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**Graham unveils bill for nationwide abortion ban after 15 weeks**

Senator reignites issue ahead of the midterm elections

BY LISA MASCARO  
AP Congressional Correspondent

WASHINGTON — Upending the political debate, Republican Sen. Lindsey Graham introduced a nationwide abortion ban bill Tuesday, sending shockwaves through

both parties and igniting fresh debate on a fraught issue weeks before the midterm elections that will determine control of Congress.

Graham's own Republican Party leaders did not immediately embrace his abortion ban bill, which would prohibit the procedure after 15 weeks of pregnancy with rare exceptions and has almost no chance of becoming law in the Democratic-held Congress. Democrats torched it as an

alarming signal of where "MAGA" Republicans are headed if they win control of the House and Senate in November.

"America's got to make some decisions," Graham said at a news conference at the Capitol.

The South Carolina Republican said that rather than shying away from the Supreme Court's ruling this summer overturning Roe vs. Wade's nearly 50-year right to



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Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., speaks during a news conference to discuss the introduction of the Protecting Pain-Capable Unborn Children from Late-Term Abortions Act on Capitol Hill on Tuesday in Washington.

abortion access, Republicans are preparing to fight to make a nationwide abortion ban federal law.

"Oh, no, no, no, no, no, no, we're going nowhere," the senator said while flanked by

female advocates from the anti-abortion movement. "We welcome the debate. We welcome the vote in the United States Senate as to what

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**Sumter native climbs ranks to 3-star general in U.S. Air Force**

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Many mothers are proud to spread news about their children's success, including a Sumter woman who recently became able to boast her daughter is now a three-star general.



SHIPTON

Sumter native Donna Shipton was recently promoted to lieutenant general in the U.S. Air Force, a three-star ranking in the military.

On Aug. 22, she was honored with the promotion, and she works at the Pentagon as military deputy for the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, according to her Air Force biography. In this role, Shipton is responsible for research and development, test, production, product support and modernization of Air Force programs worth more than \$60 billion annually.

*'We had no idea this little girl, she would go out and play, and she was always the leader ... we didn't see it at the time. We didn't see where that was going to take her, but I'm just very proud of her.'*

**MACEY 'BUTCH' SHIPTON**

Mother of 3-star  
Lt. Gen. Donna Shipton

Training Corps scholarship to Clemson University. That scholarship was what led to Donna Shipton's future, her mother said.

"We didn't have a lot of money back then," she humbly said. "We didn't have any idea that we could send her to college."

According to Butch, Shipton attended Furman High School, which is the middle

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*Fall Feast returns with food, entertainment*



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Fall Feast returned to Swan Lake Iris Gardens on Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Fall Feast is one of several Sumter Green-hosted events throughout the year. Vendors cooked food and brought drinks while Olanta Band played music. Proceeds from the event go toward maintaining green spaces in the Sumter community such as landscaping, gardens, entryways and more. While the event is normally held annually at USC Sumter, this was the second year Fall Feast was held at Swan Lake, a shift made to a more open space during COVID-19. See more photos from the event on A5.



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## County council chairman recounts Sumter integration with AFCENT airmen

**BY CAPT. LAUREN LINSOTT**

Ninth Air Force (Air Forces Central) Public Affairs

SHAW AIR FORCE BASE — The Ninth Air (Air Forces Central) commander, Lt. Gen. Alexis Grynkeiwich, and AFCENT senior leaders welcomed Sumter County Council Chairman, James T. McCain Jr., to speak to airmen at Shaw Air Force Base and in multiple locations in the Middle East through a video teleconference Monday.

Since taking command in July, Grynkeiwich held this engagement in support of his first priority for the command: value everyone and their contributions. McCain's life story is one that shows how this kind of inclusion can positively impact a life.

His story is also one that demonstrates the negative impact exclusion can have on an individual and future generations through generational trauma.

Having been born and raised in Sumter, McCain offered airmen a unique perspective of the important role the base has had in pushing for inclusivity in Sumter.

"A lot of Sumter leaders focus on the economic impact that Shaw has had on Sumter, which is currently over \$2.5 billion annually," McCain said. "However, I think the social impacts that Shaw has had on Sumter is just as important."

McCain went on to describe the racially segregated and racist environment he experienced growing up in Sumter in the early 1960s.

"I don't have a lot of high school memories. I've repressed most of them," he said. "But one I do remember is during a pep rally when the few Black students in my school would all sit together. The band would play 'Dixie,' and the white students would wave Confederate flags

over us."

However, while Sumter did not offer many positive experiences for McCain, he has many fond memories of "Shaw Field," as it used to be known.

"I couldn't go to the public swimming pools in Sumter, but I could swim at the pools on Shaw," he said. "I even became a lifeguard because of that access."

Beyond swimming pools, though, McCain also discussed how Sumter schools became integrated because of a court case filed by Shaw airmen in 1964 to block the assignment of students on Shaw to schools on the basis of race or color.

These trailblazing airmen won, and the schools in Sumter desegregated in 1965.

However, even that shift wasn't enough for McCain to want to stay in Sumter. He moved to Atlanta to attend Morehouse College and began a career with the United Postal System, traveling all over the world to computerize UPS operations.

He returned to Sumter to take care of his mother in 2009, but he returned to a town different than he remembered.

"In the 40 years since I had left, I now saw Sumter as an international town," he said. "Even if Shaw airmen are not here for long, we have people who had lived all over the world here in Sumter. That didn't happen when I was young, and having my own international view from working with UPS, it helped me to become a part of Sumter, too."

At the conclusion of McCain's story, Grynkeiwich offered his thanks to McCain and his perspective on where the U.S. military stands today on integrating minorities into the force.

"We as a U.S. military have made plenty of progress," Grynkeiwich said,



PHOTOS BY U.S. AIR FORCE SENIOR MASTER SGT. NADINE BARCLAY / SPECIAL TO THE SUMTER ITEM

Sumter County Council Chairman Jim McCain Jr. meets with airmen at Shaw Air Force Base on Monday to speak to them and military members in the Middle East by video conference about his experiences growing up in Sumter during segregation.



"but there is plenty more to be made when it comes to race, gender, LGBTQ+ and in other areas. We can't rest on our laurels. We don't want to go back."

McCain closed by thanking the airmen for their service, meeting many of the airmen in the room and taking questions.

When asked by one attendee if he had any bitterness toward Sumter for

its treatment of him, McCain shook his head in the negative, "Morehouse College and my daddy taught me to be bigger than that."

"Besides," he said, "why would I look to the past when the future is so bright?"

*Author's note: On behalf of 9 AF (AFCENT), we would like to thank McCain for sharing his story with us.*

## Hydrant flow tests today, Thursday on Broad Street

**STAFF REPORT**

The City of Sumter will perform fire hydrant flow tests on Broad Street. Water customers in this area and surrounding area may experience temporary discolored water.

Work will be performed between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. today and Thursday.

If you have any questions, please contact the City of Sumter Public Services office at (803) 436-2558.

## Community blood drive will be held Sept. 25 in Manning

MANNING — Historic Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church and the Sickle Cell Anemia Disease Society have joined hands to host a Community Blood Drive 1-6 p.m. on Sept. 25 at the Manning Elementary School gymnasium, 311 W. Boyce St.

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## Ruth Josey Bell Performing Arts Series to feature soul, Caribbean, funk music

**BY ALAYSHA MAPLE**
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The Lee County Arts Council announced its lineup for the 2022-23 Ruth Josey Bell Performing Arts Series.

Bell, a native of Lee County, was "instrumental in starting the concert series," according to Zack Medlin, chairman of the Lee County Arts Council. Bell attended the Juilliard School of Music in New York City and was a music teacher at Lamar High School in Lamar, according to her obituary. Bell passed away in 2014.

Several years ago, the council decided to rename the series after Bell for her pioneering and love of the arts.

The season consists of

five concerts with different musical styles.

To kick off the series, on Sept. 22, The Holiday Band will venture from Burlington, North Carolina, to perform a blend of soul, blues, funk and

Carolina beach music. A reception will be held at 6:30 p.m. with wine and cheese before the show begins

at 7:30 p.m.

Be sure to dust off your boots at the beginning of the year, as The Josh Brannon Band performs its country/Southern rock music at the Bishopville Opera House on Jan. 26, 2023.

The series will then bring the Caribbean to

Bishopville on Feb. 23, 2023, with The Palmetto Pans Steel Band from the USC School of Music. Another performance from the School of Music will be announced at a later date.

On March 9, 2023, Tony Howard's Motown Review will entertain audience members with his Las Vegas-style show, full of entertainers and dancers who pay tribute to legendary artists such as Tina Turner; The Temptations; Gladys Knight & the Pips; Earth, Wind and Fire; and more.

"We try to mix it up so you have something to where if you don't like one, at least it'll be one or two that you might say 'Well, it's worth going,'" Medlin said. "I know people go out of

town to see concerts, but we've got some great artists to Lee County."

All concerts will be held at the Bishopville Opera House, 109 N. Main St., in Bishopville.

Individual series tickets for all five performances are \$100, and tickets for individual performances are available for \$25 each in advance or \$30 at the door.

Students are admitted free to these concerts, and sponsorships are also available.

To purchase tickets or for more information about The Ruth Josey Bell Performing Arts Series and how you can support it, call (803) 484-5090 or drop by the Bishopville Opera House on Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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## 2 S.C. natives' artwork will hang in USC Sumter galleries this fall

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Out of its four galleries open to the public, two of USC Sumter's galleries will feature art from two South Carolina natives — and you can even take the artwork home, for the right price.

In the Upstairs Gallery on the second floor of the Williams-Brice-Edwards Administration Building is Dominique Hodge's "Wisdom Born" exhibit. Born and raised in Sumter, Hodge, known artistically as "Jakeem Da Dream," is described as an "afro futuristic artist." He views art as "a form of alchemy, being able to transmute the conscience of the Black experience into works of visual art that transcends time and space," according to his bio.

Once he graduated from high school, Hodge went on to further his artistic knowledge by attending the Arts Institute. He is working in the community, instructing art classes and paint-and-sip events through local art studios Millennium

Studios, the Sumter County Gallery of Art and Columbia Art Center. It was through Millennium Studios that he debuted two of his exhibits, the first "Jakeem Had a Dream" and the second "Faithful Creator."

Influenced by artists Jean-Michel Basquiat, Cedric Umoja, Sanford Green, Jack Kirby, Hayao Miyazaki and RZA, Hodge's art contains elements of African as well as African American culture, Japanese culture, mythology, religion, science fiction and astrology.

His work has earned him an honorable mention in the 2019 Sumter Artists Guild Exhibition and the chance to participate in the live art competition, Art Slam Live, since 2018. Aside from his work on canvas, Hodge has completed numerous mural projects in local schools and businesses.

Hodge works in the pilot "Artpreneur" program with the Auntie Karen Foundation, a nonprofit organization focused on "empowering, enlightening and educating through

the arts," according to his bio. The program allows him to educate and instruct youth in visual arts in schools throughout the state such as Timmonsville Elementary, Hardeeville Elementary, Kenneth Gardner Elementary and Greeleyville Elementary.

Hodge's exhibit will be featured at the gallery until Nov. 30.

If you can't get enough of local talent, take a journey across campus to the Umpteenth Gallery, in the Arts & Letters Building, to see Julie Watts' exhibit "No Reservations. A South Carolina native, a Native American woman and counselor at The Santee-Water-ree Community Mental Health Center, Watts first fell in love with painting at Chapin High School as a student in Mrs. Malone's art class 30 years ago.

When her children were young, she painted when time and energy allowed. However, as they grew older, she focused on painting, taking classes from Mary Ann Reames at the Sumter County Gallery of Art. Eight years ago, Watts en-



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**Dominique Hodge's artwork will be featured in the Upstairs Gallery at USC Sumter until Nov. 30.**

rolled in an oil painting class taught by Gloria Pounds and has been under her mentorship since. Watts is a member of the Sumter Artists Guild, and her work has been featured in its annual exhibition for several years. She had an exhibit as the Guild's Artist of the Month at the Gallery of Art in September 2014. In 2016, Watts was part of a show, "American Configuration" at Covenant Place in Sumter, and part of the "Sacred Sisters" exhibit, sponsored by The S.C. Indigenous Women's Alliance, in No-

vember 2019.

In her bio, it is explained that Watts is inspired by the struggles of women, especially Indigenous women, and her pride as a Native American woman is expressed in her paintings.

"Painting is my passion, and these works show some of the things that really inspire me. Many of my paintings have Native American themes, while some are vintage reminders of 'The Good Ol Days.' Painting portraits of people is one of my favorite subjects, as each person carries with them a story to tell. The common thread is a palette with bright colors that liven things up and bring me joy," Watts said. "When I sit down to paint, all of the stress of everyday life seems to melt away and bring me to a place of peaceful meditation. As you look at this group of paintings, pay attention to what thoughts, feelings and emotions they may stir in you, and have your own mindful moment."

Watts' exhibit will be featured in the Umpteenth Gallery until Dec. 16.

The artwork featured in the exhibit is available for purchase and ranges in price from \$100 to \$850. Prices for the artwork are displayed at the gallery. To purchase one or for more information, email Laura Cardello at [lcardello3@gmail.com](mailto:lcardello3@gmail.com).

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Trane representatives present Sumter School District officials on Monday at its school board meeting a rebate check for energy conservation measures the company has implemented throughout the district's schools in a performance contract in the last year. The check is for \$193,174. From left are Trane representative John Anderson, school board Chairwoman Barbara Jackson, Superintendent William Wright Jr. and Trane project manager James Johnson.

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## SHIPTON

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school today. There, a guidance counselor helped the family find a way to send Shipton to college, something both Butch and her husband, the late Ernest F. Shipton, wanted badly for their children.

"She believed in us that we could do this, and I told Donna before that I guess we just needed someone to believe that we could do it. That we could find a way to get her to college," Butch said.

The counselor found the Air Force ROTC scholarship, and Shipton applied without hesitation and was accepted.

At the time, her parents didn't see it as the beginning of Shipton's career path. It was a way to take her education further and be a

first-generation college student. However, Butch said that mindset changed as Shipton learned more about the military and spoke with her father, who served in both the U.S. Navy and Air Force.

"It's been very good to her," Butch said about the Air Force.

Shipton received her commission in 1991 as a distinguished graduate of Air Force ROTC after graduating from Clemson University.

"If it hadn't been for the ROTC scholarship, I really don't know what we would have done because it paid for her tuition," Butch said.

Shipton was always determined to climb the ladder as soon as she became an officer in the Air Force, but Butch said that trait started at an early age.

"We had no idea this little girl," Butch said, "she would

go out and play, and she was always the leader ... we didn't see it at the time. We didn't see where that was going to take her, but I'm just very proud of her."

Butch added that once Shipton became an officer in the Air Force, she created a timeline of her career, determined to receive a specific ranking before her time was up.

"When she first went in, she set her goals. She told me her goal was to make colonel," Butch said. "When she reached colonel and made colonel, she was going to have to decide what she was going to do — was she going to get out or was she going to continue on? She talked to me and said, 'I just don't

think I'm done yet. I think I have more to give the military.'"

Her mother's response: "You don't know until you try." And it's a good thing she took her mother's advice. Soon after, Shipton furthered her goals from a one-star to a three-star general.

Reflecting on her time in the military, Butch could barely believe her daughter's success and that it all started from an inspiration of hope.

"She's a local hometown girl that just grew up poor," Shipton's mother said, "so don't tell me that you can't do it. Because you can."

### MORE ABOUT LT. GEN. DONNA SHIPTON

According to Shipton's bi-

ography, she went on to further her education during her time in the Air Force, receiving a Master's in Business Administration, a Master's in Organization Management and many Air Force school degrees.

During her career, Shipton has served in a variety of positions including squadron and group commander, senior materiel leader, Air Force program executive officer, center vice commander and major command director of Strategic Plans, Programs, Requirements and Analyses.

Since October 1992, Shipton has served in 19 assignments in her career, the last being at the Pentagon in her new role.

## S.C. nuclear fuel plant can keep running for 40 years

COLUMBIA (AP) — Federal officials have granted a South Carolina factory which is just one of three in the country making fuel for nuclear plants a license to keep operating for 40 years.

Environmental groups had fought the new license for Westinghouse Nuclear in Columbia or at least asked federal officials to limit it to 20 years because of more than 40 environmental and safety problems at the facility since 1980.

Those issues included nuclear material leaking through the plant floor, the buildup of uranium in an air pollution control device and groundwater pollution near the factory, *The State* newspaper reported.

But the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission announced Monday it approved allowing the plant, built more than five decades ago, to keep making atomic fuel rods through 2062.

The agency cited a recent environmental study saying only small to moderate environmental impacts could be expected from the plant during the next 40 years.

Those environmental studies did not leave critics of the plant feeling better about its possible impacts, said Tom Clements, a nuclear safety watchdog.

"It's no surprise," Clements told the newspaper. "They have totally ignored public concerns about a 40-year operating license and all the events that have taken place over the last

years. It makes it look like this was a done deal."

Westinghouse has been ordered to pay a number of small fines over the past 40 years, including \$24,000 after ash in the plant's incinerator exceeded limits for uranium.

In 2018, an acid solution burned a small hole in the floor of the plant, allowing uranium to contaminate the soil. The company cleaned up the area.

Environmentalists also said Westinghouse has not done enough to make sure dangerous material doesn't enter groundwater around the plant, but state officials said extensive testing and review by their scientists and three independent firms left them confident the factory was not an environmental threat.

South Carolina's Westinghouse plant has nearly 1,000 workers and is one of three factories in the U.S. making the fuel to run nuclear power plants. The other facilities are in Wilmington, North Carolina, and Richland, Washington.

Westinghouse promised safety is its top priority as it continues to make the fuel during the next 40 years.

"The Columbia fuel fabrication facility plays a vital role in fueling the global operating nuclear fleet while also assuring United States energy independence," Patrick Fragman, Westinghouse's president and chief executive officer, said in a statement.

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# Beautiful weather for a feast

A crowd enjoys the annual Sumter Green Fall Feast at Swan Lake Iris Gardens on Thursday. The event serves as a fundraiser for the group that works to beautify areas across Sumter.

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# ABORTION

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America should look like in 2022.”

Reaction was swift, fierce and unwavering from Democrats who viewed Graham’s legislation as an extreme example of the far-right’s hold on the GOP and as a political gift of self-inflicted pain for Republican candidates now having to answer questions about an abortion ban heading toward the midterm elections.

“A nationwide abortion ban — that’s the contrast between the two parties, plain and simple,” Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer said.

Sen. Patty Murray, a Democrat from Washington who is in her own fight for reelection, said Republicans “want to force” women to stay pregnant and deliver babies.

“To anyone who thought they were safe, here is the painful reality,” she said. “Republicans are coming for your rights.”

The sudden turn of events comes in a razor-tight election season as Republicans hoping to win control of Congress are struggling to recapture momentum, particularly after the Supreme Court’s landmark decision sparked deep concerns among some voters, with signs of female voters peeling away from the GOP.

In a midterm election where the party out of the White House traditionally holds an advantage, even more so this year with President Joe Biden’s lackluster approval ratings, the Democrats have regained their own momentum pushing back the GOP candidates in House and Senate races.

Tuesday’s announcement set up an immediate split screen with Biden and Democrats poised to celebrate their accomplishments in a ceremony at the White House after passage of the Inflation Reduction Act and Republicans forced to answer for Graham’s proposed abortion ban.

“This bill is wildly out of step with what Americans believe,” White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre said in a statement.

“While President Biden and Vice President Harris are focused on the historic passage of the Inflation Reduction Act to reduce the cost of prescription drugs, health care and energy — and to take unprecedented action to address climate change — Republicans in Congress are focused on taking rights away from millions of women,” Jean-Pierre said.

Graham’s legislation has almost zero chance of becoming law, but it elevates the abortion issue at a time when other Republicans would prefer to focus on inflation, border security and Biden’s leadership.

The Republican bill would ban abortions nationwide after 15 weeks of pregnancy, except in cases of rape, incest or risk to the physical health of the mother. Graham said it would put the U.S. on par with many countries in Europe and around the world.

In particular, Graham’s bill would leave in place state laws that are more restrictive. That provision is notable because many Republicans have argued that the Supreme Court’s ruling leaves the abortion

issue for the states to decide. But the legislation from the Republicans makes it clear states are only allowed to decide the issue if their abortion bans are more stringent.

Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell, who is one seat away from majority control, declined to embrace Graham’s legislation.

“I think every Republican senator running this year in these contested races has an answer as to how they feel about the issue,” McConnell said. He said most GOP senators prefer having the issue dealt with by the states, rather than at the federal level. “So I leave it up to our candidates who are quite capable of handling this issue to determine for them what their response is.”

The Democratic senators most at risk this fall and other Democratic candidates running for Congress appeared eager to fight against Graham’s proposed nationwide abortion ban.

Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto, a Nevada Democrat, tweeted that Graham “and every other anti-choice extremist can take a hike.”

Her Republican opponent, Adam Laxalt, has during his campaign insisted that abortion is protected in the state constitution, which it may no longer be under this bill.

In Colorado, another Democrat up for reelection, Sen. Michael Bennet, tweeted: “A nationwide abortion ban is outrageous.”

Bennet pledged “to defend a woman’s right to make her own health care decisions, no matter what ZIP code she lives in. We cannot afford to let the Republicans take back the Senate.”

His opponent in Colorado, Republican Joe O’Dea, who supports putting abortion access that had been guaranteed under Roe vs. Wade into law, agreed, in part: “A Republican ban is as reckless and tone deaf as is Joe Biden and Chuck Schumer’s hostility to considering any compromise on late term abortion, parental notification or conscience protections for religious hospitals.”

The races for control of Congress are tight in the split 50-50 Senate, where one seat determines majority control, and in the House, where Speaker Nancy Pelosi can afford to lose only a few seats.

Pelosi called Graham’s bill the “clearest signal of extreme MAGA Republicans’ intent to criminalize women’s health freedom in all 50 states and arrest doctors for providing basic care. Make no mistake: if Republicans get the chance, they will work to pass laws even more draconian than this bill.”

Republican leaders on Capitol Hill tried to hold the party together amid the differences.

“I think that what it’s attempting to do is probably change the conversation a little bit,” said Sen. John Thune, a South Dakota Republican and second-ranking party leader.

“Democrats are implying that all Republicans are for a ban without exceptions, and that’s not true,” Thune said. “There are Republicans who are in favor of restrictions. And I think this is an attempt to at least put something out there that reflects the views of a lot of Republicans who are in favor of some restrictions.”

ing of a meal.

The speakers at the event will be Aaron Gross, pastor of Seacoast Church, Manning Campus, and Joel Delph, pastor of Seacoast Church, Mt. Pleasant Campus.

The worship service will be led by Seacoast Church, Manning.

Everyone is invited to come, bring a chair, a covered dish and a grateful heart.

For more information, call (803) 518-2123.

## 2021 Water Quality Report Town of Pinewood System# 4310002

We’re pleased to provide you with this year’s Water Quality Report. We want to keep you informed about the water and services we have delivered to you over the past year. Our goal is to provide to you a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. The source of our water is two ground water wells.

A Source Water Assessment Plan has been prepared for our system. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Mayor Jack Spann at (803) 452-5878. We want you, our neighbors and valued customers, to be informed about your water utility. Feel free to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings on the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm at the Pinewood Community Center.

This report shows our water quality and what it means. The Town of Pinewood routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. As water travels over the land or underground, it can pick up substances or contaminants such as microbes and chemicals. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It’s important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily pose a health risk.

The table below shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2021. In this table you will find the following terms and abbreviations:

**Action Level (AL)**- the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l)** - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

**Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per - liter-** one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

**Maximum Contaminant Level** -The “Maximum Allowed” (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. MCL’s are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal** – The “Goal” (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDLG)- The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water.

There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)**-The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**Non-Detects (ND)**- laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

Test Results								
Town of Pinewood #4310002								
<b>REGULATED CONTAMINANTS</b>								
Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest average	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation (Y/N)	Likely Source or Contamination
Chlorine	2021	RAA 0.0	0.3-0.6	MRDLG 4	MRDL 4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes
Total Trihalomethans (TTHM)	2020	LRAA 4.40	4.4-4.4	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection
<b>LEAD AND COPPER TEST RESULTS</b>								
Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	99 <sup>th</sup> percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation (Y/N)	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	2018	1.3	1.3	0.26	0	ppm	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead	2018	0	15	2.3	0	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Inorganic Contaminants	Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation Y/N	Likely Source of Contamination
Fluoride	2018	0.23	0.23-0.23	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum
<b>Other Substances Monitored in Drinking Water</b>								
NAME	REPORTED LEVEL		RANGE					
		Ppm	Low- High					
Sodium 2018 **Unregulated contaminant		26	26 - 26					
Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation (Y/N)	Likely Source of Contamination
Beta Photon Emitters	2018	4.08	4.08- 4.08	0	50*	pCi/L	N	Decay of natural and man- made deposits
*EPA considers 50 pCi/L to be a level of concern for beta particles								

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring, or man-made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency’s Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-4264791.

### If you have special health needs--

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Town of Pinewood is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your drinking water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

### Did You Know?

- Utility Employees work for you 365 days a year, 7 days a week, 24 hours a day to provide you with good safe water each time your tap is opened.

- Tap water is the best value for your money. A 16 ounce of bottled water cost about \$1.50, whereas 1000 gallons of tap water cost about \$2.00.

- The water we have today is all the water there will ever be.

- Drinking water in the United States is among the safest in the world.

- You can refill an 8-ounce glass of water 15,000 times for the same cost as a 6 pack of soda. And water has no sugar or caffeine.

- The average family turns on the tap between 70 and 100 times per day.

# Blessing of the Harvest to be held on Sept. 26 at Summertown home

BY SHARRON HALEY  
Clarendon contributor

SUMMERTON — The Annual Blessing of the Harvest will be held at 5:30 p.m. Sept. 26 at the home of Chris and Wendy Cogdill, 5689 Gov. Richardson Road.

Join the Cogdills and members of the community as they gather to give thanks to God for their many blessings and for His faithfulness.

The Blessing will celebrate with worship and the shar-

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COMMENTARY

## Political careers are ending in failure because of outdated 'expert' theories

"All political lives, unless they are cut off at mid-stream at a happy juncture, end in failure, because that is the nature of politics and of human affairs." So said the British politician Enoch Powell, whose own once-stellar career ended in spectacular failure.

Lately, careers have been ending in failure more frequently. Consider Powell's native Britain, which this week installed its fourth Conservative Party prime minister in 12 years. David Cameron resigned after Britons rejected his advice and voted for Brexit in 2016. Theresa May was ousted in 2019 after failing to implement Brexit, Boris Johnson got Brexit done but was ousted for ethics violations this summer, and his successor, Liz Truss, could lose a general election which must be held by January 2025.

Margaret Thatcher was prime minister for 11 years, Tony Blair for 10. The four most recent incumbents' average tenure was four.

Failure is apparent across the English Channel as well. France's allegedly Jupiterian President Emmanuel Macron was reelected in April, but in June, voters installed a solid anti-Macron majority in Parliament.

Angela Merkel, hailed by the Economist as German chancellor from 2005 to 2021, has seen her policies repudiated by events. Reliance on Russian natural gas and (in cloudy and not especially windy northern Europe) on wind and solar energy and closure of nuclear plants has left Germans scarfing up firewood to get through the winter.

Merkel's appeasement of Russia was followed by its invasion of Ukraine, and her low military budgets have left Germany unable to provide much help to the Ukrainians. Not since Neville Chamberlain has a leader widely hailed as a statesman been revealed so quickly to be a failure.

Nor is it apparent that the policies of the world's great dictatorial leaders have been crowned with success. Vladimir Putin's demoralized troops have failed to conquer Ukraine; his aggression has pushed Finland and Sweden into applying to join NATO, making the Baltic a NATO lake; his economy has taken a hit and may stagger more in years to come.

His pal Xi Jinping may get another 10-year term as Chinese leader, but China's economy, with a decline in working-age population and stringent COVID-19 lockdowns, is no longer growing rapidly — or maybe at all. Xi's China has crushed Hong Kong's liberties but has made enemies of all of China's neighbors.

American leaders are not faring much better. After three successive American presidents have managed to get reelected, albeit with 49%, 51% and 51% of popular votes, their two successors have not managed more than a few moments above 50% job approval.

Donald Trump could claim some positive trends occurred

under his watch: lower-income wage gains, low unemployment, border controls that produced a higher-skill legal immigration flow. But COVID-19 lockdowns shut most of the economy down, and violent crime has skyrocketed after the George Floyd riots.

Any positive trends under Joe Biden have been overwhelmed by chaotic results plausibly flowing from his party's policies: out-of-control inflation, out-of-control illegal immigration, out-of-control violent crime. The economy hasn't snapped back to pre-pandemic conditions, and school lockdowns have left many children, especially minorities, much further behind.

Unlike Enoch Powell, neither septuagenarian president has suffered definitive failure yet. Both are seeking to run in 2024, despite evidence that large (though not overlapping) majorities want each out of the race.

Trump, who came within 42,000 votes of a second Electoral College majority in 2020, refuses to stop re-litigating that contest, and any chance of another Trump term depends on a Democratic nominee being again found unacceptable.

Biden has careened far left on policy and, while accusing Trump of ending democracy, has watched his Justice Department elevate his visibility by searching Mar-a-Lago and his party leaders spend millions promoting Trump-ish candidates in Republican primaries.

Neither president's career seems likely to end in success.

Their policy failures and those of leaders abroad seem to have another cause: an overreliance on the prescriptions of supposed experts, from economists to epidemiologists. Their models are formulated based on how the world used to work, or supposedly worked, but are out of line with how the world works now.

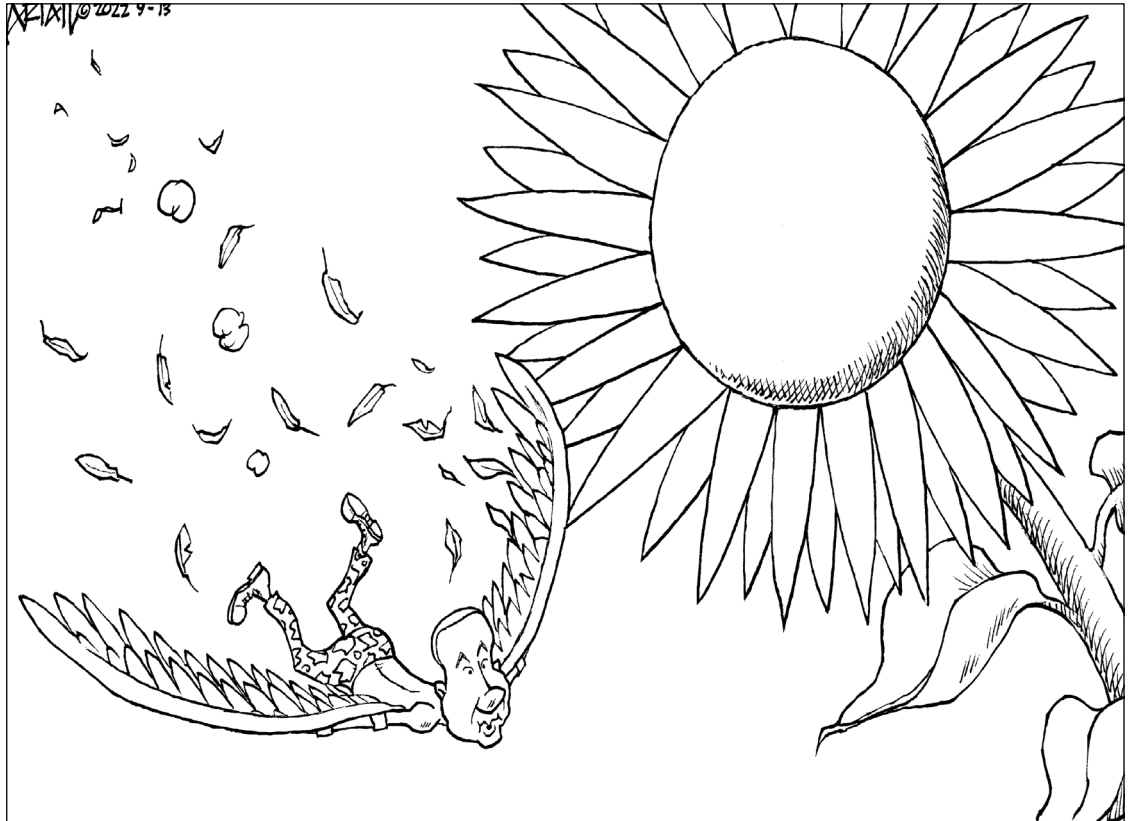
Some studies indicate that lockdowns prompted by epidemiologists' models, based on deadlier diseases, produced minimal reductions in deaths but imposed high ancillary health, economic and educational costs. Similarly, economists recommended pumping large sums of money into the economy, though it has been damaged in ways far different from how it was in 20th-century recessions. Their prescriptions have failed to restore pre-pandemic workforce levels and have produced unpredicted inflation.

Political failure is the democratic process' way of punishing mistakes. The rash of political careers ending in failure suggests that a relearning of the way the world works is needed, even more than sweeping flailing septuagenarians aside.

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**Michael Barone**



COMMENTARY

## God enables those of us whom He directs to serve His kingdom

Thank you so much for spending time with our ministry today! Our devotion is on this thought, "Enabling Grace," and my text is found in 1 Timothy 1:12-16. "And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry; Who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious: but I obtained mercy, because I did it ignorantly in unbelief. And the grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in Christ Jesus. This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief. Howbeit for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might shew forth all longsuffering, for a pattern to them which should hereafter believe on him to life everlasting." (KJV)

Whenever God calls His children to do something for Him, He always provides enabling grace to accomplish that ministry.

Paul recognized this fact and thanked his Savior who

enabled him and gave him a ministry to labor in. Paul realized that it was not his background or his natural abilities that enabled him for the task his Lord had given him. Instead, God caused Paul to understand that all of the things his flesh would naturally brag about were to be counted

"loss" for Christ. This is a Bible truth, that we should place no confidence in our flesh. This is why the believer

must daily walk with God and consistently occupy our place at the Throne of Grace. Many times, a believer will gravitate to one of two extremes.

Many times, a believer will feel that they have no talents or abilities and, therefore, could not possibly serve God in any capacity acceptably. On the other hand, a believer can be proud of their fleshly capabilities, their personality and charisma, and feel as though they can do any

work for God in their own strength.

Can we use our lack of ability as an excuse for not allowing our Lord to use us, forgetting that God enables those whom He directs to serve Him? Or do we just find it easy to trust in our own strength and ability rather than depending completely on God's enabling grace? The correct spiritual position is the one clearly set forth in the Word of God. In John 15:5, our Lord states, "I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing." (KJV) With that Bible truth in mind, we will then graduate to experience the enabling power of God, as given to us in Philippians 4:13, where we see, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." (KJV)

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**Joey Durham**

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### HOW DID BIGGEST SCAM IN U.S. HISTORY ACTUALLY HAPPEN?

I am trying to understand how the biggest scam in the history of America happened. And no one other than Donald Trump has proof it happened. How did millions of votes get switched and not one piece of evidence been presented to show this happened? Fifty to 60 court cases have been filed, and not one court has ruled in favor of Mr. Trump. What is going on? Almost two years have passed, and not one shred of vivid evidence has been brought forth to show the election was stolen.

People risked their lives in attacking the capitol in Washington, D.C., on the order of Trump. And the only result was people died because of one man's delusional lie. Even today, millions are still telling this one delusional lie that the election was stolen. But where is the proof? This is unprecedented. But is it? History has been known to repeat itself. Hitler did the same thing in Germany.

I have many books on the rise of Hitler. And I have always been mystified how one man caused so many to believe a lie. He threw lies all over the air waves, and millions caught them and made his lie their lies. He threw out the master race lie, and millions made it their lie. He threw out the lie he could be trusted, and millions made it

their lie. He threw out obvious lies, and millions made them their lies. He threw out the lie that those who did not believe as he did were anti-German, and millions caught that lie and made it their lie. He threw out he was the savior of Germany, and millions made it their lie. He gave small grains of truth, but those were not captured by the millions.

Hitler was the right man, for the right time, and the right people. Donald Trump has given me insight into Hitler. Trump is the right man, for the right time, and the right people.

Understand this, I am not Republican or Democrat. I am not a Christian Republican or Christian Democrat. I am Christian first and foremost. I need no identifier before or after the word Christian. I am Christian. And as such, I take my identity from The Lord Jesus Christ. I am not of this world, but I live in this world. I am required to pray for this world. To all those Christians who are fuming and fussing, cussing and ready to die for a gun (I own three), is this Christlike?

One day in the future, another right man, for the right time and the right people, will arise and lead millions to believe a great lie. Donald Trump is just a precursor for this man of the future.

ROBERT JOHNSON  
Sumter

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# SUPPORT GROUPS

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Due to the threat of COVID-19, some of the following events may be cancelled or rescheduled unexpectedly.

**AA, AL-ANON, ALATEEN:**

**AA** — Monday-Friday, noon and 5:30 p.m.; Saturday, 7 p.m.; Sundays, 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m., 1 Warren St., (803) 775-1852.

**AA Women's Meeting** — Wednesdays, 7 p.m., 1 Warren St., (803) 775-1852.

**AA "How it Works" Group** — Mondays and Fridays, 8 p.m., 1154 Ronda St., (803) 494-5180.

**441 AA Support Group** — Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays, 8 p.m., Hair Force, 2090-D S.C. 441.

**C/A "Drop the Rock" Group** — Thursdays, 9:30 p.m., 1154 Ronda St., (803) 607-4543.

**Al-Anon "Seekers of Serenity"** — Mondays, 7 p.m., 1 Warren St., (803) 720-1747

**MONDAY MEETINGS:**

**Sumter Vitiligo Support Group** — Second Monday, 5:45-6:45 p.m., North HOPE Center, 904 N. Main St., (803) 316-6763. The group is on Facebook.

**TUESDAY MEETINGS:**

**Celebrate Recovery** — Tuesdays, 6:45 p.m. coffee / snacks, 7 p.m. meeting, Alice Drive Baptist Church, Studio 4.3 (youth building), 1305 Loring Mill Road. For help with struggles of addictions, family problems, smoking, anxiety, etc.

**Heroin Anonymous** — Tuesdays, 9:30-10:30 p.m., 4742 Broad St., (803) 494-5180.

**Sumter Connective Tissue Support Group** — First Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September and November, 7 p.m., 180 Tiller Circle, (803) 773-0869.

**Sumter Combat Veterans Group Peer to Peer** — Tuesdays, 11 a.m., South HOPE Center, 1125 S. Lafayette Drive. Veterans helping veterans with PTSD, coping skills, claims and benefits.

**"The Gathering"** — Second Tuesday, 5:30-6:30 p.m., North HOPE Center, 904 N. Main St. For teens and adults with special needs. Call (803) 972-0051 or (803) 468-5745 or email [thegathering23@aol.com](mailto:thegathering23@aol.com).

**Sumter Amputee Prosthetic Sup-**

**port Group** — Second Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., Prisma Health Tuomey Hospital (private dining room next to cafeteria), SAPSG@yahoo.com.

**Sumter Chapter Parents of Murdered Children (POMC)** — Third Tuesday, 5:30-7 p.m., Birnie HOPE Center, 210 S. Purdy St. Open to anyone who has lost a loved one to murder in a violent way.

**Mothers of Angels (for mothers who have lost a child)** — Third Tuesday at 6 p.m., Wise Drive Baptist Church, (803) 469-6059, (803) 979-4498 or (803) 316-4506.

**EFMP Parent Exchange Group** — Last Tuesday, 11 a.m.-noon, Airman and Family Readiness Center. Support to service members who have a dependent with a disability or illness. Call Dorcus Haney at (803) 895-1252/1253 or Sue Zimmerman at (803) 847-2377.

**THURSDAY MEETINGS:**

**TOPS S.C. No. 236 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** — Thursdays. For information, call (803) 469-5733 or (803) 775-8800.

**Alzheimer's Support Group through S.C. Alzheimer's Association** — First Thursday, 6-8 p.m., National Health Care, 1018 N. Guignard Drive. Call (803) 905-7720 or (800) 636-3346.

**Journey of Hope (for family members of the mentally ill), Journey to Recovery (for the mentally ill) and Survivors of Suicide Support Group** — Each group meets every first Thursday, 7 p.m., St. John United Methodist Church, 136 Poinsett Drive, (803) 905-5620.

**FRIDAY MEETINGS:**

**Celebrate Recovery** — Fridays, 6 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. program, Salt & Light Church, 360 Miller Road. For help with struggles of addictions, family problems, anxiety, etc.

**SATURDAY MEETINGS:**

**Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy/Complex Regional Pain Syndrome Support Group** — Third Saturday, 1:30 p.m., 3785 Blackberry Lane, Lot 7, (803) 481-7521.

**SUNDAY MEETINGS:**

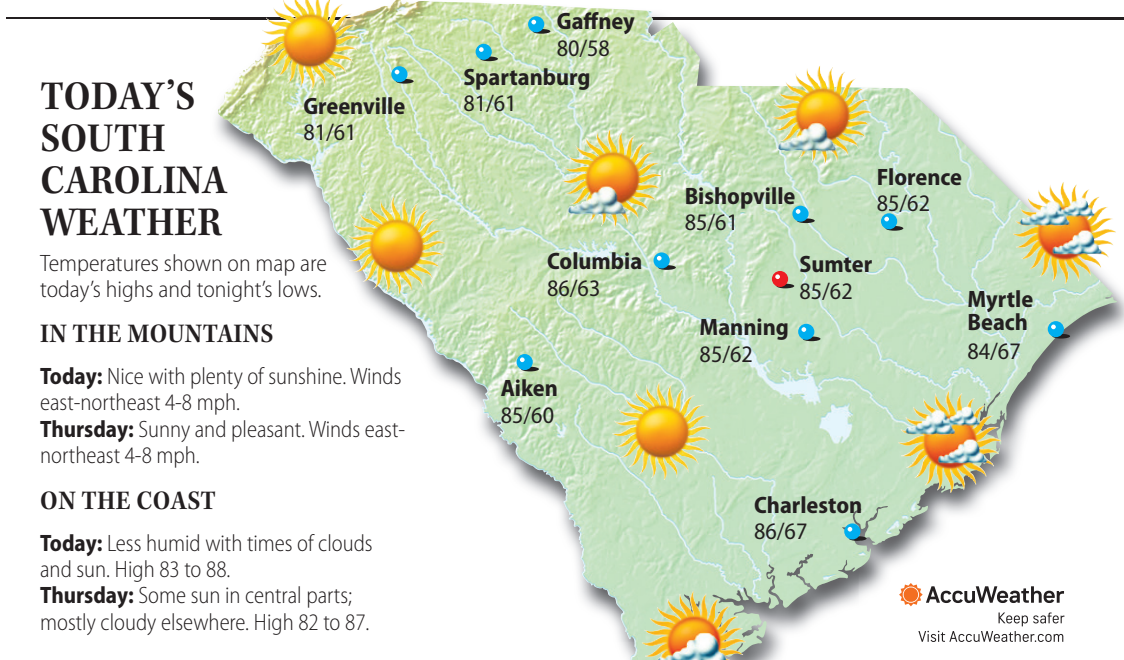
**Sumter MS Support Group** — First Sunday, 3 p.m., Wise Drive Baptist Church fellowship hall, 2751 S. Wise Drive, (803) 481-5344 or (803) 464-6440. Email [I.am.me.not.ms@gmail.com](mailto:I.am.me.not.ms@gmail.com) or [mmsmiles013@gmail.com](mailto:mmsmiles013@gmail.com).

# WEATHER

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**AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Sumter**

TODAY	TONIGHT	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Sunshine and pleasant	Clear	Nice with sunny intervals	Becoming cloudy	Mostly sunny, a stray t-storm	Mostly sunny and pleasant
85°	62°	86° / 63°	85° / 63°	84° / 64°	86° / 65°
Chance of rain: 5%	Chance of rain: 0%	Chance of rain: 0%	Chance of rain: 5%	Chance of rain: 40%	Chance of rain: 15%
NE 6-12 mph	NNE 3-6 mph	NE 6-12 mph	ENE 6-12 mph	ENE 7-14 mph	E 6-12 mph



**LOCAL ALMANAC**

SUMTER THROUGH 2 P.M. TUESDAY

**Temperature**

High	85°
Low	69°
Normal high	84°
Normal low	64°
Record high	97° in 1983
Record low	49° in 1967

**Precipitation**

24 hrs ending 2 p.m. Tue.	trace
Month to date	0.83"
Normal month to date	1.80"
Year to date	26.44"
Last year to date	26.01"
Normal year to date	35.62"

**LAKE LEVELS**

Lake	Full pool	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Murray	360	357.02	+0.04
Marion	76.8	75.10	+0.03
Moultrie	75.5	74.81	-0.01
Wateree	100	97.05	+0.31

**SUN AND MOON**

Sunrise	7:04 a.m.	Sunset	7:30 p.m.
Moonrise	10:06 p.m.	Moonset	11:22 a.m.

Last	New	First	Full
Sep. 17	Sep. 25	Oct. 2	Oct. 9

**RIVER STAGES**

River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Black River	12	6.85	+0.12
Congaree River	19	3.45	+0.03
Lynches River	14	4.18	none
Saluda River	14	5.39	+1.27
Up. Santee River	80	77.13	-0.15
Wateree River	24	11.45	+1.80

**TIDES**

AT MYRTLE BEACH

	High	Ht.	Low	Ht.
Today	12:24 a.m.	3.2	7:07 a.m.	0.2
	12:45 p.m.	3.4	7:45 p.m.	0.6
Thu.	1:08 a.m.	3.0	7:50 a.m.	0.4
	1:32 p.m.	3.3	8:35 p.m.	0.9

**NATIONAL CITIES**

City	Today	Thu.
Atlanta	84/65/s	84/63/s
Chicago	78/60/pc	81/63/pc
Dallas	91/67/s	91/70/s
Detroit	80/55/pc	74/59/pc
Houston	91/69/s	90/70/s
Los Angeles	81/65/pc	79/63/pc
New Orleans	87/72/s	88/72/s
New York	82/63/s	75/57/s
Orlando	90/74/t	89/74/t
Philadelphia	82/65/s	78/57/s
Phoenix	98/77/s	98/77/s
San Francisco	73/61/pc	73/58/pc
Wash., DC	82/65/s	81/60/s

**REGIONAL CITIES**

City	Today	Thu.
Asheville	77/55/s	78/55/s
Athens	85/60/s	85/60/s
Augusta	86/59/s	84/61/s
Beaufort	88/68/pc	87/68/c
Cape Hatteras	82/70/c	82/72/pc
Charleston	86/67/c	85/68/c
Charlotte	82/60/s	85/63/s
Clemson	82/63/s	84/64/s
Columbia	86/63/s	86/63/pc
Darlington	85/60/s	84/62/c
Elizabeth City	82/62/pc	84/64/pc
Elizabethtown	84/61/pc	85/64/pc
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Gastonia	81/58/s	83/61/s
Goldsboro	82/60/s	85/63/pc
Goose Creek	86/66/c	86/67/pc
Greensboro	78/59/s	80/61/s
Greenville	81/61/s	84/61/s
Hickory	79/58/s	82/61/s
Hilton Head	86/70/pc	83/70/c
Jacksonville, FL	86/71/t	85/70/t
La Grange	85/61/s	87/61/s
Macon	87/61/s	88/61/s
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City	Today	Thu.
Marion	79/56/s	80/58/s
Mt. Pleasant	86/68/pc	84/70/c
Myrtle Beach	84/67/s	83/70/s
Orangeburg	85/63/s	83/64/c
Port Royal	86/69/pc	84/68/c
Raleigh	82/59/s	84/62/s
Rock Hill	82/59/s	84/60/s
Rockingham	84/58/s	85/62/s
Savannah	87/66/pc	87/67/pc
Spartanburg	81/61/s	84/62/s
Summerville	86/66/pc	85/67/pc
Wilmington	86/65/c	85/65/pc
Winston-Salem	79/59/s	81/60/s

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# PUBLIC AGENDA

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, some meetings/events may be cancelled, rescheduled or held virtually.

**CENTRAL CAROLINA TECHNICAL COLLEGE AREA COMMISSION**  
Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Central Carolina Technical College, 506 N. Guignard Drive, Building 500, President's Conference Room

**The last word in astrology**

EUGENIA LAST

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Think big, but stick to the basics. Plan

your actions and keep things simple and doable. Don't guesstimate; sticking to the facts will help you maintain your budget and get things done on time. Being energetic will help excite others. 3 stars

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Uncertainty is a fair warning to rethink your strategy. Put your emotions aside and decide what to do next based on facts and figures. Watching how others react to situations will indicate how to proceed. 3 stars

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Put your energy and enthusiasm where they count. Aim to progress by using your skills and talents to outmaneuver the competition. Take whatever you do seriously; play to win. Don't take chances with your health or physical well-being. 3 stars

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Present what you have to offer with pizzazz. Pay attention to detail, and you'll make a lasting impression. A partnership will help you bring about changes at home that add to your comfort and eliminate stress. Love and romance are enhanced. 4 stars

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Pay attention to detail and avoid a mishap. Decisions you make while under emotional pressure will backfire. Explore the possibilities, but don't commit time or money to something that isn't a sure thing. Dismiss anyone using dynamic tactics to manipulate you. 2 stars

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Gather information before making a decision that affects your position. Stay calm and make a point to explain and demonstrate what you have to offer and are willing to do. Stretching your imagination will encourage new beginnings. 5 stars

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Explore the possibilities. Check out what's new

and exciting. Choose to make the most by using what you already have. Keeping your plans simple and affordable will improve your life. Update your image to boost your morale. 3 stars

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Size up what's happening in your life. Evaluate your strengths and weaknesses, and adjust your lifestyle to ensure you put your best foot forward and use your skills and gifts to pursue what's important to you. Romance is in the stars. 3 stars

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't take anything for granted. If you want something done correctly, do it yourself. Verify facts before you pass the information along. A serious discussion will help clear up a misunderstanding and bring you closer to someone with shared interests and concerns. 3 stars

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Make a change and a difference. How you handle contracts, domestic issues and love will determine your happiness. Be bold, say what's on your mind, find out where you stand and act accordingly. It's time to regain control. 5 stars

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't feel obligated to do something that doesn't fit into your schedule or help you get what you want. Putting your energy into something that matters to you will improve your home and your livelihood. A financial gain is within reach. 2 stars

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Prepare before you act. Have a plan to prevent mishaps and physical setbacks due to injury or unnecessary health risks. Pay attention to meaningful relationships. Make changes that bring you closer to someone you love. 4 stars

1 star: Avoid conflicts; work behind the scenes. 2 stars: You can accomplish, but don't rely on others. 3 stars: Focus and you'll reach your goals. 4 stars: Aim high; start new projects. 5 stars: Nothing can stop you; go for gold.

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# SUMTER ANIMAL CONTROL PETS OF THE WEEK



**TOP:** Elton is just adorable. He is a young guy who likes to run and explore his surroundings. He is getting along with other dogs at the shelter but likes to play with his brother, Elvis, the most. This happy-go-lucky fella is 1-3 years old and weighs 44 pounds.

**BELOW:** Elvis is a firecracker. He is a fun-loving fella who enjoys playing outside and going on long walks. This precious guy is 1-3 years old and weighs 46 pounds. Elvis is hoping to join an active family. He is a cutie pie with his floppy ears.

If you're interested in meeting Elton or Elvis at Sumter Animal Control, 1240 Winkles Road, call (803) 774-3232 or email [rescuesumtersc@gmail.com](mailto:rescuesumtersc@gmail.com). As with all of our adoptable pets, a spay or neuter agreement is required, and it is strictly enforced. Proof of spay/neuter after adoption will be required. We have many other adoptable pets as well as animals who were found and are waiting for their owners to claim them. Check Sumter Animal Control on Facebook.

**SUMTER ANIMAL CONTROL NEEDS YOUR HELP.** We are looking for people to walk dogs, foster or help with transport. We desperately need 9 a.m. Monday – Friday walkers. Message us if interested. Must be at least 18 years old. Don't have extra time to be a volunteer? We gladly accept donations of the following: newspapers, puppy pads, canned and dry puppy food, paper towels, Clorox wipes and heavy duty slip leashes. You can also donate from our Amazon Wishlist under Sumter's Strays at <https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/10Q422KA0MI19>. All donations go toward helping Sumter County dogs. Our all-volunteer organization is making a big difference in the lives of so many homeless pets. Please help us continue to save animals.



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Wilson Hall's Connor Smith set his second school record on Saturday, claiming the school's top time in the 5K. He also has the Barons' best time in the 1,600m run in track.



To see a video interview with Smith, hover your phone's camera over the code and click the link that pops up.

# Barons' Smith repeatedly makes Wilson Hall history

BY TIM LEIBLE  
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Wilson Hall senior Connor Smith stepped onto a muddy field in Columbia on Saturday hoping to set a new personal best.

He had his eyes on the 16-minute mark.

Connor sloshed through a field that had already been rained on all week and then torn up by the girls varsity race to cross the finish line in 15:59.21. He reached his goal and another milestone he'd nearly forgotten about.

"Funny enough, I wanted to go sub-16 in that meet, but it didn't really click with me that the school record was 16:01. Finished the race and I realized, 'The school record is 16-something, I think I just beat that,'" Connor said of topping the previous mark set by Trey Parker more than a decade ago.

Connor not only showed off his skill as a runner Saturday but also the mental fortitude required to be among the state's elite.

"Nine times out of 10, you're not going to have the ideal conditions for a race. You really have to do the best you can with what you've got," he said. "One quote that I've

heard is, 'Good athletes do good things with good conditions, but great athletes do good things with bad conditions.' You really have to mentally be prepared for any environment and be prepared to do the best you can with what you have."

Hitting a school record is a benchmark for an athlete in any sport, but it's nothing new for Connor. The Wilson Hall senior already has his name in the books after breaking the school record in the 1,600m run in the spring. He's nipping at the heels of two more, as well.

#### GROWING INTO RUNNING FORM

As accomplished as Connor has become in distance running, his introduction to the sport was far from perfect.

Connor first dipped his toes into competitive running in sixth grade. He didn't run cross country but decided to give track a try in the spring.

It didn't last long.

The young Baron quickly learned he suffered from Sever's disease, a common condition in growing children. The growth plate in his heel was

preparing for his foot to grow and pulled at his Achilles tendon. It made running painful, especially long distances.

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#### CONNOR SMITH

On the mental fortitude required to be a high-end distance runner



Wilson Hall's Connor Smith developed into an elite distance runner despite a foot condition called Sever's disease that limited his ability to run as a middle schooler. He's now unencumbered as the Barons' top distance runner.

Connor sprinted in his first season, something he jokingly now regrets. His time in the 100m dash still looms in his profile on SC Runners, a time-keeping website. He spent last spring asking Wilson Hall head coach Rip Ripley for another shot at the event and he plans to do the same this season.

"It's like a 20-something, it's really bad," Connor said. "I kinda wanna go out there and crush it so it's not on there. He probably won't let me."

Ripley said he thinks Connor learned in that first year even if he didn't find immediate success.

"I think some of that stuff in middle school helped him create a very humble personality because he went through those struggles," Ripley

said. "He wasn't that kid who in sixth grade was just crushing everyone and was overconfident."

"He certainly has confidence in himself, but he's not running around telling everyone how good he is. He just goes out there and runs and lets that speak for himself."

Connor gritted out his first season at Wilson Hall but elected to stay out of competitive running as a seventh grader.

Instead, the young Baron turned to other sports like baseball and tennis. While he enjoyed his time on the tennis court, his passion for running didn't diminish. His father, Dustin, was coaching with the cross country

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AREA ROUNDUP

# Wilson Hall tennis sweeps Thomas Sumter

STAFF REPORT

The Wilson Hall tennis team hosted Thomas Sumter for a match on Monday. The Lady Barons got a clean sweep 6-0 in a singles-only match.

Claudia Rhodus got the ball rolling with a 6-2, 6-0 win over Mary Lenoir Hoge at No. 2. Jane McAdams beat Emma Jackson 6-0, 6-0 at No. 2. At No. 3, Caroline McElveen beat Vera Fitzke 6-0, 6-1. Land Stevens won 6-2, 6-1 over Isabella Bashers. Harper Burke won 6-0, 6-0 over Charleston Bock at No. 5 and Talan Griffin rounded out the match with a 6-0, 6-1 win over May Grace Hilditch.

The Lady Baron JV also hosted a match against Orangeburg Prep on Monday, earning their first win of the season. They won the match 9-0 for a clean sweep.

Cameron Kohl started things at No. 1 singles with a 6-0, 6-0 win over Maashi Pandya. Amelie Lucas beat Laurence Tant 6-0, 6-3. Grace McArthur earned a 6-0, 6-1 win over Elli O'Cain. Kate Skinner won 6-4, 6-2 over Virginia Ann Smith. Joslynn Barrick had the toughest match, outlasting Gabby Brunner 6-1, 1-6, 11-9 at No. 5. Abrielle Naylor rounded

out singles with a 6-0, 6-0 win over Beth Nexsen.

In doubles, Kohl and Bryce Dodson won 8-2 at No. 1, McArthur and Hannah Grade Harkrader won 8-3 at No. 2 and Lucas and Naylor won 8-2 at No. 3.

VOLLEYBALL

WILSON HALL 3 AUGUST CHRISTIAN 0

The Wilson Hall volleyball team improved to 17-3 on the season with a sweep of Augusta Christian on Monday.

The Lady Barons got out to a strong start with a 25-15 win before a 25-11 win in the second set. Augusta Christian fought to extend the match, but Wilson Hall closed the door with a 25-21 win.

Aubrey Payne led the offense with 16 kills, while Sarah Sonntag added eight more, along with three blocks. Maggie Norris dished out 31 assists. Rylee Bath had 11 digs and two aces, while Amberly Way added another five digs.

The Wilson Hall JV also earned a sweep 25-9, 25-23.

Kaylan Boudreau had a big match with eight assists and six aces. Mary Todd Champion had six kills and Addie Griffin had six digs.



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The Wilson Hall varsity girls tennis team hosted Thomas Sumter on Monday, while their JV hosted Orangeburg Prep.



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team in the fall, and Connor dove back in.

He wasn't the top runner an eighth grader, but Connor found a knack for distance running. He ran a 28-minute mile in his first race and hit new personal bests seemingly every race. That carried into track, where he became a full-time distance runner. One of the turning points in his young career came that spring when he ran the 3,200m race at the Ben Lippen Middle School Invitational, the first race on the new Columbia International University track.

"I ran my PR at that time, so technically I had the track record for like a week," Smith said.

His father was running late to that meet and arrived when Connor was a couple laps deep. He saw a different version of his son that day.

"He was just running along, and I was just like, 'Who is that kid?' He had great form; he was looking really good. He's really coming into himself," Dustin said. "We were laughing about that time the other day. It wasn't a remarkable time, but he won and he pushed himself really hard to make that happen. I think that changed him."

## HITTING HIS STRIDE

When Connor started high school, he found his groove.

COVID-19 wiped out his freshman track season, but he spent the spring training. He entered his sophomore season and became of one Wilson Hall's top distance runners in both sports. He found himself near the top in most races and improved all year.

"That's when I started really getting focused in it, really wanting to compete. The seniors at the time were really motivating me," he said.

Connor's success continued in his junior season. He was at the top of the standings every race in the fall and was setting personal bests regularly. In the spring, he ran in the Coaches Classic Elite track meet and broke his first school record in the 1,600m run with a time of 4:23.43.

Despite the top Baron time, he finished seventh. Saturday's record was similar. He placed second behind Warren Sheperd of the Augusta Eagles.

"The competition really helps, especially when there's more," Connor said. "I know all these guys feel the same way I do; I just need to push with them and keep with them."

After getting that school record, Connor dominated the region and state meets. He finished in the top five in three individual events at the SCISA 3A state meet, claiming a state title in the 3,200m run. He finished second in the 1,600m and fifth in the 800m. He also ran on the third-place 4x400 team.

Over the summer, Connor competed in Ripley's Sumter Speed AAU program. He ran the 1,500m and 3,000m for the first time and set an AAU state semifinal meet record.

"The first day, I ran the 1,500 and I didn't realize until after the race that I could've hit the meet record for that race. I looked up what the 3,000 was and said I was going to hit that tomorrow," Connor said. "I went in, and it was just me running and I

told myself I had to do it, and it ended up happening."

## SIGHTS ON COLLEGE

Connor doesn't want his record-setting days at Wilson Hall to be the end of his competitive running career.

"I think you really have to love the sport to want to compete at the next level," Connor said. "The recruiting process is kind of confusing at first, but once you get some help with it, once you get experience with it, it really starts flowing a lot more."

Recruitment for track and cross country is different than many sports. In theory, competition level shouldn't play a major factor. Times are times. In practice, however, that isn't the case.

"It is a little harder coming from a small school," Connor said. "Normally, we just compete in SCISA, which is a small area of schools, so the competition isn't as good. You have to go to the bigger meets."

Connor ran AAU track over the summer and plans to run indoor track this winter to expand his level of competition. He has his eyes set on Division I, but he's keeping his options open. The challenge is learning how to get your results in front of the right person.

"I wish I wish we were better at it. It's hard," Dustin said of his son's recruitment. "Setting up appointments, going to try to tour campuses, talking to the distance running coaches. I feel like we're running out of time get that done."

"We've got to map that into our schedule, which is tough to do because we're training all week. We have a series of Saturday meets, so having that time to really go talk to the college coaches is something that we haven't been able to do to the degree we want."

## A FAMILY ACTIVITY

Running is a family event for the Smiths.

Connor's mom, Kristine, is also an assistant track and cross country coach at Wilson Hall. His older sister, Kaitlyn, also ran with the Barons and still runs the occasional half-marathon with Dad.

"It's not a chore. It's not something that we just have to do, it's something we get to do. We get to do be outside with Connor and the other kids. It's a great team," Dustin said.

The family environment also means the coaching never really gets turned off.

"With my dad coaching, it was that whole 'It's my dad, I don't want to listen to him,'" Connor said. "It kinda started off slow."

While the two have gotten used to working together, they still butt heads.

"We were out for lunch recently, and he gets a hot dog and I'm like, 'Not a hot dog! Come on,'" Dustin said. "I'm just the nagging parent most times, but there's so much that takes to become a competitive runner. It's the training. It's the workouts, of course, but it's what you eat. It's hydration. It's recovery."

Most importantly, they get to have conversations about the little things off the track.

"It's that feedback that we're able to have at the dinner table," Dustin said. "Most coaches with their team after practice or after meetings get to talk to him a little bit. I get the drive home. I get the dinner table. I get breakfast in the morning where we can have these conversations which is really, really advantageous."



Wilson Hall's Connor Smith runs at practice on Monday. He's fresh off setting a new school record in the 5K at the Highlander Invitational on Saturday.

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Running is a family affair for the Smith family at Wilson Hall. Connor, center right, now holds two Baron records and Kaitlyn, left, graduated in 2021 after running both track and cross country, while their parents, Dustin and Kristine, both serve as coaches in both sports.



Wilson Hall's Connor Smith has his sights set on running in college but is still navigating the complicated process of recruitment for both track and cross country.

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Keeping time is essential for distance runners like Wilson Hall's Connor Smith. When he leads the pack in a race, his watch is the only way he knows if he is keeping the correct pace.

The Sumter High football team moved into the Top 5 of the S. C. Media Football Poll for the first time this season on Tuesday.

NICH PITTS / SPECIAL TO THE SUMTER ITEM



# Sumter moves up to No. 5 in latest S.C. Media Football Poll

## STAFF REPORT

The Sumter football program is moving up in the latest South Carolina Media Football Poll. For the first time this season, the Gamecocks are moving into the Top 5 in Class 5A.

Sumter jumps up one spot in place of Dorchester, who

slid to No. 8 after falling to Clearwater Academy International, a Florida program, 31-0 for their second loss of the season. The Gamecocks are coming off a 21-14 win over rival Crestwood on Friday.

The remainder of the Top 5 remains the same. Dutch Fork stands in first place,

ahead of Byrnes, Hillcrest and Dorman. Summerville, who Sumter High hosts this week, comes in at No. 6. River Bluff is at No. 7, while White Knoll and Lexington round out the Top 10.

Sumter High remains the only local team in the poll, but Manning still received votes in Class 3A.

### S.C. MEDIA FOOTBALL POLL

#### CLASS 5A

1. Dutch Fork (19)
2. Byrnes
3. Hillcrest (1)
4. Dorman
5. Sumter
6. Summerville
7. River Bluff
8. Fort Dorchester
9. White Knoll
10. Lexington

Others receiving votes: Spartanburg, TL Hanna, Gaffney West Ashley, Clover JL Mann, Chapin

#### CLASS 4A

1. South Pointe (17)
2. Northwestern (3)
3. AC Flora
4. South Florence
5. West Florence
6. Catawba Ridge
7. Indian Land
8. Hartsville
9. James Island
10. Ridge View

Others receiving votes:

Westside, Irmo, Lancaster, Wilson, Greenville, York, Myrtle Beach

#### CLASS 3A

1. Daniel (19)
2. Dillon (1)
3. Powdersville
4. Clinton
5. Gilbert
6. Beaufort
7. Camden
8. Hanahan
9. Belton-Honea Path
10. Seneca

Others receiving votes: Loris, Philip Simmons, Chester, Union County, Aynor, Manning, Marlboro County, Emerald, Woodruff

#### CLASS 2A

1. Saluda (15)
2. Oceanside Collegiate (2)
3. Barnwell (3)
4. Abbeville
5. Wade Hampton
6. Buford

7. Woodland
8. Marion
9. Gray Collegiate
10. Fairfield Central

Others receiving votes: Andrews, Pelion, Lake Marion, Strom Thurmond, Academic Magnet, Andrew Jackson, Silver Bluff, Cheraw

#### CLASS A

1. St. Joseph's (15)
2. Bamberg-Ehrhardt (2)
3. Johnsonville (1)
4. Whale Branch
5. Lewisville (1)
6. Christ Church
7. Lake View (1)
8. Baptist Hill
9. Southside Christian
10. Lamar

Others receiving votes: Calhoun County, McBee, Latta, Estill, Hunter-Kinard-Tyler, Denmark-Olar

## No. 5 Clemson, Goodwin have defensive issues to correct

BY PETE IACOBELLI  
Associated Press

CLEMSON — New Clemson coordinator Wes Goodwin didn't expect to face questions about his defensive unit so soon.

But Goodwin has plenty of things to fix after Furman of the Football Championship Subdivision outgained the fifth-ranked Tigers 386-374 in Clemson's 35-12 win on Saturday. They allowed the Paladins to go 10 of 18 on third downs a week after holding Georgia Tech to 237 yards and 2 of 16 on third-down conversions.

"You're coming free for a reason," Goodwin said of Clemson's rushers continually getting beat on screen plays. "So you've got to put on the brakes."

Goodwin expects a tighter, mentally ready group when Clemson plays Louisiana Tech at home on Saturday night.

The Tigers were largely set loose on Georgia Tech in the opener and contained quarterback Jeff Sims to 164 yards with an interception and two sacks. Tyler Huff, a Presbyterian transfer making his second start for Furman, connected on 31 of 40 passes for 259 yards and a touchdown. He, too, was

sacked twice.

"Obviously, we did not play screens and the quick game well at all," Clemson coach Dabo Swinney said. "Just a poor start. I did not like how we played defensively at all."

Few had questions about Clemson's defensive prospects with so many talented, fiery, experienced players returning, like defensive ends K.J. Henry and Myles Murphy, and tackles in Bryan Bresee and Tyler Davis.

However, Davis missed the Furman game as a precaution after Swinney said he was "banged-up" earlier in the week. Goodwin did not know Monday if Davis could play Saturday night against Louisiana Tech.

Another wild card is Bresee, who's younger sister Ella was honored at Clemson last Saturday in her fight against brain cancer. Bresee went to his family's home in Maryland following the game when Ella had a setback. Goodwin did not know how long Bresee would be absent.

Tackle Ruke Orhorhoro, who started in place of Davis on Saturday, said the group's issues were all minor and correctable at practice.



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New Clemson defensive coordinator Wes Goodwin, center, still needs to make some improvements with his unit after Furman managed to outgain the Tigers on Saturday.

# Kid's Corner

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Q: What do elves learn in school?  
A: The elf-abet!

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Q: Why did the woman put money in her freezer?  
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**JUST kidding**  
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**OLIVER JACK KANEFT JR.**

COLUMBIA — Jack often said, "Without God's guidance, my family, friends and Marine Corps brothers, I would have never made it. God's mighty acts in my life have been awesome." A guiding principle of his was, "Seek to please God and let the matter of pleasing the world take care of itself."

Jack and Betty spent their lives together in Melrose Heights, until the early Spring of 2022. Jack used to deliver *The State* newspaper in this neighborhood as a high school student. He was born on June 14, 1929, in St. Louis, Missouri. His parents were Oliver Jack Kaneft and Alice Delgar. He lived in Chicago, Illinois, and Tuscaloosa, Alabama, before moving to Columbia, where he attended Dreher High School and the University of South Carolina on an athletic scholarship in 1947. He graduated from Naval Aviation Flight Training Command in 1951. He was designated a Naval Aviator and commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps. He served in the Korean War as an attack pilot and forward air controller. He was awarded a Letter of Commendation with combat V by the First Marine Division. He tested and evaluated the first canted deck carrier in naval aviation history and served on the USS Antietam and USS Bennington aircraft carriers. He retired as a major after 20 years of active and reserve duty.

Jack was predeceased by his wife, Mary Anne ("Cap") Cappelmann, to whom he was devoted for 54 years; and also by his son, Oliver Jack Kaneft III.

Jack and Mary Anne were the parents of three sons and one daughter: Oliver Jack Kaneft III (Valery), Edward Richard Kaneft (Laurel), William Cappelmann Kaneft (Jan) and his "one and only daughter," Helen Cary (Timothy) Walden.

Jack is also survived by eight grandchildren, Oliver Jack Kaneft IV (Ginnie), Lauren Kaneft, Kristen (Todd) Joyner, Beau Kaneft (Alle'), Brent Kaneft (Jess), Madison Walden, Brandon Walden and Hampton Walden; and eight great-grandchildren, Addie Joyner, Henry Kaneft, Finley Kaneft, Anne Collins Kaneft, Kate Austen, Emerson Kaneft, Hadley Kaneft and Scarlett Kaneft. Jack is also survived by his beloved sister, Alice Marilyn Minick. Other family members who were dear to him are: Linda Kaneft, mother of Kristen; two half-brothers, Arthur Freyman (Patty) and Wesley Freyman (Billie); and many nieces, nephews and cousins in Columbia, Oklahoma, Georgia and Texas. Jack is also survived by his wife,

Betty Lane Kornegay and the Kornegay children, Van, Lee Ann and Lori (Peter Knight); four grandchildren, Kellane Kornegay, Soren (Emma) Kornegay, Sydney Kornegay and Dylan (John) Peters; and five great-grandchildren, Malcolm and Theo Kornegay, Ellie Joy, Brinley and John Thomas Peters.

Jack spent 33 years in the automobile business, retired, and then joined his son in his business, Colonial Packaging Inc., which began in Bill's garage 35 years ago. One of his favorite and most rewarding experiences was his second career working in the family business for more than 20 years. Jack was a member of First Presbyterian Church, where he served as an elder. His interests included daily workouts, including riding his stationary bike nine miles a day to age 92, growing Bonzai, reading the Bible, tutoring youngsters, playing chess, baking bread and painting. He enjoyed years of sailing on Lake Murray, playing tennis and wrote two weekly automobile columns, "The Auto Desk" for *The State* and *The Charlotte Observer*. He also wrote articles for automobile industry magazines. He held memberships in The Lettermen's Association, Carolina Alumni Association, Marine Corps Aviation Association, The Columbia Sailing Club and Fort Jackson Officer's Club. He was a member of the Columbia Sertoma Club, the Quadrille Club, board member of the Columbia Urban League, the Boys Club of Columbia and a member of University Associates and the Columbia Automobile Dealers Association. He also served on the board of Richland-Lexington Technical Education.

A celebration of life service will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday at First Presbyterian Church, 1324 Marion St., Columbia, in the main sanctuary.

There will be visitation after the service in the fellowship hall.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Counseling Center.

Dunbar Funeral Home, Devine Street Chapel, is assisting the family. Memories may be shared at [www.dunbarfunerals.com](http://www.dunbarfunerals.com).

**ROBERT A. GALIANO JR.**

Robert "Bob" A. Galiano Jr., 78, husband of Jeanne Haynes Galiano, died on Sunday, Sept. 11, 2022, at Prisma Health Richland Hospital in Columbia.

Born in Tampa, Florida, he was a son of the late Robert A. Galiano Sr. and Dora Suarez Galiano. Mr. Galiano was of the Catholic faith and was a retired Realtor with Russell & Jeffcoat Real Estate Co. He was the owner and operator of Palmetto

Subs. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran and served in Vietnam.

Surviving are his wife of Sumter; two sons, Joey Turbeville (Sarah) of Columbia and Robert A. "Bobby" Galiano III; three daughters, Jennifer Roark (Kevin), and from a previous marriage, Deanna Smith and Cristina Palmer; 11 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Hope Pedrero, and a nephew, Mark Pedrero.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday at Bethesda Church of God with the Rev. Al Sims officiating. Entombment will follow in Evergreen Memorial Park Mausoleum with military honors.

Pallbearers will be grandsons, Wesley Turbeville, Blake Roark, Manning Turbeville, Brayden Roark, Hayden Poston and Jim Lowder.

Honorary pallbearers will be Al Barrineau, Tom Cuttino, Dr. Tom Bowen, Vincent Lazzara, Talmadge Tobias, Jim Mushock, Karl Ford, Nick Kremydas and Robert Anthony.

A rosary will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday at Elmore Hill McCreight Funeral Home with visitation to follow.

Memorials may be made to Wilson Hall School, 520 Wilson Hall Road, Sumter, SC 29150 or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Online condolences may be made at [www.sumterfunerals.com](http://www.sumterfunerals.com).

Elmore Hill McCreight Funeral Home & Crematory, 221 Broad St., Sumter, SC 29150 is in charge of the arrangements, (803) 775-9386.

**FREDDIE LEE GOODMAN**

Freddie Lee Goodman was born on Feb. 3, 1956, in Sumter, a son of the late Segars and Earline Grant Goodman. He departed this life on Thursday, Sept. 8, 2022, at Prisma Health Tuomey Hospital, Sumter.

Freddie was educated in the public schools of Sumter County. He accepted Christ as his personal Savior and was baptized at St. Mark 4B Missionary Baptist Church, where he faithfully served as an usher and affectionately greeted everyone with a smile as they entered and departed the house of the Lord.

Freddie had a passion for brick masonry and was employed with Daniel Construction for many years. In his most recent years, he

was employed as a lawn maintenance worker, until his health failed.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Barbara A. Pack Goodman of the home; a daughter, Felicia Jackson (Kalvin) of Sumter; two sons, Kevin Pack (Vermell) and Jamar Goodman, both of Sumter; six grandchildren of Sumter; three great-grandchildren of Sumter; two sisters, Earline Porter and Lilly Goodman, both of Dalzell; two brothers, James (Janie) Goodman and John Goodman, both of Dalzell; one uncle, Leroy Grant of Dalzell; one aunt, Sandra Shaw of Sumter; two sisters-in-law, Melissa Goodman and Nancy Goodman; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In accordance with the COVID-19 guidelines, the family is requesting face masks and social distancing be observed by relatives and friends during visitation at the home, 2615 Yank Haven Drive, Sumter, and 4930 McPhail Drive, Dalzell.

Funeral services will be held at noon on Thursday at St. Mark 4B Baptist Church, 2280 Fourbridge Road, Sumter, with the Rev. Dr. Sammie D. Simmons, pastor, eulogist.

The remains will be placed in the church at 11 a.m. for viewing until time of services.

The procession will leave at 11:30 a.m. from 2615 Yank Haven Drive, Sumter.

Burial will be in Ebenezer Presbyterian Church Cemetery, 4620 Queen Chapel Road, Dalzell.

Services directed by the management and staff of Williams Funeral Home Inc., 821 N. Main St., Sumter.

Online message may be sent to the family at [williamsfuneral@sc.rr.com](mailto:williamsfuneral@sc.rr.com).

Visit us on the web at [www.williamsfuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.williamsfuneralhomeinc.com).

**VIVIAN SANDERS BRUNSON**

Vivian Sanders Brunson, 94, widow of Elijah Brunson, departed this life on Monday, Sept. 12, 2022, at her residence.

She was born on June 25, 1928, in Sumter, a daughter of the late Gable and Clara Coley Sanders.

The family will be receiving friends at the home, 746 Griffin St., Sumter, SC 29154.

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

**GEORGE WILLIAM JOHNSON JR.**

The Rev. George William Johnson Jr., 72, husband of Jacqueline Miller Parker Johnson, was born on Jan. 16, 1950, in Arlington, Virginia, a son of the late George Wise Johnson Sr. and Patty Elizabeth Tally Johnson. He departed this life on Thursday, Sept. 8, 2022, at his residence in Beaufort.

Public viewing will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. today at Job's Mortuary.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday at Trinity Missionary Baptist Church, Sumter, with Pastor Larry Weston officiating. Interment will be at noon on Friday at Beaufort National Cemetery in Beaufort.

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

**MARTHA DABBS GREENWAY**

Martha Dabbs Greenway, 82, died on Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2022, at Prisma Health Tuomey Hospital.

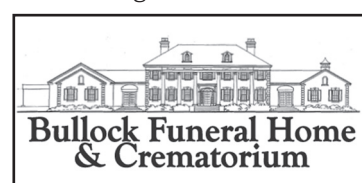
Services will be announced by Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and Crematorium of Sumter.

**RUSSELL LENWARD PARKER**

Russell Lenward Parker, age 57, beloved husband of 33 years to Christine Diane Williamson Parker, died on Monday, Sept. 12, 2022, at Prisma Health Tuomey Hospital.

You may go to [www.bullockfuneralhome.com](http://www.bullockfuneralhome.com) and sign the family's guest book.

The family has chosen Bullock Funeral Home for the arrangements.

**CHARLES WESLEY JONES**

Charles Wesley Jones, 97, widower of Willie Maude Solesby Jones, died on Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2022, at Sumter Grove Senior Living.

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

**TERESA ZUELL**

Teresa Zuell, 66, died on Saturday, Sept. 10, 2022, at Lexington Hospital, Lexington.

Born on March 24, 1981, in Sumter, she was a daughter of Juanita Zuell and the late Sherman Huggins.

In accordance with COVID-19 guidelines, the family requests that face masks and social distancing be observed during visitations at the home, 1046 Kentwood Drive.

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

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**Summons & Notice**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS COUNTY OF SUMTER CIVIL ACTION NO.: 2022CP4301003 (Non-Jury) FORECLOSURE 19-022873

**SUMMONS AND NOTICES**

Mortgage Asset Management, LLC, Plaintiff, v.

Jordan Rock, A.S., a minor, Any Heirs-at-Law or Devises of the Estate of Billy N. Shorter, Sr. aka Billy Nathaniel Shorter, Sr., Deceased, his heirs or devisees, successors and assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through him; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe, Any Heirs-at-Law or Devises of the Estate of Carolyn W. Shorter, deceased, her heirs or devisees, successors and assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through him; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe, The United States of America, acting by and through its agency, The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development,

**Defendant(s).**

**TO THE DEFENDANT(S):** \*Any Heirs-at-Law or Devises of the Estate of Billy N. Shorter, Sr. aka Billy Nathaniel Shorter, Sr., Deceased, his heirs or devisees, successors and assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through him; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe, \*Any Heirs-at-Law or Devises of the Estate of Carolyn W. Shorter, deceased, her heirs or devisees, successors and assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through him; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe: **YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** and required to appear and defend by answering the Complaint in this action, a copy of which is hereby served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer on this subscribers at

**Summons & Notice**

their offices at 1201 Main Street, Suite 1450, Columbia, SC 29201, within thirty (30) days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service, except that the United States of America, if named, shall have sixty (60) days to answer after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to do so, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. **TO MINORS OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE, AND/OR TO MINORS UNDER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND THE PERSON WITH WHOM THE MINOR RESIDES, AND/OR TO PERSON UNDER SOME LEGAL DISABILITY:**

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

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

**NOTICE YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Summons and Complaint, of which the foregoing is a copy of the Summons, were filed with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, South Carolina on June 23, 2022.

Nicole R. Kuerz Attorney, SC Bar No.: 105081 Albertelli Law 1201 Main St, Suite 1450 Columbia, SC 29201 Phone: (803) 828-0880 Fax: (803) 828-0881 nkuerz@alaw.net

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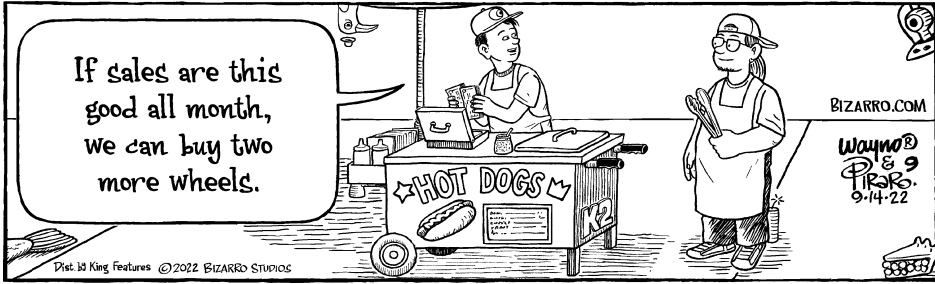
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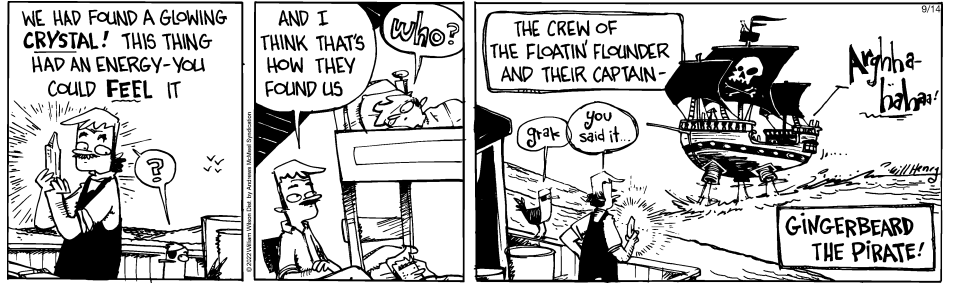
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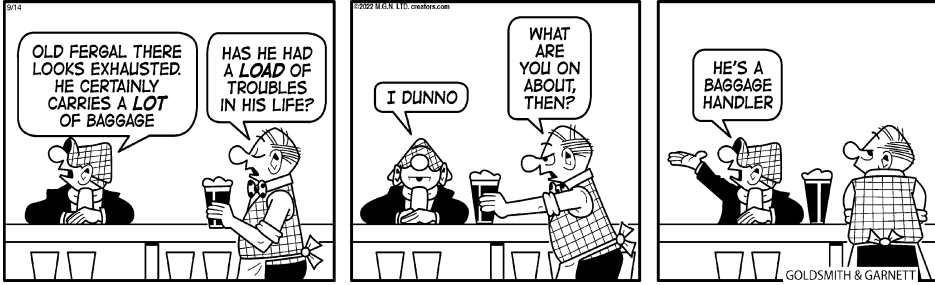
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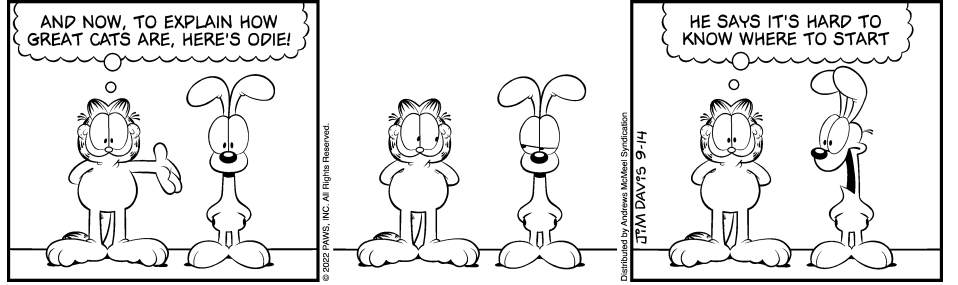
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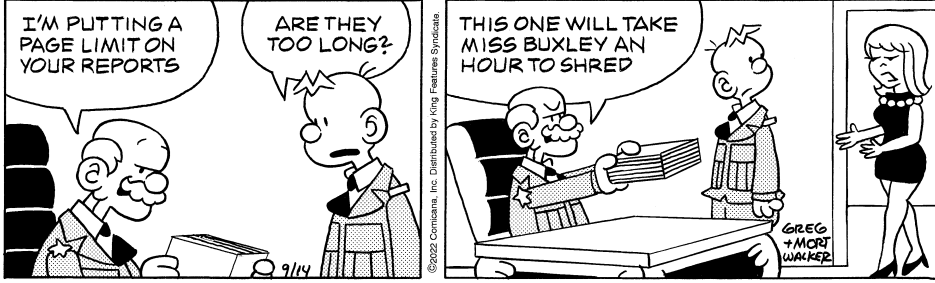
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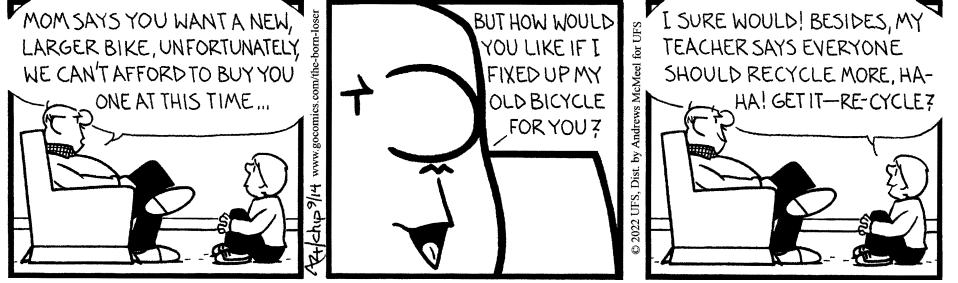
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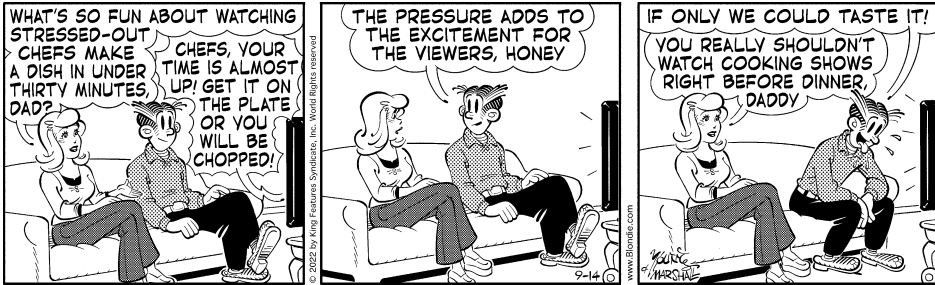
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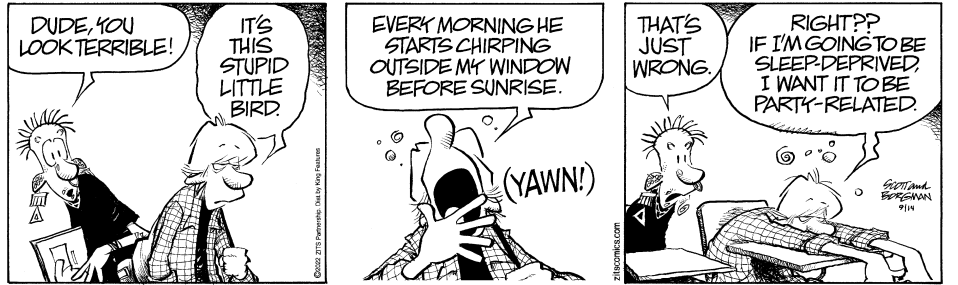
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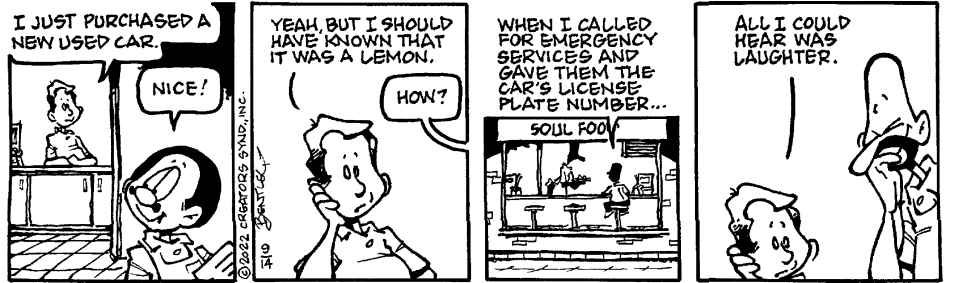
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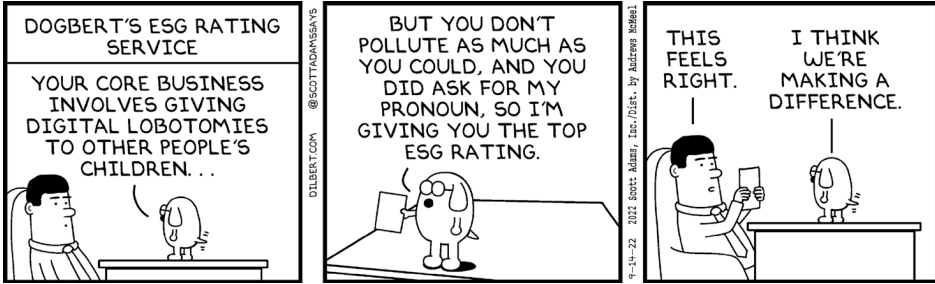
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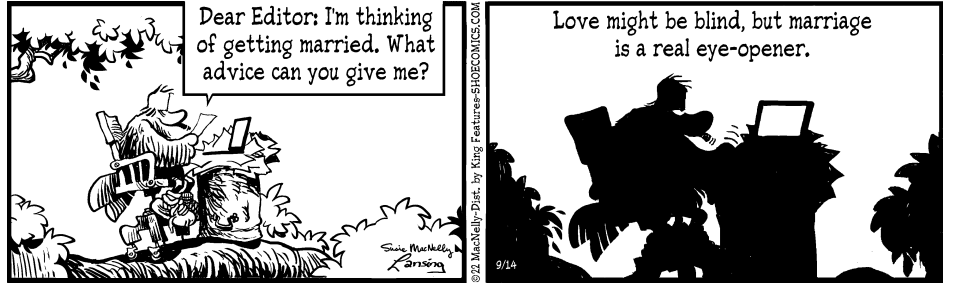
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ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

**DEAR ABBY** — My daughter is in eighth grade at a small private school. The problem is, she doesn't have any friends there. Away from school she makes friends easily. But around classmates she's known for years, she's quiet and awkward. She isn't invited to parties or other activities. She wants to make friends and join in conversations but doesn't know how. Her dad and I tell her high school will be easier, but she doesn't want to wait. Do you have something that might help?

*Mom of an outsider in Missouri*

**DEAR MOM** — By the time seventh grade rolls around, "cliques" have usually solidified, and the members aren't generous about admitting outsiders. I agree that things will improve when your daughter gets into high school. As freshmen, everyone starts out on equal footing, and because classes are larger and students are funneling in from other schools, there's more opportunity to meet new people. I speak from experience. I was excluded when I moved to a new school in seventh grade, and I know how it felt.

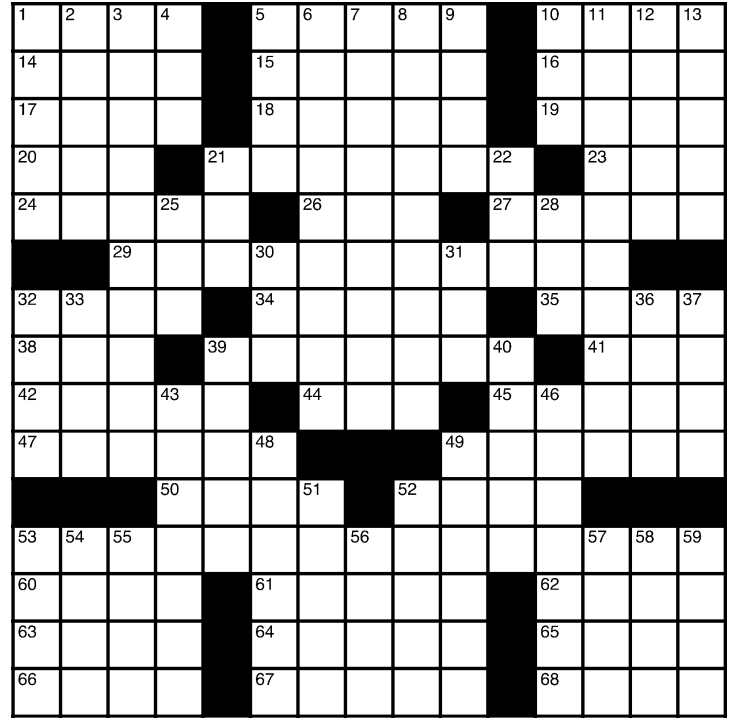
The subject of social dexterity has been in my column before because readers of all ages ask about it. It's important to understand that few individuals are born socially adept. It's a skill that must be learned, then polished until it becomes second nature. Part of being social is showing an interest in others.

A smile is an excellent ice-breaker, and one of the secrets of being charming is being a good listener.

The keys to being liked by both sexes are simple: Be kind. Be honest. Be tactful. Offer a compliment — but only if it's deserved. Be well groomed, tastefully dressed and conscious of your posture. Confident individuals stand tall. Another useful icebreaker is to ask others what they think and be open to listening to their opinions. Be a good listener and people will think you're a genius.

I publish a booklet, "How To Be Popular," for people of all ages. It contains many useful tips for polishing social skills. You can order one by sending your name and address, plus a check or money order for \$8, to: Dear Abby Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447.

**THE DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE**



Lisa Senzel and Christina Iverson 2/9/22

- ACROSS**
- 1 Spanish tennis great Nadal, familiarly
  - 5 Upgrade, as machinery
  - 10 Uncertain
  - 14 Cabbage buy
  - 15 Glazer of "The Afterparty"
  - 16 Skating commentator Lipinski
  - 17 Analogy words
  - 18 Bridal path flower piece
  - 19 Stash, as gear
  - 20 Japanese drama
  - 21 Cookbook contents
  - 23 Author Rand
  - 24 Genre for composer Terence Blanchard
  - 26 Informal "You're oversharing"
  - 27 Caramel candies
  - 29 Like some dangerous isotopes
  - 32 Curry of the NBA
  - 34 Bike part
  - 35 Quintet for most starfish
  - 38 Prefix for a lifesaving "Pen"
  - 39 Not so big
  - 41 Knock
  - 42 Try to hit
  - 44 Tell it like it isn't
  - 45 Speed skater Ohno
  - 47 Act parts
  - 49 Past the point of caring
  - 50 Michelle of "Crazy Rich Asians"
  - 52 Neighborhood
  - 53 "Secretive email option
  - 60 Uncommon
  - 61 Assertion
  - 62 Cookie used as a 12-Down topping
  - 63 Admit frankly
  - 64 Omit in speech
  - 65 Spreadsheet unit
  - 66 Soaks up the sun
  - 67 Calf-roping event
  - 68 Diet that's high in fats and low in carbs, as illustrated by parts of the answers to the starred clues
  - 7 \*Pakistani-born chef who was posthumously honored with a James Beard Award
  - 8 Up the creek
  - 9 Story
  - 10 Part of FWIW
  - 11 "Serious software problem
  - 12 Dessert from 16 Handles, familiarly
  - 13 Signs of boredom
  - 21 "Wicked!"
  - 22 Lanka
  - 25 Sidelines cheer
  - 28 Fertility lab cells
  - 30 Maker of the Deep Blue chess computer
  - 31 Workout top
  - 32 Bodies of water
  - 33 fail
  - 36 Timbuktu's land
  - 37 Predicament
  - 39 Fine horse
  - 40 Black bird
  - 43 "What's the latest?"
  - 46 NBC symbol
  - 48 Abby Wambach's sport
  - 49 Juliet's cry
  - 51 Winnie-the-Pooh greeting
  - 52 Tolerate
  - 53 Sassy kid
  - 54 Chocolate cake
  - 55 Waffle maker
  - 56 "Kills bugs dead!" spray
  - 57 Hockey Hall of Famer Willie
  - 58 Hit, as with snowballs
  - 59 "Seize the day" initialism
- DOWN**
- 1 Safari herbivore
  - 2 Fabulous writer?
  - 3 \*Figure often depicted with a scythe and an hourglass
  - 4 Hubbub
  - 5 Ready for picking
  - 6 college
- Previous Puzzle Solved**
- WEEP CRUSH SRS  
ACLU BEANIE PEA  
STEPBROTHER RAG  
POPTAB ION VICE  
HEN MOONLIGHT  
GRANDMA KAOS  
PRINTSIZE WAFTS  
ACT ZELDA AOL  
SOSAD LIFETIME  
ROAD STARRED  
BACKTRACK RUS  
IDES CHA TETHER  
LEA HALFANDHALF  
ELS ORIENT KID  
SEE TOAST SEAS

**JUMBLE**

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME  
By David L Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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

WEYLN

TEAML

KNIYSN

ROAHUT

"O O O O O - O O O O"



Yesterday's Jumbles: CRAWL WOOLY INTENT SMOOTH  
Answer: Should she buy cinnamon gum or bubble gum? She would have — "TWO CHEWS"

**SUDOKU**

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

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

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

WEDNESDAY EVENING SEPTEMBER 14

SP	FT	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM
<b>LOCAL CHANNELS</b>												
WIS	10	3	10	WIS News 10 at 7 (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Password "Yvette Nicole Brown, Joel McHale, Chrissy Metz & Jimmy Fallon" Celebrities play a word game.	America's Got Talent "Finale Results" (Season Finale) (N) (Live)	WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon Viola Davis; Karamo; Jann Wenner. (N)			
WLTX	19	9	9	News 19 at 7pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Big Brother Houseguests compete to win a veto. (N)	The Challenge: USA "Home of the Brave" (Season Finale) (N)	News 19 at 11pm (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N)			
WOLO	23	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "Wheel of Fortune XL" (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	The Conners (DVS)	ABC Fall Preview Special	Abbott Elementary Tariq is offered a job in New York.	(:31) Home Economics "Ticket to Space, \$1 Million"	Soul of a Nation Presents Mi Gente: Groundbreakers and Changemakers (DVS)	ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!
WRJA	27	11	14	Coastal Kingdom "American Alligators"	Reconnecting Roots How travel has changed.	Nature "The Leopard Legacy" A leopard-ess cares for her two cubs. (DVS)	Lion: The Rise and Fall of the Marsh Pride: Lions battle for survival in Kenya.	NOVA "Nature's Fear Factor" Wild dogs in Gorongosa National Park. (DVS)	Amanpour and Company (N)			
WACH	57	6	6	The Big Bang Theory "The Separation Oscillation"	The Big Bang Theory "The Separation Oscillation"	MasterChef "Finale Part 2 -- Special Guest Christina Tosi" (Season Finale) A new champion is crowned. (N)	(:02) Monarch "Stop at Nothing" (DVS)	WACH FOX News at 10P (N) (Live)	Sports Zone (N) (Live)	The National Desk (N) (Live)	CRIME With Elizabeth Vargas (N)	
WKTC	63	4	22	The Neighborhood "The Johnsons have a game night."	The Neighborhood "Welcome to the Anniversary"	Dateline "Evil Was Watching" Two young girls are snatched.	Dateline "11 Minutes" A teen accused of killing his parents.	Chicago Fire "The Beating Heart" Chili's behavior draws concern.	The Carbonaro Effect "Bro, They're Surrounding Us!"	Impractical Jokers "Medium, Well Done"	Pawn Stars Lap desk made by Dr. Samuel Mudd.	
<b>CABLE CHANNELS</b>												
A&E	46	130		Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam (N)	Court Cam (N)	Court Night Live (N) (Live)	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Night Live	
AMC	48	180		(5:15) *** "Star Trek Beyond" (2016) Chris Pine, Zachary Quinto.	*** "Rocky III" (1982, Drama) Sylvester Stallone, Mr. T, Talia Shire. A merciless contender forces Rocky into a title match.	*** "Rocky IV" (1985, Drama) Sylvester Stallone, Talia Shire, Burt Young. Vengeful boxer Rocky Balboa faces a deadly Soviet fighter.						
ANPL	41	100		The Zoo "Baby Bunnies, Big World"	The Zoo "The Great Turtle Comeback"	The Zoo "A New Beginning"	The Zoo: San Diego "Koala Boys"	The Zoo: San Diego	The Zoo			
BET	61	162		Celebrity Family Feud black-ish vs. The Goldbergs. (DVS)	Celebrity Family Feud Boxers against mixed martial artists. (DVS)	Haus of Vicious "Viciously Passion" The newest PR stunt backfires. (N)	Sacrifice "Don't You Lie to Me" Daniella learns the truth about Dom. (N)	Sacrifice "Don't Mess Up a Good Thing" Daniella makes a power play. (N)	Celebrity Family Feud			
BRAVO	47	181		The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills A special episode with bonus footage.	The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (N)	The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills	Raising a F...ing Star Four families pursue fame and fortune. (N)	The Real Housewives of Atlanta "Reunion Part 1"				
BSSE	21	47		MLS Soccer	Postgame	Inside the Asso	Fight Sports: In 60	Fight Sports: In 60	MLS Soccer Atlanta United FC at Orlando City SC.			
CNBC	35	84		The News With Shepard Smith (N)	Shark Tank A hate connection app.	Shark Tank (DVS)	Jay Leno's Garage "Fast Living" (N)	Jay Leno's Garage "Premiere Cars"	Shepard Smith			
CNN	3	80		Erin Burnett OutFront (N) (Live)	Anderson Cooper 360 (N) (Live)	CNN Tonight (N) (Live)	Don Lemon Tonight (N) (Live)	Don Lemon Tonight (N) (Live)	Anderson Cooper			
COM	57	136		(:10) South Park "Handicar"	(:45) South Park Animated. Garrison wants to keep out immigrants.	(:20) South Park "Wieners Out"	(8:55) South Park "Wieners Out"	South Park "Time to Get Cereal"	South Park "Nobody Got Cereal?"	The Daily Show With Trevor Noah (N)	Hell of a Week With Charlamagne	
DISN	18	200		Big City Greens	Big City Greens	"Zombies" (2018) Milo Manheim, Meg Donnelly. Suburban high schoolers learn to coexist with zombies.	(:45) Chibiverse	(:10) Big City Greens	(:35) Big City Greens	Miraculous: Tales of Ladybug	Miraculous: Tales of Ladybug	Jessie
DSC	42	103		Expedition Unknown	Tales From the Explorers Club (N)	(:01) Mysteries of the Deep (N)	(:03) Mysteries of the Deep	(:03) Mysteries of the Deep	(:03) Expedition Unknown	Explorers Club		
ESPN	26	35		ESPN Films	ESPN Films	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)			
ESPN2	27	39		NFL's Greatest	Soccer Campeones Cup: New York City FC vs Atlas. From Yankee Stadium in the Bronx, N.Y. (N)	Guy's Ultimate Game Night (N)	No Recipe Road Trip-Try	(:01) Guy's Grocery Games	Guy's Ultima			
FOOD	40	109		Guy's Grocery Games	Guy's Grocery Games	Hannity (N) (Live)	The Ingraham Angle (N) (Live)	Gutfeld! (N)	Fox News at Night			
FOXN	37	90		Jesse Watters Primetime (N)	Tucker Carlson Tonight (N) (Live)	Hannity (N) (Live)	The Ingraham Angle (N) (Live)	Gutfeld! (N)	Fox News at Night			
FREE	20	131		The Office "The Promotion"	The Office "Niagara"	The Office "Niagara"	The Office "Mafia"	The Office "The Lover"	The Office "Koi Pond"	grown-ish "It's a Vibe" (N)	grown-ish "It's a Vibe"	The 700 Club People experience the power of prayer. (N)
HALL	52	183		(6:00) "One Perfect Wedding" (2021) Taylor Cole, Jack Turner. (DVS)	"Summer Villa" (2016, Romance) Hilarie Burton, Victor Webster, Emorphia Margantis. A novelist and a chef retreat to a villa for the summer. (DVS)	The Golden Girls (DVS)	The Golden Girls "Cheaters"	The Golden Girls (DVS)	The Golden Girls "All Bets Are Off"	The Golden Girls (DVS)	The Golden Girls "All Bets Are Off"	The Golden Girls (DVS)
HGTV	39	112		Farmhouse Fixer "English Charm"	Farmhouse Fixer	Farmhouse Fixer (N)	House Hunters (N)	House Hunters (N)	Farmhouse Fixer			
HIST	45	110		Forged in Fire (DVS)	Forged in Fire (DVS)	Forged in Fire (DVS)	(:03) Forged in Fire "Kung Fu Edition"	(:03) Forged in Fire "The Jian Sword"	Forged in Fire			
ION	13	18		Blue Bloods "Trust" Eddie and her new partner fail. (DVS)	Blue Bloods "By Hook or by Crook" Eddie introduces Jamie to her mother.	Blue Bloods "Stirring the Pot" Erin and Frank clash. (DVS)	Blue Bloods "Handcuffs" A video surfaces of cops being harassed.	Blue Bloods "Authority Figures" A video of entrapment by officers.	Blue Bloods "Disrupted"			
LIFE	50	145		Married at First Sight The couples reflect on their progress.	Married at First Sight "Back to Our Future"	The husbands and wives open up. (N)	(:03) Married at First Sight (N)	(:33) Married at First Sight "Back to Our Future" The husbands and wives open up.	(:12:01) Married at First Sight			
MSNBC	36	92		The Reid Out (N) (Live)	All In With Chris Hayes (N) (Live)	Alex Wagner Tonight (N) (Live)	The Last Word With	The 11th Hour With Stephanie Ruhle	Alex Wagner			
NICK	16	210		NFL Slimetime (N)	Young Dylan	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Friends	(:33) Friends	(:12) Friends	(:45) Friends "The Last One"	
NWSN	8	172		On Balance With Leland Vittert (N)	NewsNation Prime With Marni Hughes	Dan Abrams Live (N) (Live)	Banfield (N)	NewsNation Prime With Marni Hughes	Dan Abrams Live			
PARMT	64	153		Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	*** "Tombstone" (1993) Kurt Russell, Val Kilmer. Doc Holiday joins Wyatt Earp for the OK Corral showdown.	*** "Shooter" (2007, Action) Mark Wahlberg.					
SYFY	58	152		(5:30) *** "The Scorpion King"	*** "Central Intelligence" (2016, Action) Dwayne Johnson, Kevin Hart, Amy Ryan. A CIA agent recruits an ex-classmate for a top-secret case. (DVS)	Resident Alien "Cat and Mouse" Harry goes head-to-head with an enemy. (N)	La Brea "The Storm" A chaotic superstorm hits the clearing. (DVS)	(12:02) La Brea "Origins"				
TBS	24	156		The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite From Albany, NY. (N) (Live)	Young Sheldon (DVS)	Young Sheldon (DVS)	George Lopez "Carmen's Dating"			
TCM	49	186		(6:00) *** "Wise Blood" (1979, Drama) Brad Dourif, Amy Wright.	"Cocktail Hour" (1933) Bebe Daniels, Randolph Scott. Cynthia Warren rebels against social norms for women.	*** "Counselor-at-Law" (1933) John Barrymore. A lawyer questions his success after his wife leaves him.	*** "42nd Street" (1933) Ruby Keeler, Warner Baxter. An injury gives an understudy a shot at stardom. (DVS)					
TLC	43	157		Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper (N)	Dr. Pimple Popper (N)	Bad Hair Day "A Trich-y Situation" (N)	Body Parts "They Look So Real"	Dr. Pimple Popper			
TNT	23	158		Lucifer "My Little Monkey" Chloe's dad's alleged killer is slain.	*** "Hercules: The Thracian Wars" (2014, Adventure) Dwayne Johnson, Ian McShane. Hercules helps defend Thrace from a powerful warlord. (DVS)	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers
TRUTV	38	129		Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers
TV LAND	55	161		Andy Griffith Show	Andy Griffith Show	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	King of Queens
USA	25	132		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit Benson faces Lewis in the courtroom.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit Suspects fall victim to the measles.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A threat could change the squad.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A mogul is accused of attempted rape.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A teen is assaulted in the projects.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A teen is assaulted in the projects.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A teen is assaulted in the projects.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A teen is assaulted in the projects.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A teen is assaulted in the projects.
WE	68	166		NCIS DiNozzo investigates a suicide.	NCIS Senator asks Gibbs for help.	NCIS "Heartland"	NCIS "Nine Lives"	NCIS "Murder 2.0"	NCIS			



June (Elizabeth Moss) faces the aftermath of killing Commander Waterford while struggling to redefine her identity and purpose as season five of "The Handmaid's Tale" begins streaming today on Hulu.

# Enough already with 'The Handmaid's Tale'

BY KEVIN MCDONOUGH

Despite working as a critic and thus being prone to finding fault with everything, I never find pleasure when a series is canceled, and am generally happy when I hear of a show's renewal. There are many jobs on the line. And for every big star we associate with a show, there are countless folks behind the cameras and in the production and marketing departments whose livelihoods depend on the series' success.

That said, I am a bit baffled that Hulu announced the sixth season renewal of "The Handmaid's Tale" before today's debut of the harrowing series' fifth.

I'm not saying that the acting and production values on this dystopian saga aren't top notch — but it has simply run out of story. The first season was based on Margaret Atwood's acclaimed and powerful 1985 novel. Subsequent seasons have elaborated on the struggles between the Christian nationalist dictatorship of Gilead, neighboring Canada and what's left of the United States.

As season five begins, June (Elisabeth Moss) has just led a daring raid that killed Commander Waterford (Joseph Fiennes), an act of personal vengeance and political terror with profound diplomatic consequences. Meanwhile, Waterford's

once-estranged widow, Serena (Yvonne Strahovsky), makes the most of her role as a political prisoner and symbol of a growing Gilead influence in Canada.

By my estimation, nearly half the season opener seemed to consist of flashbacks and musical interludes. I must admit, I stopped watching "Tale" some time back because of its relentless brutality. And here in season five, I found storylines and characters I thought were long gone or resolved still spinning their narrative wheels.

After Waterford's death, June seems to confront the aftereffects of personal violence and the all-consuming nature of revenge. When she tries to step back, her co-conspirators treat her like a selfish quitter, out only for her own agenda. And one gets the feeling that Serena and her contacts back in Gilead just won't let June alone.

The next season will be the last for "The Handmaid's Tale." Let's hope the story moves forward.

Fans of Moss's intense style of acting and physical fearlessness owe it to themselves to catch the series "Shining Girls," streaming on Apple TV+. A well-acted sci-fi thriller, it received very little attention and was shunned by the Emmys. It's very good.

- With streaming bringing

new programming every day, it's easy to forget that TV used to follow the seasons. The autumnal equinox may still be a week away, but TV's summer is at an end. In my own unofficial calendar, summer begins when Fox premieres "So You Think You Can Dance" and ends when a winner emerges on the finale of "America's Got Talent" (9 p.m., NBC, TV-PG). Enjoy sweater weather.

Speaking of seasons, ABC glances ahead with "The ABC Fall Preview" (8:30 p.m., TV-14).

### TONIGHT'S OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- The 2022 documentary "Elizabeth: A Portrait in Parts" (8 p.m., TMCX, TV-14) profiles the British monarch who died last Thursday.
- A winner emerges on "The Challenge: USA" (9 p.m., CBS, TV-PG).
- Troubling stories emerge about the first family of country music on the pilot

episode of "Monarch" (9 p.m., Fox, r, TV-14).

- A camera crew follows big cats in Kenya on "Lion: The Rise and Fall of the Marsh Pride" (9 p.m., PBS, TV-PG, check local listings).
- "Soul of a Nation Presents Mi Gente: Groundbreakers and Changemakers" (10 p.m., ABC), a salute to Hispanic culture.

### CULT CHOICE

Ewan McGregor stars in and directs the 2016 adaptation of Philip Roth's Newark-based novel "American Pastoral" (7:10 p.m., HBO Signature). McGregor portrays a successful glove manufacturer whose beloved daughter turns radical in the 1960s and goes underground. While the book rates among Roth's best, the film, McGregor's directorial debut, was poorly received. For starters, it may have been a bridge too far to imagine the Scottish "Star Wars" action hero as a heartbroken Jewish busi-

nessman from New Jersey.

### SERIES NOTES

Brides and grooms on "The Conners" (8 p.m., ABC, r, TV-PG) \* Job hunting in Blue Valley on "DC's Stargirl" (8 p.m., CW, TV-PG) \* It's all happening at the zoo on "Abbott Elementary" (9 p.m., ABC, r, TV-PG) \* Connor's plans are out of this world on "Home Economics" (9:30 p.m., ABC, r, TV-PG).

### LATE NIGHT

Steve Carell and Phoenix are booked on "The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (11:35 p.m., CBS) \* Jimmy Fallon welcomes Viola Davis, Karamo, Jann Wenner and Little Big Town on "The Tonight Show" (11:35 p.m., NBC) \* Lena Dunham, Jo Koy and Rick Smith visit "Late Night With Seth Meyers" (12:35 a.m., NBC).

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