussaint took full advantage of his temporary promotion to serve as the team's

26th player. He surrendered just two hits and limited the damage from his only serious jam to a single run.

The right-hander hopes word of his success gets back to Haiti, an impoverished Caribbean nation that has no passion for baseball and has never sent a native-born play-

er to the majors.

"To be able to play on this stage, to be able to represent my country, it's definitely humbling," Toussaint said. "Hopefully kids see that, go ahead and take a shot at it."

Toussaint (1-0) was born in Florida but moved to Haiti just a few months later , living

there for about eight years. He returned to Florida after his parents split up and gave baseball a try, though it didn't go well at first.

"I was terrible," Toussaint recalled. "I had 24 at-bats and struck out like 22 times."

He walked away from the game for about a year, focus-

ing on soccer, but eventually returned to America's pastime. He took up pitching at a relatively late age, getting serious during his sophomore year of high school. He quickly blossomed into a top prospect who was picked in the first round by Arizona in 2014.

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WBGTFROM PAGE B1

A WBGTF device is a mea-
surement tool that uses ambi-
ent temperature, relative hu-
midity, wind and solar radia-
tion from the sun to get a mea-
sure that can be used to moni-
tor environmental conditions
during exercise. Establishing
WBGTF guidelines that dictate
modifications in activity, such
as work/rest ratios, hydration
breaks, equipment worn and
length of practice, at given
WBGTF temperatures play a
huge factor in helping to pre-
vent exertional heat stroke.

As environmental tempera-
ture and humidity increase,
there is an increase in the
heat stress that is placed on
the exercising individual. Ex-
ercise in the heat causes ath-
letes to rely on sweat from the
skin as the primary method of
dissipating heat that is pro-
duced by the working mus-
cles. As humidity increases,
the ability to dissipate heat
through evaporation is fur-
ther hindered, thus causing
the body to have an increased
body temperature, which in-
creases the risk of exertional
heat stroke.

According to the SCHSL ac-
tivity and rest break guide-
lines, a WBGTF reading of
under 82 would allow for nor-
mal activities, with at least
three separate rest breaks
each hour of at least three
minutes each during the
workout. As the reading in-
creases to between 82 and 86.9,
it is advised to use discretion
for intense or prolonged exer-
cise and to watch at-risk play-
ers carefully. Recommenda-
tions call for at least three
separate rest breaks for a
minimum of four minutes
each hour.

As the WBGTF readings ele-
vate, the limits start to kick in.
At 87-89.9, maximum practice
time is two hours, with foot-
ball players restricted to hel-
met, shoulder pads and shorts
during practice. All protective
equipment must be removed
for conditioning activities. At
90-92.0, the range reached dur-
ing Friday's waiting period,
the maximum length of prac-
tice is one hour, no protective
equipment may be worn dur-
ing practice and there may be
no conditioning activities.
There must be 20 minutes of
rest breaks during the hour of
practice.

No outdoor workouts are al-
lowed once a reading exceeds
92.1. All exercises are to be
canceled and practices de-
layed until a cooler WBGTF
reading occurs.

As activity begins at a cer-
tain reading, the WBGTF is
continuously monitored by
coaches or training staff. In
the rare occasion that the
reading increases after the
start of activity, proceedings
could be halted or modified
until a more favorable reading
is reached.

Johnson said athletic direc-
tors at all SCHSL schools were
notified of the WBGTF rule on
June 1 and it has been used
throughout preseason practi-
ces, drills and scrimmage
events.

Though new this year to
middle and high schools
sports in South Carolina, this
is not the first time WBGTF has
been used in the state. The
wet bulb globe temperature

was created by the US Ma-
rines in 1956 at their Parris Is-
land, South Carolina training
facility. It provided a weather-
based tool to let drill ser-
geants and officers know how
far they could push recruits
during outdoor activities and
still avoid heat illness. The
categories were set to be a
guide to activity level and the
balance between activity and
rest times. Bright colors were
assigned to each category, so
that solid color flags could be
flown over training areas to
alert all to the wet bulb globe
temperature status.

"We've used it through our
practices and 7-on-7s," John-
son said. "All the coaches are
aware of it, all the players are
aware of it, everybody knows
about it. We run it through
our trainers and we roll from
there. In the summer, we've
been going at 7:30 (a.m.), so it
hasn't affected us much at
Sumter High.

"Once school gets in and we
start going at 4 o'clock, then
we're going to see how it sets
up there. I think player safety
is of the utmost importance,
and we've been doing every-
thing we can to help keep our
high school athletes safer.
Some other states have simi-
lar rules in place and we're
just following along with them
to help our kids be safer."

The opposing head coaches
in Friday's opening scrim-
mage, Lakewood's Larry Cor-
nelius and Lee Central's Jus-
tin Danner, were not sur-
prised by the delayed start.

"We assumed that it was
going to be later," Cornelius
said. "We did get our pre-game
in, and I was a little worried
about that because then we
went back in and sat for an
hour. I was worried about us
coming out flat again, but we
didn't. Our kids came out here
ready to play. But the wet bulb,
everybody in the state has to
abide by those rules, so it's
going to be interesting the first
couple of weeks of the season.
Are we actually going to play
these games at 7:30 or are we
going to start at 8:30 or 9?"

"We were supposed to play
at 6:30 and I think we didn't
get out there until about 7:30,"
Danner said. "So you take the
good from it, and this is the
time that we play ball games.
So kudos for an opportunity to
come out here and play right
on game time. It worked out
for us. No harm, no foul. You
hated to have to wait to play,
but it is what it is."

Like Sumter, Lee Central is
about to change its practice
schedule with the start of the
new school year, meaning the
Stallions will start to feel the
WBGTF crunch more in the
coming weeks.

"We've been going in the
mornings, so we really haven't
had the effects of it just yet,"
Danner said. "Looking ahead
for next week, when we start
back, as far as our teachers
coming in, we are concerned
then that we may have to push
practice back. We've got kids
that show up, so if we have to
push practice back, we'll do it.
We just want to make sure
that we keep the kids safe."

PGAFROM PAGE B1

When it was over, Woods
had a warm hug and a huge
smile for the guy he calls
"Brooksy."

"It's tough to beat when the
guy hits it 340 down the mid-
dle," Woods said. "When a
guy's doing that and hitting it
straight, and as good a putter
as he is, it's tough to beat."

Koepka set the PGA
Championship record with
a four-day score of 16-
under 264. His best shot
over a final round of
4-under 66 was a lasered
4-iron to the 16th green that
landed 6 feet away and set
up a birdie. That gave Ko-
epka a two-shot cushion
that allowed him to coast
into the finish, much the
way he did at Shinnecock
earlier this summer, and at
Erin Hills in last year's U.S.
Open.

Drama? That was Woods'
domain.

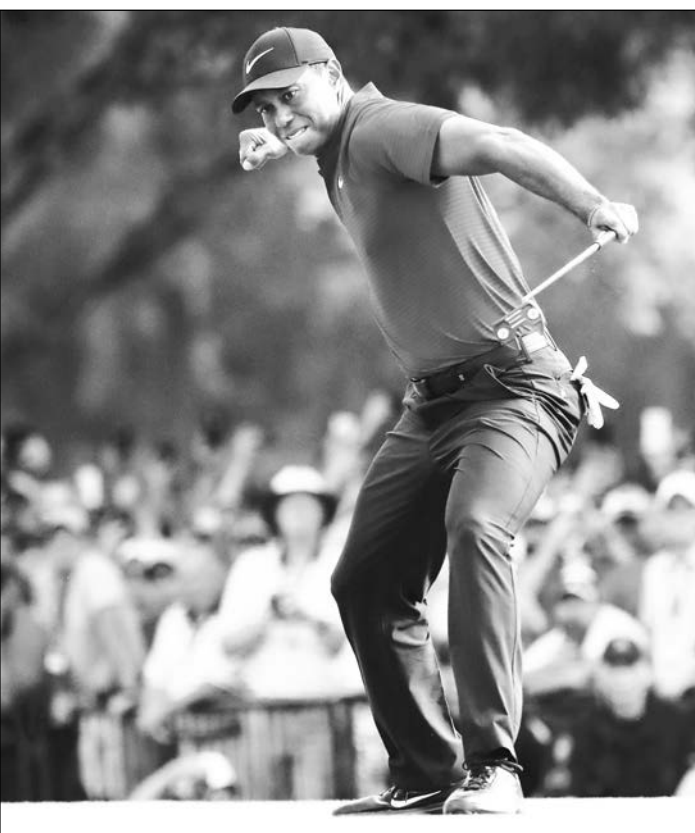
Boy did he deliver.

Over a wild first nine
holes, Woods didn't hit a sin-
gle fairway off the tee but
got up and down from ev-
erywhere. He needed a
grand total of 10 putts to
make the turn in 3-under 32
and stay within two shots.

He hit a poor approach
on No. 11, but stared down
a 30-foot putt for birdie that
would have kept momen-
tum on his side. The ball
came to rest on the inner-
edge of the cup — much
like the famous chip-in on
the 16th hole at Augusta in
2005. That one went in. This
one stayed out, and Woods
bent down and dropped his
hands to his knees in
agony.

But he did not quit. He hit
an approach to 5 feet for bird-
ie on 12, then a tee shot to 10
for another birdie on 13.

Roars echoed through the
trees at Bellerive.



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Tiger Woods celebrates his birdie putt on the 18th green during
the final round of the PGA Championship on Sunday. Woods fin-
ished second.

PGA CHAMPIONSHIP SCORES		
By The Associated Press		
Sunday		
At Bellerive CC		
St. Louis		
Purse: \$11 million		
Yardage: 7,316; Par: 70		
Final		
Brooks Koepka (600), \$1,980,000	69-63-66-66—264	
Tiger Woods (330), \$1,188,000	70-66-66-64—266	
Adam Scott (210), \$748,000	70-65-65-67—267	
Stewart Cink (135), \$489,250	67-69-66-67—269	
Jon Rahm (135), \$489,250	68-67-66-68—269	
Francesco Molinari (98), \$334,713	68-67-68-67—270	
Thomas Pieters (98), \$334,713	67-66-71-66—270	
Justin Thomas (98), \$334,713	69-65-68-68—270	
Gary Woodland (98), \$334,713	64-66-71-69—270	
Rafa Cabrera Bello (80), \$261,985	70-68-69-64—271	
Tyrrell Hatton (80), \$261,985	71-67-69-64—271	
Daniel Berger (62), \$187,747	73-65-66-68—272	
Rickie Fowler (62), \$187,747	65-67-69-71—272	
Kevin Kisner (62), \$187,747	67-64-72-69—272	
Shane Lowry (62), \$187,747	69-64-69-70—272	
Chez Reavie (62), \$187,747	71-68-67-66—272	
Jordan Spieth (62), \$187,747	71-66-69-66—272	
Brandon Stone, \$187,747	66-68-70-68—272	
Jason Day (46), \$113,125	67-68-67-71—273	
Zach Johnson (46), \$113,125	66-70-71-66—273	
Jason Kokrak (46), \$113,125	68-67-71-67—273	
Kevin Na (46), \$113,125	70-69-68-66—273	
Justin Rose (46), \$113,125	67-69-68-68—273	
Webb Simpson (46), \$113,125	68-68-68-69—273	
Julian Suri, \$113,125	69-66-68-70—273	
Matt Wallace, \$113,125	71-66-68-68—273	
Patrick Cantlay (34), \$76,000	68-67-70-69—274	
Ryan Fox, \$76,000	68-70-68-68—274	
Branden Grace (34), \$76,000	68-70-68-68—274	
Dustin Johnson (34), \$76,000	67-66-72-69—274	

HARVICKFROM PAGE B1

"The last three weeks we've had some big
struggles," Keselowski said. "It's nice to be
able to have a mostly clean race and get the
finish we deserve.

"We want to break through and win

(here). We're not where we need to be."

UP NEXT

The series heads to Bristol, Tennessee, for
the Bass Pro Shops NRA Night Race.

"We're three weeks away from the play-
offs," Harvick said. "You don't want to shut
it off."

CONSUMERS ENERGY 400 RESULTS	
By The Associated Press	
Sunday	
At Michigan International Speedway	
Brooklyn, Mich.	
Lap length: 2 miles	
(Start position in parentheses)	
1. (3) Kevin Harvick, Ford, 200 laps, 60 points.	
2. (18) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 2039.	
3. (2) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 200, 52.	
4. (5) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 200, 39.	
5. (8) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 200, 48.	
6. (12) Kurt Busch, Ford, 200, 45.	
7. (11) Aric Almirola, Ford, 200, 37.	
8. (1) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 200, 34.	
9. (21) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 200, 28.	
10. (9) Joey Logano, Ford, 200, 32.	
11. (40) Daniel Suarez, Toyota, 200, 26.	
12. (16) Clint Bowyer, Ford, 200, 29.	
13. (4) Erik Jones, Toyota, 200, 24.	
14. (7) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota, 200, 29.	
15. (6) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 200, 25.	
16. (14) Paul Menard, Ford, 200, 21.	
17. (17) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 200, 21.	
18. (13) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 200, 19.	
19. (10) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 200, 19.	
20. (23) Chris Buescher, Chevrolet, 200, 17.	
21. (15) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 200, 16.	
22. (25) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 199, 15.	
23. (22) Bubba Wallace, Chevrolet, 199, 14.	
24. (30) Matt DiBenedetto, Ford, 199, 13.	
25. (29) Michael McDowell, Ford, 199, 12.	
26. (28) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 199, 11.	
27. (24) David Ragan, Ford, 199, 10.	
28. (19) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 198, 9.	
29. (31) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 197, 8.	
30. (39) Blake Jones, Toyota, 194, 7.	
31. (33) BJ McLeod, Chevrolet, 194, 0.	
32. (36) Garrett Smithley, Toyota, 193, 0.	
33. (34) Gray Gaulding, Chevrolet, 191, 4.	
34. (26) Trevor Bayne, Ford, engine, 189, 3.	
35. (35) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, axle, 187, 0.	
36. (20) William Byron, Chevrolet, 187, 1.	
37. (37) Timmy Hill, Ford, electrical, 138, 0.	
38. (27) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, accident, 131, 1.	
39. (38) Jeffrey Earnhardt, Toyota, engine, 102, 1.	
40. (32) Corey Lajoie, Chevrolet, engine, 37, 1.	
Race Statistics	
Average Speed of Race Winner: 140.474 mph.	
Time of Race: 2 hours, 50 minutes, 51 seconds.	
Margin of Victory: 3.233 seconds.	
Caution Flags: 8 for 37 laps.	
Lead Changes: 15 among 9 drivers.	
Lap Leaders: D.Hamlin 1-13; K.Harvick 14; Ky.Busch 15-26; K.Harvick 27; Ky.Busch 28-29; K.Harvick 30-63; J.Johnson 64-67; Ky.Busch 68-75; J.Johnson 76-84; M.Truex 85-109; K.Harvick 110-170; A.Dillon 171-175; J.Logano 176; R.Newman 177-188; J.McMurray 189; K.Harvick 190-200	
Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Lead, Laps Led): K. Harvick 5 times for 108 laps; M. Truex Jr. 1 time for 25 laps; Kyle Busch 3 times for 22 laps; D. Hamlin 1 time for 13 laps; J. Johnson 2 times for 13 laps; R. Newman 1 time for 12 laps; A. Dillon 1 time for 5 laps; J. McMurray 1 time for 1 lap; J. Logano 1 time for 1 lap.	

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THOMAS W. GEDDINGS JR.

DELPHOS, Ohio — Thomas W. Geddings Jr., 100, of Delphos, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 12, 2018, at CHP Van Wert Area Inpatient Hospice Center, surrounded by his family.

He was born on Aug. 11, 1918, in Sumter, to Thomas W. Sr. and Maria L. Nicholes Geddings. On Aug. 4, 1944, he married Helen A. Weber Geddings, who preceded him in death on Nov. 14, 2014. They met and married during World War II while both were serving in the Marine Corps. They had been together 70 years.

Tom is survived by three sons, Frank (Kris) Kalish of Mocksville, North Carolina, Thomas (Carolyn) Geddings III of Dallas, Georgia, and Joseph (Vicki) Geddings of Lima; two daughters, Jacquelyn (Bob) Baldwin of Oakwood and Joyce (Tim) Jackson of Galloway; 15 grandchildren; 52 great-grandchildren; 14 great-great-grandchildren with one more on the way; and a sister, Mary "Aunt M" Follin of Sumter.

He was also preceded in death by three grandchildren, Jennifer Baldwin Hill, John Kalish and Helen Kalish Murphy; three brothers, Clarence, Eugene and Ladson; and four sisters, Mayna, Gladys, Margaret and Glenn.

Tom served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II, Iwo Jima and occupied Japan. He worked at Superior Coach/Sheller Globe in Lima as a welder, making school buses and ambulances. He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Eagles Aerie 471 and the Delphos VFW. Tom enjoyed fishing and golfing. He played softball and baseball on local teams in Allen and Putnam counties.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Delphos. Burial will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery, Ottoville, with military honors conducted by Delphos Veterans Council.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. with a parish wake held at 7:45 p.m. on Thursday at Weber Funeral Home, 1840 E. Fifth St., Delphos.

Memorial contributions may be made to Area Agency on Aging 3 or CHP Van Wert Area Inpatient Hospice.

Online condolences may be shared at www.weberfh.net.

JOHN JERRY ROGERS

John Jerry Rogers, 82, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 11, 2018, at National Healthcare of Sumter, after a long, courageous battle.

John was a patriot, a true American hero who lived a grateful life of self-reliance, trust in God and dedication to his family and country.

He leaves behind: his dedicated caretaker and loving wife of 55 years, Fuji Rogers; two sons, John Rogers and James (Amy) Rogers; five grandchildren, Charlie Rogers, Caroline Rogers, Elizabeth Rogers, William Rogers and Audrey Rogers; and many dear family members and friends.

John, lovingly known as Jerry to his Mississippi family, was born on March 24, 1936, in Winston County, Mississippi. He enjoyed a simple, yet fulfilling life in an era, setting and community that he held dear to his heart. His experiences as a young man can be characterized as tough and even poor, and John attributed these tough and poor circumstances to his Southern grit and appreciation of a hard-earned, comfortable

life. His life was forever changed when he accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior at a revival held at Murphy Creek Baptist Church.

After graduating from Bond High School in 1954, John enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and completed technical training in General Aircraft Maintenance (AFSC 431). After 26 years of honorable service, including the Vietnam War, John retired as a chief master sergeant (E9). John then worked at Westinghouse (now Eaton Cutler-Hammer) and fully retired after 16 years.

Retirement meant doing the things that he loved, which was spending time with his family: fishing with his sons and spoiling his grandchildren.

John recorded these words of thanks prior to his death: "Fuji, the best decision I ever made was to marry you. All these years, you took care of our boys and me: whether it was providing a happy home, our family supper or taking care of everything during all those TDYs, you have been everything we needed in a wife and mother."

John and his family would like to thank "Tom" Thomason, who saved John's life; Jerry Duhon, John's best friend who visited John every day; Aaron Pruitt, who visited John often; Paul Racicot; Dr. G.E. Rabon; Dr. Paul Evangelisti; the staff at National Healthcare (NHC); Palmetto Tuomey Hospital and Amedisys Hospice, especially Becca, Cassandra, Geneva, Jessica, Robert, Schavona and Tanya; the DAV; the American Legion; and the VFW.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday in the Bullock Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will be a private family ceremony, where John will be interred with full military honors at Fort Jackson National Cemetery.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service from 10 to 11 a.m. on Thursday at Bullock Funeral Home.

You may go to www.bullockfuneralhome.com and sign the family's guest book.

The family has chosen Bullock Funeral Home for the arrangements.



SYLVESTER E. JONES

MAYESVILLE — Elder Sylvester Edward "Buck" Jones, 77, husband of Ada Lyn Miller Jones, died on



JONES

Wednesday, Aug. 8, 2018, at his residence, 5345 Shari Lane, Mayesville.

He was born on May 6, 1941, in Bowman, a son of the late Jeremiah Jones

Sr. and Edna Flowers Jones Buckery.

Funeral services for Mr. Jones will be held at 11 a.m. today at Goodwill Presbyterian Church (USA), 295 N. Brick Church Road, Mayesville, with the Rev. Richard F. Dozier, pastor, officiating.

The family is receiving friends at the residence.

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

OLGIA ERLINE M. DAWKINS

Olgia Erline McLeod Dawkins, 89, widow of Jesse R. Dawkins, died on Saturday, July 14, 2018.



DAWKINS

Memorial services for Mrs. Dawkins will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday at Cumberland United Methodist Church, 163 S. Coit St., Florence, with the Rev. Dr. Anthony Hodge, pastor, and the Rev. Dr. Calvin E. Robinson, eulogist. Burial will follow at the Florence National Cemetery, Florence.

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

JAMES W. STANLEY SR.

James William Stanley Sr., age 73, beloved husband of the late Sharon Stanley, died on Sunday, Aug. 12, 2018, at Palmetto Health Tuomey.

Arrangements will be announced by Bullock Funeral Home.



BOYD MURPHY JR.

BISHOPVILLE — Boyd Murphy Jr., husband of Vanessa Charles, passed on Saturday, Aug. 11, 2018, at the Dorn VA Medical Center, Columbia.

Born in Bishopville, he was a son of the late Boyd Murphy Sr. and Olivia Getter Murphy.

The family will receive friends and relatives at the home of his brother, Hazel Murphy, 509 Harris St., Bishopville.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by Square Deal Funeral Home, 106 McIntosh St., Bishopville.

DOROTHY ANN J. GROOMS

Dorothy Ann Jones Grooms, 77, widow of Willie Grooms, died on Sunday, Aug. 12, 2018, in Lithonia, Georgia.

Born in Clarendon County, she was a daughter of the late Edward and Sarah Jane Frier-son Jones.

The family will receive friends beginning Thursday at the home of her sister, Virginia Washington, 1661 Garners Ferry Road, Eastover, SC 29044.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced by Palmer Memorial Chapel Inc.



ROBERT LEE RHAMES

Robert Lee Rhames, 64, husband of Mary Ann Johnson Rhames, departed this life on Saturday, Aug. 11, 2018, at Palmetto Health Tuomey.

He was born on May 25, 1954, in Sumter County, a son of Edith Kelly Rhames and the late Clarence Rhames.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 9 p.m. daily at the home, 885 Promise Lane.

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

WAYNE E. SANDERS

Wayne Elijah Sanders, 58, husband of Carrol Sanders, died on Saturday, Aug. 11, 2018, at the Dorn VA Medical Center, Columbia.

Born on Oct. 24, 1959, in Sumter County, he was a son of Tom and Lourene Workman Sanders.

The family will receive relatives and friends at the home, 5756 TB Wright Road, Rembert.

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

MARY BELLE MCCOY

Mary Belle McCoy, 87, entered eternal rest on Friday, Aug. 10, 2018, at National Healthcare Center.

Born in 1930, in Lee County, Mrs. McCoy was the widow of Lewis E. McCoy and daughter of the late Frank and Letha Rogers.

Surviving are her daughter, Wanda Stauffer (Patrick); sons, Ronald McCoy (Jodi) and Wayne McCoy (Lisa); 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Marietta Parham (Johnny).

Mrs. McCoy loved God and spent her life caring for others. She was a devoted wife, mother and friend. She was a lifetime member of Bethesda Church of God.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. on Thursday at Elmore-Hill-McCreight Funeral Home with Pastor Al Sims officiating. Burial will follow at Evergreen Memorial Park cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Bethesda Church of God, 2730 Broad St., Sumter, SC 29150.

Online condolences may be sent to www.sumterfunerals.com

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



GERALD D. HINER SR.

Gerald D. "California" Hiner Sr., 84, husband of Mattie G. Hiner, died on Sunday, Aug. 12, 2018, at his home.

Services will be announced by Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and Crematorium of Sumter.

MINNIE M. MAYRANT

Minnie Miller Mayrant, 85, widow of Allen Mayrant, de-

parted this earthly life on Friday, Aug. 10, 2018, at Palmetto Health Richland, Columbia.

Born on March 16, 1933, in Sumter County, she was a daughter of the late Cleveland and Helen Young Miller. She later met and married the late Joseph Crim. She accepted Christ at an early age and joined Rafting Creek Baptist Church. After marriage, she joined Mount Pisgah Baptist Church, Rembert, and later moved her membership to Greater Mount Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church, Sumter, where she was a member of the senior gospel choir and missionary board.

Minnie leaves to cherish her memories: her children, Allen Mayrant Jr. of Washington, D.C., Stella (Roosevelt) Mack and Barbara Mayrant of Rembert, Shirley (Darryl) Jenkins of Accokeek, Maryland, and Gloria Addison of Georgia; one sister, Queen Dennis; 14 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; eight great-great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

The family is receiving relatives and friends at the home, 6110 Catawba Lane, Rembert.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday at Mount Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church, 7355 Camden Highway, Rembert, with the Rev. Anthony L. Taylor Sr., pastor, and the Rev. Michael Clea, eulogist.

The funeral procession will leave at 10:20 a.m. from the home.

Burial will be at the Mount Pisgah Missionary Baptist Churchyard Cemetery.

These services have been entrusted to the management and staff of Williams Funeral Home Inc., 821 N. Main St., Sumter.

Online memorial messages may be sent to the family at williamsfuneralhome@sc.rr.com.

Visit us on the web at www.williamsfuneralhomeinc.com.

HELEN C. BOSWELL

Helen Cato Boswell, widow of William Holland Boswell Sr., died on Monday, Aug. 13, 2018, at Palmetto Health Tuomey.

Services will be announced by Elmore Hill McCreight Funeral Home & Crematory, 221 Broad St., Sumter, (803) 775-9386.





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LOCAL CHANNELS													
WIS	10	3	10	WIS News 10 at 7 (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	America's Got Talent "Live Quarter Finals 1" Twelve hopefuls perform. (N) (Live)			(:01) Making It "Party Time!" The makers create snack stadiums. (N)		WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon Milo Ventimiglia; Rhett & Link; YG. (N)	
WLTX	19	9	9	News 19 at 7pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	NCIS "One Man's Trash" An antique weapon is seen on TV. (DVS)		Bull "Keep Your Friends Close" A hacker breaches LaGuardia Airport.	NCIS: New Orleans "Welcome to the Jungle" The team assists a former colleague. (DVS)		News 19 at 11pm (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert	
WOLO	25	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "Hawaii"	Jeopardy! "College Championship: Week 1"	Bachelor in Paradise (N)			Castaways "Man Down" Eric finds himself on a solo path. (N) (DVS)		ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	
WRJA	27	11	14	Making It Grow		No Passport Required "D.C." Washington, D.C.'s, Ethiopian community. (N)		Frontline "Our Man in Tehran" Life inside Islamic Republic of Iran. (N) (Part 2 of 2)		Amanpour on PBS (N)	BBC World News	No Passport Required "D.C."	
WACH	57	6	6	The Big Bang Theory "The Bad Fish Paradigm"	The Big Bang Theory "The Hook-Up Reverberation"	Beat Shazam "Episode Eleven" Spouses, sisters and co-workers compete. (N) (DVS)		Love Connection "Johnathan & Amber" A community affairs executive. (N) (DVS)	WACH FOX News at 10 (N) (Live)		Sports Zone	DailyMailTV	TMZ (N)
WKTC	63	4	22	Last Man Standing A bear wanders into the store.	Last Man Standing "Gameday Forecast: Showers"	The Flash "Run, Iris, Run" Iris accidentally gets Barry's speed.		The Outpost "Two Heads Are Better Than None" Talon learns deep secrets about herself.	The X-Files "Essence" Rampage threatens Scully and her fetus. (Part 1 of 2)		The X-Files "Existence" Agents protect Scully's unborn child. (Part 2 of 2)		The Game Tasha's attraction to Rick.
CABLE CHANNELS													
A&E	46	130	The First 48 "Moonie; Dark Impulse" Stabbings in New Orleans and Atlanta.		The First 48 "The Other Wife" A man shot while protecting his wife.		The First 48 "Dangerous Company" A tenant's eviction does not go well.		(:01) The First 48 "Old Wounds" Drive-by shooting death in Oklahoma.		(:04) The First 48 An Atlanta woman is strangled.		(12:03) The First 48 "Kiss of Death"
AMC	48	180	**** "GoodFellas" (1990, Crime Drama) Mafia.		Robert De Niro, Ray Liotta, Joe Pesci. An Irish-Italian hood joins the 1950s New York		Irish-Italian hood joins the 1950s New York		(:05) **** "The Shawshank Redemption" (1994, Drama) Tim Robbins, Morgan Freeman, Bob Gunton. An innocent man goes to a Maine penitentiary for life in 1947.				
ANPL	41	100	Extinct or Alive: The Tasmanian Tiger		Extinct or Alive "The Zanzibar Leopard" Species never filmed before.				Weird, True & Freaky "Deadly Duels"		(:01) Extinct or Alive Species never filmed before.		
BET	61	162	(:03) ** "Madea's Family Reunion" (2006, Comedy) Tyler Perry, Blair Underwood, Lynn Whitfield. A matriarch must keep the peace through family strife.						Hit the Floor "Hot Streak" A revelation may derail the L.A. Devils. (N)		Hit the Floor "Hot Streak" A revelation may derail the L.A. Devils.		(12:04) The Grand Hustle
BRAVO	47	181	Below Deck Mediterranean Hannah disobeys a direct order.		Below Deck Mediterranean Brooke and Kasey air their grievances.		Below Deck Mediterranean The boat is stuck at the dock. (N)		Million Dollar Listing New York Steve and Fredrik travel to St. Lucia. (N)		Watch What Happens Live		(:45) Below Deck Mediterranean The boat is stuck at the dock.
CNBC	35	84	Shark Tank A motorized vehicle suit.		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		The Profit "Planet Popcorn" episode.		Shark Tank Aromatherapy sprays.		Shark Tank
CNN	3	80	Erin Burnett OutFront (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)		Anderson Cooper
COM	57	136	(6:50) The Office Andy starts a band.	(:25) The Office	The Office "Christening"	The Comedy Central Franco is roasted.	Roast "James Franco" Actor James		Jeff Ross Presents Roast Battle (N)	The Jim Jefferies Show (N)	The Daily Show With Trevor Noah	(:31) The Office "Drug Testing"	(12:01) King of the Hill
DISN	18	200	(6:00) *** "Cinderella" (2015) Cate Blanchett. Premiere.		Andi Mack	Raven's Home	Stuck in the Middle	Stuck in the Middle	Bizaardvark	Raven's Home (Part 2 of 2)	Andi Mack	Stuck in the Middle	Bunk'd
DSC	42	103	Deadliest Catch: On Deck "Turf Wars"		Deadliest Catch: The Bait "Episode 6"		(:01) Deadliest Catch "Episode 18" (N)		(:03) Hard to Kill "Bush Pilot" (N)		(:05) Deadliest Catch "Episode 18"		(12:07) Hard to Kill
ESPN	26	35	SportsCenter Special Fantasy football experts and guests provide fantasy football draft analysis and insights. (N) (Live)						SportsCenter		Little League Softball World Series, Second Semifinal: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)	Questionable	Around the Horn
ESPN2	27	39	Little League Softball World Series, First Semifinal: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)						Chopped "Grill Masters: Memphis" (N)		Chopped "Pork on the Brain"		Chopped
FOOD	40	109	Chopped (Part 3 of 4)		Chopped (Part 4 of 4)		Chopped "Grill Masters: Memphis" (N)		Chopped "Pork on the Brain"		Chopped "The Light Stuff"		Chopped
FOXN	37	90	The Story With Martha MacCallum (N)		Tucker Carlson Tonight (N)		Hannity (N)		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News at Night with Shannon		Tucker Carlson
FREE	20	131	(6:00) ** "The Notebook" (2004, Romance) Ryan Gosling, Rachel McAdams, James Garner. A man tells a story to a woman about two lovers.				** "Monster-in-Law" (2005, Romance-Comedy) Jennifer Lopez, Jane Fonda, Michael Vartan. A shrewish woman clashes with her son's fiancée.				The 700 Club		How I Met Your Mother
FSS	21	47	Braves Live! MLB Baseball Miami Marlins at Atlanta Braves. From SunTrust Park in Atlanta. (N) (Live)						Braves Live! Post.		MLB Baseball Miami Marlins at Atlanta Braves.		
HALL	52	183	(6:00) "Love on Ice" (2017, Drama) Julie Berman, Andrew W. Walker.		"Dater's Handbook" (2016, Romance) Kristoffer Polaha, Meghan Markle, Jonathan Scarfe. With help from book a woman changes her personality.				The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls
HGTV	39	112	Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper "Rock Star Renovation"		Desert Flippers (N)		House Hunters (N)	Hunters Int'l	House Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Desert Flippers
HIST	45	110	Forged in Fire "Jumonji Yari"		Forged in Fire: Cutting Deeper (N)		Forged in Fire (N) (DVS)		(:03) Counting Cars		(:33) Counting Cars	(:03) Counting Cars "4 Star Corvette"	Forged in Fire
ION	13	18	Criminal Minds "Alpha Male" An attacker disfigures people with acid.		Criminal Minds "Assistance Is Futile" A mother has valuable intel for the BAU.		Criminal Minds "In the Dark" Two unsubs may be working the same city.		Criminal Minds "Hell's Kitchen" The BAU investigates an urban vampire.		Private Eyes "Six Feet Blunder" Shade and Angie look for a missing body.		Private Eyes A high-profile murder.
LIFE	50	145	Married at First Sight Three couples marry as strangers.		Married at First Sight (N)		Married at First Sight (N)		(:03) Seven Year Switch "Close Encounters" Building emotional intimacy.		(:03) Married at First Sight Spending time with in-laws and friends.		(12:01) Married at First Sight
MSNBC	36	92	Hardball With Chris Matthews (N)		All In With Chris Hayes (N)				The Rachel Maddow Show (N)				The 11th Hour With Brian Williams (N)
NICK	16	210	The Loud House		Henry Danger	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	(12:01) Friends
PARMT	64	153	Friends		(:36) Friends	(:12) Friends	(8:48) Friends	(:24) Friends	*** "Unstoppable" (2010, Action) Denzel Washington, Chris Pine, Rosario Dawson.				
SYFY	58	152	"Toxic Shark" (2017, Adventure) Christina Masterson, Kabby Borders, Bryce Durfee. A monstrous, acid-spewing shark stalks an island retreat.				"Santa Jaws" (2018, Science Fiction) Reid Miller, Courtney Lauren Cummings, Jim Klock. Premiere. A shark manifests and kills Cody's entire family.				* "Sharknado 2: The Second One" (2014, Horror) Ian Ziering. Ravenous sharks rain down on New York City.		
TBS	24	156	The Big Bang Theory		The Big Bang Theory		The Big Bang Theory		Wrecked "Puke & Cigars" (N)		Drop the Mic		Conan Conan travels to Tel Aviv and Jerusalem.
TCM	49	186	(6:30) ** "Strictly Dynamite" (1934) Jimmy Durante, Lupe Velez.		** "The Girl From Mexico" (1939, Comedy) Lupe Velez, Leon Errol, Donald Woods.		** "Hot Pepper" (1933) Edmund Lowe, Victor McLaglen. A feud between two Marines carries over into civilian life.				** "Honolulu Lu" (1941, Musical Comedy) Lupe Velez, Bruce Bennett. An entertainer is double-entered in a contest.		
TLC	43	157	Outdaughtered		Outdaughtered (N)		Outdaughtered (N)		(:03) Rattled "Step Up or Ship Out" (N)		(:06) Outdaughtered		(12:06) Rattled
TNT	23	158	(6:30) *** "Ant-Man" (2015, Action) Paul Rudd, Michael Douglas, Evangeline Lilly. Ant-Man uses his shrinking skills to battle Yellowjacket. (DVS)				Animal Kingdom "Homecoming" J attempts to protect a secret. (N)		Animal Kingdom "Homecoming" J attempts to protect a secret.				*** "300" (2006, Action) Gerard Butler. Badly outnumbered Spartan warriors battle the Persian army. (DVS)
TRUTV	38	129	Carbonaro Eff.		Carbonaro Eff.		Impractical Jokers		Paid-Torpey	Hack My Life (N)	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers
TV LAND	55	161	M*A*S*H		M*A*S*H		Love-Raymond		Younger (N)	Teachers	King of Queens	King of Queens	King of Queens
USA	25	132	Modern Family "The Party"		Modern Family (DVS)		WWE SmackDown! Starring Charlotte, Becky, Champion Carmella, Samoa Joe, Miz, Daniel Bryan and Champion AJ Styles. (N) (Live)		Miz & Mrs The big day arrives. (N)	(:31) Chrisley Knows Best (N)	(:02) Modern Family "Promposal"	(:32) Modern Family "Crazy Train"	(12:02) Modern Family
WE	68	166	Law & Order "Mother's Milk"		Law & Order "Panic"		Law & Order "Entitled"		Law & Order "Fools for Love"		Law & Order "Trade This"		Law & Order
WGNA	8	172	M*A*S*H		M*A*S*H "Lil"		M*A*S*H		Carter "The Astronaut & the Lion King"		M*A*S*H		M*A*S*H

HBO documentaries have become celebrity-obsessed

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

The 2018 documentary **“The Zen Diaries of Garry Shandling”** (8 p.m., HBO Signature) offers reflections on the life and influence of the television star and producer from friends and colleagues including Peter Berg, James L. Brooks, David Duchovny, Jerry Seinfeld and Jeffrey Tambor.

Not long ago, HBO’s documentary division was a place for powerful films about serious subjects, from Spike Lee’s 1997 film “4 Little Girls,” about the 1963 Birmingham bombings, to “Going Clear,” Alex Gibney’s 2015 expose of the Church of Scientology.

While HBO documentaries continue to be well produced and eminently watchable, the network has recently put the accent on famous faces.

Over the past two years, HBO has aired major new films about Steven Spielberg, Robin Williams, Andre the Giant, Elvis Presley, Warren Buffett, Jann Wenner and Carl Reiner and Mel Brooks.

Like many viewers, I turn to documentaries when I can learn something new about an unfamiliar subject. It saddens me to see HBO spending so much effort on celebrating the celebrated.

• **“Frontline”** (9 p.m., PBS, check local listings) continues its two-night series **“Our Man in Tehran,”** exploring everyday life in a country often generalized, if not demonized, in American media.

In 1999, journalist Thomas Erdbrink traveled to Iran, not to cover politics or Islamic culture, but to witness the last solar eclipse of the 20th century. While lost in the stars, he met an Iranian photographer, Newsha Tavakolian. They eventually married and he has lived in Iran since.

Having an Iranian wife and in-laws has given Erdbrink a unique vantage point as a foreigner and a journalist. As a Westerner, he’s very aware of the nation’s oppressive regime and is seen on the phone in this documentary as he learns that a colleague has been arrested.

He’s also seen mingling with men and women dressed in Western garb who yearn for a freer society and more integration with the outside world.

The Iran that emerges is one of contradictions, a place of religious repression and youthful exuberance, a land where alcohol is forbidden, but so widely indulged in that AA groups have emerged.

TONIGHT’S OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- A single woman actually has to read a book to discover that Mr. Right has been right in front of her all along in the 2016 romance **“Dater’s Handbook”** (9 p.m., Hallmark, TV-G).
- **“Hard Knocks: Training Camp With the Cleveland Browns”** (9 p.m., HBO, TV-MA) follows the Browns pre-season as coaches, the media and fans express hopes for the team’s No. 1 overall draft pick, quarterback Baker Mayfield.
- Recycled items make the party happen on **“Making It”** (10 p.m., NBC, TV-PG). Amy Poehler and Nick Offerman host.
- A chance encounter shakes things up on **“Castaways”** (10 p.m., ABC, TV-PG).
- A mysterious “savior” may not be as kind as he seems on **“Wrecked”** (10 p.m., TBS, TV-MA).

SERIES NOTES

An antiques-hunting TV show may yield key murder evidence on **“NCIS”** (8 p.m., CBS, r, TV-PG) * Designer genes on **“The Flash”** (8 p.m., CW, r, TV-PG) * Cable’s colleague needs help on **“Bull”** (9 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14) * Talon uncovers

her background on **“Outpost”** (9 p.m., CW, TV-14) * Duty calls Pride and his team to South America on **“NCIS: New Orleans”** (10 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14).

CULT CHOICE

TCM spends a whole day with the films of Lupe Velez, a Mexican-born actress typecast in such 1930s comedies as **“Girl From Mexico”** (8 p.m.) and **“Hot Pepper”** (9:30 p.m.). News of her 1944 overdose death scandalized Hollywood.

LATE NIGHT

“Conan” (11 p.m., TBS, r) visits Israel * Jimmy Fallon welcomes Milo Ventimiglia, Rhett & Link and YG featuring Big Sean & 2 Chainz on **“The Tonight Show”** (11:35 p.m., NBC) * Spike Lee, Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.) and Rhea Seehorn visit **“Late Night With Seth Meyers”** (12:35 a.m., NBC) * Ruby Rose, Ben Simmons and Florida Georgia Line appear on **“The Late Late Show With James Corden”** (12:35 a.m., CBS).

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements

Sumter Ghost Finders, for a short time, will pay \$60 to investigate haunted places 50 years old. Privacy assured. 803-481-8826 / 406-8888.

Card of Thanks



The Family of Shirley Ann Blessingame, beloved Sister of Rev. James (Shirley M.) Blessingame, Aunt of Anita M. Blessingame, Niece of Dr. W.S. (Doris) Randolph is deeply appreciative of acts of kindness expressed, implied, or demonstrated to them during their bereavement. Celebration of Life was held Friday, August 10, 2018 at Adams Mortuary Seneca, SC with Dr. Rondey Bolden, Rev. Clifford Sutton, Dr. S.B. Neely, Bishop Leroy T. James, Minister Paula B. Henderson, Dr. Ronald Barton, and Rev. Timothy Taylor officiating. *The Blessingame Family*

In Memory



In memory of Doretha White
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Looking for experienced lawn care person, must have drivers license, and experience with lawn care equipment. Call 803-469-8377

PT Shop Assistant/Driver for the Daisy Shop. Must work Saturdays. Some heavy lifting required. Please bring official DMV 10 yr good driving record when applying in person @ 1455 S Guignard. No phone calls please.

Part-time Caregiver for elderly man near Shaw AFB. Mon & Thur evenings, Backup mornings M-F. Seeking professional, mature, honest, diligent worker of integrity. Email resume & references hwjames36@yahoo.com

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Legal Notice

NOTICE OF SUMTER CITY-COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

The Sumter City - County Planning Commission will hold its regular scheduled meeting on **Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 3:00 P.M.** in the City Council Chambers located on the Fourth Floor of the Sumter Opera House (21 North Main Street, Sumter, South Carolina). This is a public meeting.

If there are any questions, please call George McGregor or Helen Roodman at (803) 774-1660.

Summons & Notice

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF FILING OF COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION (NON-JURY MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE)
C/A NO: 2018-CP-43-01053
DEFICIENCY WAIVED

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

Oewen Loan Servicing, LLC, PLAINTIFF,
vs.
Lorraine K. Key a/k/a Lorriane K.

Summons & Notice

Key; Raymond A. McBride; Wafa Investments, LLC, DEFENDANT(S)

TO THE DEFENDANTS, ABOVE NAMED: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Complaint herein, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, or otherwise appear and defend, and to serve a copy of your Answer to said Complaint upon the subscriber at his office, Hutchens Law Firm P.O. Box 8237, Columbia, SC 29202, within thirty (30) days after service hereof, except as to the United States of America, which shall have sixty (60) days, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, or otherwise appear and defend, the Plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein, and judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that should you fail to Answer the foregoing Summons, the Plaintiff will move for an Order of Reference of this case to the Master in Equity for Sumter County, which Order shall, pursuant to Rule 53 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, specifically provide that the said Master in Equity is authorized and empowered to enter a final judgment in this case with appeal only to the South Carolina Court of Appeals pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1) of the SCAR, effective June 1, 1999.

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

YOU ARE FURTHER SUMMONED AND NOTIFIED to apply for the appointment of a guardian ad litem within thirty (30) days after the service of this Summons and Notice upon you. If you fail to do so, application for such appointment will be made by the Plaintiff immediately and separately and such application will be deemed absolute and total in the absence of your application for such an appointment within thirty (30) days after the service of the Summons and Complaint upon you.

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NOTICE OF FILING OF SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Summons, along with the Complaint, was filed with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, South Carolina, on June 6, 2018.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the South Carolina Supreme Court Administrative Order, 2011-05-02-01, (hereinafter "Order"), you may have a right to Foreclosure Intervention.

To be considered for any available Foreclosure Intervention, you may communicate with and otherwise deal with the Plaintiff through its law firm, Hutchens Law Firm, P.O. Box 8237, Columbia, SC 29202 or call 803-726-2700. Hutchens Law Firm,

Summons & Notice

represents the Plaintiff in this action and does not represent you. Under our ethical rules, we are prohibited from giving you any legal advice.

You must submit any requests for Foreclosure Intervention consideration within 30 days from the date of this Notice.

IF YOU FAIL, REFUSE, OR VOLUNTARILY ELECT NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION, YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY/AGENT MAY PROCEED WITH A FORECLOSURE ACTION.

If you have already pursued loss mitigation with the Plaintiff, this Notice does not guarantee the availability of loss mitigation options or further review of your qualifications.

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. THE PURPOSE OF THIS COMMUNICATION IS TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, except as stated below in the instance of bankruptcy protection.

IF YOU ARE UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE BANKRUPTCY COURT OR HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED AS A RESULT OF A BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDING, THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU PURSUANT TO STATUTORY REQUIREMENT AND FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES AND IS NOT INTENDED AS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT OR AS AN ACT TO COLLECT, ASSESS, OR RECOVER ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THE DEBT FROM YOU PERSONALLY.

Estate Notice Sumter County NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

Persons having claim against the following estates are required to deliver or mail their claims to the indicated Personal Representatives, appointed to administer these estates, and to file their claims on Form #371PC with the Probate Court of Sumter County Courthouse, N. Main Street, Sumter, SC, 29150, on or before the date that is eight months after the date of the first publication of this Notice to Creditors, (unless previously barred by operation of Section 62-3-803), or such persons shall be forever barred as to their claims. All claims are required to be presented in written statements, indicating the name and the address of the claimant, the basis of the claim, the amount claimed, the date when the claim will become due, the nature of any uncertainty as to the amount claimed and the date when due, and a description of any security as to the claim.

Estate:/Sam W. Goins, Sr. #2018ES4300430
Personal Representative
Sheryl B. Goins
107 Wactor St.
Sumter, SC 29150

Estate:/Fannie B. Green #2018ES4300415
Personal Representative
Oliver M. Green
3180 Furman Rd.
Sumter, SC 29154

Estate:/Jeremiah Jones, Jr. #2018ES4300444
Personal Representative
Annette B. Thompson
2415 Wedgfield Rd.
Sumter, SC 29154

Estate:/Mary Rowena Reese Pratt #2018ES4300428
Personal Representative
Carol T. Reese
605 Portsmouth Dr.
Sumter, SC 29150

Estate:/Shirley P. Bradley #2018ES4300421
Personal Representative
Velma P. Rose
235 Curtis Dr.
Sumter, SC 29153

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Estate:/John K. Foisey #2018ES4300438
Personal Representative
Debra M. Foisey
4584 Wrangler Trl.
Sumter, SC 29150

Estate:/Clarence D. Sims #2018ES4300454
Personal Representative
Lillian Sims
1665 N. Pike East
Sumter, SC 29150

Estate:/Linda L. Peters #2018ES4300420
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Thomas R. Peters
C/O J. Cabot SETH
PO Box 1268
Sumter, SC 29151

Estate:/Vernal Cousar #2018ES4300436
Personal Representative
Ada Cousar
C/O Thomas E. Player, Jr.
P.O. Box 3690
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Patricia Holladay
5350 Bethel Church Rd.
Pinewood, SC 29125

Estate:/George C. Uffring #2018ES4300417
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Las Vegas, NV 89120

Estate:/Loretta Papczynski #2018ES4300450
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Sumter, SC 29151

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Personal Representative
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P.O. Box 1774
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Personal Representative
Tracy Brock
C/O Larry C. Weston
P.O. Box 1571
Sumter, SC 29151

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Personal Representative
Kathleen G. Boykin
650 St. Ives Way
Zelienople, PA 16063

Estate:/Neta M. Bozeman #2018ES4300445
Personal Representative
Jerry Bozeman
280 Lakewood Dr.
Sumter, SC 29150

Estate:/Oneita Lynn Williams #2018ES4300423
Personal Representative
Dwayne G. Williams
115 Elmwood Ave.
Pinewood, SC 29125

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA CLERK'S OFFICE NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2018-255-E

Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC for Approval of Rider 10, Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency

Duke Energy Progress, LLC (the Company or DEP) has filed an Application requesting that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) approve its Application for Rider DSM/EE-10 (Rider 10) to recover certain costs and revenue associated with its demand-side management (DSM) and energy efficiency (EE) programs. Rider 10 provides for the recovery of DSM/EE costs allocated jurisdictionally to South Carolina for the test period, January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017, and for the forecast period, January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019; net lost revenues for DSM and EE programs as applicable; and program/portfolio performance incentives (PPI) as applicable, in accordance with Order No. 2015-596.

The revenue DEP proposes to recover under the proposed Rider 10 is as follows:

- \$23,599,525 from Residential Customers and
- \$ 9,747,973 from General Service Customers.

Based on the total costs to be recovered under the proposed Rider 10, the billing factors applicable to South Carolina Customers for the billing period January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019, inclusive of gross receipts taxes ("GRT") and South Carolina Regulatory Fees (Reg Fee), would be as follows (shown in cents per kWh):

Rate Class	EE Rate	DSM Rate	Adjustment*	DSM/EE Annual Rider
Residential	0.648	0.389	0.013	1.050
General Service – EE only	0.611		0.003	0.614
General Service – DSM only		0.022	0.000	0.022
Lighting	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000

**Adjustment includes charges related to Residential Energy Conservation Discount, SC GRT, and Reg Fee.*
Note: All billing factors are rounded to the nearest thousandth of a cent.

The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-37-20 and S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-819 and 103-823, the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Commission.

A copy of the company's Application can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket No. 2018-255-E. Additionally, a copy of the Application is available from the corporate office of Rebecca J. Dulin, Senior Counsel, Duke Energy Corporation, 1201 Main Street, Suite 110, Columbia, South Carolina 29201 and Samuel J. Wellborn, Esquire, Robinson Gray Steppe & Laffitte, LLC, 1310 Gadsden Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **September 19, 2018**, by filing the Petition to Intervene with the Commission, by providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff and by providing a copy to all parties of record. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. **Please refer to Docket No. 2018-255-E and mail a copy to all other parties in this docket.** Any person who seeks to intervene and wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before **September 19, 2018. Please refer to Docket No. 2018-255-E.**

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission located at 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMMISSION ORDER NO. 2014-766, PLEASE NOTE THAT INTERVENOR COMMENTS REGARDING DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS LLC'S FILING ARE DUE ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 15, 2018. COMMENTS MUST BE FILED WITH THE COMMISSION AT THE ADDRESS LISTED BELOW, AND A COPY OF THE COMMENTS MUST BE SERVED ON ALL OF THE PARTIES OF RECORD IN DOCKET NO. 2018-255-E.

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to www.psc.sc.gov and **Docket No. 2018-255-E.**

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at www.psc.sc.gov.