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AROUND TOWN

Healthy Smiles Pediatric Dental Program receives funding

Healthy Smiles of Spartanburg, Inc was awarded \$15,000.00 from The Spartanburg County Foundation towards Healthy Smiles of Spartanburg Pediatric Dental Program.

"There are over 10,000 children in Spartanburg County who suffer from the most common chronic childhood disease, tooth decay, also known as a 'silent epidemic.' To help our children excel academically, the solutions are basic, oral healthcare education for parents and children as well as early prevention check-ups are necessary." said Kitta Cates, Executive Director of Healthy Smiles.

Healthy Smiles of Spartanburg is dedicated to guiding parents and their children towards better oral healthcare by providing school-based screenings and education to all children during the school year, community health fairs, and summer programs. Children ages 4 – 18 have access to dental care who have no dental insurance or Medicaid, qualifying them for Healthy Smiles FREE dental clinics, located at the Spartanburg Community College's central campus. Through The Spartanburg County Foundation and Healthy Smiles' partnership will impact the education and lives of many children in Spartanburg County.

"My journey began in Cameroon, West Africa, where I was born in October of 1994," the artist said. "The vibrant cities inspired me at an early age so much so that I spent much of my time there filling sketchbooks. My work explores the relationship between the body and urban spaces. With influences as diverse as Picasso, Dali, and Andy Warhol, new tensions are crafted from both opaque and transparent layers infused with rich textures and colors. Ever since I was a pre-adolescent I have been fascinated by the essential unreality of the moment. What starts out as vision soon becomes corrupted into a dialectic of greed, leaving only a sense of chaos and the prospect of a new understanding. As momentary replicas become distorted through frantic and critical practice, the viewer is left with an epitaph for the edges of our condition. In these new works, I want the viewer to feel at home while in an unfamiliar environment, reaching new levels of understanding art works that makes no sense to the naked eye."

Roots: Spartanburg artist explores his African heritage through local exhibit

Visual artist Ludovic Nkoth will explore his African heritage in the solo exhibition "Roots" at West Main Artists Co-op in Spartanburg Jan. 3 - 28, 2018. The reception will be Thursday, Jan. 18, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. during the city's monthly ArtWalk. His mostly acrylicon-canvas work can be seen at no charge in the agency's large "Venue" gallery Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.



Les Racines by Nkoth

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About 14 pieces of art will be in the month-long exhibit, and most of it will be very colorful and abstract images of people on textured backgrounds. His painting style often uses many different bright colors combined with dark shadows to achieve a sense of isolated diversity. His style consists of depicting energy and emotion through color choices; creating expressive art, to stimulate the viewer's mind, compelling him/her to interact with the piece. The larger works (48 by 60 inches) sell for \$3,000, and the smaller pieces (30 by 40 inches) sell for \$1,000. A series of masks (12 by 22 inches) will sell for \$200 each.

Nkoth received his bachelor's degree in art education/art history in 2017 from the University of South Carolina Upstate. Among his awards are the 2014 Scholastic National Award and top prize in the University's art competition in 2015.

For more information about "Roots," please call West Main Artists Co-op at (864) 804-6501.

AC Hotel now open in downtown Spartanburg

AC Hotels by Marriott has announced the opening of AC Hotel Spartanburg -- the European-inspired brand's first location in South Carolina.

Nestled in the heart of Spartanburg, this arts-focused AC Hotel blends old with new, emulating a long tradition of urban lodging. Classic masonry combines with custom accents to craft a façade of decorative stone and brick with a barrel tile roof. While echoing the elegance of grand historic hotels, the style emphasizes simple a European-inspired sophistication designed for today's discerning business and leisure

AC Hotel Spartanburg is locally owned by the Johnson family and operated by OTO Development, a Johnson Management company.

"This AC Hotel reinvents the Spartanburg skyline," says Geordy Johnson, CEO of Johnson Management, noting that the 10-story property is the first new hotel to open in Spartanburg's central business district since 2004. "It's a dynamic addition to a rapidly revitalizing downtown and everything — from architecture to amenities to artwork - is designed to introduce South Carolina to the AC brand's 'New Way to Hotel."" Constructed of nearly a quarter-million bricks laid the oldfashioned way, the sustainably-built hotel is on track to attain LEED Silver Certification. Architectural design was a collaboration of DC-based David M. Schwarz Architects and Spartanburg's McMillan Pazdan Smith, with interior work by DLR Group of Minneapolis. Robins & Morton served as General Contractor.

"The level of detail is amazing," says OTO President/
CEO Corry Oakes, pointing to exterior stonework incorporating custom motifs such as the Jessamine, South Carolina's state flower. "The hand of the craftsman is evident throughout."

The 114-key AC Hotel Spartanburg offers suites and guestrooms with either two queen-sized beds or a king plus pullout sofa.

"Our guestrooms are designed with a subtle European sensibility - neutral colors, sleek furnishings, natural lighting and an open sense of space," says General Manager Alyssa Stroup. "The AC brand's philosophy is to focus on essentials - and only essentials — so that there's nothing unnecessary in the room, but what is there is better. So these rooms are incredibly functional, with details like adjustable reading lamps, USB charging ports, free WiFi and mini-fridge."

Interior common spaces incorporate crown moldings, raised paneling and other traditional architectural detailing juxtaposed with modern fixtures, furnishings and artwork.

"At AC Hotels by Marriott, we believe in paying attention to the details, and this is evident at the new AC Hotel Spartanburg," says Benoit Racle, Senior Global Brand Director, AC Hotels by Marriott. "From the architec-



AC Hotel Spartanburg opened in downtown Spartanburg on December 14th.

tural detailing to the nods to the brand's European heritage that intermingle with local touches, every feature of the hotel has been carefully curated to give travelers an elegant, frictionless and uncomplicated experience, whether they are traveling for business or leisure."

The hotel's lobby and second floor showcase a significant selection of masterworks on loan from the nationally acclaimed Johnson Collection. Guests are encouraged to interact with the 40+ objects on view — paintings, works on paper, textiles, and sculpture—created by artists associated with the progressive arts enclave of Black Mountain College.

Sequestered in North Carolina's Blue Ridge Mountains, Black Mountain College was a living laboratory for creative experimentation. Open from 1933-1957, the avant-garde school attracted a coterie of groundbreaking artists who went on to shape modern art

in this country and beyond. AC Hotel Spartanburg's three meeting rooms are named for four key figures in Black Mountain College history: Anni and Josef Albers, Ruth Asawa, and Kenneth Noland. Designed for flexibility and awash in natural light, these rooms offer 637, 847 and 1,177 square feet, with the option to combine into one large 2,662-sq.-ft. space. The rooms are easily configured for business meetings complete with LCD projectors, large drop-down screens, and total connectivity - as well as social events such as wedding parties, class reunions, club luncheons and

community gatherings.
Other amenities at AC Hotel
Spartanburg include an outdoor pool with patio, a business center, and a 24/7 fitness
room with 11 machines plus
free weights. The AC Kitchen
serves a European-inspired
breakfast featuring freshly
baked croissants, sliced prosciutto and cheese, savory and
sweet breakfast tarts, yogurts
and fresh fruit.

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The AC Lounge in the lobby emphasizes the AC signature Gin & Tonic, Spanish wines, crafted cocktails created with liquor distilled by Spartanburg's Mottes & Sons Bootlegging Co., and local micro-brews from RJ Rockers Brewing Co., which is located right across the street — so "local" truly is local. A tapas menu features small plates with a Spanish

A train whistle launches Happy Hour every evening in the AC Lounge, as the bartender offers samples of "The Crescent," the hotel's signature cocktail, along with the backstory of the drink's namesake. The Crescent — one of the first-ever trains designed for passengers, with elegant dining, specialty cars and upscale services — enjoyed an always-anticipated stop in Spartanburg along its crescent-shaped route from New Orleans to New York.

A mix of Motte & Sons Vodka, Palmetto Rum, Gin, Triple Sec, Peach Izzy and a splash of lime juice, The Crescent toasts the days of yore when seven rail lines fanned out from Spartanburg like spokes on a wheel, with downtown as the hub—hence the nickname "Hub City" — for trains carrying passengers, textile products and, of course, peaches to all

four corners of the country. The 10th floor is devoted to a rooftop restaurant - scheduled to begin operations in late January — with an openair terrace that serves up incredible 360° views of the city. Operated by the Rick Erwin Dining Group and helmed by Executive Chef Mark Grasso and General Manager Mark McCalmont, Level 10 is a high-end concept centered on seasonallydriven small plates, handcrafted cocktails and a wine cellar for all tastes. Featuring tasting-style portions of pastas, seafood, lighter fare, and a few signature steaks, the restaurant's emphasis on shared plates enhances AC Hotel Spartanburg's community-driven Southern hospital-

Level 10's sleek, sophisticated design is the work of Greenville SC architects Craig Gaulden Davis. The upscale ambiance incorporates tailored materials, hand-crafted finishes, custom chandeliers and high coffered ceilings to complement the unparalleled skyline views.

"When it opens next month, Level 10 will reflect the same commitment to interior design, Southern hospitality, and quality service as AC Hotel Spartanburg," says Rick Erwin, founder of Rick Erwin Dining Group. "This menu and the unique atmosphere we have created is designed to cater to the city's visiting guests as well as locals, whether for special occasions or simply for weeknights when they don't feel like cooking at home."

AC Hotel Spartanburg is located at 225 W. Main St. in downtown Spartanburg. Local restaurants, art galleries, specialty shops and public green spaces are just steps away; several Upstate colleges are close by, too. The hotel is easily accessible via I-85 and I-26.

Be a weight loss helper, not a hinderer

From the American Counseling Association

Know someone trying to lose weight as one of their New Year's resolutions? Probably yes, since weight loss is traditionally the most common resolution that people make.

While dropping a few pounds is clearly highly personal, if you have a spouse, family member, co-worker or friend aiming for a trimmer waistline, there are a number of ways you can support bringing their resolution to fruition.

A good starting point in being helpful is often not trying to be so helpful. Sometimes things we do or say may feel like they're providing assistance when they actually are having a negative effect. Activities that you

may want to avoid include:acting as the food police;

buying exercise equipment or pointing out new diets;citing health risks of

stantly asking for weight loss updates; - depriving the person of

being overweight, or con-

favorite foods; and

- saying things like "weight loss is easy and just a matter of willpower."

Such actions can, in reality, be sending destructive messages which reinforce the person's negative feelings that something is wrong with him or her unless they lose weight. Even more eating may occur as a way to temporarily overcome these negative feelings.

Instead, your goal is to practice positive behaviors that can assist the weight loss effort. You might start by encouraging the person trying to lose weight to express his or her feelings, especially negative ones that may be triggering eating. Allowing the person to talk about such things might help them focus on what may be the real problem that affects their eating habits. It might be relationship problems, a work situation, a family loss or other major concerns. Feeling stressed often leads to eating because food is a great way to temporarily feel

You also want to offer ongoing encouragement, not about weight loss, but about the person in general. Sending sincere, honest, positive messages is a good way to help combat negative feelings, such as low self-esteem, that often trigger eating.

It also helps to be a positive role model. You don't have to diet yourself, but can set an example by making healthy, sensible food choices.

Being a person who understands the challenges of losing weight and is willing to listen and support, rather than lecture about weight, can go a long way in helping someone achieve their goal.

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

Around the Upstate

Community Calendar

JANUARY 5

WWE Presents NXT Live at Spartanburg Memorial Audi-torium. Tickets are available at the Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium Box Office, over the phone at1-800-745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com

JANUARY 7

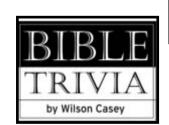
Chapman Cultural Center is open every Sunday afternoon, 1 - 5 p.m. Spartanburg Art Museum, Spartanburg Regional History Museum, Artists' Guild of Spartanburg, The John F. Green Spartanburg Science Center and the Student Galleries are all open with free admission. In addition, one or more local musicians will perform a free miniconcert at no charge 2-4 p.m. For more info, please call (864) 542-ARTS.

JANUARY 12-14, 19-21 The Spartanburg Little Theatre presents Hands on a Hardbody, at Chapman Cultural Center, Jan. 12, 13, 19 & 20 at 8 p.m. and Jan. 14, 20 and 21 at 3 p.m.

JANUARY 13 Unity Walk: beginning at 9 a.m., at the Spartanburg County Public Library Headquarters, 151 Church Street.

JANUARY 15

Unity Celebration, beginning at 6:30 p.m., Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium, featuring guest speaker Erica Campbell.



- 1. Is the book of Ur in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. What was the act of God in making the heavens and the earth bringing forth life? Confirmation, Calvary, Creation, Communion
- 3. How many books of the Bible (KJV) begin with the letter "E"? 0, 2, 5,

6

- 4. What's a person who has changed from one religion to another? Zealot, Convert, Mediator, Pillar
- 5. From 2 Timothy 1, Timothy's was grandmother? devout Dorcas, Lydia, Lois, Hannah
- 6. In biblical times, a "daric" was a Persian ... ? Gold coin, Headwear, Sailing ship, Well

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Creation; (Ecclesiastes, Ephesians, Esther, Exodus, Ezekiel, Ezra); 4) Convert; 5) Lois; 6) Gold coin

Wilson Casey's 2018 Golf Trivia box calendar is available in stores and online at RSVP.com.

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Greenville felon pleads guilty to multiple armed robberies outside of Upstate hotel

Greenville - United States Attorney Beth Drake stated that Dominique Romando Turner, age 24, of Greenville, entered a guilty plea in federal court to "Conspiracy to Carry a Firearm During a Crime of Violence,"; "Felon in Possession of Firearm,"; "Conspiracy to Commit Hobbs Act Robbery,"; "Hobbs Act Robbery,"; and "Possessing a Firearm During a Crime of Violence". United States District Judge Timothy M. Cain of Anderson accepted

the guilty plea and will impose sentence after he has reviewed the presentence report, which will be prepared by the U.S. Probation Office.

Evidence presented at the change of plea hearing established that on April 23, 2016, Turner conspired with Trevis Bland, a/k/a/ "HellRell," and another co-conspirator to rob a prostitute he solicited from backpage.com with a Technicorp .22 caliber revolver outside Upstate hotel. Turner set

up the date with the victim and met her at the car. The co-conspirators pointed a gun at the victim, forced her out of the car, and took her money. Bland carjacked the victim's car.

Again, on April 27, 2016, Turner and Bland robbed three victims at gunpoint outside of the same hotel. One individual was hit on the back of the head with a hard object, and the co-conspirators took their money. The coconspirators drove away in a truck. The getaway truck was recovered, and many of the victims' items were found. The firearm had initially belonged to Turner, but Turner sold it to Bland. Both Turner and Bland have prior felony convictions that prohibited them from possessing firearms. Bland previously pled guilty before Judge Cain to conspiracy, armed robberies, carjacking, brandishing a firearm in furtherance of a crime of violence, and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon involving these facts.

Mrs. Drake stated the maximum penalty for these offenses is life imprisonment, and a fine of \$250,000. The case was investigated by agents of ATF, the Greenville Police Department, the Greenville County Sheriff's Office, and the Easley Police Department. Assistant United States Attorney Jamie Lea Schoen of the Greenville USAO is prosecuting the case.

PG Aerospace locating new facility in Pickens County

Columbia - PG Aerospace, a manufacturer of precision parts for the automotive and aerospace industries, is locating its new facility in Pickens County. Through this project, the company is bringing 22 new jobs.

PG Aerospace is a leader in research and development, custom products, assemblies, stampings, laminates and more. Proudly serving Fortune 100 and Fortune 500 companies worldwide, the company is an innovative supplier of customdesigned, stamped and machined metal.

"We are extremely excited to be bringing 22 jobs to the City of Liberty! We would like to thank Alliance Pickens, the S.C. Department of Commerce, the staff at Parker Poe and

1. PG Aerospace is opening its new manufacturing operations in Pickens County.

FIVE FAST FACTS

2.Creating 22 new jobs.

- 3. PG Aerospace is a provider of precision parts for the automotive and aerospace industries.
- 4. The company will be moving into a 15,000-square-foot facility located at 107 Alison Street in Liberty.
- 5. Those interested in joining the PG Aerospace team should contact Ana.Prodani@ProgasketMFG.com.

more for supporting us as we locate our new operations in Pickens County," stated PG Aerospace CEO Ana Prodani.

South Carolina Governor Henry McMaster added, "The manufacturing industry continues to be a tremendous job creator for

our state's economy, and PG Aerospace's announcement is another sign of that. South Carolina continues to show the world that it is the best place for companies to do business."

"Announcements like this one from PG Aerospace bring new jobs to our communities and help make them sustainable. I congratulate PG Aerospace on joining the South Carolina business community, and we welcome them to Team South Carolina," added Secretary of Commerce Bobby Hitt.

"It is always exciting

Super Crossword

news when we can announce that another world-class company is moving to Pickens County. We are all thrilled to welcome PG Aerospace to the Pickens County family of creative, innovative and extraordinary companies who call Pickens County their home, and we look forward to celebrating their continued success," stated Pickens County Council Chairman Roy Costner.

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SUMMING UP

THE NEW YEAR



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5 'Healthy' New Year's resolutions worth giving up

(StatePoint) While most New Year's resolutions are well-intentioned, sometimes they look better on paper than in practice, actually doing more harm than good. Here are five so-called "healthy" resolutions worth giving up in 2018, as well as better solutions.

Resolution 1: I'm going to take up permanent residence in the gym. Working out is an important piece of the weight loss puzzle, but moderation is key. Studies suggest that too much exercise can lead to a number of issues like hormonal imbalance, fatigue, insomnia and even depression. Many people also report experiencing a drastic increase in appetite after extreme bouts of physical activity, which can lead to overeating and negate the weight-related benefits. Plus, if you exercise so intensely that you're injured or sore for days, it will be difficult to sustain this otherwise healthy habit.

Resolution 2: I'm saying goodbye to fats completely. Fatty foods have gotten a bad rap. The reality is there are good fats and bad



fats. In humans, fat helps support normal growth and development, provides energy, allows for proper cellular function, provides protective cushioning for organs, and helps with absorption of certain vitamins. Bad fats are found in foods like meat, butter, lard, cream and trans fats (found in baked goods, fried foods and margarine) and can increase the risk of

cardiovascular disease. Aim to replace these with good fats, which are associated with a decreased risk of chronic disease. Good fats include plant-based oils like olive and canola, avocados, nuts, seeds, and dairy, since these also offer the nutrition your body needs.

Resolution 3: I'm going to skip breakfast to cut calories. According to The

Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, if you're skipping breakfast, you're doing something wrong. Research shows breakfast helps support brain function, energy and mood. And research suggests that people who eat breakfast consume fewer calories throughout the day, weigh less and have fewer risk factors for heart disease. Just a few reasons to load

up in the a.m.

Resolution 4: I'll just crash diet to lose the weight. Crash diets don't work and many people who do them end up just gaining the weight back.

"Sustainable weight loss should not involve hunger or deprivation," says Mandi Knowles, dietitian for South Beach Diet. "Your weight loss efforts should include sensible

changes that are easy to follow."

Find a weight loss plan that's convenient and lets you know with confidence that you are losing weight the healthy way. Plans like South Beach Diet teach portion control through a low-carb, high-protein approach with meals delivered to your door.

Resolution 5: I'm going to stop snacking. Snacks can account for more than a quarter of one's daily calories. But if you munch on nutrient-dense foods (high in vitamins, minerals and fiber and low in calories), you're more likely to maintain a healthy weight, according to the "National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey." So, snack wisely.

For more weight loss tips, visit palm.south-beachdiet.com.

In the new year, ditch extreme diets and exercise schemes. You'll find more success with sustainable health and wellness habits.

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Timely financial reporting vital for public institutions

By Richard Eckstrom S.C. Comptroller

Each October, many state agencies – including public colleges and universities – are required to submit to me their financial statements for the previous fiscal year. I use those statements to produce South Carolina's financial report, which is used by lawmakers, credit rating agencies, and others to assess the state's financial condition.

An agency's failure to turn in its statements on time can have ramifications beyond just that one agency. If it holds up completion of the state's financial report, it potentially hinders policymakers' ability to make decisions about spending and taxes. It may also send a troubling signal to investors interested in buying state bonds, or otherwise reflect poorly on the state.

Untimely financial statements sometimes raise red flags about an agency's accounting and record-keeping. In the recent past, they've led to discovery of serious deficiencies – such as failure to reconcile bank statements regularly, or a lack of CPAs in crucial accounting positions. Even worse, they can indicate indifference toward the importance of financial reporting.

When an agency misses the deadline, it's up to me to light a fire under them. But my options for doing so are limited. Hopefully, with repeated phone calls and a little nudging, I'll have the statements in enough time to complete the state's financial report

without much delay.

But what happens when an agency is evasive or uncooperative – for example, won't return calls? With no legal authority to force them to do anything, my only recourse is to raise the issue publicly and hope the unflattering attention will motivate the tardy officials to get with the program.

Which brings me to the subject of S.C. State University...

SCSU boasts a loyal student body and faithful alumni, yet its governance -- particularly its financial leadership -- has often fallen short. In 2014, its troubles came into the open: out of control spending, large budget deficits, about \$10 million in unpaid vendor bills, mismanaged funds, and improperly recorded transactions -- all of which resulted in a twoyear probation by the accreditation regional agency. (Losing its accreditation would have been disastrous, as it would have meant its students were no longer eligible for federal aid and may well have caused SCSU to close its doors.)

Since then, much money and effort have gone into putting SCSU on sound financial footing. Lawmakers purged the entire board of trustees. The Legislature gave the school around \$20 million in state loans which later were forgiven, meaning taxpayers foot the bill to clean up the mess.

Given the resources invested in righting the ship, there was no joy in notifying other state leaders last month that SCSU

was late again this year submitting its financial statements. After missing the Oct. 1 deadline, university officials assured me I'd have the statements by Nov. 22. That date came and went. It wasn't until Dec. 12 – more than two months late – that the statements were turned in.

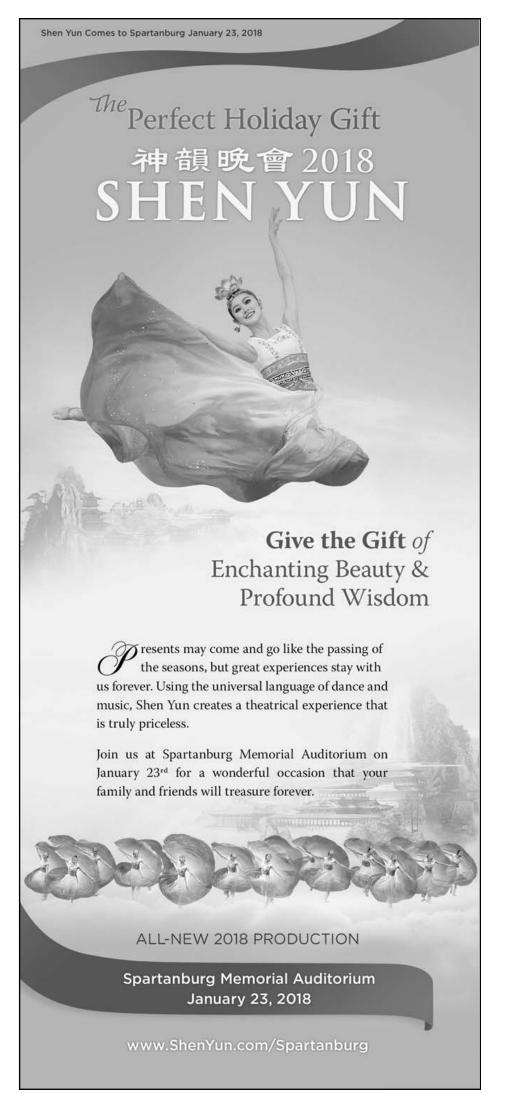
All who care about SCSU's future should be concerned. Timely financial disclosures are crucial for keeping the university healthy and solvent. And again, late financial statements can portend broader issues.

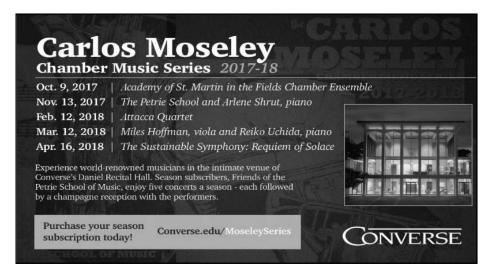
While its fiscal woes only became known to the public in 2014, I actually had begun sounding the alarm years earlier -- after growing concerned by the school's chronic problems turning in its financial statements. Out of an abundance of caution, I'm sounding the alarm again. Certainly, SCSU finances have stabilized over the past few years, and the quality of its board and administration are muchimproved. Nonetheless, we mustn't tempt fate. Given its track record and the magnitude of its recent troubles, complacency isn't an option.

S.C. State's crisis was rooted in a lax attitude toward the notions of oversight and accountability -- a mindset partially cultivated by state leaders' hands-off approach to the university; the storied, historically black university was treated as a special case, allowing its administrators to operate nearly oversight-free. What was actually needed, then as now, was "tough love."

Three years later, the high stakes dictate keeping an attentive eye on SCSU administrators. We must remind them we're watching and what's expected of them. Failure to meet minimum standards isn't acceptable.

And there's a cautionary tale here for governmental bodies at all levels. While not a sensational topic, oversight measures such as financial reporting requirements are fundamental to an institution's well-being.





Terriers make history with upset win at #5 UNC

Chapel Hill, N.C. - The Wofford men's basketball team made history in December, defeating No. 5 North Carolina, the defending national champions, 79-75 to give the program its first win over an AP Top 25 ranked team in the Division I era (1-22). The win, Wofford's fifth consecutive. improves the Terriers to 8-4 on the season. Wofford is 2-0 against ACC teams this season after an earlier win against Georgia Tech, also a program first. North Carolina falls to 10-2 with its lone loss coming to Michigan State.

when you come in here and you see all the banners and history, you better believe that you can play and compete, fight on the glass and do the things necessary to win a basketball game," said head coach Mike Young. "We did that tonight. We had a lot of great performances from a two players in the Division number of people. We had a I ranks to still be perfect lot of guys play well, and I am awfully proud of them."

Fletcher Magee led all players with 27 points, 16 of which game in the second half of play. Magee entered the contest second tributed on both ends of the guard position and finished went on a 9-1 run to take a Wofford up 11, the Terriers'



who played 39 minutes, "I think a big part of it is made 10 of Wofford's 28 shots and shot a season high 23 attempts. Magee averaged 31.5 points in the two ACC contests this sea-

> Magee went 4-12 from beyond the arc and went 3to remain perfect on the season. He is just one of from the line in 2017-18. Magee's double-digit scoring streak, now at 57 longest in the country.

Cameron Jackson con-

game (24.1) and bested his 35 minutes. The junior assists. average. The junior guard, from Winchester, Va. set a in a game (6), while also game high three steals in entered shooting 49.0%. the win.

Wofford held the Tar program record for blocks Heels to 12 points below their season average (87.2 scoring 18 points to help PPG) and held them to the offensive effort. He 36.4% from the field, added three assists and a though North Carolina

Wofford scored the first Trevor Stumpe earned the basket of the game on a start for the third consecu- layup by Jackson less than 3 from the free throw line tive game. The junior a minute in. The Terriers added nine points for the led for the first six minutes Terriers and tied a team of play until the Tar Heels high with three assists. tied it at 11 with 13:56 to go Wofford's lone senior, in the first half. North Derrick Brooks, scored Carolina took a 13-11 lead seven points and had eight when Kenny Williams sunk rebounds in 28 minutes of two of three free throw games, is the second action. Freshman Storm attempts. Brooks hit a three Murphy had a solid per- to put Wofford back out in formance from the point front, but the Tar Heels

in the country in points per floor, playing a career high with six points and two 22-15 lead. North Carolina led the remainder of the half until Magee scored on a layup with 49 seconds to go. Wofford closed the half on an 8-0 run in the last three and a half minutes and held on to take a 34-33 lead into the locker room at

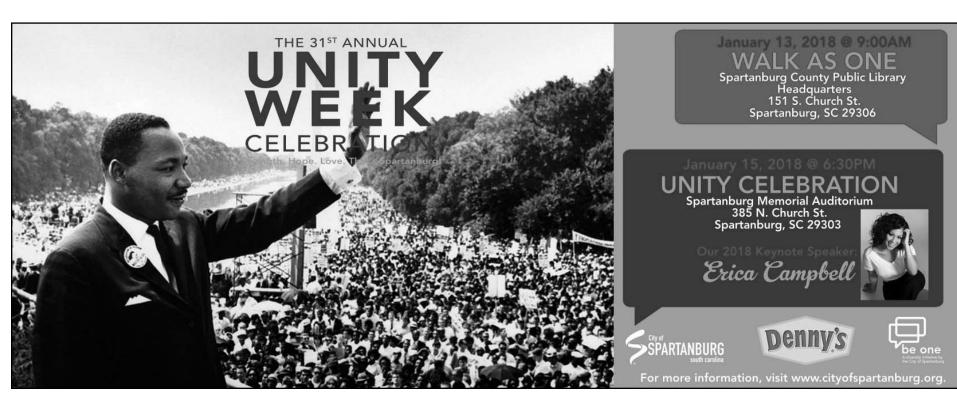
the break.

Magee, the Division I lleader in total three's and three's per game, didn't have a single three in the first half of play but opened the second half with two quick makes from deep in the first three minutes of play to stretch the Wofford lead to seven. The Terriers never trailed in the second half of play. Jackson converted on a dunk to put

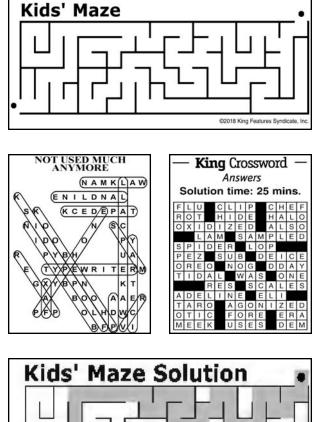
first double-digit lead of the game. Nathan Hoover hit a three pointer with 13:28 to go to push the lead to 14, Wofford's largest lead of the contest.

Luke Maye cut it to four with 7:30 to go in the game and then to three with 6:13 left. Magee responded with a three to push it back to six, but Joel Berry answered with a three of his own to again chip away at the lead. Brooks pushed it back to five with a basket at 4:36, but again, Berry responded and pulled the Tar Heels back within three. Johnson went to the line and sank two free throws to pull North Carolina one, 70-69, but Hoover responded with a three to extend the lead and keep the Tar Heels at bay.

Maye sunk two free throws with 1:22 to go to make it 73-72, but a layup by Magee, two free throws from Stumpe and two free throws by Brooks gave Wofford a 79-72 lead with six seconds to go. Berry nailed a three pointer with two seconds on the clock to cut the lead to four, but the Terriers emerged victorious















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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

C/A No.: 2017-CP-42-03321 Regions Bank DBA Regions Mortgage, Plaintiff, v. Any heirs-at-law or devisees of Alexandra Oswald, deceased, their heirs, Personal Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons or entities entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons or entities with any right, title, estate, interest in or lien upon the real estate described in the complaint herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as Richard Roe; and any unknown minors, incompetent or imprisoned person, or persons under a disability being a class designated as John Doe; Clyde K. Newberry a/k/a Clyde

Summons and Notices

dant(s).

Kenneth Newberry, Defen-

(Non-Jury) Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage TO THE DEFENDANT(S) ABOVE

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 the subscribers at their offices at 3800 Fernandina Road, Suite 110, Columbia, SC 29210, 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 MINOR(S) OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE, AND/OR TO MINOR(S) UNDER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND THE PERSON WITH WHOM THE MINOR(S) RESIDES, AND/OR TO PERSONS UNDER SOME LEGAL

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

YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiff will move for an Order of Reference or the Court may issue a general Order of Reference of this action to a Master-in-Equity/ Special Referee, pursuant to Rule 53 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure.

YOU WILL ALSO 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 as 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 herein and the Complaint attached hereto.

Lis Pendens NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an action has been or will be commenced in this Court upon complaint of the above-named Plaintiff against the abovenamed Defendant(s) for the gage of real estate given by Clyde K. Newberry a/k/a Clyde Kenneth Newberry to Regions Bank d/b/a Regions Mortgage dated May 18, 2016 and recorded on May 23, 2016 in Book 5115 at Page 443, in the Spartanburg County Registry (hereinafter, "Mortgage").

The premises covered and affected by the said Mortgage and by the foreclosure thereof were, at the time of the making thereof and at the time of the filing of this notice, more particularly described in the said Mortgage and are more commonly described as:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, situate, lying and being in the State of South Carolina, County of Spartanburg, being shown and designated as Lot No. 12, containing 1.03 acres, more or less, as shown on a survey prepared for Clyde K. and Barbara B. Newberry, dated March 3, 2000 and recorded in Plat Book 147, Page 164, Office of the Register of Deeds for Spartanburg County, S.C. For a more complete and particular description, reference is hereby made to the above referred to plats and records thereof.

The above referenced property is conveyed subject to any restrictive covenants, set back lines, zoning ordinances, utility easements and rights of ways, if any, as may be recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Spartanburg County, S.C.

This being the same property

conveyed to Clyde K. Newberry

and Barbara B. Newberry by Deed of Betty W. Gall dated October8, 1999 and recorded March 6, 2000 in Book 71-Q at Page 228 in the records for Spartanburg County, South Subsequently, Carolina. Barbara B. Newberry passed away and her interest in the subject property was passed to Clyde K. Newberry a/k/a Clyde Kenneth Newberry pursuant to the Will of Barbara B. Newberry and by probate of Estate file 2016-ES-42-00370. See also, Deed of Distribution dated May 18, 2016 and recorded May 23, 2016 in Book 112-F at Page 117 in the records for Spartanburg County, South Carolina.

TMS No. 7-21-14-065.00 Property Address: 32 Woodwind Drive, Spartanburg, SC 29302

Notice of Filing Complaint TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE

NAMED: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the original Complaint, Cover Sheet for Civil Actions and Certificate of Exemption from ADR in the above entitled action was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Spartanburg County on September 14, 2017. A Notice of Foreclosure Intervention was also filed in the Clerk of Court's

Order Appointing Guardian Ad Litem and Appointment of Attorney

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, upon reading the filed Petition for Appointment of Kelley Woody, Esquire as Guardian ad Litem for unknown minors, and persons who may be under a disability, and it appearing that Kelley Woody, Esquire has consented to said appointment.

FURTHER upon reading the filed Petition for Appointment of Kelley Woody, Esquire as Attorney for any unknown Defendants who may be in the Military Service of the United States of America, and may be, as such, entitled to the benefits of the Servicemember's Civil Relief Act, and any amendments thereto, and it appearing that Kelley Woody, Esquire has consented to act for and represent said Defen-

ORDERED that Kelley Woody, Esquire, P.O. Box 6432, Columbia, SC 29260 phone (803) 787-9678, be and hereby is appointed Guardian ad Litem on behalf of all unknown minors and all unknown persons who may be under a disability, all of whom may have or claim to have some interest or claim to the real property commonly known as 32 Woodwind Drive, Spartanburg, South Carolina 29302; that he is empowered and directed to appear on behalf of and represent said Defendants, unless said Defendants, or someone on their behalf, shall within thirty (30) days after service of a copy hereof as directed, procure the appointment of Guardian or Guardians ad Litem for said Defendants.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Kelley Woody, Esquire, P.O. Box 6432, Columbia, SC 29260 phone (803) 787-9678, be and hereby is appointed Attorney for any unknown Defendants who are, or may be, in the Military Service of the United States of America and as such are entitled to the benefits of the Servicemember's Civil Relief Act aka Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940, and any amendments thereto, to represent and protect the interest of said Defendants,

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That a copy of this Order shall be forth with served upon said Defendants by publication in The Spartan Weekly, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, together with the Summons and Notice of Filing of Complaint in the above entitled action. Brock & Scott, PLLC 3800 Fernandina Rd., Suite 110 Columbia, SC 29210 Phone 844-856-6646

LEGAL NOTICE

Fax 803-454-3451

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Attorneys for Plaintiff

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS Case No.: 2017-CP-42-04477 Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Plaintiff, v. Any heirs-at-law or devisees of Pamela K. Gossett,

deceased, their heirs, Person-

al Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons or entities entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons or entities with any right, title, estate, interest in or lien upon the real estate described in the complaint herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as Richard Roe; and any unknown minors, incompetent or imprisoned person, or persons under a disability being a class designated as John Doe; Michelle G. Reynolds, as Personal Representative for the Estate of Joe B. Gossett; Michelle G. Reynolds, Defen-

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NAMED:

(Non-Jury) Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage TO THE DEFENDANT(S) ABOVE

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 the subscribers at their offices at 3800 Fernandina Road, Suite 110, Columbia, SC 29210, 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 MINOR(S) OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE, AND/OR TO MINOR(S) UNDER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND THE PERSON WITH WHOM THE MINOR(S) RESIDES, AND/OR TO PERSONS UNDER SOME LEGAL DISABILITY:

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

YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiff will move for an Order of Reference or the Court may issue a general Order of Reference of this action to a Master-in-Equity/ Special Referee, pursuant to Rule 53 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure.

YOU WILL ALSO 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 $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left$ 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 as 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 herein and the Complaint attached hereto.

Lis Pendens NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an action has been or will be commenced in this Court upon complaint of the above-named Plaintiff against the abovenamed Defendant(s) for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage of real estate given by Joe B. Gossett and Pamela K. Gossett to First Union National Bank Of Delaware dated August 15, 2001 and recorded on August 22, 2001 in Book 2543 at Page 502, in the Spartanburg County Registry (hereinafter, "Mortgage"). Thereafter, the Mortgage was transferred to the Plaintiff herein by assignment and/or

corporate merger. The premises covered and affected by the said Mortgage and by the foreclosure thereof were, at the time of the making thereof and at the time of the filing of this notice, more particularly described in the said Mortgage and are more commonly described as:

All that piece, parcel or lot of land in the County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina, shown and designated as Lot No. 28 on a plat entitled "Hampton Heights", dated March 1910 by H. Stribling and recorded in Plat Book 3 Page 10 in the Register of Deeds Office for Spartanburg County, ${\tt SC.}$ For a more complete and particular description reference is hereby made to the

above referred to plat. This being the same property conveyed to Joe B. Gossett and Pamela K. Gossett by Deed of Richard K. Keith dated July 19, 1976 and recorded July 19,

1976 in Book 43-X at Page 185 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Spartanburg County, South Carolina. Thereafter, Joe B. Gossett conveyed his interest in said property to Pamela K. Gossett by Deed dated December 13, 1985 and recorded December 16, 1985 in Book 51-W at Page 483 in said Records. Thereafter, Pamela K. Gossett conveyed an undivided one-half (1/2) interest in said property to Joe B. Gossett by Ouit Claim Deed dated August 15, 2001 and recorded August 22, 2001 in Book 74-J at Page 449 in said Records.

TMS No. 7-16-02-145.00 Property Address: 474 Hampton Drive, Spartanburg, SC 29306

Notice of Filing Complaint TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE

NAMED: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the original Complaint, Cover Sheet for Civil Actions and Certificate of Exemption from ADR in the above entitled action was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Spartanburg County on December

Order Appointing Guardian Ad Litem and

Appointment of Attorney It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, upon reading the filed Petition for Appointment of Kelley Woody, Esquire as Guardian ad Litem for unknown minors, and persons who may be under a disability, and it appearing that Kelley Woody, Esquire has consented to said appointment.

FURTHER upon reading the filed Petition for Appointment of Kelley Woody, Esquire as Attorney for any unknown Defendants who may be in the Military Service of the United States of America, and may be, as such, entitled to the benefits of the Servicemember's Civil Relief Act, and any amendments thereto, and it appearing that Kelley Woody, Esquire has consented to act for and represent said Defendants, it is

ORDERED that Kelley Woody, Esquire, P.O. Box 6432. Columbia, SC 29260 phone (803) 787-9678, be and hereby is appointed Guardian ad Litem on behalf of all unknown minors and all unknown persons who may be under a disability, all of whom may have or claim to have some interest or claim to the real property commonly known as 474 Hampton Drive, Spartanburg, South Carolina 29306; that he is empowered and directed to appear on behalf of and represent said Defendants, unless said Defendants, or someone on their behalf, shall within thirty (30) days after service of a copy hereof as directed, procure the appointment of Guardian or Guardians ad Litem for said Defendants.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Kelley Woody, Esquire, P.O. Box 6432, Columbia, SC 29260 phone (803) 787-9678, be and hereby is appointed Attorney for any unknown Defendants who are, or may be, in the Military Service of the United States of America and as such are entitled to the benefits of the Servicemember's Civil Relief Act aka Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940, and any amendments thereto, to represent and protect the interest of said

Defendants, AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That a copy of this Order shall be forth with served upon said Defendants by publication in The Spartan Weekly, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, together with the Summons and Notice of Filing of Complaint in the above entitled action. Brock & Scott, PLLC

3800 Fernandina Rd., Suite 110 Columbia, South Carolina 29210 Phone 844-856-6646 Fax 803-454-3451 Attorneys for Plaintiff

LEGAL NOTICE

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The annual meeting of Woodruff Federal Savings and Loan Association of Woodruff, S.C. will be held in the office of the Association at 247 North Main Street, Woodruff, S.C. on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. S.R. Scott, President

12-28, 1-4

2017ES4201882 The Will of Mary L. Hauser AKA $\,$ Mary McDowell Hauser, Deceased, was delivered to me and filed November 28th, 2017. No proceedings for the probate of said Will have begun. PONDA A. CALDWELL Judge, Probate Court for Spartanburg County, S.C.

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE

12-21, 28, 1-4

2017ES4201902 The Will of Roger L. Weaver, Deceased, was delivered to me and filed November 30th, 2017. No proceedings for the probate of said Will have begun. PONDA A. CALDWELL Judge, Probate Court for Spartanburg County, S.C. 12-21, 28, 1-4

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

All persons having claims

against the following estates $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MUST}}$ file their claims on $\ensuremath{\mathsf{FORM}}$ #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

Estate: Charles D. Cox Date of Death: October 10, 2017 Case Number: 2017ES4201707 Personal Representative: Gilbert Henry Cox, III 11911 Maria Ester Court Charlotte, NC 28277 12-28, 1-4, 11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

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Estate: Charles Steven Lovings Date of Death: April 28, 2017 Case Number: 2017ES4201716 Personal Representative: Ms. Deborah Lovings 1 Zeph Court Inman, SC 29349 12-28, 1-4, 11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

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Estate: Marshall J. Watkins Date of Death: June 19, 2017 Case Number: 2017ES4201154-2 Personal Representative: Elizabeth A. Watkins 103 Pinewood Drive Greer, SC 29651 12-28, 1-4, 11

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Estate: Margaret Brockman Ivey Date of Death: June 9, 2017 Case Number: 2017ES4202008 Personal Representative: Leslie Brown 260 Fairway Drive Lake Toxaway, NC 28747 Atty: Virginia Hayes Wood Post Office Drawer 451 Spartanburg, SC 29304 12-28, 1-4, 11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

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Estate: Edgar Thomas Greenwood Date of Death: March 13, 2017 Case Number: 2017ES4201381 Personal Representative: Sharde Greenwood 6215 Harley Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19142 12-28, 1-4, 11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

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Estate: Charles Milton Hallman Date of Death: September 8, 2017 Case Number: 2017ES4201684 Personal Representative: Jeffrey C. Hallman 211 Hazelwood Avenue Spartanburg, SC 29302 12-28, 1-4, 11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

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Estate: Joseph Floyd Lowe Date of Death: September 30, 2017 Case Number: 2017ES4201672 Personal Representative: Gladys Lowe 8105 Daniel Court Spartanburg, SC 29303 12-28, 1-4, 11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES 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

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to the claim, and a description of any security as to the

Estate: Florence L. Nobles AKA Florence L. Mousseau Date of Death: April 19, 2017 Case Number: 2017ES4200705 Personal Representative: Ms. Crystal Mousseau 263 Muskogee Crossing Dallas, GA 30132 12-28, 1-4, 11

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Estate: Joe C. Tillotson AKA Joseph Carroll Tillotson Date of Death: October 29, 2017 Case Number: 2017ES4201808 Personal Representative: Jana C. Tillotson 1175 Peach Valley Circle Spartanburg, SC 29303 Atty: James B. Drennan, III Post Office Box 891 Spartanburg, SC 29304

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

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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.

Estate: Julia E. Rogers Date of Death: August 3, 2017 Personal Representative: Anne M. Perone 40 West California Avenue

Long Beach Township, NJ 08008 Atty: John P. Gettys Jr. Post Office Box 707 Rock Hill, SC 29731 12-28, 1-4, 11

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sented 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

Estate: Robert Connell Scott Date of Death: November 17, 2017 Case Number: 2017ES4201919 Personal Representative: Leslie Brooks Scott 39 Hillcrest Street Lyman, SC 29365 Atty: James B. Drennan, III Post Office Box 891 Spartanburg, SC 29304 12-28, 1-4, 11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

All persons having claims against the following estates MUST file their claims on FORM #371ES with the Probate Court of Spartanburg County, the 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 ${\tt claim}_{\mbox{\tiny \it{f}}}$ 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

Estate: Walter M. Moore Jr. Case Number: 2017ES4201942 Personal Representative: Walter D. Moore

35 Plantation Court Spartanburg, SC 29302 Atty: James W. Shaw Post Office Box 891 Spartanburg, SC 29304 12-28, 1-4, 11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

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Estate: Larry L. Harken Date of Death: September 15, 2017 Case Number: 2017ES4201607 Personal Representative: Ann C. Harken Boiling Springs, SC 29316 12-28, 1-4, 11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

All persons having claims against the following estates $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MUST}}$ file their claims on $\ensuremath{\mathsf{FORM}}$ #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. Estate: John N. Lewis

AKA Nick Lewis Date of Death: July 9, 2017 Case Number: 2017ES4201293 Personal Representative: Ms. Cindy L. Osborne 379 Marconi Drive Spartanburg, SC 29303 12-28, 1-4, 11

LEGAL NOTICE 2017ES4201037

The Will of Betty Maloy Ross, Deceased, was delivered to me and filed June 22nd, 2017. No proceedings for the probate of said Will have begun. PONDA A. CALDWELL Judge, Probate Court for Spartanburg County, S.C. 12-28, 1-4, 11

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AAA Carolinas offers winter driving tips

Charlotte, N.C. - Severe weather can be both frightening and dangerous for automobile travel. Motorists should know the safety rules for dealing with winter road emergencies as weather reports in parts of the Carolinas are calling for wintery mix conditions. AAA Carolinas reminds motorists to be cautious while driving in

AAA Carolinas recommends the following winter driving tips:

adverse weather.

Avoid driving while you're fatigued. Getting the proper amount of rest before taking on winter weather tasks reduces driving risks.

Never warm up a vehicle in an enclosed area, such as a garage.

Make certain your tires are properly inflated.

Never mix radial tires with other tire types.

Keep your gas tank at least half full to avoid gas line freeze-up.

If possible, avoid using your parking brake in cold, rainy and snowy weather.

Do not use cruise control when driving on any slippery surface (wet, ice,

Always look and steer where you want to go. Use your seat belt at all

times in your vehicle. AAA Carolinas recommends the following long-

distance winter tips: Watch weather reports prior to a long-distance drive or before driving in isolated areas. Delay trips when especially bad weather is expected. If you must leave, let others know your route, destination and estimated time of

arrival. Always make sure your vehicle is in peak operating condition by having it inspected at a respected auto repair facility - such as AAA's approved facili-

Keep at least half a tank of gasoline in your vehicle at all times.

Pack a cellular telephone with your local AAA's number, plus blankets, gloves, hats, food, water and any needed medication in your vehicle.

If you become snowbound, stay with your vehicle. It provides temporary shelter and makes it easier for rescuers to locate you. Don't try to walk in a severe storm. It's easy to lose sight of your vehicle in blowing snow and become lost. Don't over exert yourself by trying to push or dig your vehicle out of the snow.

Tie a brightly colored cloth to the antenna or place a cloth at the top of a rolled up window to signal distress. At night, keep the dome light on if possible. It only uses a small amount of electricity and will make it easier for rescuers to find you.

Make sure the exhaust pipe isn't clogged with snow, ice or mud. A blocked exhaust could cause deadly carbon monoxide gas to leak into the passenger compartment with the engine running.

Use whatever is available to insulate your body from the cold. This could include floor mats, newspapers or paper maps.

If possible, run the engine and heather just long enough to remove the chill and still conserve gasoline.

AAA Carolinas recommends the following for driving in the snow:

Accelerate and decelerate slowly. Applying the gas slowly to accelerate is the best method for regaining traction and avoiding skids. Don't try to get moving in a hurry. And take time to slow down for a stoplight. Remember: it takes longer to slow down

on icy roads.

Drive slowly. Everything takes longer on snow-covered roads. Accelerating, stopping, turning – nothing happens as quickly as on dry pavement. The normal dry pave-

ment following distance of three to four seconds should be increased to eight to ten seconds. This increased margin of safety will provide the longer distance needed to stop.

Know your brakes. Keep the heel of your foot on the floor and use the ball of your foot to apply firm, steady pressure on the brake pedal.

Don't stop if you can avoid it. There's a big difference in the amount of inertia it takes to start moving from a full stop versus how much it takes to get moving while still rolling. If you can slow down enough to keep rolling until a traffic light changes, do it.

Don't power up hills. Applying extra gas on snow-covered roads just starts your wheels spin-

Don't stop going up a hill. There is nothing worse than trying to get moving up a hill on an icy

Stay home. If you don't have to go out, don't. Even if you can drive well in the snow - others can't. Don't tempt fate: watch the snow from indoors.

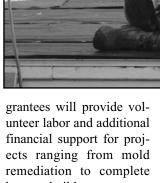
For more seasonal traffic safety tips, please subscribe to our AAA Carolinas Foundation for Traffic Safety e-newsletter. By clicking the button below, you will be registered to receive an email each month with the latest information regarding traffic safety, including travel forecasts and automotive trends.

One SC Fund awards \$266,500 in flood and hurricane recovery grants

Columbia - The One SC Fund Grants Committee has announced the seventh round of nonprofit recipients of grant awards for flood and hurricane recovery projects across South Carolina. Grantees will receive a total of \$266,500 to support their projects. To support the fund, visit http://www.onescfund.org.

To date, the One SC Fund, established by former Governor Nikki Haley in November 2015 after the thousand-year flood to help South Carolinians who are recovering from a disaster, has awarded \$3,447,500 in grants to nonprofits to support flood recovery projects across our state, helping more than 1,580 families return home. In October 2016, the fund was expanded to provide relief and recovery assistance to those impact-

ed by Hurricane Matthew. The latest round of



home rebuilds. Five nonprofit organiza-

tions will receive grants from the One SC Fund: · Black River United

Way: General Rebuild,

Mold Remediation and Home Recovery Georgetown and Williamsburg Counties.

Catholic Charities of South Carolina: General Rebuild, Mold Remediation, Home Recovery, Materials, House in a Box and Furnishings Georgetown, Williamsburg, Berkeley and Dillon Counties. · Habitat for Humanity

Georgetown County, Inc.: General Rebuild, Mold Remediation, Home Recovery and Materials in Georgetown and Williamsburg Counties.

Home Works of America: General Rebuild

and Home Recovery in Berkeley, Dorchester and Williamsburg Counties.

Palmetto Disaster Recovery: General Rebuild, Mold Remediation, Home Recovery Materials, House in a Box and Furnishings Williamsburg, Colleton, Dillon and Beaufort Counties.

There is still much work required to rebuild South Carolina from recent disasters - work that will require funding. Donations to the One SC Fund are being accepted and will continue the work of serving those impacted by disasters that have hit the state.

How to Donate to the One SC Fund

Those wishing to contribute to the One SC Fund can do so in the following ways:

Online: http://www.onescfund.org to make a donation with your credit card

Mail: Send a check made payable to Central Carolina Community Foundation - One SC to: Central Carolina Community Foundation - One SC, 2711 Middleburg Drive, Suite 213, Columbia, SC 29204.

New benefits and insurance options you can expect in 2018

(StatePoint) Ever wondered whether your insurance policy was actually working for you? You may be in luck, as your insurance plan may start to follow the same trends being adopted in other industries: simpler, more convenient and personalized products – all supported by the latest mobile technology.

This year, Stephanie Shields, a product marketing and development expert from Aflac, (Aflac herein means American Family Life Assurance Company of Columbus and American Family Life Assurance Company of New York) says that policyholders can expect these "value-added services" to become less of a nice-to-have and more of a given:

- Telemedicine: Consulting with a physician and getting treatment online offers greater flexibility and may become essential to busy people.
- Fraud protection: Identity theft is likely top of mind for policyholders and businesses. Expect to see better fraud protection, including ongoing internet monitoring and full identity restoration after a data breach.
- Bill negotiation: The everchanging health care system is often confusing to navigate. Ongoing education, as



well as help understanding medical bills, can ultimately mean greater access to efficient, affordable care.

Transformed Benefits

Insurance providers will likely shift the customer experience to follow that of retailers and other industries. In 2018, expect to see insurers such as Aflac offer more cohesive insurance policies that combine multiple benefit types into one plan.

Beyond the Basics

You may find things that were once luxuries, such as

Spending Accounts (FSA) and even annual bonuses, are not as successful in meeting the expectations of today's employees. As those expectations grow, successful businesses can continue to close the gap with such services as:

- Health advocacy: Access to round-the-clock personal health advocates who can answer health care and insurance-related questions.
- Financial and legal fitness: Access to financial and legal advisors who can edu-

ration of wills and other legal documents.

- College-advisory services: These might include resources to help lower college costs and navigate the admissions process.
- No more "one-size-fitsall": Communications from benefits providers may be more tailored to individual needs.
- Bite-sized communications: Concise information about workplace benefits,

tips for using benefits to help protect financial security and better explanations of coverage combinations that are appropriate at various life stages.

- New format: While some benefits information will still be delivered in the typical booklet format, more businesses may consider using online articles, digital signs, brown-bag luncheons and town halls.
- Frequent communications: Employers may communicate about benefits

throughout the year, or time communications to coincide with life events, such as employee anniversaries.

Time Spent Smarter

In 2018, employers who have not yet adopted online platforms to manage benefits may do so. Advantages include year-round, convenient access to pertinent information and one-page views of all benefits options and selections, enabling you to identify any holes you may have in coverage.

Penny-Pinching

More voluntary benefits, such as accident, critical illness/cancer, hospital indemnity, life and disability insurance, are on the horizon. According to the 2017 Aflac WorkForces Report, 81 percent of employees see a growing need for voluntary insurance benefits, and 90 percent consider voluntary insurance at least somewhat part of a comprehensive benefits program.

Thanks to a tech-driven world and the growing demands of consumers, 2018 may see insurers expand their services to offer even more convenience and personalization.

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Head-to-toe winter fashion tips for men and women

(StatePoint) We all need solid, traditional staples in our wardrobes when the weather cools. But be they scarves, jackets or socks, the trend in this winter's clothing staples is all about putting a fun twist on classics when dressing for seasonal weather.

Here are some head-totoe fashion tips for both men and women, as brands and designers focus on basics with an interesting edge.

Scarves

Extra-long scarves and blanket scarves are in style this season, worn in just about any way you can dream up. They are being worn as wraps, shrugs, head coverings and more. Wrapped around your shoulders and crossed behind your back, blanket scarves become a wrap or shrug-like experience to keep you toasty. Worn over the head a traditional scarf will keep your ears protected from chilly breezes.

And looped traditionally around your neck, longer scarves become, well, simply scarves designed to keep your neck and upper



body warm when the mercury dips.

Jackets

Belted jackets for women are on point this season, according to experts, enabling the wearer to style them with versatility to create different looks with the same garment. And making a bold resurgence are denim jackets, as this

rugged fabric proves to be a nice defense against cool breezes, especially with a proper lining. Denim jackets are now coming in a variety of styles and lengths -- from short to long, straight edged to frilly.

For men, outerwear is trending towards quilted or padded, and traditional jackets are being outfitted with a bit more of an edge in oversized proportions. Think classic with a twist or business attire with attitude.

Socks

In keeping with the theme of basics with a twist, think fashion-forward socks. Whether it's rich shades, jewel toned patterns, knit boot socks, or not so basic black, brands like iconic

Gold Toe, are churning out on-trend accessories for the season. For instance, everyone has heard of the Little Black Dress, so Gold Toe is introducing the Little Black Sock -- a collection of women's socks that offer styles featuring scalloped edges, stripes and subtle patterns. These wardrobe staples come in a variety of toe covers, luxury trouser

socks and lavish crews, with styles made from lace, prima cotton and microfiber, to name a few. And the brand's new Fairisle Crew is a traditional boot sock that has a touch of bright colors as a fun nod to sweater season.

When it comes to men's socks, the season is bringing with it a blend of style and innovation. For instance, the Gold Toe Fashion Singles feature a number of bold autumn shades that incorporate Fresh 24/7 technology to help prohibit the growth of bacteria that causes odor. These styles are fashionably flexible and can be dressed up or down no matter the occasion. With colorful stripes, novelty prints and winter patterns, these socks can step up your wardrobe this season. More information about men's and women's socks for the season is available at www.goldtoe.com.

Head-to-toe fashion trends for cool weather are all about new takes on classics to kick wardrobe basics up a notch.

S.C. State Fair assistant manager Nancy Smith named second vice chair of international fair association

Columbia – South Carolina State Fair assistant manager, Nancy Smith, has been named the 2018 second vice chair of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE).

Smith was elected during the final business session of the 127th IAFE Annual Convention, Nov. 26 - 29 at the Paris Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev.

The IAFE is a voluntary, not-for-profit corporation that serves state, provincial, regional, and county agricultural fairs, shows, exhibitions, and expositions. It currently represents more than 1,100 fairs around the world and more than 900 members from related fields.

In her role as second vice chair, Smith will assist the chair with executive responsibilities associated with the organization in preparation for her role as IAFE chair in 2020.

"We look forward to Nancy's service on our Association's Executive Committee," said Marla J. Calico, IAFE president and CEO. "Her passion for creating excellence in programming at the South Carolina State Fair has been shared with our members across the U.S. over the years as a peer leader, committee chair, and speaker at state and regional meetings."

Smith has served as Zone 2 director of the IAFE since 2015, representing South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, Delaware, Florida, Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia within the association.

"I have a long-standing love of fairs and what they mean to their communities," Smith said. "I look forward to continuing my work with the IAFE to help promote and develop fairs and exhibitions across the country."

Smith has served as the S.C. State Fair's assistant general manager since 2008 and will become the fair's general manager when Gary Goodman retires at the end of the year after 33 years in that role.

Smith has worked with the fair for more than 30 years. She began in the fair's home and craft department in 1983 and eventually was named superintendent of that department. She assumed a full-time position in 2000 as

director of entertainment and exhibits and continued in that position until being named assistant general manager.

As the state's largest event,

The South Carolina State Fair is a self-supported, nonprofit organization dedicated to educating South Carolina's young adults. The fair awards more than \$300,000

in scholarships each year. The 2018 S.C. State Fair will run Oct. 10 - 21, 2018.

