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A unifying moment in Sumter

With door open, action must be next step to heal past injustice

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In the ever-evolving protests against racism both systemic and individualized, when a gathering of different groups, different people and different agendas is often defined by the most dramatic moment, Sunday's march in Sumter achieved something different.

The crowd came from different backgrounds, different denominations. From different ranges of the groups that have been in the news cyclically when a black person is killed by a white police officer and constantly since witnesses' videos revealed the final 8 minutes and 46 seconds of George Floyd's life as he pleaded for air under the knee of an officer who has since, after public outcry, been charged with second-degree murder.

They were preachers. They were police. They were young and old, black and white, and they stretched along Calhoun Street from Grace Baptist Church and swelled to cover the grounds in front of the old Sumter County courthouse on North Main Street for a short program after a largely quiet march. Most wore masks.

The mix of people across ages and races stood out to Robin Todt. She especially liked how many white people showed up.

A white woman herself and member of St. Jude's Catholic Church on West Oakland Avenue, Todt said it was her first time participating in a march or protest. Her mother heard about it and wanted to go, so Todt brought her and her 86-year-old Air Force veteran fa-

"Things have just got to be different,' sne said.

Approaching the courthouse, one group conversationally chanted "No justice, no peace" during the march while most of the hundreds of participants chatted at insidevoice level. They seemed physically, spiritually, mentally as one. It was calm. Focused.

"George Floyd's death," Sumter Police Chief Russell Roark said during his turn to address

the crowd, "was murder." Many held signs. Kids played with

forward momentum up Calhoun. A man walked as he flew a kite.

'It was just so great. That was just a really nice program," said Pommetha McGill-Rice of Worldwide International

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Churches rally against racism



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Candace and Arriel Smalls hold their fists in the air with others on Sunday outside the old Sumter County courthouse. Hundreds marched from Grace Baptist Church to the courthouse on Main Street to show solidarity and protest the killing of George Floyd, with church leaders emphasizing unity, the example of Jesus Christ and nonviolence.

Hundreds attend Sunday march led by Sumter pastors, police

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Spurred by recent events across the nation, a crowd of Christians rallied with police Sunday at the old Sumter County courthouse against racism and for non-violence.

At least 500 attendees — a mix of mostly black and white churchgoers

from numerous denominations across Sumer County — took part in the march from Grace **Baptist** Church on Calhoun Street to the downtown courthouse steps. It was there where several pastors emphasized all churches' unity and following Biblical principles and

the example of Jesus Christ as the solution to racial inequality and police brutality.

The march comes amid ongoing protests across the world and locally following the death of George Floyd, a black man who died at the hands and under the knee of a white police officer three weeks ago on May 25 in Minneapolis. The four officers in-



Hundreds marched from Grace Baptist Church to the old Sumter County courthouse.

volved in the incident were fired the next day. It took days and public outcry for Derek Chauvin, the officer who knelt on Floyd's neck for nearly nine minutes as the handcuffed man pleaded for air, to be charged. The other three officers have also been charged, and Chauvin's murder charge has been upgraded from third- to second-degree.

The local march was an outcome of an impromptu gathering about two weeks ago of 68 Christian preachers from across Sumter County.

Longtime pastors the Rev. Marion Newton, senior pastor of Jehovah Missionary Baptist Church, and the Rev. Clay Smith, lead pastor at Alice Drive Baptist, were conveners of the march and initially spoke at the rally, which lasted about 25 minutes after the march. Jehovah's congregation on South Harvin Street is predominantly black. Alice Drive Baptist, at the corner of Loring Mill Road and Wise Drive, is multicultural but majority white.

After singing from Shonda English, the Rev. Nick Cheek, senior pastor of First Presbyterian Church, led the program's prayer, and three younger pastors followed with brief messages. Sumter Police Chief Russell Roark and Sheriff Anthony Dennis also

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Police disciplinary records are largely kept secret in U.S.

BY CLAUDIA LAUER and COLLEEN LONG

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Officer Derek Chauvin had more than a dozen misconduct complaints against him before he put his knee on George Floyd's neck. Daniel Pantaleo, the New York City officer who seized Eric Garner in a deadly chokehold, had eight. Ryan



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charges in the shooting of David Jones, had 15 over five years. But the public

Pownall, a Phila-

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didn't know about any of that until after the victims' deaths.

Citizen complaints against police across the U.S. are

largely kept secret, either under the law or by union contract **ACTS** — a practice some

criminal justice experts say deprives the public of information that could be used to root out problem officers before it's too late.

In recent years, there have been dozens of examples of

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Senate GOP to restrict police chokeholds in emerging bill A4 officers who had numerous complaints against them of excessive force, harassment or other misconduct before they were accused of killing

someone on duty.

Confidentiality "makes it really tough for the public to know just who it is they are dealing with and to

know whether their department or any particular officer is one they would want out in the streets," said David Harris, a University of Pittsburgh law professor who studies police behavior.

While the U.S. considers ways to reform American policing following the sometimes violent protests that erupted

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Study: Americans in their 30s most at risk for identity theft

City of Sumter had 15 cases reported in 2019, 12 reported in county

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Near the beginning of the pandemic, coronavirus-related scams increased, and common scams included robocalls and fraudulent online vendors claiming to sell in-demand goods such as hand sanitizers and masks.

A major consequence for victims of these scams is money loss and identity theft, which has been on the rise for the past few years. According to an

analysis conducted by Construction Coverage, South Carolina was rated ninth in the country for most identity theft reports in the U.S. for loan and lease fraud, with neighboring states Georgia rated first and North Carolina rated 14th for loan and lease fraud.

The analysis showed that South Carolina recorded 10,851 identity theft reports in 2019. For every 100,000 residents, there were 213 identity theft reports in the state. The year-over-year change in identity theft reports was

In the city of Sumter, there were 15 identity theft cases reported in 2019, said Tonyia McGirt, public information officer for the Sumter Police Department. Since May 31, there have been five cases reported.

VIEW STUDY ONLINE

https://constructioncoverage.com/research/ identity-theft-reports-by-state

The Sumter County Sheriff's Office has seen two cases reported so far this year, according to Deputy Adrienne Sarvis, public information officer for the sheriff's office. Last year, the county had a total of 12 cases report-

Georgia leads the nation for identity theft reports with about 427 identity theft reports per 100,000 people and a total of almost 45,000 identity theft reports for 2019, according to Construction Coverage. All of the top 15 states

experienced an increase in identity theft reports from 2018 to 2019 with an average increase of about 58%.

Credit card fraud and loan or lease fraud were the most common forms of identity theft for states on the list, Construction Coverage said

The analysis also showed that while people of all ages are at risk for identity theft, the FTC received the most identity theft reports for Americans aged 30-39. The ITRC said millennials are more willing to share their personal data online and are less fearful of their information being compromised than other age groups.

While other ages are also at high risk, there's a possibility that many cases of identity theft can go unreported or unnoticed.

Sumter garden clubs deliver 550 begonias to Tuomey nurses

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Each year, the Council of Garden Clubs of Sumter and the Azalea and Poinsett-Bland garden clubs eagerly anticipate the first week in June, National Garden Week, which includes great community engagement. This special week is a time when garden clubs focus on education, resources and national networking opportunities for members to promote the love of gardening, floral design and civic and environmental responsibility.

For many years, these Sumter clubs have designed and placed flower arrangements and educational displays at various locations including Prisma Health Tuomey Hospital's lobby. When the coronavirus impacted visitor policy at the hospital, garden club members chose to "embrace the unwelcome change by sharing our love of gardening in a different manner: by giving a nurse a plant," said Catherine Blumberg, president of the Poinsett-Bland club. "We learned there are nearly 550 nurses at Tuomey, so we prepared 550 begonias and delivered them to the hospital.'

'We feel very honored that the Sumter garden clubs took the time to recognize the entire nursing team at Tuomey, which is 550 nurs es strong!" said Nurse Executive Terrie Carlton. "We are so grateful that they wanted to provide such a thoughtful and generous act of kindness. It has been such an eventful and unprecedented year, and these flowers put a smile on our faces!"

"We wanted to convey our appre-

ciation for those who are giving to our community by giving back to them," Blumberg said. "Knowing that our health care professionals are facing enormous strain on a daily basis, we thanked them with a gift of flowers. Preparing these gifts lifted our spirits, and it is our desire that these flowers feed the soul and express compassion for all those so severely impacted by coronavirus.'

Garden clubs in Sumter are members of the Garden Club of South Carolina, an organization with 4,767 members, 192 clubs and 18 governing councils. Clubs support and sponsor flower shows, landscape design schools, backyard habitats, beautification projects, youth education, environmental studies, schools and more.

In the Sumter area, the garden clubs are best known for the annual Holiday House Tour and Tea, but the clubs do much more. Club members are Arbor Day participants, flower show sponsors at the American Legion Fair and at the Iris Festival. They plant flowers at Washington Place, sponsor youth at Camp Wildwood and provide a number of other community services.

If you are interested in learning about Sumter's garden clubs, call (803) 983-2126 or (803) 469-6509. Find the Council of Garden Clubs of Sumter on Facebook. Information about the Garden Club of South Carolina can be found at https:// gardenclubofsc.org and the National Garden Club at www.gardenclub.



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The Council of Garden Clubs of Sumter and the Azalea and Poinsett-Bland garden clubs showed their appreciation for Prisma Health Tuomey nurses by sharing their love of gardening through a donation of begonias.





Electronic option available for amending 2019 individual income tax returns

BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA **DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

Because of COVID-19-related tax relief, South Carolina is still more than a month away from the Individual Income Tax due date. More than 2 million South Carolina Individual Income Tax returns have already been filed.

If you already filed your South Carolina Individual Income Tax return and realize you need to fix an error, the South Carolina Department of Revenue encourages you to amend your return electronically, a new option available through many tax software providers. Filing electronically using a reputable vendor is your safest and fastest filing option. Learn more about filing South Carolina Individual Income Taxes online at dor.sc.gov/iit-filing.

The IRS also recently announced that for the first time it will begin accepting 2019 federal amended returns online this summer.

AMENDING RETURNS BY PAPER

To amend your South Carolina Individual Income Tax return by paper, file a new 2019 SC1040, and check the Amended Return box.

Complete the return as it should have been filed, including all schedules and attachments, plus an Amended Return Schedule (Sch. AMD).

To amend a return from 2018 or older, use the SC1040X. The SC1040X will not be accepted for tax years 2019 and after. The SC1040X cannot be filed electronically.

COVID-19-RELATED TAX RELIEF REMINDER

South Carolina Income Tax, Franchise Tax, Estimated Tax and Corporate License Fee filings and pay-

ments originally due between April 1 and July 15 are due July 15, 2020. Individuals, corporations, partnerships, banks, savings and loans, utilities, trusts and estates and tax-exempt organizations qualify.

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Red Cross blood drives testing for COVID-19 antibodies

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Beginning Monday and for a limited time, the American Red Cross started testing all blood, platelet and plasma donations for COVID-19 antibodies.

Antibodies testing gives donors insight into whether they have been exposed to the coronavirus that continues to impact the world and that in South Carolina has seen an increase in confirmed cases and the percentage of people testing positive. While the antibody testing offers that knowledge, there is also a continued urgent need for blood donations as hospitals resume surgeries that were put on hold to prioritize treating virus patients as well as treatments that require blood products.

Antibody testing will indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to the coronavirus, regardless of whether he or she developed symptoms. Donations will be tested using samples pulled at the time of donation and sent to a lab where they will also undergo routine infectious disease testing. A positive antibody test result does not confirm infection or immunity.

COVID-19 antibody test results will be available within seven to 10 days in the Red Cross Blood Donor app or donor portal at *www.RedCrossBlood.org*. The test has been authorized for emergency use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

"If you are feeling healthy and well, please schedule an appointment to not only help saves lives, but also learn about your potential exposure to COVID-19," said Dr. Erin Goodhue, executive medical director of direct patient care with Red Cross Biomedical Services.

The Red Cross is not testing donors to diagnose illness, referred to as a diagnostic test.

Donation appointments can be made by downloading the free Blood Donor

app, visiting www.RedCrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enabling the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device.

All those who donate in June will receive a \$5 *Amazon.com* gift card via

ABOUT BLOOD DONATION

All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

BLOOD DRIVE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

To protect the health and safety of Red Cross staff and donors, individuals who do not feel well or who think they may be ill with COVID-19 should postpone their donation.

Each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows precautions including temperature checks, social distancing and face coverings for donors and staff.

Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive and are required to wear a face covering or mask while at the drive, in alignment with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention public guidance.

UPCOMING DONATION OPPORTUNITIES IN SUMTER

Wednesday, June 17: 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Palmetto Health Tuomey, 129 N. Washington St.

Monday, June 22: 2-7 p.m., Veritas Church, 822 S. Guignard Drive

Wednesday, June 24: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.,

Sumter Utilities, 1151 N. Pike Road Thursday, June 25: 2-7 p.m., Grace Baptist Church, 219 W. Calhoun St.

State Farm agents donate fresh produce, farm products to Sumter Senior Services

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With COVID-19 cases still on the rise, the senior population remains at risk of developing serious complications from the virus.

Sumter Senior Services, a focal point for programs, services and information for older adults throughout Sumter County, teamed up with five of Sumter's State Farm agents to help the local seniors stay safe during the pandemic

According to the Department of Health and Environmental Control, South Carolina has reported about 600 CO-VID-19-related deaths and more than 18,700 COVID-19 cases as of Monday.

Sumter has had 19 COVID-19-related deaths and about 626 positive cases as of Monday, according to DHEC.

Seniors in rural areas and with underlying health issues have become more isolated and unable to secure many food items necessary for good nutritional health, so Sumter Senior Services distributed nearly 200 boxes of fresh fruit, vegetables, dairy products and more to Sumter County

"Our local seniors and our organization greatly appreciate the kind generosity of our local State Farm agents," Sumter Senior Services Executive Director Gail Wilson said. "Their spirit and willingness to reach out and to lend a helping hand is precisely what

you'd expect from a neighbor who recognizes a need unfulfilled. Thanks to their gift, more seniors are impacted, and more nutritional lives are enhanced."

Sumter State Farm Agents Ben Griffith, Bill Denny, Charles Bostic, Tammy Kelly and Gary Herlong collectively contributed to help the process proceed.

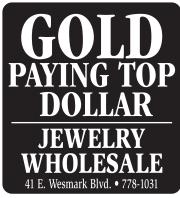
"As State Farm agents, one of our goals is to always be a good neighbor in the community," Griffith said. "When you are fearful of this virus or you don't have adequate transportation, those food items are a lot more difficult to come by. We thought that would be a great project and great effort for us to support during this period of time."





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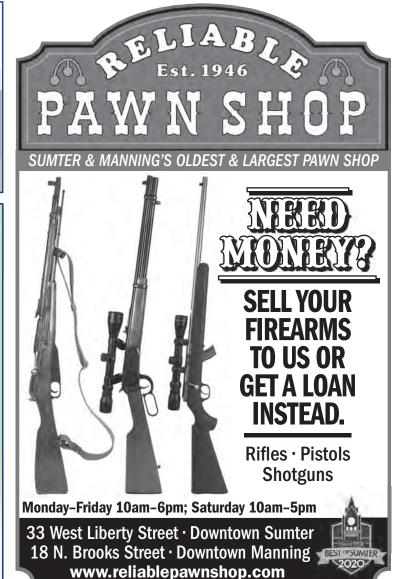
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Senate GOP to restrict police chokeholds in emerging bill

BY LISA MASCARO

AP Congressional Correspondent

WASHINGTON — Driven by a swift-moving national debate, Senate Republicans are on the brink of introducing an extensive package of policing changes with new restrictions on police chokeholds and other practices as Congress rushes to respond to mass demonstrations over the deaths of George Floyd and other black Americans.

It's a sudden shift of GOP priorities with President Donald Trump signaling support. The White House is set to announce its own executive actions on law enforcement procedures in a matter of days, a crush of activity that shows how quickly police violence and racial prejudice are transforming national politics.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell opened the chamber Monday declaring that Senate Republicans are developing "a serious proposal to reform law enforcement."

While the emerging GOP package isn't as extensive as the sweeping Democratic proposal, which is headed for a House vote next week, it is perhaps the most far-reaching proposed changes to policing procedures from the party long aligned with a "law and order" approach. Confronted with a groundswell

of public unrest over police violence, in cities large and small nationwide, even the most conservative senators are joining the effort.

Sen. Tim Scott of South Carolina, the sole African-American Republican in the Senate, has been crafting the package set to roll out Wednesday. He said the chokehold, in particular, "is a policy whose time has come and gone."

During the weekend, the shooting death of Rayshard Brooks by a white officer in Atlanta led to a renewed public outcry, more street protests and the police chief's swift resignation.

Democrats have said the GOP package doesn't go far enough to match the outpouring of support for reforms. Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer warned Republicans not to settle for minor changes.

"Now is the time to seek bold and broad-scale change, not change around the margins," Schumer said Monday.

With the political debate fluid, it is unclear whether the parties will be able to find common ground. The proposals share many similar provisions but take different approaches to address some of the issues. Neither bill goes as far as

some activists want in their push to "defund the police" by fully revamping departments.

The debate is changing almost daily, complicated by the fall election, with the Senate Republican majority at risk. McConnell, who is also up for reelection in November, is backing the GOP effort after the death of Breonna Taylor when police entered her home in Louis-

ville. It's a dynamic political environment in the aftermath of the killing of black Americans and the outpouring of protests and Black Lives Matter demonstrations that have overwhelmingly altered the national conversation.

The Senate Judiciary Committee is scheduled to consider policing issues at a hearing today.

Central to the Republican package would be the creation of a national database of police use-of-force incidents, a way to improve transparency so law enforcement officers cannot transfer from one department to another without public oversight of their record. The Democrats have a similar provision.

The GOP bill would encourage police body cameras and include a longstalled effort to make lynching a federal hate crime.

Additionally, the Republican package is expected to restrict the use of chokeholds by withholding certain federal funds to jurisdictions that continue to allow the practice, according to a Senate Republican unauthorized to discuss the pending bill and granted anonymity.

While chokeholds have become a symbol of police brutality — and a ban is included in the Democrats' bill — the maneuver is already banned in many departments. Police nationwide are far more likely to kill someone by shooting.

Yet, the Republican bill does not go as far as the Democratic proposal, particularly on the issue of "qualified immunity," which aims to enable those injured by law enforcement personnel to sue for damages. The White House has said that is a line too far. As an alternative, Scott has suggested a "decertification" process for officers involved in misconduct

Still, Democrats signaled a willingness to look at the Republican approach for areas of common ground.

"Nothing is a non-starter," said Rep. James Clyburn of South Carolina, the House's third-ranking Democrat and a Sumter native, on a conference call with reporters.

Trump moved rally date after learning about Juneteenth

BY DARLENE SUPERVILLE

The Associated Press

BRIDGEWATER, N.J. — President Donald Trump didn't know the significance to black Americans of the date and location he chose for his first campaign rally since the coronavirus pandemic more than three months ago, key Republican supporters of the president in Congress said Sunday.

Trump had scheduled the rally for June 19, known as Juneteenth because it marks the end of slavery in the United States. Tulsa, Oklahoma, the location for the rally, was the scene in 1921 of one of the most severe white-on-black attacks in American history.

Black community and political leaders denounced the move and called on Trump to reschedule. He resisted until late Friday when, in a rare turnabout, Trump tweeted that he had moved the rally to this Saturday, June 20, out of respect for the view of supporters and others who had asked him to.

"There's special sensitivities there in Tulsa, but Juneteenth is a very significant day, so my encouragement to the president was to be able to pick a day around it," Sen. James Lankford, R-Okla., said Sunday. Lankford said he was among several people who had spoken with Trump.

Lankford said he had called Trump on an unrelated matter and that Trump broached the issue. He said Trump told him he was thinking about rescheduling and asked Lankford's opinion.

"I suggested, 'Yes, I think that would be a great idea. It would be very, very respectful to the community," Lankford said. He said Trump immediately said he didn't want to do anything that would show disrespect to the black community."

"He didn't see it as disrespectful to be able to do it on Juneteenth," Lankford said.

"Other people interpreted it differently, and so he moved the rally date."

Sen. Tim Scott, R-S.C., said he was "thankful" that Trump rescheduled the rally.

"The president moving the date by a day once he was informed on what the Juneteenth was, that was a good decision on his part," said Scott, the only black Republican senator.

Housing Secretary Ben Carson said he was "pleasantly surprised" at how much Trump knew about Juneteenth by the time they talked about it. He said "it's probably good" the rally was rescheduled.

Carson, who is black, suggested Trump was considering delivering remarks to "acknowledge what had happened there and why we don't want that kind of situation to ever occur in this country again."

Scott said it wasn't clear to him that Trump's planners understood the significance of June 19.

But Trump's campaign was aware, according to two campaign officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity to disclose internal discussions.

As Europe reopens, Beijing virus outbreak shows need for vigilance

BERLIN (AP) — European countries reopened borders Monday after a three-month coronavirus shutdown, although international visitors are still being kept away and there was uncertainty over whether many Europeans will quickly embrace travel outside their home countries.

Reopening continued in Mexico and Brazil despite cases continuing to climb in the two largest nations in Latin America, where authorities struggled to handle the pandemic's effect on already-weak medical systems.

The need for constant vigilance came into sharp focus as China, where COVID-19 first emerged last year, rushed to contain an outbreak in the capital of Beijing.

The head of the World Health Organization said more than 100,000 confirmed cases of coronavirus have been reported globally each day in the last two weeks, and countries that have curbed transmissions "must stay alert to the possibility of resurgence."

Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus noted that it took more than two months to reach 100,000 reported cases, now a daily norm. Each day, nearly three-fourths of the new cases come from 10 countries — mostly in South Asia and the Americas, he said.

Germany and France dropped border checks nearly two weeks after Italy opened its frontiers. Greece welcomed visitors Monday with passengers on flights from other European countries not having to undergo compulsory coronavirus tests.

The European Union's 27 nations and other European states aren't expected to start re-

opening to visitors from outside the continent until at least the beginning of July and possibly later

Spain allowed thousands of Germans to fly to its Balearic Islands without a 14-day quarantine in a pilot program designed to help authorities gauge what's needed against possible virus flare-ups.

Martin Hofman was delighted to board a flight from Dusseldorf to the island of Mallorca because he said his vacation couldn't be postponed.

"To stay in Germany was not an option for us," Hofman said. "We are totally happy that we can get out."

Slovenia lifted travel restrictions with Italy, and the mayors of two towns on opposite sides of the border jointly removed a traffic sign that barred movement from one to the other. The towns of Nova Gorica in Slovenia and Gorizia in Italy are closely linked culturally and economically.

Mexico City residents were free to drive without restrictions, and subway and bus stations that had been closed resumed service Monday as the city of 9 million continued its gradual return. Most of the stations had stayed open all along.

Mexico City's graduated reopening is based on hospital occupancy levels. As of Saturday, the capital and the surrounding state had 74% of their hospital beds occupied.

Construction, auto manufacturing, mining, bicycle sales and beer production already had been allowed to resume. Parks were allowed to open at 30% of their capacity.









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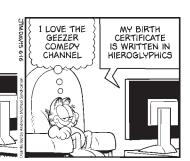






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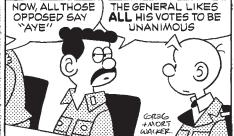




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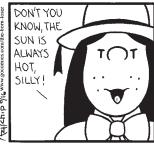


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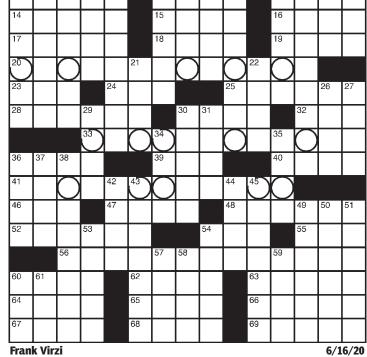
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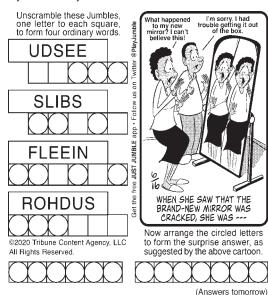
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The Rev. Dr. Clay Smith, lead pastor at Alice Drive Baptist Church, bows to the Rev. Marion Newton, senior pastor of Jehovah Missionary Baptist Church, whom he called the Bishop of Sumter.

MARCH FROM PAGE A1

provided remarks.

An emphasis by all the pastors throughout the program was prayer and also taking intentional action toward racial reconciliation and unity in Sumter.

Both Zack Somerville of Trinity Missionary Baptist Church and Caleb Yoder of Christ Community Church referenced Micah 6:8 from the Bible's Old Testament. There, the prophet Micah tells God's people that the Lord desires the primary forms of love — justice, mercy and faithfulness — from them in response to His redemptive work in salvation.

Racial reconciliation is an example of "doing justice," Yoder said, and justice is at the heart of God.

"Tonight, we are gathered collectively to say we are unified under the essential thing of 'doing justice' together," he said. "This is a great start. Rallies and gathering like this are a great start, but it can't be just a check box and then we walk out and go back to living how we did previously. We must change, and we must use the life of Jesus Christ as an example."

Another common theme was that the church has been silent too long on racism and injustice.

Pastors also mentioned that the rally looked much like heaven will look; Jesus died for all people, not just one race.

Yoder called on pastors in attendance to lead the charge toward racial reconciliation and justice locally.

The formation of a taskforce was another outcome of the recent pastoral meeting. That group is working on a larger strategy to include coming up with a unified statement against racism and for non-violence from all Sumter clergy. That taskforce is scheduled to meet again on Thursday.

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Works. "It was great to see nobody tried to cause a ruckus."

The Rev. Dr. Clay Smith, lead pastor at Alice Drive Baptist Church on Loring Mill Road and one of the main organizers of the event, called the audience a "preview of heaven." Multiracial, crossdenominational, multigenerational.

"I personally have never seen anything like it," he said.

He said Monday he had just listened to an anonymous voicemail from someone who, paraphrasing, said, "I'm not racist, but I think this march is awful." If you have to start with "I'm not racist, but," he said. He said he wished he could call the person back and tell them that's not what Jesus would say.

Smith, who walked the 0.6 miles from Grace Baptist, which is next to Patriot Hall, to the courthouse, which is across from the emergency entrance to Prisma Health Tuomey Hospital, a week after undergoing knee surgery for his meniscus, said racism is a "people issue." People, especially white people, need to listen and learn. Then, they need to go to their businesses and homes and change attitudes

Sunday's march stemmed from a pastoral meeting of 68 clergy in Sumter and a series of panels held on Facebook Live and a rally last week led by who Sunday's organizers have deemed the next generation of faith-based leadership in Sumter's African-American community. Smith said the pastoral committee has another meeting scheduled in June to discuss next steps.

"We want this to be a begin-

ning," he said.

Now, it's about what can we do to keep this community as "one community and not a divided one. How can we continue to lead in

that direction?"
Sumter County Sheriff Anthony Dennis said he thinks his agency is poised to be proactive rather than reactive. He said the diversity of the crowd showed a positive message.

In his speech and on Monday, Dennis, a black man, said the sheriff's office promised an intolerance for racism within his staff. He said Monday he plans to initiate more sensitivity training within the agency and go through the S.C. Sheriff's Association to increase training on use of deadly force. Deputies train on it every year, he said, but he wants to go more in-depth.

He also said citizens need to continue speaking out against injustice they see or encounter. Just as recent changes in law enforcement policies across the country and arrests of those involved in Floyd's death have been fueled by public protest against anything otherwise, it takes everyone to incite change.

Next steps are what Breanna Moore is hoping to come out of Sumter's rallies and marches and promises. Next steps that aren't a one-time act just for appearances.

The 27-year-old stood in the back with a sign that read, "Racism is the real pandemic."

A systemic pandemic that has been enslaving, silencing, jailing and killing African-Americans for hundreds of years, she said. It's great for everyone to come together, but that's just the call to action. A beginning.

RECORDS

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nationwide over Floyd's death in Minneapolis, complaint data is getting renewed attention as a way to track and correct rogue officers and perhaps head off more serious instances of brutality.

Both Democratic and Republican reform bills in Congress would make officers' disciplinary records public and create a national database of allegations — a shift in political will that didn't exist just a few years

Police advocates argue that withholding allegations is necessary to protect officers' privacy and keep them safe. Police unions have fought in contract negotiations and in state legislatures for confidentiality. In some cases, records are erased after as little as two years.

"The unfettered release of police personnel records will

allow unstable people to target police officers and our families for harassment or worse," said Patrick Lynch, head of the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association in New York City. "A dangerous cop-hater only needs a police officer's name, linked to a few false or frivolous complaints, to be inspired to commit violence."

Personal information on officers is already being leaked online, according to an intelligence document from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, obtained by The Associated Press.

Police unions argue, too, that the overwhelming majority of complaints are deemed unsubstantiated after internal investigations. But that argument carries no weight with the many activists who say police departments tend to protect their own.

Out of about 5,000 complaints brought against New York City officers last year and more than 2,000 so far this year for offenses such as discourtesy, excessive force and abuse of authority, only about 9% were substantiated, according to the city's independent Civilian Complaint Review Board.

Bowling Green State University criminologist Phil Stinson, who has collected data on thousands of police charged, investigated or convicted of crimes, said that most officers go through their careers with few complaints against them and that generally a small percentage of officers account for an outsize share of complaints.

Stinson recalled an Atlanta officer who had a personnel file full of "frightfully similar" complaints from women of sexual misconduct. It wasn't until his file was leaked to a TV station that he faced discipline.

About 40% of current New York City police officers have never received a civilian complaint, while 32% have one or two, and one officer has 52, the highest, according to the review board.

In New York, Pantaleo, the officer who put Garner in a chokehold in 2014 but was not

indicted in his death, had eight disciplinary cases of abuse and excessive force, four of which were substantiated. But his record was secret until a staff member at the review board leaked it. The staffer later resigned.

New York legislators this week voted to repeal the law that kept officers' names secret along with specifics about complaints made against them. The repeal passed largely along party lines, and Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed it Friday.



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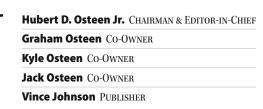
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COMMENTARY

Demand strong federal police oversight now

BY HENRY LEVENTIS

Overcoming racism in police departments and addressing acts of police brutality aren't simple tasks but necessary ones. Doing so requires strong oversight by an independent and fully engaged Justice Department. Its Civil Rights Division was created to protect our constitutional rights, including the right to be free from discrimination and excessive force by police. There is no agency better equipped to tackle these insidious problems. George Floyd's tragic death is the latest reminder that without the Justice Department's best efforts, the institutional racism lurking within many police departments will remain unchecked. We should all be appalled by that prospect and demand that the DOJ heed its mandate to hold everyone, including the police, equally accountable under the law.

Effective federal oversight means using all available tools to identify and address discriminatory practices, prosecute police brutality and earn the confidence of communities of

color. The DOJ has broad jurisdiction in this area and many tools at its disposal, including sections of highly qualified civil and criminal attorneys who focus exclusively on police misconduct. In criminal prosecutions, this is absolutely necessary because successfully prosecuting a police officer is incredibly difficult. Many local prosecutors' offices are not equipped to effectively handle police brutality cases. Nor do victims of discriminatory policing expect fair treatment from prosecutors who work every day alongside some of the very police departments that violate their rights.

In addition to the Civil Rights Division, DOJ also has a Community Relations Service meant to build relationships with communities of color before flashpoint events occur. To be effective, the DOJ must prioritize the work of both of these groups and fully empower them to do their jobs.

While no administration has handled police oversight perfectly, the current administration is suffering from a number of self-inflicted wounds. Most notably, it severely limited the use of consent decrees - legally enforceable agreements with police departments — that have been used under previous administrations with great success to curb discriminatory policing practices. Limiting the use of decrees essentially surrenders one of the DOJ's most effective tools for addressing systemic racism in police departments. At the same time, this administration has not prioritized building relationships with communities of color, making it more difficult to conduct investigations and respond effectively in times of crises. And many of the president's statements suggest he has taken sides in the current protests, making it harder for DOJ attorneys to be perceived as inde-

The administration should reverse course in these areas immediately. Further, it should support the Justice in Policing Act of 2020, which would require police departments to report any use of force to a national database. This would allow the DOJ to use data analytics to quickly identify problem departments and officers — an

approach that has been wildly successful in other enforcement areas.

This robust approach to federal oversight would incentivize police departments to remove problematic officers before a tragedy occurs. It would protect the good officers who are placed at greater risk by the bad ones. It would protect taxpayers who pay millions of dollars each year for police brutality lawsuits. And, most importantly, it would provide communities of color greater confidence that the system works for them. We should demand as much from our government, and now

Henry Leventis is a 1993 graduate of Sumter High School and graduated from the College of Charleston and Washington and Lee Law School. He worked in Charleston as a prosecutor and for 10 years with the Department of Justice prosecuting civil rights cases, specifically against public officials, police and corrections officers, across the country. He is now in private practice. He is the son of former Sen. Phil Leventis, who served District 35.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

EVERYONE SHOULD CHIP AWAY AT HATRED

"Why are you crying, Delaine?" My younger sister responded, "Why is there so much hate?"

Watching George Floyd's memorial service, Delaine and I respectfully stood in silence for 8 minutes and 46 second reflecting on Floyd's last words, "I can't breathe!"

George Floyd could not breathe because a law enforcement officer pressed his knee on Floyd's neck, blocking his airway. Taking his last breath, he cried out, "Mama."

As Delaine and I stood in solidarity with those who had gathered for Floyd's memorial service, Delaine started crying uncontrollably

"Why is there so much hatred?" Unable to give her a definitive answer, I said, "Delaine, God can take the most horrendous situation and ase it for His giory.

Floyd's death was the catalyst that galvanized the worldwide family to abandon passivity. We became advocates for the voiceless and those who are victims of systemic

We marched and highlighted our

issues on homemade signs, but that is not enough. Planning, building coalitions, seeking advice from the elders and maintaining focus are also required.

Hatred can not be eradicated by the collective actions of the masses. Releasing tension and assuaging guilt by participating in rallies and Zoom conferences help us confront our prejudices; however, I challenge you to adopt a personal re-

Chip away at hatred every time you encounter it. Embrace opportunities to advocate for the least of these. Then you become an effective instrument of authentic change.

BEVERLY DIANE **FRIERSON** Columbia



In a letter published Saturday, June 13, the date that Benji was put to sleep should have read June 2.





COMMENTARY

The confirmation of coming together to make a change

"Anger without a new assignment is wasted rage!" — Dr. John Adolph

ast week we witnessed an amazing show of solidarity across the country in the form of protests in regards to the George Floyd murder, police brutality and racism. These demonstrations happened internationally, in all states of the United States, and even locally here in Sumter. Two of the most memorable quotes from the gathering on the steps of the old courthouse in Sumter, orga-



Napoleon **Bradford**

nized by David Simmons, Kenneth Hargrove, Pastor James Goodman and several others, were made by two senior statesmen. Dr. Marion H. Newton said, "Get angry; get so angry that you go out and vote!" Dr. Ralph Canty said,

"Protest must lead to progress, and confrontation must lead to change." Canty

went on to say, "We can't apologize for protesting, but we can't just protest for the sake of protesting!" No truer sentiment has ever been

spoken. The fact that the tension of America's injustice has bubbled over into these acts of protest is all well and good, but if there is no change, if there is no transformation, then these acts could simply be written off as temper tantrums, and eventually after the smoke settled and the protesters went home, things would return to normal, and the systems that have been allowed to fester would remain in place.

However, seemingly that is not the case in this instance. No, because the people are coming together in protest, and we are seeing evidence of the start of change. Within the first 10 days of protest: Minneapolis has banned the use of chokeholds by police; Dallas adopts a "duty to intervene" policy requiring officers to stop other officers they see engaging in inappropriate behavior: Louisville, Kentucky, signed the "Breonna Taylor Act," stopping the ability of police to issue no-knock warrants; and police departments everywhere are reevaluating unjust practices. All because the people came together in protest. Because the people came together to protest, sports leaders are speaking out against racist practices, Confederate statues are being removed, NASCAR and the United States Marines have banned the displaying of the Confederate flag.

While many of us are asking, "Why did it take so long for these measures to be taken?" the reality is, at least they are being taken, for this means at least our voices are being heard. There are so many other steps that need to be made, and I am in no way suggesting that we have gotten to the place where the protests need to stop, but I am also encouraging all of us to pause and see the blooming of the fruit that has grown out of the manure of social injustice. And this is all a result of us coming together and allowing our voices to be heard. Small steps, but steps nonetheless.

Those of us who have a relationship with God understand that this has always been God's preferred position for His creation. In fact, many preachers when talking about racial reconciliation quote Jesus' pre-Passion prayer in John 17:20-21, "I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; 21 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me." While this is a powerful prayer, Jesus was simply encouraging those who heard Him, His disciples, to move to create a movement of unity. Why unity? Well, Jesus knew the power of coming together. Jesus knew that the trauma that was going to be caused by His wrongful arrest, trial and crucifixion had the power to scatter those who had dedicated their lives to Him, and He needed them together to birth a movement. That togetherness was recently celebrated by the Lord's church on Pentecost Sunday (50 days after the resurrection of Jesus) where Luke in Acts 2 records that 120 persons gather together in an upper room praying and with one accord experience the filling of the Holy Spirit which led to the birthing of the First Century church and the immediate growing from 120 to 3,120 after one protest message challenging the misbeliefs and improper practices of a Jewish legal system that wrongly put a man named

Jesus to death. Jesus knew that if they came together, real change could occur. But the question is how did He know. Well, He had seen it before. This wasn't the first time that persons came together and saw immediate change. They saw change in 2 Chronicles chapter 20 when Jehosephat called a national prayer as a result of the threats of Ammon, Moab and Mt. Seir. They saw change in 1 Samuel chapter 7 when Samuel told the House of Israel to "return to the Lord with all their hearts, put away their foreign gods and prepare their hearts for the Lord and the Lord would rescue them from the Philistines." They saw change in Joshua chapter 6 when the

people came together and marched

around the impenetrable walls of Jericho once for six days in silence and seven times on the seventh day when the walls fell down flat with a community blasting of the horns. They saw change in Exodus when one million Israelites walked out of Egyptian captivity together led by Moses, and even at the threat of Pharaoh approaching from the rear, together they marched until the Red Sea was changed into a paved highway for them to cross and a burial ground for Pharaoh's army.

Coming together had always been the catalyst for change in the Old Testament, and Jesus wanted it to be the testimony of the New Testament and beyond, but not just because He wanted it, but because that is what God wanted. How do I know? Well because that is what God said God's self in Genesis chapter 11. There Moses records that the whole earth had one language and one speech and decided to come together to build a tower, and when God came to see their work, this is what God said, "Indeed the people are one, and they all have one language, and this is what they begin to do; now nothing that they propose to do will be withheld from them.'

So it is God's mandate for us to come together, for when we come together we will consistently see change, not just surface-level change, but systemic change. Change that will be unlike what we have ever witnessed. Change that will make the world better for our children and our children's children. Change that will make God pleased and the enemy angry.

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We Ball 4 Destin Foundation hosts annual 7-on-7 despite pandemic

BY TIM LEIBLE

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For the last five summers, a group of locals have gotten to play football together to celebrate the life of Destin Wise, a Sumter High School graduate who passed away from injuries suffered in a car accident on June 14, 2015. Over those five years, the event has taken on many different looks and this year was no different.

The first year started with a 7-on-7 game played by a handful of friends, a fitting way to celebrate a young man that thrived on the football field and in track and field for the Gamecocks. After that, Wise's half-brother, Mariel Cooper, formed a charity called We Ball 4 Destin in his memory and has organized an annual game of 7-on-7. That game ballooned into a tournament and barbecue, but that wasn't in the cards this year.

With the coronavirus pandemic still in full swing in South Carolina, Cooper had to get creative this year. Cooper made the decision to still hold the annual game on Saturday, but everything was scaled back.

Instead of a tournament, it went back to just one game, while adding in some one-on-one competitions afterwards. Cooper didn't want the event to garner too much attention ahead of time to keep the numbers down, so he waited until last Wednesday to an-

"It's a challenging time. You have to be so strategic and make sure you're under all the guidelines, and you're taking those precautionary measures. I'm for sure not taking anything lightly," said Cooper of hosting an event during the pandemic. "It wasn't an easy deal, but every year I'm going to honor my brother. We're going to keep balling for Destin and keep his legacy



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Mariel Cooper, center, speaks at We Ball 4 Destin Foundation's annual 7-on-7 event on Saturday. Cooper, the foundation's founder, had to scale back this year's event due to the coronavirus pandemic.

going."

Saturday was about more than football. Cooper also wanted to make sure that the organization took advantage of the light that is currently shining on the black community in response to the death of George Floyd. With the voice of the Black Lives Matter movement louder than ever, Cooper wanted to make sure that voice will continue to be heard in November. The organization welcomed members from the League of Women Voters to help register people to vote who weren't already registered. Cooper, a former professional football player, used football to

put into words how important it is to keep this conversation alive.

"I'm just doing my part and using my platform, using my following for a positive reason," said Cooper. "I'm thinking about the solution, what's the touchdown? We're not going to be able to score the touchdown overnight. This change that we're seeking isn't going to happen overnight. It's a process, but we've gotta start somewhere.

"Getting people to vote is the first down. The first down to the touchdown in November."

The We Ball 4 Destin Foundation also gives out an annual scholarship honor Wise, who died just nine days after graduating from high school. This year, that scholarship was awarded to Gabby Kirkman of Sumter High. She was thrilled to accept the scholarship and be welcomed into the community that Cooper has built with the

to graduating seniors as a way to

"It means a lot to me because it's coming from an organization that looks like me and people that look like me and support me in everything that I do," said Kirkman. "This really helps my confidence and gives me confidence, being a black athlete, having people behind me of all sorts of races, especially a black organization."

Cooper said that Kirkman was the perfect example of what the organization is looking for in a scholarship re-

"Gabby is just an amazing kid," said Cooper. "The thing that stuck out about Gabby is her genuine heart and her passion for her community, family and God. In her interview, all she talked about was giving back and her work with special needs kids. She already does a lot and she just reminded me a lot of myself and my brother. We're looking forward to getting to work with her.'

While the day wasn't exactly what Cooper originally planned for this year, he was overwhelmed by the support from the community.

"I just wanted to make sure we did something to honor Destin. Like I told the crowd of people, 'Thank you for risking your life to come out and honor my brother.' It was beautiful, man," said Cooper. "I'm just appreciative and grateful that 50-plus people came out here. It turned out amazing. The energy on the field, I mean football always does it. It was more than what I expected."



Locals came out to a play a 7-on-7 at Dillon Park to honor the memory of **Destin Wise** at an event the We Ball 4 **Destin Foun**dation on Saturday,

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Mintz comes back to win Late Model feature

BY CODY TRUETT Sports Contributor

The second week of Sumter Speedway's 2020 season on was highlighted Justin Mintz picking up a hard-earned victory in the Late Model division feature.

Mintz started from the pole position after posting a blistering qualifying lap of 14.874 seconds. As the green flag flew, however, last week's winner, Scott Shirey, rocketed into the lead from the outside

Shirey opened up a small lead over Mintz under green flag racing before Mintz began to chase Shirey down. As Shirey began working his way around lapped traffic, Mintz closed the gap and pulled within half-a=car link of Shirey.

Coming to the halfway point of the race, Shirey continued to show the way, but in the exit of Turn 4, he closed up on a lapped car on the low side of the track. Mintz powered to the outside, using the lapped car to set a pick on Shirey to take over the lead. Shirev battled back on the inside, but couldn't get around Mintz.

Mintz opened up a comfortable lead and cruised on to pick up the win. Shirey settled for second with Zach Cox third, Tom Egner fourth. Garrett Shurling fifth, Eddie Morris sixth, Gene Kinard seventh, Wesley Hooks eighth, David Pack Jr. ninth and Tony Ayers 10th.

The Stock V8 feature got the night started, and Walter Anderson jumped into the lead as the green flag flew with Timmy Kimsey on his heels. Terrell Holloway joined the battle, making his way around Kimsey to take over second. While Kimsey and Holloway battled for second, Anderson opened up a sizable lead over the rest of the field.

As the race stayed green, Anderson continued to show the way, but Holloway was slowly closing the gap. It seemed Anderson had the race well in hand, but a late caution flag bunched the field up for a green/white/checkered finish. As the green flag waived, Anderson shot back out front and held off Holloway to pick up the win.

Holloway came home second with Dalton Hodge third, Charles Nicholson fourth. Kimsey fifth, Allen Jones sixth, Marty Horne seventh and Willie Hill eighth.

Brad Amerson jumped into the lead from the state in the SHARP Mini Late Model feature and never looked back, leading flag to flag. Joey Scheon came home second with Mike Wolfe Jr. third, William Horton fourth. Dustin Snider fifth. Keith Thompson

sixth Tyler Keel seventh. Bryan Funk eighth, Mike Green ninth, Steven Smith 10th, Tyler Davis 11th, Jody Sparks 12theand Justin Veal

Bobby Oglesby made his first trip to Sumter Speedway this season and made the best of it by picking up a dominant win in the Super Street divi-

Oglesby shot into the lead as the race began and cruised on to the checkered flag and the win. Terrell Holloway came home second with Daulton Dabbs third, Ronnie Anderson fourth, Austin Rodonis fifth, Dusty Collins sixth, Ryan Winn seventh, Andrew Stone eighth, Ricky Hair ninth, Joey Wilkes 10th and Drew Shealy 11th.

The Mid East Modified division put on a show for the fans in attendance as three drivers swapped the lead throughout the feature. As the checkered flag flew, it was Jeff Robinson leading the field. However, Robinson was light on the scales after the race and as a result was disqualified.

As a result, Andrew Durham, who led 14 laps of the 20-lap feature, was the winner. Case Daniels came home second with Chris Stowe third and AJ Belanger fourth. Tommy Hadden was fifth, Rick Brand sixth, Knuckles

Shurling seventh, Paul Martinez eighth. Jason Floyd ninth. Preston Blalock 10th. James Hunter 11th, Greg Brown 12th and Don Hillis

The biggest feature of the night was that of the Extreme-4 division. Eighteen divers lined up for the start of an exciting feature.

Kyle Jenks grabbed the early lead with Keith Sikes and Joseph Thompson on his heels. Jenks slipped high in turns 3 and 4 and allowed Sikes to take over the top spot with Thompson and Michael Bruner following suit. Sikes had problems in turns 1 and 2, losing power that ended his night.

Thompson took over the lead from there and led the remainder of the feature to pick up the win. Bruner gave Thompson a fight, but had to settle for second with Derek Kemper third, Ben Hinson fourth and Alex Myers fifth.

Jenks came home sixth and was followed by Lisa Glasscock, Drake Williamson, Jaden Locklear, Joe Green, Ronnie Perritt, Ben Barrett, Sikes, Jerry Johnson, Taylor Hussey, David Burch, Kyle Brown and Scott Upton.

Terry Caples originally planned not to compete in Sumter on Saturday as his team took a trip to Lancaster Speedway instead. After finishing second there, Caples realized he had time to get back to Sumter in time to make the feature.

Caples started in the rear, but wasted little time making his way to the front. He passed Bubba Kolb on Lap 4 to take the lead. Caples led the remaining laps, picking up his second straight win.

Kolb was second with Allen Ridgeway third, JR Warren fourth, Josh Carter fifth, Bubba Miller sixth, Russell Lamberth seventh, David Johnikin eighth and Lee Mintz ninth.

The always exciting Street Stock division closed out the night with Cameron Holloway taking home the win. He took over the lead on Lap 2 after leaders Michael Butler and Robbie Disher got tangled up in turns 3 and 4 and led the rest of the way.

Adam Hill powered his way to a second-place finish with William Disher, Dalton Coursey fourth. LJ Shonemann fifth, Kevin Roark sixth, Buddy Stephen seventh, Brady England eighth and Clay Sims ninth.

There will be no racing at Sumter Speedway on Saturday in observance of Father's Day weekend. The season will continue on June 27 with the Blue Ridge Outlaw Late Models division on the schedule.

GRACE BARTON JORDAN

Grace Barton Jordan, age 87, wife of the late John Randolph



JORDAN

Born and raised in Lancaster, she was a daughter of the late Thomas M. and Ruth Caskey Barton. Grace

was a lifelong member of Douglas Presbyterian Church in Lancaster. She was very active in the church with her circles and teaching Sunday school for many years. She was a stay-at-home mom. raising her children and making a home for her family. She also served as a teacher's aide with the Department of Disability and Special Needs in Lancaster. She will be dearly

missed by all who knew her. Grace is survived by a son, Fred Vernon Phipps and his wife, Angie, of Lancaster; two daughters, Rene Boylston and her husband, Lee, of Aiken and Anna Jordan Stevens of Lancaster; four grandchildren, Amy Wilson and her husband, Kurt, of Sumter, Ryan Robinson of Aiken, Nate Phipps of Lancaster and Catherine Snipes and her husband, Mitchell, of Lancaster; seven great-grandchildren, Walker Wilson, Reese Wilson, Lee Wilson, Wyatt Snipes, Elliott Snipes, Sydney Robinson and James Robinson; and a sister, Patsy Barton Mathews of Hartsville.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Tommy Barton, Hugh Barton and Edwin Barton; and a sister, Aggie Barton-Jones.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday at Douglas Presbyterian Church Cemetery.

The family would like to express gratitude to National Healthcare Sumter and Medical Services of America Home Health and Hospice, Sumter, for their loving care and support.

Memorials may be made to Douglas Presbyterian Church, 2325 Sunday Place, Lancaster,

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

The family has chosen Bullock Funeral Home for the arrangements.



EVELYN LEE IHMLE

CHARLESTON — Evelyn Lee Ihmle, 94, of Charleston, widow of Gordon Franklin



IHMLE

Ihmle, entered into eternal rest on Wednesday, June

10, 2020. Mrs. Ihmle was born on July 29, 1925, in Sumter,

the first of five children of the

late Algienon Brevard and Marie Hancock Lee. During World War II, she joined the scores of young women working for the federal government in Washington, D.C. She was hired by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and continued to work in Washington until transferring to the Atlanta office of the FBI, where she met her future husband, Gordon, an FBI agent and native of Brooklyn, New York. They married on June 13, 1953, in Atlanta. A few years later, Mr. Imhle began working for the fledgling Atomic Energy Commission, and thereafter, the couple lived in a number of cities across the United States. When Mr. Ihmle transferred to the Washington, D.C., area to work for the newly created Energy Research and

Drug Administration. The Ihmles moved to Conway following retirement to pursue their love of golf. They were active members of Lutheran churches wherever they lived and also contributed their time to a number of other worthwhile activities, such as volunteering at a local hospice center in the Myrtle Beach/Conway area. Mrs. Ihmle continued to live in Conway for a number of years following her husband's death in 1995. She moved to Charleston in 2014 and, at the time of her demise, was a resident of Brookdale West Ashley

Assisted Living Facility.

Development Agency, Mrs.

Ihmle rejoined the federal work

force, this time at the Food and

In addition to her husband. Mrs. Ihmle was preceded in death by her sons, Mark Wesley and Kenneth Wayne; and three of her siblings.

She is survived by her sister, Linda Lee Gill (Gordon) of Charleston; and by a number of nieces and nephews. There will be a private family

graveside service at Live Oak Memorial Gardens.

A memorial service will be planned at a later date.

The family encourages those who wish to remember Mrs. Ihmle with a financial gift to contribute to a local food bank or other charity benefiting people severely impacted by the coronavirus pandemic.

A memorial message may be sent to the family by visiting our website at www.jhenrystuhr.com.

Arrangements by J. Henry Stuhr Inc., West Ashley Chapel, 3360 Glenn McConnell Parkway, Charleston, SC 29414.

MILTON ORTIZ-VELEZ

PAXVILLE - Milton "Poncho" Ortiz-Velez, 85, husband of 59 years to Maxine Cribb Ortiz-



Velez, died Saturday, June 13, 2020, at Prisma Health Richland Hospital. Born on June 5, 1935, in Lares,

Puerto Rico, he **ORTIZ-VELEZ** was a son of the late Felix Ortiz and

the late Delores Velez. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran of the Korean War, a retired long distance truck driver, and he was of the Catholic faith.

He is survived by his wife of Paxville; four children, Alicia Minnich (Chuck) of St. Matthews, Allison Cooper of Midlothian, Virginia, Johnny Ortiz-Velez (Shea) of Sumter and Amy Corbett (Glenn) of Paxville; eight grandchildren, Kaleena, James, Brandon, Lexi, Sean, Ian, Hunter and Gracie; three great-grandchildren; a brother, Felix Acevedo (Hilda) of Puerto Rico; a sister, Dora Roman of Orlando, Florida; and numerous nieces, nephews

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Cemetery, 11904 Pleasant Hill Drive, Hemingway, with the Rev. Jim Legendre officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to any veteran's organization of one's choice.

Stephens Funeral Home & Crematory, 304 N. Church St., Manning, is in charge of arrangements, (803) 435-2179. www.stephensfuneralhome.org

BRUNHILDE LOTH COLCLOUGH

ALCOLU — Brunhilde Loth Colclough, age 79, widow of Robert Lee Colclough, died on Friday, June 12, 2020, at

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

The family has chosen Bullock Funeral Home for the arrangements.



JOHNNA ELIZABETH THOMAS

Johnna Elizabeth "Babs" Thomas, 41, died on Friday, June 12, 2020, at Prisma Health



Richland Hospital. Born in Sumter, she was a daughter of Beverley Roberts Thomas and John Henry Thomas Jr. "Babs" was a member of Trinity United

Methodist Church and was a graduate of Wilson Hall School and the University of South Carolina. She worked as a paralegal for Smith Robinson Law Firm for Rep. Murrell Smith. She had also worked previously as a paralegal for Joye Law Firm and Simmons Law Firm in Columbia.

Surviving besides her parents of Sumter are aunts, Kathy Keith (Lukie) of Lugoff, Peggy Gerrald of Columbia and Sherry Garris (Rod) of Columbia and Pinewood; and an uncle, Casey Thomas of Pinewood. She is also survived by her cousins, Curt Keith, Jennifer English, Heather Ray, Mandy Kimbell, Trey Gerrald Perlman and Clayton Garris. She also leaves behind her "fur baby," Bailee, who was her heart.

Private memorial services will be held in the chapel of Elmore Hill McCreight Funeral Home with the Rev. Mike Lowder officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to the SPCA, 1140 S. Guignard Drive, Sumter, SC 29150; to Wilson Hall, 520 Wilson Hall Road, Sumter, SC 29150; or to the American Lung Association, 1817 Gadsden St., Columbia, SC 29201.

Online condolences may be made to www.sumterfunerals.

Elmore Hill McCreight Funeral and Crematory, 221 Broad St., Sumter, is in charge of the arrangements.



GUELDA CORTNER BRYAN

DALZELL — Guelda Cortner Bryan, age 83, widow of Garis Leon Bryan, died on Saturday. June 13, 2020, at her residence.

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

The family has chosen Bullock Funeral Home for the arrangements.



FRANCES ANN SERVANCE

Frances Ann Servance, 56, died on Friday, June 12, 2020, at Prisma Health Tuomey Hospi-

She was born on July 18, 1963, in Manning, a daughter of Sarah Servance Conyers and the late Ezell Starks.

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

CHARRON ROSE

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Charron Rose, 61, died on Friday, June 12, 2020, at her residence, 2615 Beach Nut Road, Charlotte.

She was born on Aug. 18, 1958, in Lynchburg, a daughter of the late McSwain and Willie Mae Smalls Rose.

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

JENERETTE PHILLIP DICKSON

MANNING — Jenerette Phillip Dickson Jr., 70, died on Wednesday, June 10, 2020, at his 1086 Fredrick Road, Manning.

He was born on June 10, 1950, a son of the late Jenerette Sr and Thomasina Anderson Dickson.

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

BERTIE MAE LEGRANT COOPER

Bertie Mae LeGrant Cooper, 79, widow of John Wesley Cooper Sr., departed this life on Saturday, June 13, 2020, at Prisma Health Tuomey Hospital.

She was born on Aug. 7, 1940, in Clarendon County, a daughter of the late Forest McFadden and Eliza Howard.

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

MERIAN E. JOHNSON ROSE

Merian E. Johnson Rose, 85, departed this life on Monday, June 15, 2020, at Prisma Health Tuomey Hospital.

She was born on Oct. 29, 1934, in Brooklyn, New York, a daughter of the late James and Alvera Coutrier Johnson.

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

VERNON LEE DIGGS JR.

Vernon Lee Diggs Jr., age 63, departed this life on Saturday, June 13, 2020, in Sumter.

He was born on March 7, 1957, in Sumter, to the late Vernon Sr. and Helen Clea Diggs. The family is receiving

friends at 1043 Babette Road. Services are incomplete and

will be announced later by Whites Mortuary LLC.

ISSA FARMER

Issa Farmer, age 84, widower of Cora Lee Rose Farmer, departed this life on Sunday. June 14, 2020.

He was born on July 5, 1935, in Sumter, to the late Bozier and Viola Walters Farmers.

The family is receiving friends from 4 to 8 p.m. daily at the home of his granddaughter, 940 Susie Rembert St.

Services are incomplete and will be announced later by Whites Mortuary LLC.

BESSIE G. MASHORE

PINEWOOD — Bessie G. Mashore, age 94, widow of Joseph "Joe" Mashore, departed this life on Saturday, June 13, 2020, in Pinewood.

She was born on Aug. 6, 1925, in Pinewood, to the late O'Donald and Carrie Smith Green.

Beginning Wednesday, the family will receive friends from 2 to 6 p.m. at 3409 Jenkinson Road, Pinewood.

Services are incomplete and will be announced later by Whites Mortuary LLC.

ETHEL WRIGHT

Ethel Wright, 98, widow of the Rev. Robert C. Wright, departed this life on Sunday, June 14, 2020, at NHC HealthCare of Sumter.

She was born on Aug. 9, 1921, in Sumter County, a daughter of the late Eddie Spann and Earline Wells McCoy.

The family will receive friends at the home, 1893 Conway Drive, Sumter, SC 29153. Job's Mortuary Inc., 312 S.

Main St., Sumter, is in charge

of arrangements. **DELORIS G. WHITE**

Deloris G. White, 61, wife of Eddie J. White, departed this life on Sunday, June 14, 2020, at Prisma Health Tuomey Hospi-

She was born on April 5, 1959, in Sumter, a daughter of the late Susan Green Thompson.

The family will receive friends at the home, 1890 River

Birch Drive, Sumter, SC 29150. Job's Mortuary Inc., 312 S. Main St., Sumter, is in charge of arrangements.

JOHN E. SINGLETON

John E. Singleton, 91, widower of Roby Scott Singleton, died on Sunday, June 14, 2020, at McLeod Hospice House, Florence.

Born on May 16, 1929, in Sumter County, he was a son of Israel and Amelia Isaac Singleton.

The family is receiving relatives at the home, 708 Chapman St., Bishopville.

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

ANNIE H. MCJUNKIN

Annie Jane Hollifield McJunkin, 84, widow of John Henry McJunkin, passed away on Friday, June 12, 2020, at her

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

RALPH A. HOUSE JR.

Ralph A. House Jr., 78, died on Saturday, June 13, 2020, at his place of residence in Ches-

apeake, Virginia. He was a son of the late Ralph A. House Sr. and Virginia House

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Summerton Funeral Home LLC and will be announced at a later date.

DORIS DEAS JONES

Doris Deas Jones, 88, loving wife of 69 years to Calvin M. Jones, passed away on Sunday, June 14, 2020, at her home.

Born on May 24, 1932, in Lee County, she was the youngest child of nine to the late Johnnie and Mamie Hall Deas. She was a member of Concord Presbyterian Church and retired from the U.S. Postal Service after 23 years of service.

She is survived by her husband; two sons, Dale Jones and Dean Jones (Arlene); a granddaughter, Dallen Charles (Thomas); five sisters-in-law; and numerous nieces and nephews. Also surviving are her adopted children, Freddie McKellar, Bobby Griffith and Archie Coker.

She was preceded in death by a daughter-in-law, Darla Jones. A graveside service will be

held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Concord Presbyterian Church cemetery, 3350 E. Brewington Road, with the Rev. Paul Merrill officiating.

The family will receive friends following the service at the graveside and other times at the home, 2485 Florence Highway.

The family would like to express their appreciation to the staff of Prisma Health Tuomey, Kindred Health and Tuomey

Hospice for all of their loving care and compassion. They would like to extend a very special thank you to Alberta Caples, Helen Pringle and Daisy Glolver for all the loving care they provided to Mrs. Jones.

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

CURTIS LEGRANDE REED

Curtis LeGrande Reed, 57, died on Saturday, June 13, 2020, at MUSC Health Florence Medical Center.

Born on March 14, 1963, in Sumter, he was a son of Shirley J. McPhail Reed and the late Earl Reed. He was a resident at Pee Dee Regional Center in Florence.

In addition to his mother of Sumter, he is survived by one brother, Tony Reed (Lisa) of

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. today at Green Acres Assembly of God with the Rev. Matt Cuny and the Rev. Tyrone Mitchum officiating. Burial will be at Evergreen Memorial Park cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 2 to 3 p.m. today at Green Acres Assembly of God.

Memorials may be made to Grace Full Gospel Church, 1540 Bradham Blvd., Sumter, SC 29153.

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

SHAMYA SIANI RANDOLPH

Shamya Siani Randolph died on Saturday, June 13, 2020, at her residence.

She was a daughter of Sharma Ladile Harris and Byren S. Randolph.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by Sumter Funeral Service.

ELEASE MCDUFFIE GIBSON

Elease McDuffie Gibson, 52, wife of Michael Gibson, died on Saturday, June 13, 2020, at McLeod Regional Medical Center, Florence.

She was born on May 20, 1968, in Brooklyn, New York, to Pearletha Caristi and the late Albert Ellison.

The family will receive

friends from 3 to 6 p.m. at the

home, 3 Parson St., Summerton. Services have been entrusted to the professional care of King-

Fields Mortuary, Summerton.

CALVIN DAVIS Calvin aka "Sally" Davis, 57, was born on May 16, 1963, in Bishopville, a son of Calvin (Vertie) Davis and the late Rebecca Pearson-Davis. He passed away peacefully on Wednesday, June 10, 2020, at Prisma Health

Tuomey Hospital. He was educated in the Lee County Public School District. Sally was a faithful member of Mount Calvary Holiness

Church. He leaves to cherish his memories: six sisters, Victoria (Vernon) Wilson, Carrie Gibson, Rebecca (Robert) Mack, Rachelle Davis, Renee Davis and Delores (Leon) Woods; five brothers, Sammie Davis, Reginald Davis, Luke Kelly, Sammie Pearson and James Pearson; three aunts, Viola Wilson, Mary Jett and Sally Mae Gilbert; and a host of nieces, nephews, other

family and friends. The family is receiving relatives and friends at the home, 38 Elmore Road, Bishopville.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. today at Mount Calvary Holiness Church, 771 Central School Road, Rembert, with the Rev. Maggie Williams, pastor, eulogist, and the Rev. Ernest Frierson, pastor of Mechanicsville United Methodist Church, presiding.

Services directed by the management and staff of Williams Funeral Home Inc., 821 N. Main St., Sumter. Online messages may be sent to the family at williamsfuneralhome@sc.rr.com. Visit us on the web at www.WilliamsFuneralHomeInc.com.

ROBIN YVONNE I. PETERSON

Robin Yvonne Ingbreton Peterson, 61, wife of Gary Peterson, died on Saturday, June 13, 2020, at her home in Manning. Born on April 5, 1959, in

Shell Lake, Wisconsin, she was a daughter of Bernard and Barbara Brown Ingbreton. Private services will be held

The management of Williams Funeral Home Inc. is in charge of these arrangements.

by the family at a later date.

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'American Masters' profiles show biz icon Mae West

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

Produced by Bette Midler, a new "American Masters" (8 p.m., PBS, TV-PG, check local listings) celebrates screen legend Mae West. A chorus of contemporary voices praises her as a rule-breaker and "sexual gangster," who used humor to turn the tables on male characters and take the role of the voracious sensualist who never got bumped off in the third act.

As the film makes clear, West was 40 when she was first cast in the Hollywood movies that cement her image as a parody of a "naughty" lady. Born in 1893, she was pushed onto the vaudeville stage by her mother, a starstruck German immigrant. She learned how to steal the spotlight by the time most of us are mastering our A-B-Cs.

Despite this "education," vaudeville critics panned West as too "burlesque."

Her notorious 1926 Broadway show "Sex" (more about hypocrisy than its title suggests) landed her in court. A brief jail sentence was a publicity bonanza. She followed that up in 1927 with "The Drag," a film set in the gay demimonde of the flapper age that included a halfhour scene set at an elaborate ball filled with transvestites and what were called "fairy-imitators" at the time. This was a full 60 years before Madonna "discovered" such scenes.

West's brand of audacious bawdiness was only harnessed by Hollywood as the studios faced Depression and financial ruin. Paramount hired her in 1932, and she all but stole her first movie from established star George Raft and then introduced the world to an unknown handsome face belonging to Cary Grant. He appears to melt and quiver in her mere presence.

Commentators, mostly female writers and critics, marvel at how West turned the idea of the "dirty" play or movie on its head. Instead of titillating male voyeurs, she spoke to women about how to confront male-dominated institutions and subvert them. West used the role of the "fallen woman"



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Mae West as Tira performs a "muscle dance" in the 1933 film "I'm No Angel."

to laugh at men, all the way to the bank. Few seemed to so savagely skewer male vulnerability and hypocrisy and have so much fun doing it.

While West is a product of another century's mores, many of the attitudes she confronted endure to this day — particularly the notion that anyone who challenges a male-dominated authority is bad. Or, in the words of a certain former TV reality star, "nasty."

This "American Master" profile is part of a monthlong salute to strong women.

• As I've written before, no TV series does a better job of laying out the chronology of recent history than "Frontline" (9:30 p.m., PBS, check local listings).

Tonight's installment, "The Virus: What Went Wrong?" takes a day-by-day look at how different countries reacted to the COVID-19 outbreak. Among the many lessons to take away from this "Frontline" is that governments that invest in public health resources are way ahead of the game. One only has to compare South Korea, which suffered some 300 deaths, and the United States, with more than 110,000 fatalities, and counting.

TONIGHT'S OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- Auditions continue on "America's Got Talent" (8 p.m., NBC, TV-PG).
- Games of chance on

 "Hell's Kitchen" (8 p.m., Fox, r,
- The 2017 documentary

 "Let It Fall: Los Angeles 19821992" (8 p.m., ABC) examines tensions between black residents and the LAPD culminating in the Rodney King
- A Chicago detective's methods don't mesh with the

bureau's ways on **"FBI"** (9 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14).

• CW continues its standup specials with "Marina Franklin: Single Black Female" (9 p.m., CW, TV-14).

- Burt Reynolds, Mark Wahlberg and an amazing ensemble star in the 1997 drama "Boogie Nights" (9 p.m., Sho2).
- The family squabbles about politics on an animated episode of "One Day at a Time" (9:30 p.m., Pop, TV-
- A police officer weaves a paranoid web of conspiracies on "FBI: Most Wanted" (10 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14).
- Callbacks begin on "World of Dance" (10 p.m., NBC, TV-PG).
- A cold case is reexamined on "The Genetic Detective" (10 p.m., ABC).

CULT CHOICE

Dick Van Dyke stars in the 1971 comedy "Cold Turkey"

(5:15 p.m., TCM, TV-PG), about a small town trying to collectively quit smoking to win a cash prize. Directed by Norman Lear ("All in the Family," "One Day at a Time").

SERIES NOTES

A welcome home party proves fatal on "NCIS" (8 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14) * Halloween on "DC's Stargirl" (8 p.m., CW, TV-PG) * Unsure on the Jersey Shore on "Gordon Ramsay's 24 Hours to Hell and Back" (9 p.m., Fox, r, TV-14)

LATE NIGHT

Jimmy Fallon welcomes Gwyneth Paltrow, Zachary Quinto and Alec Benjamin on "The Tonight Show" (11:35 p.m., NBC) * Black Pumas visit "Late Night With Seth Meyers" (12:35 a.m., NBC).

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NOTICE TO CITIZENS OF SUMTER COUNTY:

Pursuant to the South Carolina Eminent Domain Procedure Act, Section 28-2-70(c), Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, notice is hereby given that entry by personnel of the South Carolina Department of Transportation will be made in the area of the road described below for such purposes as topographic surveys, subsurface exploration, environmental related studies and for the gathering of any other data necessary for the planning, development of location alternatives, design, property acquisition, and construction of road and bridge replacement projects.

This project will consist of replacing the Manning Avenue (S-152) Bridge over the S.C.L. Railroad located in Sumter County. The project may also include improvements to the existing roadway and intersections in close proximity to the bridge. It is anticipated that additional right of way will be needed to construct this project due to new design standards.

More specific information about the project may be obtained by contacting Program Manager Bener Amado (803) 737-0181 in Columbia, South Carolina

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Abandoned

Abandoned

Vehicle Notice:
The following vehicle was abandoned at Newman's Automotive
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29153. Described as a 2005 Chevrolet Cavalier, VIN #
1G1JC12F157134980. Total Due for

storage is \$2,480.00 as of June 5, 2020. Owner is asked to call 803-773-3379. If not claimed in 30days, it will be turned over to the Magistrate's Office for public sale.

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The following vehicle was abandoned at 828 Bethel Church Rd.
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Vehicle Notice:
The following vehicle was abandoned at 828 Bethel Church Rd. Sumter, SC 29154. Described as a 2015 Nissan, VIN #1N4AL3AP8FW406134. Total Due for storage is \$3,600.00 as of March 9,2020, plus \$40.00 per day thereafter. Owner is asked to call 803-481-9898. If not claimed in 30 days, it will be turned over to the Magistrate's Office for public sale.



Public Hearing

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF MANNING PLANNING COMMISSION & PUBLIC HEARING

City of Manning Planning Commission will meet on Monday July 13, 2020 at 6:30 P.M., and the City Council will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, July 20, 2020 at 6:30 P.M., City Hall, 29 West Boyce Street, to hear the following:

Rezoning Request No. 2020-01M, a proposed map amendment to the zoning ordinance for properties located at S. Mill Street, Tax Map # 169-14-06-004-00 and 169-14-06-003-00 owned by Ken Wells, from Office Commercial (OC) to General Commercial (GC).

Documents related to the amendments are available for public inspection at City Hall 29 W Boyce Manning, S.C. during regular office

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 or such persons shall be forever barred as to heir 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:/Charles Pinkney Scott, Jr. #2020ES4300235

Personal Representative: Rose Gagne 3635 Drayton Dr.

Dalzell, SC 29040

Estate:/Blease Weldon III #2020ES4300245 Personal Representative:

Debra L. Weldon P.O. Box 3883

Sumter, S.C. 29150

Estate:/Barbara Armstrong #2020ES4300221 Personal Representative:

Lafayette Armstrong 510 Pitts Road Sumter, SC 29154 J. David Weeks Attorney at Law PO Box 370 Sumter, SC 29151

Estate:/Larry Gale Hutson #2020ES4300244

Personal Representative: Keith Edward Brown Dalzell, S.C. 29040

Estate:/Dorothy Harvin Felder #2020ES4300223 Personal Representative:

Susan F. Mixon

2010 Plowden Mill Road Sumter, SC 29153

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Estate:/David Carson Griffin #2020ES4300237 Personal Representative:

Kathi R Iones 1285 Cutleaf Dr Sumter, S.C. 29150

W. T. Geddings Jr. Attorney at Law 20 S Brooks St. Manning, S.C. 29102

Estate:/Sara Truett Coulter #2020ES4300224

Personal Representative:
Eleanor Leigh Bogdany 1626 YorkRoad

Kings Mountain, NC 28086 Estate:/William Graham

Tisdale #2020ES4300228

Personal Representative:
Arlene T. Jones
5235 Brewington Rd.
Sumter, SC 29153

Estate:/Rose Gayle Heyward #2020ES4300216

Personal Representative:
Robert Heyward, Jr. 201 Fenway Lane Greenville, SC 29605

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Personal Representative:
Linda Hinson
3341 Cains Mill Rd. Sumter, S.C. 29154 Marvin E. Mcmillan Jr. Attorney at Law Sumter, S.C. 29151

Estate:/Annie Louise Henderson #2020ES4300246

Personal Representative: Lowell Joe Henderson 318 East Charlotte Ave.

Sumter, SC 29150 Thomas E. Player Jr. Attorney at Law P O Box 3690 Sumter, S.C. 29151

Estate:/Joseph Barton Davis, Jr. #2020ES4300225

Personal Representative: Jacquelyn E. Davis 1092 Lemon Ave. Manning, SC 29102

Estate:/Pearlie Mae Champagne #2020ES4300248 Personal Representative:

Booker A. Hill 1370 Willowbrook Dr. Marietta, G.A. 30064

Estate #2020ES4300241

Personal Representative:
Reginald D. Frierson 4138 Barnes Ave. Bronx, N.Y. 10466 Elbert K. Turbeville

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Estate:/Jerome M. White #2020ES4300240

Personal Representative:

Laravia White 145 Masters Dr Sumter, S.C. 29154

Dalzell, SC 29040

Estate:/Louise L. Brabham #2020ES4300229

Personal Representative: John M. Brabham 2761 Creekside Dr. Sumter, SC 29150 Mary B. Sheridan 3490 Kel Sam Dr.

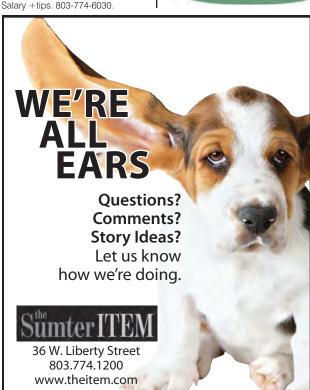
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Personal Representative:

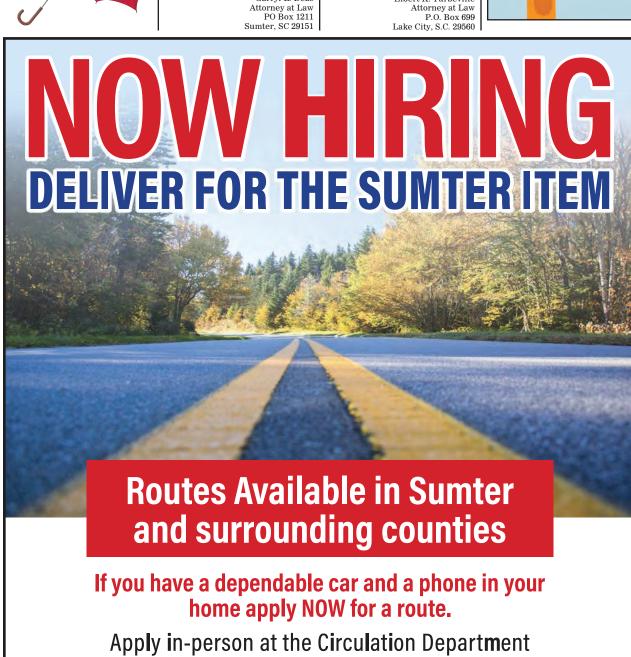
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YOUR COVID-19 RESOURCES

Online resources including monitoring cases, virtual screenings, what has been closed or altered locally, and

GENERAL RESOURCES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention — https://bit. ly/2xRMrNJ

DHEC county-by-county map of cases - https://bit.ly/2JHSVkO

Johns Hopkins University Coronavirus Resource Center — https:// coronavirus.jhu.edu/

Johns Hopkins COVID-19 global cases map — https://bit. ly/2VgHCWc

The President's Guidelines for America — https://bit. ly/2URfB8Q

Gov. Henry McMaster's Executive Orders — https://bit.ly/3bZnajt Gov. Henry McMaster's Twitter https://bit.ly/2yLH8jt

U.S. Department of Defense https://bit.ly/3e5vDne

FEMA's Coronavirus Rumor Control https://bit.ly/34kQcrb

LOCAL RESOURCES

The Sumter Item's FREE coronavirus coverage - https://bit. ly/3dZzTEy

Contact The Sumter Item's staff https://bit.ly/3bY3HiY

Sumter County's local restaurants offering takeout, curbside, delivery service — https://bit.ly/3aXaBFo Closures, cancellations and chang-

es, updated daily — https://bit. ly/2yLHKFN **Sumter County government build-**

ings, services closed — https://bit. ly/3bXnTBy **Sumter County website** — https://

bit.ly/3c3u9be City of Sumter website — https://

bit.ly/2RpCkH0

Shaw Air Force Base - https://bit. ly/34yNpKW

Clarendon County website https://bit.ly/34zCqBh

Lee County website — http:// leecountysc.org/

MEDICAL RESOURCES

What are the symptoms? A guide from the CDC — https://bit. ly/2VfhH10

A list of telehealth options for free **virtual screening** — https://bit. ly/39PHnH7

Prisma Health — https://bit. ly/2y03SiV

MUSC - https://bit.ly/2VgKdiU McLeod Health — https://bit.

PUBLIC AGENDA

EDITOR'S NOTE: Please

note that due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, some

of the following meetings/

events may be cancelled, re-

SUMTER CITY COUNCIL (VIRTUAL)

Today, 5:30 p.m., Sumter Opera House, 21 N. Main St. The Sumter

Opera House is currently closed

to the public due to the coronavirus. View the meeting at

www.youtube.com/CityofSumter.

Colonial Healthcare — https://bit. ly/2VhA0mB

Dr. Clay Lowder's (of Colonial Healthcare) Facebook page — https://bit.ly/2XmcC9R

Sandhills Medical Foundation is conducting drive-thru testing in Camden - http://sandhillsmedical.org/

JOBLESS BENEFITS AND RESOURCES

Information about unemployment benefits with the S.C. Department of Employment and Workforce https://dew.sc.gov/covid-hub

If you need to sign up for unemployment benefits, start here https://bit.ly/2JRNAYt

DEW answers questions about filing for unemployment — https://bit. ly/2wpRmFp

Advice for laid-off workers from **DEW** — https://bit.ly/2xUJPi9

EDUCATION

Chromebook tech support https://bit.ly/2xdOewG

Resources and accounts for parents with at-home children — https:// bit.ly/2JOJ10r

USC updates - https://bit.ly/2y8pjuy

Morris College — https://www. morris.edu/calendar/?

Central Carolina Technical College FAQ and student resources available during shutdown — https:// bit.ly/34zDe9h

Online enrollment application for **Central Carolina Technical College** - https://bit.ly/2xdjGLu

MENTAL HEALTH/ WELLNESS/FITNESS

The National Suicide Prevention Hotline provides 24/7, free, confidential support for anyone in distress. The hotline also provides prevention and crisis resources as well as best practices for professionals — https:// suicidepreventionlifeline.org/

Resources from the S.C. Department of Mental Health to help find free potential emotional support tools, includes articles about helping children cope - https:// bit.ly/34ofIRC

Managing anxiety during COVID-19 — https://bit.ly/2Rnrdye

What you should be buying at the grocery store during the coronavirus outbreak — https://bit. ly/2xg449X

Staying fit at home: Ideas from a **Sumter Family YMCA health leader** https://bit.ly/34nE3S8

CLARENDON SCHOOL DISTRICT 2 Today, 5:30 p.m., district office, 15 Major Drive, Manning

CLARENDON COUNTY PLANNING &

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION Today, 6 p.m., planning commission office, 411 Sunset

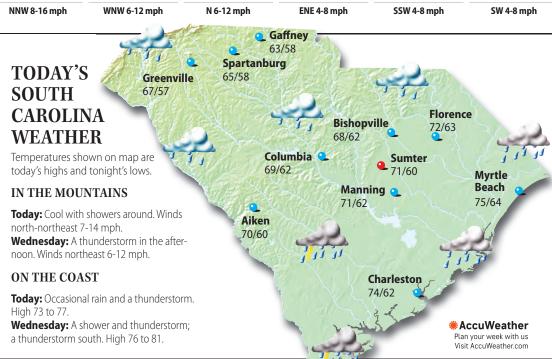
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WEATHER

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AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Sumter

TODAY	TONIGHT	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
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A shower and t-storm around	Cloudy with a bit of rain	An afternoon thunderstorm	Warmer with a thunderstorm	Clouds and sun with a t-storm	An afternoon t-storm in spots	
71°	60°	76° / 62°	84° / 66°	87° / 68°	89° / 70°	
Chance of rain: 70%	Chance of rain: 60%	Chance of rain: 60%	Chance of rain: 55%	Chance of rain: 65%	Chance of rain: 40%	
NNW 8-16 mph	WNW 6-12 mph	N 6-12 mph	ENE 4-8 mph	SSW 4-8 mph	SW 4-8 mph	



LOCAL ALMANAC

SUMTER THROUGH 2 P.M. YESTERDAY

Temperature	!
High	68°
Low	63°
Normal high	88°
Normal low	66°
Record high	101° in 2015
Record low	50° in 1979

Precipitation	
24 hrs ending 2 p.m. yest.	0.02"
Month to date	1.16"
Normal month to date	2.60"
Year to date	28.68"
Last year to date	14.69"
Normal year to date	20.35"

LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Full pool	7 a.m. yest.	24-h chg
Murray	360	357.52	-0.06
Marion	76.8	75.69	-0.10
Moultrie	75.5	74.93	none
Wateree	100	96.96	+0.0

RIVER STAGES

River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Black River	12	9.64	-0.15
Congaree River	19	4.35	-1.20
Lynches River	14	7.84	-0.15
Saluda River	14	3.52	-0.05
Up. Santee River	80	79.23	+0.06
Wateree River	24	11.79	+0.10

SUN AND MOON

Moonrise	6:10 a.m. 3:18 a.m.	Moonset	8:35 p.m 4:23 p.m
New	First	Full	Last
June 21	June 28	July 5	July 12

TIDES

AT MYRTLE BEACH

	High	Ht.	Low	Ht
Today	6:08 a.m.	2.6	12:51 a.m.	0.9
	6:38 p.m.	3.0	12:53 p.m.	0.3
Wed.	6:56 a.m.	2.6	1:42 a.m.	0.7
	7:24 p.m.	3.1	1:37 p.m.	0.2

NATIONAL CITIES REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	74/61/sh	79/65/pc	Asheville	64/56/r	70/57/sh	Florence	72/63/r	78/62/t	Marion	62/56/r	69/58/sh
Chicago	86/62/s	88/65/s	Athens	73/60/sh	80/63/c	Gainesville	86/64/pc	86/67/sh	Mt. Pleasant	75/64/r	77/64/t
Dallas	93/72/s	95/73/s	Augusta	74/59/c	81/60/t	Gastonia	65/60/sh	74/60/sh	Myrtle Beach	75/64/r	77/66/t
Detroit	82/58/s	85/59/s	Beaufort	76/63/c	81/65/t	Goldsboro	72/64/r	77/65/r	Orangeburg	71/62/t	75/61/t
Houston	94/70/s	94/70/s	Cape Hatteras	78/71/r	82/72/r	Goose Creek	73/62/r	77/63/t	Port Royal	76/64/c	78/65/t
Los Angeles	78/62/pc	76/59/pc	Charleston	74/62/r	78/63/t	Greensboro	62/56/r	68/59/sh	Raleigh	67/59/r	71/61/sh
New Orleans	92/77/s	91/76/s	Charlotte	65/60/c	73/58/c	Greenville	67/57/sh	75/58/t	Rock Hill	65/60/c	72/59/c
New York	78/61/s	80/64/s	Clemson	69/60/c	76/60/c	Hickory	63/56/r	71/58/sh	Rockingham	67/61/r	74/63/sh
Orlando	89/69/pc	90/71/pc	Columbia	69/62/t	76/61/t	Hilton Head	75/64/r	77/65/t	Savannah	79/61/c	82/63/c
Philadelphia	78/60/pc	78/63/pc	Darlington	68/64/t	75/62/t	Jacksonville, F	L 83/64/pc	85/68/pc	Spartanburg	65/58/sh	74/58/t
Phoenix	107/76/s	103/75/s	Elizabeth City	72/68/r	76/68/r	La Grange	80/59/pc	81/64/pc	Summerville	73/62/r	76/61/t
San Francisco	71/54/s	78/55/s	Elizabethtown	71/64/r	76/64/t	Macon	79/57/pc	83/63/c	Wilmington	73/64/r	77/65/r
Wash., DC	77/64/pc	75/66/pc	Fayetteville	71/63/r	76/64/t	Marietta	73/60/sh	79/64/pc	Winston-Salem	62/57/r	68/59/sh

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The last word

in astrology **EUGENIA LAST** ARIES (March 21-April 19): Slow down, and take a moment to

look around and see what everyone is doing. The more you observe, the greater leverage you'll have when it comes time for you to step into the spotlight. Be responsible, not reactionary.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Follow your instincts. Don't hesitate because someone can't make up his or her mind. How you feel should determine what you do next. Pursue a goal that helps you get what you want without breaking any rules or regulations.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Make personal improvements that lift your spirit and give you the courage to conquer your dreams. Stick to whatever plan or path you choose, and don't stop until you're happy with the results you achieve.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Look for a way to help. Be part of the solution. Share your thoughts and opinions. Do whatever it takes to collaborate with people who share your plan. Be reluctant to deal with institutions and government agencies without sufficient preparation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Take care of personal matters first. Address concerns regarding your health, appearance and relationships with others. You may crave change, but hold off until you're ready to initiate what you want to happen.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Put your plans to the test. Step up and share your thoughts with those who have the means to help you get what you want. Beware of anyone bold, smooth and offering too much for too little. Trust your instincts.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Question any relationship that is too demanding. Concentrate on what makes you happy and how you see yourself moving forward. Don't buy into a plan that you don't feel passionate about or that will deter you from following your heart.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Share your feelings, work on a plan that fits your budget and bring about the changes that will make you happy. Don't limit what you can do; with time, effort and compromise, you can turn your home into your personal Shangri-La.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Plan to do something energetic. Keeping active will help you ward off pent-up feelings and a potential argument. Give yourself the time to think about what you want and how best to proceed. Make a promise to someone you love.

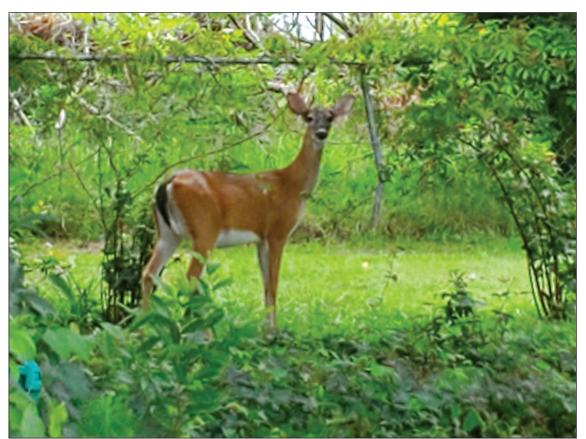
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Put your heart and soul into turning your residence into a place that encourages you to explore new interests and expand your entertainment center. Work with whoever you share your space with to ensure you achieve something perfect for everyone.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Take a step back, look at what you're up against and consider how to make the best use of your time. Don't feel responsible for someone's happiness. It's time to work on personal growth and what pleases you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Stifle unsavory situations before they have a chance to grow. An intelligent approach to whatever problem you face, coupled with hands-on work to make your environment better for everyone you live with, will make your life easier.

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