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AROUND TOWN

Study shows Spartanburg's hospitality tax receipts, hotel room supply and demand continue to grow

City of Spartanburg and Spartanburg County hospitality tax receipts and hotel room supply and demand grew during the 2018-2019 fiscal year, according to a study from H2R Market Research, a Missouri-based research company.

City and County hospitality tax receipts reached record levels, marking the fifth consecutive year of growth.

"Spartanburg County's visitor economy is growing and robust. We have new dining and entertainment offerings, giving travelers and residents more options to stay longer and spend more," said Spartanburg Convention and Visitors Bureau Executive Vice President Chris Jennings. "Most lodging performance metrics saw increases, including average room rate, which came in at \$92.27. The challenge will be to grow our occupancy rate among our peer communities this year, which dipped to 68%."

The VisitSpartanburg.com website was overhauled and relaunched in January 2019. Since it went live, both traffic and time on the site increased. The site also saw a 3 percent increase in traffic, with more than 222,000 unique visits.

The Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport had another record year of passenger traffic, with its highest deplanement numbers — the number of passengers getting off planes at GSP — to date during the fiscal year.

SC Secretary of State Mark Hammond invites nominations for 2019 Angels

Columbia — South Carolina Secretary of State Mark Hammond announced on September 9th that his office will accept nominations of charitable organizations for this year's Angel awards.

Every year, the Secretary of State honors several charitable organizations as "Angels." Specifically, the Secretary of State considers organizations which use at least 80 percent of their contributions for charitable services, have been in existence for three years or more, make good use of volunteer assistance, and do not rely heavily on government grants or grants from other organizations.

Letters of nomination for the 2019 Angels may be sent to the Secretary of State's Office, Division of Public Charities, 1205 Pendleton Street, Suite 525, Columbia, SC 29201. Nominations may be also sent to charities@sos.sc.gov. Letters of nomination should include the name of the charitable organization, the organization's location and/or contact information, and the reasons why the organization should be honored as an Angel. The Secretary of State's Office will accept nominations through October 7.

For additional information on South Carolina law affecting charitable organizations and professional fundraisers, and to view information on charitable organizations registered to solicit in the State of South Carolina, please visit the Secretary of State's website at <https://sos.sc.gov/online-filings/charities-pfrs-and-raffles/charities>

West Main Artists Co-op to host its first juried exhibition September - October

West Main Artists Co-op will host its first regional juried art exhibition -- WMAC 2019 -- which opened on Saturday, Sept. 14, and will close on Saturday, Oct. 19, in Spartanburg.

The show was open to all adult visual artists in South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, and Tennessee. The first-place winner will receive \$2,500; second-place, \$1,000; third-place, \$500; and merit awards will total \$500. Two-hundred-forty-one (241) artists from the four states applied, and 66 were admitted into the show based on the judgement of jurors Ann DerGara and Mike Vatalaro.

These jurors will also work together to pick the final winners, which will be announced on Saturday, Sept. 21, during a reception and awards ceremony. Seventy-four (74) works of art will be on display.

The artwork in WMAC 2019 will be open for free public viewing Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A public reception will be Saturday, Sept. 21, 6 - 8 with an awards ceremony at 7 p.m. Another reception will be held on Thursday, Sept. 19, 5 - 9 p.m., during the city's monthly ArtWalk.

Work accepted into the exhibition includes painting, pastel, drawing, sculpture, ceramics, glass, photography, fiber arts, original hand-pulled fine art prints, jewelry, weaving, basketry, and wood. Nearly all of the work will be for sale.

West Main Artists Co-op is a nonprofit and membership-based arts agency, housed on West Main Street in Spartanburg in a converted three-story church.



The Spartanburg Area Chamber of Commerce has hired Matt Roos (left) as Vice President of Investor Relations and Jonna Turner as Director of Events.



Spartanburg Chamber announces two new team members

The Spartanburg Area Chamber of Commerce has hired Matt Roos as Vice President of Investor Relations and Jonna Turner as Director of Events; both roles serve the Spartanburg Chamber, Spartanburg Convention and Visitors Bureau and Economic Futures Group.

As Vice President of Investor Relations, Roos takes on a new role focused on generating, developing and retaining revenue and investment for all Spartanburg Chamber entities.

Roos comes to the Chamber after spending four years as Leadership Gift Officer and Alumni Engagement Officer at Wofford College, where he developed key relationships to support the It's Our Wofford strategic plan and the ForWofford campaign, which raised \$284 million as of July 2019. At Wofford, Roos was also Chair of the Staff Advisory Council, a member of the

Presidential Committee for Diversity and Inclusion, a Title IX Hearing Board Member, a staff mentor on the Student Success Team, and United Way Staff Chairperson.

An active member in the Spartanburg community, Roos serves on the Partners for Active Living Board of Directors and the Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System's Regional Fellow Leadership Program. He is a 2018 graduate of Leadership Spartanburg and previously served on the Chamber's Leadership Development Advisory Council.

Named Director of Events, Turner will plan and implement events for the Spartanburg Chamber entities, finding the best ways to connect and engage constituents. She will assume her role on Sept. 30.

Turner comes to the Chamber after four years as Executive Director of the Cherokee County

Chamber of Commerce in Gaffney. There, she led the operation of the Cherokee Chamber, including membership development and recruitment, event planning, and marketing.

A former small business owner, Turner actively serves her community. She currently teaches public speaking at Spartanburg Community College, serves as partnership and marketing coordinator for Chick-fil-A WinShape, and previously served as chair of the board for Habitat for Humanity of Cherokee County.

"Both Matt and Jonna bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to our team," said Allen Smith, President and CEO of the Spartanburg Chamber. "We are confident they will bring the same level of commitment and success to Spartanburg as they did to Wofford and Cherokee."

Carolina Miracle League's 122 players set for Fall season

The Carolina Miracle League began its six-week fall season for the 12th consecutive year on Monday, September 16. A total of 122 players have registered to play this fall, including 14 new players.

Like the spring season, the fall season consists of three games per week on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings. All games take place at Carolina Miracle League Park located in Boiling Springs inside the North Spartanburg Complex on Old Furnace Road.

The Carolina Miracle League is excited to engage its family and friends with game day promotions this fall. Throughout the season, guests in the stands will be encouraged to raise awareness about the Miracle League, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy and immediate disabilities.

The Carolina Miracle League continues its loyal partnership with local colleges to name the ten teams in the league. Mondays feature the two Major teams, including the USC Upstate "Spartans"

and the Clemson University LIFE Program "Tigers".

Tuesdays feature four AAA teams, including the Wofford "Terriers", the Sherman College of Chiropractic "Lions", the Limestone "Saints" and the Spartanburg Community College "Associates".

Thursdays feature four Minor teams, including the VCOM "Docs", the Spartanburg Methodist "Pioneers", the North Greenville "Crusaders", and the Converse "Valkyries".

The Carolina Miracle League would like to thank their Baseball Diamond Club team sponsors for their support. This fall's Baseball Diamond Club consists of The Hare & Hound, Abba Technologies, Charming Grooming Boutique & Daycare, Williams Edwards DMD, Greenwood Resources, Sparkle City Car Wash, Imagination Station, Lawson Contracting & Construction, Team North Carolina, and Prisma Health (Greenville Hospital System).

For more information on

the Carolina Miracle League or to find out how you can get involved, call the Carolina Miracle League office at 864-641-7739.

The Carolina Miracle League (CML), founded in 2001, provides children with disabilities in Spartanburg and Cherokee Counties in South Carolina the opportunity to participate in an organized baseball league. The CML holds all games at Miracle Park located inside the Spartanburg County Parks and Recreation Department's North Spartanburg Park at 1160 Old Furnace Road, Boiling Springs, S.C. 29316. Miracle Park, which opened in May 2007, features a ProTraxx playing surface that accommodates wheelchairs and walkers. This project was funded in part by Spartanburg County Community and Economic Development Department through the use of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant Funds.

A resource not to be ignored - The School Counselor

From the American Counseling Association

Many parents aren't aware of the wide range of services their schools' counselors have to offer. Yes, professional school counselors often provide help for students facing classroom struggles, but their range of assistance goes far beyond that.

School counselors have expertise and skills to benefit just about every student. They're also a resource to support every parent. A starting point in making the best use of your school's counselors is to recognize that these are counselors who have completed extensive training to work in schools. All school counselors are certified or licensed by their state and in most states are required to have completed at least a Masters degree or the equivalent.

A school counselor's training is focused on understanding young people and their educational and developmental needs. A school counselor's education equips him or her with the tools and means to help students achieve their academic, personal/social, and career goals. Through their work with students, counselors can advise teachers, students and parents about classes offering the appropriate challenges and the best educational outcomes.

School counselor's work with older students can include information about which classes can best fulfill their educational and career goals, as well as explaining options for colleges, technical training or other directions after high school.

And, as trained professional counselors, school counselors can also assist students facing potential problem areas. From substance abuse to bullying situations to improving study skills, school counselors are there to help students at any grade level, as well as their families, better handle the variety of challenges students face today. Counselors aren't magicians, but they can offer proven techniques and approaches that can assist in addressing real problems.

Don't wait for a crisis to talk with your child's school counselor. An introductory meeting early in the year gives you a chance to meet the counselor, discuss your child, and learn what assistance might be available. Even more important is to contact that counselor quickly when problems first appear. Slipping grades or abrupt changes in a child's attitude, behavior or friends, can all be signs that help is needed. That's when a professional counselor can make a real difference.

School counselors are professionals who have a great deal to offer our children. When we don't take advantage of their training, skills and experience, we're only short-changing ourselves, our children and our children's educational experience.

"Counseling Corner" is provided by the American Counseling Association. Comments and questions to ACAcorner@counseling.org

Around the Upstate

Community Calendar

SEPTEMBER 20 - 22
The Spartanburg Little Theatre presents *Mamma Mia!* Sept. 20 & 21 at 8 p.m. and Sept. 21 & 22 at 3 p.m. at the Chapman Cultural Center. Call (864) 542-2787 for tickets.

SEPTEMBER 21
Kurt Angle, Kane, Arn Anderson, Scott Steiner and Emma all return to Spartanburg with Big Time Wrestling! The local stop will be at Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$24 and can be purchased by calling 1-800-745-3000.

SEPTEMBER 22
Chapman Cultural Center is open every Sunday afternoon, 1 - 5 p.m., to provide casual and cultural experiences for those who want to "unplug." Some museums are open with free admission. In addition, one or more local musicians will perform a free mini-concert at no charge 2 - 4 p.m. (864) 542-ARTS.

SEPTEMBER 25
Music Sandwiched In, 12:15 - 1 p.m., Spartanburg County Headquarters Library, 151 S. Church St., Spartanburg, in the Barrett Community Room. All are welcome!

SEPTEMBER 28
Meet the Snow Queen at the AC Hotel, downtown Spartanburg, 12 - 2 p.m. Enjoy Storytime with the Snow Queen, arts and crafts, frozen treats, pictures with the Snow Queen! FREE!

BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Jeremiah in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. The Ethiopian eunuch that Philip met in Acts 8:26-27 was under what queen? Azubah, Candace, Nehushta, Vashti
3. At whose well did Jesus meet the Samaritan woman? Joshua's, Jonah's, Jacob's, Judas'
4. From Revelation 21, how many gates does the New Jerusalem have? 1, 4, 12, 16
5. Who was king during Zechariah's time of prophecy? David, Daniel, Darius, Saul
6. How long did Aaron's followers mourn him? 3 days, 13 days, 30 days, 3 months

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Candace; 3) Jacob's; 4) 12; 5) Darius; 6) 30 days

"Test Your Bible Knowledge," a new book with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is now available in stores and online.

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Super Crossword

Answers

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Clemson genomic migration analysis shows antibiotic resistance moving from humans to animals

By Laura Schmitt, College of Science

Clemson – A Clemson University professor's research has documented the movement of antibiotic resistance in humans into animal species.

College of Science researcher Vincent Richards recently published results that draw attention to reverse zoonosis, or pathogens moving from human populations to animals.

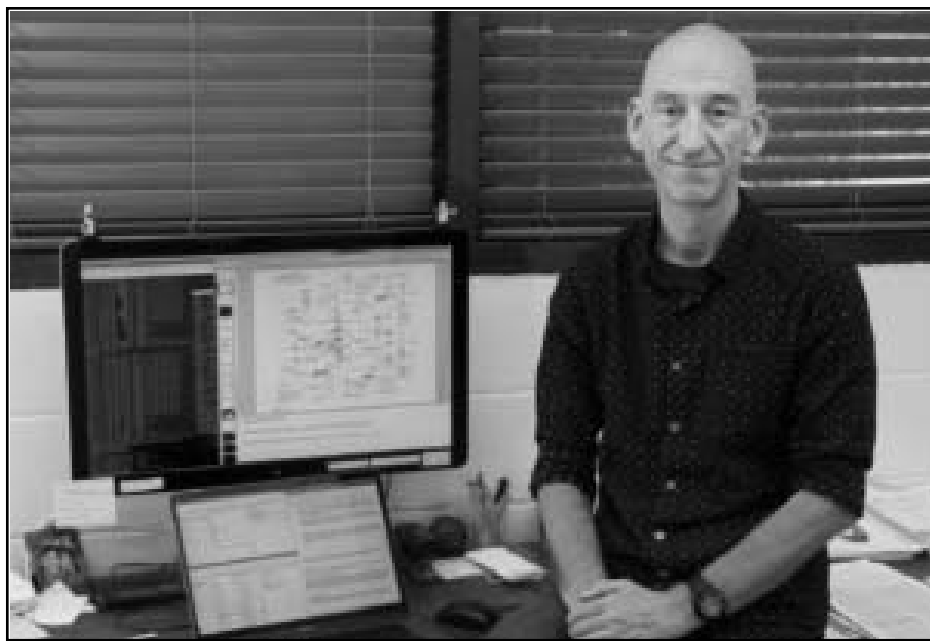
Every year, tens of thousands of Americans get sick from a variety of diseases contracted from animals. Known as zoonotic diseases, these infections are transmitted through food, water or direct contact with the animals. They include salmonella, E. coli, anthrax and cat scratch disease, to name a few.

While the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and other health agencies keep tabs on animal-to-human diseases, there's a dearth of knowledge about reverse zoonosis.

According to Richards, humans have acquired antibiotic-resistant genes, most likely through the overuse and abuse of prescription antibiotic drugs.

"I found actual cases of transmission of these antibiotic resistance genes from humans into livestock, companion animals and wildlife," said Richards, who speculates that the genetic material was transmitted via animal handling or through wastewater runoff.

Richards reported these findings in an article titled



Vince Richards, professor of biological sciences.

"Population gene introgression and high genome plasticity for the zoonotic pathogen *Streptococcus agalactiae*," which was recently published in *Molecular Biology and Evolution*.

In the study, he and his collaborators analyzed a global set of 901 genome sequences of the bacteria *Streptococcus agalactiae* (also known as group B Strep) from nine different host species – humans, cows, dogs, fish, frogs, gray seals, dolphins, goats and a camel – to better understand the transmission process. *Streptococcus agalactiae* can cause life-threatening illnesses like meningitis, pneumonia and sepsis in newborn babies. In addition, the bacterium is a leading cause of bovine mastitis, an inflammatory disease that limits milk production in dairy cows.

"One of the things that makes the bacteria so

interesting is its wide host range," said Richards, an assistant professor in the department of biological sciences. "It doesn't just infect humans and cows, it infects a whole range of terrestrial and aquatic mammals, reptiles and amphibians, and fish. It has quite the taxonomic range for a bacteria."

As part of the analysis, Richards grouped the genes into core and dispensable categories. Core genes are shared by all the genomes, while dispensable genes only appear in some species' genomes. Together, the core and dispensable genes make up the pan-genome (the entire gene set of all strains of a species).

In classifying the genes as either core or dispensable, Richards was surprised to discover that only about 10 percent of the pan-genome was core while 90 percent was dis-

pensable.

Significantly, the study showed how high bacterial genome plasticity can produce an expansive and yet highly partitioned pan-genome, which in turn facilitates further expansion of the pan-genome. Plasticity allows bacteria to adapt their DNA quickly so they can survive changes in their environment. As the pan-genome expands, continued adaptation to a diverse landscape of niches produces multiple biochemically diverse and divergent populations.

This population expansion can cause directionally biased spillover, demonstrating how genes selected in one niche or host can ultimately be transmitted into another.

"You have genes that are adapted to a particular population now being transferred into another population," Richards

said. "A particular gene for antibiotic resistance that was selected in human populations is now being transmitted into animal populations."

In the future, Richards hopes to apply the genomic methods utilized in this study to his group's research on related streptococcal bacteria found in the human mouth. Specifically, he'd like to examine the role that certain metabolic genes have in tooth decay in children.

Richards' collaborators in this study included Clemson undergraduates Garrett Springer and Brett Probert, Clemson graduate student Hayley Hasler, former Clemson post doctoral researchers Irina Velsko at the Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History and Tauqeer Alam at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign College of Veterinary Medicine, Ruth Zadoks and Chiara Crestani at the Moredun Research Institute, Shannon Manning at Michigan State University, Paulina Pavinski Bitar and Michael Stanhope at Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine and Christopher Town at the J. Craig Venter Institute.

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Super Crossword

SETTING OUT TO SIEGE

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| ACROSS | 48 Present from birth | 93 Deutsch article | 135 Tent stake | 34 Ad Council ad, for short | 75 Gathers bit by bit |
| 1 Dwelling place: Abbr. | 52 To a foreign country | 95 Develop | 136 Gold, to Spaniards | 35 "Son of," in Arab names | 76 Tickle a lot |
| 4 Modifying wd. | 53 Fair-hiring inits. | 97 Painting on plaster | DOWN | 36 Property transferor | 81 Without batting — |
| 7 Fail to mention | 54 "Der —" (Konrad Adenauer) | 99 Concert tour during which a Muppet opens for the "Open Arms" band? | 1 City in Italia | 37 Windows ad catchphrase | 82 Furry TV alien |
| 11 Prez Lincoln | 56 Ruin totally | 103 Singer Amos | 2 Yalies | 38 Steel-gray metallic element | 83 Opposite of |
| 14 Bar checks | 57 Fragment | 105 Tap-in, e.g. | 3 Religious faction | 39 "Woo-hoo!" | 84 Lofly verse |
| 18 Artificial fat | 58 Use stitching | 106 Suffix with north or west | 4 Enjoyed food | 44 — Dame | 85 Place to find pearls |
| 20 Relatives of allegories | 60 Quips about a Civil War general? | 107 Opposite NNW | 6 1567-1625 king of Scotland | 45 — the scene (having furious recently arrived) | 86 Pter out |
| 22 To — (precisely) | 64 — Boothe Luce | 108 "Stop grazing and return to your barn?" | 7 Great riches | 46 Flower plot | 87 Sudden — |
| 23 Mocking remarks from Pluto's master? | 66 Yuletide quaff | 115 Bedeck | 8 Some parents | 47 Shade tree | 88 Squirrel's bit |
| 25 Burnett of CNN | 68 "— be great if ..." | 116 Air safety org. | 9 Infuriation | 48 Totally fine | 94 Put between |
| 26 — Spumante (wine) | 69 Leeds lav | 117 Stimpy's pal | 10 — Mahal | 49 Ascot, e.g. | 96 Ladder step |
| 27 Schubert's "The — King" | 70 Miser's reformation into a generous person? | 118 Close | 11 See | 50 USNA grad. | 100 Tach reading |
| 28 Manet's forte | 77 Santa — | 122 Certain Slav | 12 Big — (WWII gun) | 51 USNA grad. | 101 "For shame!" |
| 29 Actor Claude | 78 Polly's "Alice" role | 123 Very inexpensive part of a ship's hull? | 13 Kin of -lrix | 55 Perfumed powder | 102 Dada artist |
| 30 "No, we're not going to give the employee a raise" | 79 — -TURN (street sign) | 129 Different | 14 Korean martial art | 59 Make furious | 108 Vaisses, e.g. |
| 37 I, to Franz | 80 Wafer brand | 130 Maryland suburb of D.C. | 15 Upper heart chambers | 61 Find by chance | 109 Novelist |
| 40 "Mazel —!" | 82 Verbal noun the nitwit uses a lot? | 131 Motorist's guide | 16 Living thing brand | 62 Archaic verb ending | 110 Eponymous code creator |
| 41 Fed. crash-probing org. | 88 Actress Thurman | 132 Inuit's ride | 17 Taste, e.g. | 63 "Benny & —" (Johnny Depp film) | 111 Balsa boats |
| 42 Counter tenor | 90 Be inclined | 133 1040 org. — James | 19 Power tool brand | 65 & others | 112 Witness' promise |
| 43 Very small toll to drive on a road through the Alps? | 91 British noble | 134 With 11-Down, "Don't drop your guard!" | 21 Trounce | 67 Become liberated | 113 Cousin, for one: Abbr. |
| | 92 "Why Can't — Friends?" | | 24 Mork's home planet | 68 Not given under 112-Down | 114 Sooner city |
| | | | 29 Env. notation | 71 Winter woe | 115 Sailors' saint |
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Pro tips for taking the perfect photos of your home

(StatePoint) Whether you've completed an amazing renovation, or you are selling your house, you'll want to take perfect pictures of your home to share.

Acclaimed photographer, Jeffrey Davis, the photographer of choice for The New American Home and Progress Lighting, is sharing some tips to elevate your residential photography game to a social media-worthy or even magazine-worthy level.

Lighting fixtures are a critical focal point in homes, yet photographing lighting in a room is challenging. "Lights always look better when turned on," says Davis. "Try to pick a time of day when lights can be on, but you can still get outside views that won't be burned out."

Jennifer Kis, director of marketing communications for Progress Lighting and a veteran of many residential photoshoots, agrees. "Lighting is often the statement piece of a room. Having the chandelier turned on in the great room, for example, adds to



the general light of the room and creates a warm and cozy feeling."

Another important tip is to focus on the lighting fixture itself. "Since lighting fixtures are hung high in a room, angle the camera that way. Shooting at eye level is rarely the right angle," says Davis.

Whether or not lighting fixtures are the focus, having the right light at the right time is an essential piece of taking perfect pictures. Spend extra time scouting shoot locations and the design layout of the home. Take notes when planning the shoot to ensure that natural light is

shining in the right space at the right time of day.

Next, focus on the composition of the shot. The proper balance elevates the image and makes the design elements of the room stand out. When aiming for a picture of the whole room, try shooting right down its center.

Using the room's architectural framework as a guide, pick angles that feel natural to the space and that casually direct the eye to the subject matter being showcased. The viewer's eye should wander around the image, finally landing on the intended focal point. Colorful accessories and

the right room angles create a visual path through the room, engaging the eye naturally to add depth and interest to the image and taking the ordinary to extraordinary. Clear out the clutter in the room and style the space, remembering that less is more. Try focusing on details and vignettes that create a story of the area and give the room personality.

For an ideal finished image, Davis recommends a print file size of 4,000 pixels, 14-inches x 14-inches at 300 dots per inch in tiff or jpeg format. For online use, he recommends images sized 1,800 pixels, 12-inches x 12-inches at 150 dots per inch, in jpeg format. For residential photography inspiration, check out progressltg.com/ExperienceProgress.

By adopting the key principles of professionals, you can capture the beauty of your home interiors to create amazing photos of your home.

PHOTO SOURCE: (c) The New American Home 2019

AAA Carolinas: More motorists are running red lights

Chralotte, N.C. - More than two people are killed every day on U.S. roads by impatient and reckless drivers blowing through red lights, according to data analysis performed by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety.

"This study comes as Carolinians are preparing to hit the road for a busy holiday travel weekend and it's the perfect time to remind everyone to be patient and avoid distractions behind the wheel. Impatience and distraction can lead to motorists speeding up when the light turns yellow in order to beat the red light," said Tiffany Wright, AAA Carolinas spokesperson. "This practice is very dangerous and is one of the biggest factors in why we are seeing an increase in fatal crashes at intersections."

The most recent crash data available in the study shows 939 people were killed in red light running crashes in 2017 -- a 10-year high and a 28% increase since 2012.

According to the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, in North Carolina in 2017, there were 33 fatalities caused by red light-running crashes, totaling 254 since 2008. In South Carolina in 2017, there were 11 red light-running fatalities, bringing the total to 127 since 2008.

According to the AAA Foundation:

1. 28% of crash deaths that occur at signalized intersections are the result of a driver running through a red light.

2. North Carolina saw its highest number of red light crash fatalities in 2017, with 33.

3. Nearly half (46%) of those killed in red light running crashes were passengers or people in other vehicles and more than 5% were pedestrians or cyclists. Just over 35% of those killed were the drivers who ran the red light.

4. 85% of drivers view red light running as very dangerous, yet nearly one in three say they blew through a red light within the past 30 days when they could have stopped safely. More than 2 in 5 drivers

also say it is unlikely they'll be stopped by police for running a red light.

5. The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) found that when properly implemented, red light cameras reduced the fatal red light running crash rate of large cities by 21% and the rate of all types of fatal

crashes at signalized intersections by 14%.

To prevent red light crashes, AAA recommends that drivers:

* Prepare to Stop: Lift your foot off the accelerator and "cover the brake" when preparing to enter any intersection by positioning your right foot just above the brake pedal,

without touching it.

* Use Good Judgment: Monitor "stale" green lights, those that have been green a long time as you've approached the intersection. They are more likely to turn yellow as you arrive at the intersection.

* Tap the Brake: Tap your brakes a couple of

times before fully applying them to slow down. This will catch the attention of drivers who may be inattentive or distracted behind you.

* Drive Defensively: Before you enter an intersection after the light has turned green for you, take a second after the light changes and look both

ways before proceeding.

AAA Carolinas, an affiliate of the American Automobile Association, is a not-for-profit organization that serves more than 2.2 million member and the public with travel, automobile and insurance services while being an advocate for the safety and security of all travelers.



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All persons having claims against the following estates MUST file their claims on FORM #371ES with the Probate Court of Spartanburg County, the address of which is 180 Magnolia Street Room 302, Spartanburg, SC 29306, within eight (8) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice to Creditors or within one (1) year from date of death, whichever is earlier (SCPC 62-3-801, et seq.) or such persons shall be forever barred as to their claims. All claims are required to be presented in written statement on the prescribed form (FORM #371ES) indicating the name and address of the claimant, the basis of the claim, the amount claimed, the date when the claim will become due, the nature of any uncertainty as to the claim, and a description of any security as to the claim.
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Estate: Eddie Hugh Sanders
Date of Death: August 29, 2018
Case Number: 2019ES4201407
Personal Representative:
Evelyn S. Sanders
Post Office Box 33
Reidville, SC 29375
Atty: Paul C. MacPhail
Post Office Box 6321
Spartanburg, SC 29304
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Estate: Robert H. Taylor
Date of Death: July 19, 2019
Case Number: 2019ES4201427
Personal Representative:
Anne H. Taylor
305 Lake Forest Drive
Spartanburg, SC 29307
Atty: Alan M. Tewkesbury, Jr.
Post Office Box 451
Spartanburg, SC 29304
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Estate: Doris F. Cotheran
Date of Death: June 19, 2019
Case Number: 2019ES4201390
Personal Representative:
Kaci Johnson
225 Main Street
Covpens, SC 29330
Atty: Kenneth Phillip Shabel
Post Office Box 3254
Spartanburg, SC 29304
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Estate: Patricia Ann Catoe
Date of Death: May 18, 2019
Case Number: 2019ES4201216
Personal Representative:
Mr. Jerry W. Catoe
817 Thackston Drive
Spartanburg, SC 29307
Atty: Paul B. Zion
Post Office Box 451
Spartanburg, SC 29304
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Estate: Shirley Fortner Mooney
Date of Death: July 21, 2019
Case Number: 2019ES4201218
Personal Representative:
Mr. John M. Pollard
965 Holly Springs Road
Inman, SC 29349
9-19, 26, 10-3

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Estate: Charles Tillman Rutledge, Jr.
Date of Death: June 20, 2019
Case Number: 2019ES4201279
Personal Representative:
Mr. Ronald Rutledge
5125 N. Blackstock Road
Spartanburg, SC 29303
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Estate: Jeffrey Len Dyer
Date of Death: July 17, 2019
Case Number: 2019ES4201257
Personal Representative:
Tonya McCarter
436 Lillian Drive
Hiawasse, GA 30546
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Estate: William Dennie Spry III
Date of Death: August 22, 2019
Case Number: 2019ES4201451
Personal Representatives:
William Dennie Spry Jr. AND
Penelope Orr Spry
Post Office Box 129
Roaring Gap, NC 28668-0129
Atty: Shane William Rogers
Post Office Drawer 5587
Spartanburg, SC 29304
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Estate: Charles Wesley Farr
Date of Death: July 24, 2019
Case Number: 2019ES4201236
Personal Representative:
Lorri Farr Drury
408 Humphries Road
Covpens, SC 29330
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Estate: Nettie Pauline Shaw
Date of Death: July 27, 2019
Case Number: 2019ES4201266
Personal Representative:
Myra Jean Shaw Bishop
Post Office Box 1342
Spartanburg, SC 29304
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Estate: Joseph Ray Ezell
AKA Joe Ray Ezell
Date of Death: July 28, 2019

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Estate: Thomas Jerry Woods
Date of Death: February 28, 2019
Case Number: 2019ES4200940
Personal Representative:
Misty Woods Corcoran
123 East Queen Street
Hillsborough, NC 27278
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Estate: Richard T. Adams
Date of Death: June 10, 2019
Case Number: 2019ES4201013
Personal Representative:
J. Adam Nelson
1328 Newton Avenue SE
Atlanta, GA 30316
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Estate: Joseph Ray Ezell
AKA Joe Ray Ezell
Date of Death: July 28, 2019

Case Number: 2019ES4201290
Personal Representative:
Ms. Linda Faye Ezell
213 Overhill Drive
Duncan, SC 29334
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Estate: Norman David Lewis
Date of Death: May 24, 2019
Case Number: 2019ES4201033
Personal Representative:
Jane L. Lewis
423 Sunburst Lane
Inman, SC 29349
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LEGAL NOTICE

2019ES4201387
The Will of Roland W. Doepner, Deceased, was delivered to me and filed August 23, 2019. No proceedings for the probate of said Will have begun.
HON. PONDA A. CALDWELL
Judge, Probate Court for Spartanburg County, S.C.
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2019ES4201429
The Will of James M. Mackey, Deceased, was delivered to me and filed August 30, 2019. No proceedings for the probate of said Will have begun.
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LEGAL NOTICE

2019ES4201446
The Will of Clarke S. Brannon, Deceased, was delivered to me and filed September 4, 2019. No proceedings for the probate of said Will have begun.
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FALL FEST 2019

This September the Landrum Library will be offering free music every Tuesday evening starting at 6:30 p.m. Events are free and open to all ages. Feel to bring a beach towel or chairs and have a picnic. Food trucks will be at each event for those wanting to purchase dinner. Shows will move indoors in the event of rain.



September 3rd - Fayssoux McLean and Friends
Enjoy a rapturous mix of Americana, country, and the blues.

September 10th - The Sweet T Trio
This group of local musicians will perform an eclectic mix Americana and blues music that is perfect for anyone who enjoys a good time.



September 17th - Karl Lauber
Enjoy a show by virtuoso Karl Lauber as he performs a variety of oldies; vintage country; folk; pop; and an occasional fast banjo number.

September 24th - Jacob Johnson
Part virtuoso and part storyteller, you might say that Jacob Johnson does with a guitar what Gene Kelly did with dance.



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5 cool ideas for self-improvement month

(StatePoint) There's no good reason to wait until the new year to focus on self-improvement. There's also no excuse. September is Self-Improvement Month, and a fine time to learn a new skill, take up an old hobby or set a goal. Here are five cool ideas to try out over the course of the month:

- **Start coding:** Whether you want to switch careers and become a software or web developer or simply take up a new hobby, learning to code can open up a world of possibilities, while keeping your mind active and vital. And these days, free online tutorials available in dozens of programming languages, can help you get started without any tools required but



time and dedication.

- **Learn to play piano:** Learning a musical instrument can improve focus, enhance memory and reduce stress. For a fast-track to playing songs skillfully, check out the Casio CT-X700, which features a Step-Up Lesson

system to easily learn songs from the keyboard's built-in library. The display shows proper fingering and notation, and a six-track recorder allows you to quickly capture your inspiration.

- **Set a reading goal:** You don't have to be a student

to complete a reading challenge. Whether it's to read 5 non-fiction books over the course of the month or get through that classic tome that's been sitting on your bookshelf for years, give yourself a reading goal to achieve this month.

- **Get outdoors:** Spending

time exercising in nature has powerful physical and mental health benefits. Give yourself the motivation needed to get outdoors with a wearable device, such as the WSD-F30 Pro Trek Smart Outdoor Watch, which includes a built-in compass, altimeter and barometer, as well as a

slew of fitness and nature apps designed to promote wellness and help you better appreciate your surroundings.

- **Start saving:** If you don't have a savings account, think about opening one during the month of September. Make it painless by having the fund draw automated monthly payments from your checking account. Then sit back and watch your savings grow.

Long before writing up resolutions, celebrate Self-Improvement Month, a perfect mid-year motivation for change and growth.

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9 am – 5 pm AC Hotel Spartanburg

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The first 100 registrants to raise at least \$1,000 secure their spot on the ropes.





Join us as participants RAPPTEL more than **100 feet** down the side of the new AC Hotel in downtown Spartanburg to raise money for the Cancer Association of Spartanburg & Cherokee Counties Inc. The goal is to raise more than **\$150,000** to help provide much needed services to local cancer patients in our community.

To register or for more information, go to

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