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By KAY BURNS

Libby Irby King reminisced on a cool fall morning riding up Fant Street. "Can you see them? The long line of railroad cars filled with rides and other paraphernalia for the Anderson County Fair? The excitement that was felt when the fair came to town and the train cars were lined up down the track? It is not forgotten by those of us whose parents took us there to see the train. This memory is brought to you by the sight of an empty railroad track."

Gary Moore remembers looking out the McCants school house window watching the fair trains being unloaded.

Roger Sears remembers making a date to meet his girlfriend at the fair. But his girlfriend never showed. But her best friend showed up. And that's the one he married.

I grew up hearing my mother's stories about the Anderson Fair in the 1930's and 40's. Her diary is a testament to those magical memories. My favorite is a story she shared about the gypsy fortune teller's booth. The gypsy warned my mother about a woman by the name of Pauline whom, she said, was trying to steal her boyfriend.

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Hot Air Affair Rising Above Cancer: Palmetto Distillery and True Southern events is teaming with the Cancer Association of Anderson to host the second annual Hot Air Affair: Rising Above Cancer festival, on May 3-5 to raise money for families battling cancer. The event takes place at the Rocky River Plantation, 2000 E. River Street, Anderson. Highlights include a moon glow created by more than a dozen different balloons, balloon flights (tethered and full), food trucks, live music, beer, a kids zone and a Kentucky Derby party. Other attractions include the Special Forces Association team jump from the sky; a Doggie Derby where costumed pets compete for prizes; and a Remembrance Flight balloon release honoring cancer victims.

Derby Days: Belton Center for the Arts Celebrating Twenty Artistic Years: On Saturday, May 4, from 4-8 p.m., Belton Center for the Arts is celebrating 20 years of bringing exhibitions, classes and workshops to Belton and surrounding areas with a Kentucky Derby-themed fundraiser. Guests can wear big hats and there will be a live broadcast of the Kentucky Derby, as well as delicious tailgate food and cash bar available including mint juleps. There will be live and silent auction to benefit Belton Center for the Arts featuring original art, golf packages and many more exciting opportunities. Tickets are \$20.

Family History: Heritage Quest: Learn more about your family history on Wed., May 8, from 2-3 p.m. at the Anderson County Library.

Movie Night: Bring the family to watch "The Incredibles" on Friday, May 10, at 8:30 p.m. at Carolina Wren Park in downtown Anderson.

Ugly Jug Class: Join local potter Kate Krause at the Anderson County Museum to make an Ugly Jug on Saturday, May 11 from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. This event is \$25 per guest and recommended for ages 12 and up. To register, visit www.andersoncountymuseum.org/events/uglyjug

McDonald's Cruise-In: This event will be Saturday, May 25 from 8 p.m. - midnight at Hwy 81/85 locations.



Fair

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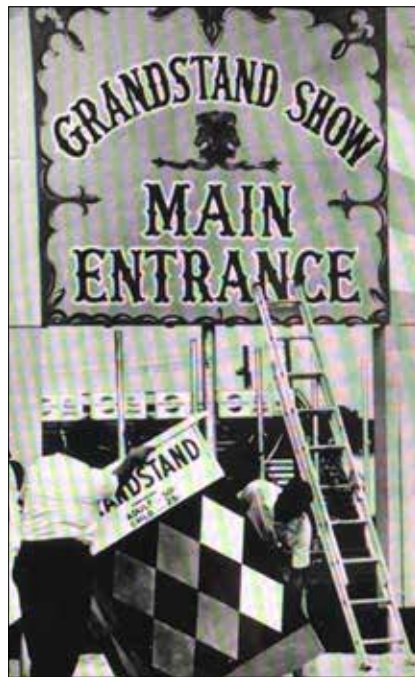
Indeed, my mother had had her suspicions at that time about a woman in Honea Path whose name was Pauline.

At this time, the fair was located at Cater's Park, which was on Fant Street just above the hospital.

Leland Williamson said, "If you have a copy of Hurley Badders' first Anderson County book you can see a picture of me and my Dad watching the men use the elephants to help set up the fair. We lived on Dickens Ave. They would pull those trailers by our apartment all night every time the fair train came into town, and every time they left. My brother and I watched them load up the train to leave one time. They brought the money to the train with a police escort and it was hard to see. They pulled the armored car up beside the train car that the carnival owner traveled in. He had a big safe that was about one-fourth the size of the car and you would not believe how many sacks of money they put into that train. All of it was leaving Anderson!"

People came from far and wide. Theron Rainey said he had to pick a lot of cotton to pay for the ticket to ride the 20 minute bus ride from Iva to the fair. He and his best friend, Bobby Johnson (of Bobby Johnson Market), always rode together.

Dona Shiflette also loved the fair. But she was forbidden from going because of her family's conservative religious beliefs. However, she decided to take her chances one day, and broke free right into the fairgrounds — and right into her next door neighbor. Dona begged her neighbor not to tell her parents, and she obliged.



IF YOU GO

The Great Anderson County Fair will run May 2-12, and will feature rides, magicians, horses, pig racing, sea lions, and haunted attractions. For more information, call 864.296.6601 or visit thegreatandersoncountyfair.com.

Years later, Dona and her daughter went to the fair on a regular basis. Dona loved the chickens and pig races. But her daughter loved the Himalaya. Not that she had ridden it yet; she had begged her mother for six years to ride it. Finally, Dona conceded and took her daughter on the ride. Dona said, "The ride lasted forever. It went on and on and on." Finally, it lurched to a halt and they got off the ride. "And right then and there," said Dona, "I lost three days of groceries," Dona recalled.

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FROM THE STATEHOUSE WITH REP. ANNE THAYER

Heartbeat, Senate budget, Uber

With only two weeks left of session and the crossover deadline behind us, we have a busy few weeks ahead as we begin to finish the work of this session.

The Heartbeat Bill, H. 3020, passed out of the House last Wednesday after many hours of debate on the House floor. The bill bans abortions once a fetal heartbeat is detected by a physician. The exceptions to the bill are in the case of a medical emergency, rape, or incest. If the Senate would pass the bill, which is very doubtful, South Carolina would be one of a few states to hold the most conservative stance on this issue.

Last week the Senate passed their version of the state's \$9.3 billion budget. The House and Senate will meet over the next few weeks to negotiate the differences between the two budgets and come up with a final version. Unlike the federal government, South Carolina has a balanced budget requirement.

(Wouldn't it be awesome if the feds were required to balance their budget as well?). Here are some of the differences in the House and the Senate version:

• *Ban on Oil Drilling Infrastructure Construction:* The Senate added a ban on offshore drilling and construction. This directs that DHEC, local government entities, and special purpose districts may not approve a plan, permit, or license application for the construction of infrastructure or other activities for which the principal purpose is to explore, develop, or produce oil or gas from the territorial waters of South Carolina or in the Atlantic Ocean off the state's coast. This would be a one year ban since a budget is only good for a year. I assume it was a safe bet since the Federal government has also placed a temporary ban on oil/gas exploration off the coast.

• *State Support to Public Schools:* The House version of the budget would



Rep. Anne Thayer

give \$150 million, at no cost to local districts, for teacher pay raises. The Senate added \$15 million to the Base Student Cost but requires the local district to match the

funds.

• *Taxpayer Rebate:* The Senate changed the \$50 tax rebate to per return and not per taxpayer with an income tax liability. (In other words, all those people who don't pay taxes but file returns to get money back, they'll now get the rebate as well... don't get me started. I just need to bite my tongue on this whole rebate issue).

• *State Employees Raises:* The Senate added a \$600 one-time bonus for state employees earning less than \$70,000 per year on top of the 2 percent across the board pay increase for state employees the House already

had in the budget.

• *Farm Aid-Hurricane Devastation:* The Senate added \$25 million to set aside for a grant program to assist farmers who suffered devastating crop losses as a result of the flooding associated with Hurricanes Michael and Florence in Fall 2018.

In a knee-jerk reaction to a rideshare incident involving USC student Samantha Josephson, the House passed a bill to require light-up signs for Uber or Lyft drivers. Thankfully the Senate took a more thoughtful approach and listened to recommendations from popular rideshare companies and replaced the House version with their own proposal. Instead of light-up signs on Uber and Lyft vehicles, the bill now requires rideshare drivers to display license plate numbers on the front of their cars. Kudos to the Senate on a much better solution.

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THE GARDEN SHOP

The triumphant return of Butterflies magnolia

By Susan Temple

Our prime season for deciduous magnolias is behind us now, however, I'm just getting to writing about one of mine. Years ago, I splurged on a yellow variety, Butterflies. It already had some good height to it, maybe six feet. The description said large yellow flowers were non-fading, is heat and cold tolerant, blooms later so damage from late frosts are minimal. Get out the credit card!

Butterflies magnolia grew great for years. It had a perfect shape and flowers were never damaged by late frosts. But it sprouted suckers at the bottom from the root it was grafted onto. I said then, probably no more grafted plants for me. I had lost the battle with a Harry Lauder's Walking Stick (*Corylus avellana* 'Contorta') years earlier. It was also a splurge. After the straight stems from the graft started taking over the curly ones, I bush hogged it. A straight Harry Lauder's is of no interest.

I was able to keep the grafted suckers under control on the Butterflies magnolia, even though it did take a bit more effort than I would prefer. Then one summer came the dreaded little toothpick looking things coming out of the trunk... Ambrosia



**SUSAN
TEMPLE**
master
gardener

Beetles. These beetles were also a lesson learned many years ago. A large section of a Yoshino cherry tree was dying. I took part of it to the extension office, was given the diagnosis, and was told by the time the damage is seen, it's too late. The whole tree died shortly after. There are many types of ambrosia beetles, some native and some not. Native types prefer stressed and/or weakened trees. Non-native types have no preference. Per NC State Extension's website, there are some organic options but they are quite expensive and seem to only be available in larger amounts than most home gardeners would need. If the tree is worth using a chemical on, permethrin or bifenthrin can be sprayed on the trunk and may have some success. It seems prevention (keeping plants healthy) is the pound of cure for such though.

So, back to the Butterflies magnolia. Knowing I would not go the chemical



Above: Pink and yellow magnolia blooms.
Right: Ambrosia Beetles frass.

route, and knowing the tree was going to die, I bush hogged it. It started growing back in a shrubby shape. I knew it was the grafted plant and I settled for getting whatever Mother Nature gave me. It bloomed with pink flowers that had nice



fragrance and was growing really fast. Then towards the end of this winter, I was cutting things for an arrangement and decided to use some of the magnolia buds. Upon closer inspection, there was a definitive difference in some of the buds and branches. Lo and behold, as it started blooming, Butterflies came back. I now have a pink and yellow magnolia. It's things like this that keep gardeners amazed and inspired.

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YOUR DENTIST CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE

Take time for leisure, and improve your health

By Dr. Gabrielle Cannick

Yes, this is me giving you permission to take time for yourself! (I include myself, even with a thriving dental practice and a loving family.)

But who really needs permission? At the end of life's journey, do we really want to say, "I wish I had spent more time at work"?

Of course, we must provide for our families and further our careers. One thing about Americans, we tend to work longer hours than in other countries. This is one reason we enjoy one of the world's highest standards of living. But there is a downside. According to the Center for American Progress, in 1960 about 20 percent of mothers worked. Today, it is estimated 70 percent of American children live in households where all adults are employed. It doesn't matter who stays home and who works in terms of gender, it's a family choice. The experts make the point this has huge



Dr. Gabrielle F. Cannick

implications for family cohesion and free-time.

There is a realization we are paying a price when it comes not only to our health — but our basic joy in living. Consider: when was the last time you had time for yourself just doing the things you *really want to do*? This may be something you can't even remember given our fast-paced lives. I think you will agree this is ... well, sad. No matter how busy we are with work and family responsibilities, the experts — and common sense — tell us we all will reach a point when our bodies, and our minds (or spirit), start signaling us to take a break.

When we speak of "leisure time" it simply means doing things other than work. Leisure means "de-stressing"

and it can mean any type of activity you define as recreation. **You may be thinking, "All well and good but I have to make a living!" Still we cannot deny reality. The truth is leisure is essential to our health.** It helps generate within us a sense of freedom and well-being. This in turn creates a positive outlook on life enabling us to refresh our minds. A "reset" if you will.

A study conducted at the University of California Merced found that leisure activities — including exercise and even simple socializing — reduce stress and that the effects persisted long after. The study concluded that the cumulative effect of engaging in leisure activities each day could have a long-term, positive impact on a person's health.

Next time we'll discuss tips for selecting and getting the most out of leisure time so you feel refreshed and rejuvenated — a benefit for both

your work and family life! For more information please contact us. Think of us as your hometown resource for guidance and support.

Dr. Gabrielle F. Cannick is the owner of Grand Oaks Dental, located at 3905 Liberty Highway in Anderson. A strong believer that dental fear and anxiety should not prevent any patient from receiving the highest quality dental care, Dr. Cannick has received extensive training in Sedation Dentistry and is a certified member of the Dental Organization for Conscious Sedation. She is also a member of the South Carolina Dental Association, the American Dental Association, the Academy of General Dentistry, and the American Academy of Dental Sleep Medicine. For more information about Grand Oaks Dental and the services provided, please call 864-224-0809, or click to grandoaksdental.com or visit us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/GrandOaksDental>.

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FINAL SALUTE

Veterans recognized for service at AnMed Health

By Liz Carey

The passing of a loved one is always difficult on families, but when that loved one has a history of service to our country, their passing signifies so much more.

That's why many think AnMed Health's Final Salute — a tribute to veterans who pass away within the facility — is a lasting memory that honors the veteran's service and comforts the family.

Lewis Seay said his family was touched by the tribute when his brother passed away. A member of the Air Force, Roy Seay fought during the Vietnam War.

"It wasn't long after he passed away that the hospital came to us to do that," Seay recalled. "I was sitting there alone with him waiting for my family to show up. It was a matter of minutes later that they came and made the presentation.

For them to stop what they were doing in order to salute him...it was absolutely awesome. It really meant a lot to us."

During the tribute, an announcement is made over the loud speakers to recognize a veteran's passing.



AnMed Health's Final Salute is a lasting memory that honors a veteran's service, and the family is given a folded American flag.

"Your attention please, one of our military service members has passed away today. It was our honor and privilege to care for him/her. Out of honor and respect to him/her and his/her family, we invite you to observe a moment of silence," the announcement says.

The family is then given a card and a folded American flag.

Jean Tillirson, MSN, RN, CPPS, patient safety manager, said the salute was instituted as part of the hospital's VetNET program, an employee resource group focused on supporting military employees, whether they are active, reserve, guard or veterans.

"Final Salute is an example of how AnMed Health recognizes the priceless contributions of our community members and their families," Tillirson said. "AnMed Health's employees are extremely caring, particularly those who work with and develop personal relationships with patients and their families on a daily basis."

AnMed Health instituted a version of Final Salute after Christi Evans, RN, BSN, ACM, manager for care coordination, experienced it with her father and brought the idea to AnMed Health Spiritual Care. Other departments and teammates joined in and it was launched on Veterans Day

2018.

Evans lost her father, 69-year-old John Gerik, in 2017. Gerik was a Navy veteran stationed in Portugal during the Vietnam War. During his stay at Texas Health Arlington Memorial Hospital, care team members there gave her father a final salute.

"After his passing, his body was draped with a flag," Evans said. "There was an announcement over the loud speakers, and as we followed his body out of his room, staff members lined the halls to the entrance. Those who were civilians put their hands over their hearts, and former military members saluted. Afterward, the hospital presented us with a folded American flag."

The tribute helped Evans remember her dad in a new light, and it was a tribute she hoped to give to veterans in the upstate of South Carolina as well.

"It was so very moving and so very emotional," she said. "I was so touched by it; I thought it would be so nice to have the same or similar program here."

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Secrets to silence your inner critic

By Mary-Catherine McClain Riner

Clients often report messages and negative thoughts, including "I am a failure," "I will never be enough," "I am lazy," and/or "No one will ever love me." One of the greatest challenges individuals face is NOT completing educational requirements, succeeding at work, and/or making friendships, but rather stems from the internal critic the mind has difficulty escaping. This inner critic is found in every human being — including the high-achieving clients I work with in the office.

In order to combat this critic, consider these questions and tools:

1. Find the balance between your emotions and logic; for example, you may compare yourself to someone your age who is engaged and planning a wedding. Your critical self may say, "see I will never find love" or "you are not as attractive or smart" as your friend. These emotions can be extremely powerful. However, if we consider logic and reason, it is possible your friend dated someone for 5 years and met in



MARY-CATHERINE
McCLAIN RINER

high school. It is possible that your values and goals differed — leading to different paths. While you can validate anxiety and fear, you can also tell yourself that there are signs you will not be alone (e.g., you have gone on dates; you have friends). Likewise, consider a friend who is a business owner. Emotion may say you should be "further along" or "you will fail." Yet, with reason you may find that your industry is different; the mission is different, that your friend is 12 months ahead of you, etc. Focus on finding the perspective when emotions paint a hopeless picture.

2. Ask yourself how you would treat and talk to your best friend. Do you find yourself commiserating with your friend and validating her/his failures, or do you support them in finding

the broader, more general picture? If you approach friends differently, ask yourself what makes you treat yourself differently or even worse than your friends?

3. It is important to remember that the majority of our inner critic stems from childhood — although every adult has grown physically, emotionally, and intellectually. Focus on dis-identifying from your inner critic. Essentially, consider giving the inner critic a name (e.g., Oh, it is Mr./Ms. Trouble). This helps you separate it from your personality and also allows you to not see a trait or feature as "fixed." Visualize yourself being in the balcony and your inner critic being onstage. Consider what makes that stage more attractive and appealing—something that shines light on the positives rather than someone who criticizes and complains. Who would you rather spend time with—the complainer and critic or the encourager and supporter?

4. Reduce the amount of pressure you

put on yourself to constantly perform. Usually, when a "bar" is reached, higher standards, expectations, and goals are created. Focus on what gives you energy and happiness, rather than what you think you "should" or "need" to do. Consistently re-evaluate and re-assess if your behavior matches your true values and goals.

5. Forgive yourself, let go of guilt, and release anger and resentment! Remaining angry with others in your life that have wronged you or facilitated certain beliefs is counter-productive and only drains you of precious energy. Similarly, do not depend on others for validation and re-assurance — that is an inside job. Living freely requires that you let go of the inner child critic that filled your mind with constant insecurity, doubt, and uncertainty. YOU are the one you have been waiting for.

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MELISSA FABRY: INDIGO GIRL

By Kay Burns

Melissa Fabry was born and raised in Lexington, SC. After high school, Melissa went to a Christian-affiliated college in Searcy, Arkansas, to study graphic design. While in college she spent two years as a missionary in Italy. When she came back to the U.S., her family had moved to Anderson, S.C. Melissa decided to move to Anderson temporarily, but in her words, "I fell in love with this little town!"

Now, Fabry has opened her own store, Indigo Custom Framing & Artisan Market, at 305 Main Street beside Ionosphere Travel agency. Indigo specializes in elegant, custom framing. But Fabry is broadening her artistic reach to include an artisan market for unique items shoppers can't get locally. "We want things

that have a story. We want people to have pride in what they take home," she said.

Fabry's mom will be working with the Artisan Market and bringing in her unique gifts. Fabry said, "While considering custom framing to be the 'home' of our business, we are planting and cultivating other artists, artisans and makers all around us."

Artisans will be stationed at Indigo and will rotate in and out the shop. Artisans will be able to rotate back in at a future time. "We already have our first four artisans who will be here beginning in May," said Fabry. "Every month we will



add and grow our artisans."

Fabry stays busy promoting the new store through social media blasts on Facebook and Instagram, Shock this Block, word of mouth, and printing rack cards. The official ribbon cutting for the store will be held on Friday, May 3 at 4 p.m.

Fabry is determined to grow the range of craftsmen that Indigo will spotlight.

"I want to have potters, leather makers, candle makers, stationary designers, embroiders and calligraphers," she said.

Interested artisans should apply online at www.indigocustomframing.com.



Examining how Native Americans communicated on trees

By Rich Otter

When Christopher Columbus first dropped anchor in what Europeans called the New World, the American Indians did not have what Europeans considered a written language. However, the Native American Indians, as with many indigenous peoples throughout the world, were able to communicate efficiently with what in effect amounted to picture writing. The messages could be understood by their contemporaries.

The most familiar images utilized by Indians took the form of petroglyphs (pecking or carving images) and pictographs (paintings). Both methods are usually considered as having been on rock surfaces or in caves but through weathering few remain in the Eastern United States. In South Carolina and most of the Eastern States, a heavily used platform for messages of the Indians was on trees (dendroglyphs or arbor glyphs). The bark

was scraped off and images were inscribed or painted on the tree.

In his *Journal of an Expedition to South Carolina*, British Captain Christopher French, on June 9, 1761, reported finding an image scratched on a tree he assumed was a warning by Cherokees to the pursuing soldiers. He wrote: "This we interpreted to be either threatening, or ... indication that they had a soldier of the 17th Regiment prisoner, whom we missed some days ago and had supposed to be drown'd." He sketched the image and included it with his journal.

History and nature writer Dennis Chastain on studying the record assumes it was across the Chattooga River on the Georgia side at Earl's Ford and Warwoman Creek where the soldiers forded from South Carolina. There are two possible interpretations of the image. Apparently Captain French thought it was a Cherokee holding a club in one hand and a



soldier being hit with a tomahawk, the soldier perhaps waving a flag.

Another possible interpretation is that the Cherokees were warning the Indian scouts (apparently Mohawks) who inflicted brutal torture upon captives and ravished their women. The scouts were also the ones with tracking ability and more to be feared than the soldiers. Under this theory, the party being hit by the tomahawk is a scout holding a tomahawk, not a flag.

As part of the message, the sketch showed

a number of inverted "v" and/or "u" shapes, normally an indication of mountains. The circles are of unknown significance.

The next day near the site of Franklin, N.C., the soldiers were attacked. In a three hour battle, 5 officers were wounded, 9 soldiers were killed, 47 were wounded and 40 horses were killed. Interestingly, there was no estimate of any Indian losses. As warned, the attack took place when the soldiers were reaching the mountains.

Of particular note is one of the soldiers engaged in the battle – Francis Marion, the Swamp Fox, who profited well from the experience and later used the Indian tactics against the British in the swamps of South Carolina. The British commanding officer of the regiment was William Moultrie, also of Revolutionary War fame and later SC governor (immortalized in Anderson by Moultrie Square).

The wheels on the Bookmobile go 'Round and 'Round

By Katie Laughridge

A bus full of books? Yes, please! If it's hard for you to get to the library, the library may soon be traveling to a location near you! On any given day, you'll find the Anderson County Bookmobile roaming the streets of Anderson putting books in the hands of adults and children.

On the Bookmobile you will find shelves full of books, movies, magazines, and so much more. Available genres include picture books for beginning readers, non-fiction books, young-adult books, novels, mysteries, even beloved classics such as "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer" and "Little Women."

The Bookmobile is also a great place



Katie Laughridge

to check out movies that the entire family can enjoy. If you can't find that special book you're looking for, you can request that it be stocked in their inventory and made available for you when the Bookmobile returns

the following week. Don't have a library card? No worries! The friendly Bookmobile staff will help you sign up for one during your visit.

Check out the schedule below to see when the Anderson Library

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- + West Market School of Early Education: 9:15-10:15 a.m.
- + Adult Education Center: 10:30-11 a.m.
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- + Roberts Presbyterian Church: 2:30-4 p.m.

Happy searching and happy reading!

Try these three fantastic spring cocktails

By Kristine March

To be married to a mixologist is really fun. My husband is like a cocktail scientist. He's always coming up with new and innovative drinks, and I get to be the taste tester. This spring he's come up with two cocktails for patio sipping, and one mocktail for those who can't or don't like to partake. He was voted best bartender in Asheville, so he's somewhat of a professional, I would say. Here are three fantastic spring tipples for you to enjoy.

The Cloud Chemist:

- 1.5 oz Chemist Barrel Rested Gin
- .5 oz Crème De Violette
- .25 oz Simple Syrup
- Shake all ingredients with ice, double



strain into a coupe/ martini glass. Garnish with an edible flower Pansies or a nasturtium.

Numero Uno Gin and Tonic

- Best gin and tonic this side of the pond.
- 2 oz. London Dry Gin
- 3 oz. Fever Tree Tonic
- 2-3 dashes of Bitterman's Hopped

Grapefruit Bitters. Add ingredients into an old fashion glass, then ice. Garnish with an expressed orange peel.

Sunshine Daydream

- A delicious mocktail totally non-alcoholic.
- 3 oz. Ginger Beer
- 3 oz. pineapple
- Add into a Collins glass with ice, stir.
- Finish with 2 oz. cherry juice.

These can be used with regular brands of alcohol, but these particular ones are easy to find and will kick up your cocktail swagger. Making these fancy cocktails at home will also keep you from not breaking the bank. I hope you savor these beverages as much as I do and remember to drink responsibly y'all.

NIBBLE & SIP

The Paloma is perfect for Cinco de Mayo

By Kim von Keller

Cinco de Mayo is just around the corner, and if you're going to celebrate it properly, there are a couple of things you should know. One, Cinco



Kim von Keller

de Mayo, or May 5, is not Mexican Independence Day; that date is September 16. Cinco De Mayo recognizes a battle victory in the Franco-Mexican War. And two — hold on to your sombreros

— the margarita is not the only drink with which to toast this important historical event. Today, I'd like to introduce you to the Paloma.

I have to admit that I was well into my adult years before I ever even heard of the Paloma. As a matter of fact, I was probably unfamiliar with a lot of tequila drinks. But when I saw it on the menu at the Lonesome Dove Bistro in Fort Worth, I was enticed by the grapefruit juice listed in the ingredients. I'm a big fan of all things grapefruit, and the Paloma seemed like just the thing to quench a Texas-sized thirst.

I was right. After the bubbles hit your nose, you get the kick from the citrus and then the bite from the tequila. It's been my favorite Mexican cocktail ever since. Many bars will make what I call the quick-and-dirty Paloma, which is 2 ounces of tequila, ½ ounce of lime, and Jarritos grapefruit soda mixed in a highball glass rimmed with salt and filled with ice. The soda is available at Wal-Mart, and this version is very easy drink to prepare. My preference, however, is the made-from-scratch Paloma that mixes fresh citrus with tequila, simple syrup, and club soda.

And if you're having friends over for Palomas, you're gonna need a nibble. I'd like to recommend Chile con Queso y Cervesa. Open a bag of sturdy tortilla chips, and you're on your way to a proper Cinco de Mayo celebration.

PALOMA

- 1 grapefruit wedge
- kosher salt
- ¼ cup fresh grapefruit juice
- 1 T. fresh lime juice
- 1 T. simple syrup (or more, to taste)
- ¼ cup silver tequila
- ¼ cup chilled club soda

Run the grapefruit wedge around the rim of a highball glass, and coat the rim with salt. In a shaker, mix both juices, the simple syrup, and the tequila. Add ice and shake vigorously. Strain into the highball glass, add the club soda, and stir. Fill the glass with ice and serve.

CHILE CON QUESO Y CERVESA

- 2 c. grated sharp cheddar cheese
- 2 c. grated Jarlsberg cheese
- 1 T. butter
- ½ c. fresh minced onion
- ¾ cup beer (lager or similar)
- ½ c. canned diced tomatoes, drained
- 1 pickled jalapeno, diced
- Sturdy tortilla chips for serving

In a bowl, toss the cheese with the flour and set aside. In a heavy saucepan over low heat, melt the butter and sauté the onion until soft. Add the beer, tomatoes, and jalapeno, and simmer for 5 minutes. Add the cheese-flour mixture by ½ cupfuls, stirring after each addition, until the cheese melts and the mixture is smooth. Serve with chips.

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A real friend will do that

By Kim von Keller

These days, there are a lot of reality shows about friends. "Southern Charm" and the "Real Housewives" franchise would have you believe that a real friend will slap you. A real friend will spit on you. A real friend will steal your spouse and, in at least one case, assault you with a prosthetic leg. Call me conventional, but I can tell you what real friends actually do.

Mine have always had to deal with my obsession with musicals. I've been like this since I saw "South Pacific" at the Anderson Community Theater as a child. (I'm a walking compendium of show tunes, a fact which impresses my husband when we watch "Jeopardy!" but annoys him when we're on long car trips.) So, you can imagine my delight when, decades ago, my high school buddy Cliff Smith called to tell me that not only was movie musical star Gene

Kelly appearing at the grand opening of the Haywood Mall in Greenville, but that he was taking me to see him. A new mall? My movie idol? To quote one of Kelly's songs, "Who could ask for anything more?"

On the big day, we arrived in Greenville early, but traffic was so bad that we couldn't get anywhere close to the mall. Our only option was to park at the top of a nearby hill. I wasn't really dressed for off-roading, so when one of my heels got caught in a root, I started to tumble toward Haywood Road. Cliff tried to help me, but to no avail. By the time I reached the bottom, I looked like Ma Joad from "The Grapes of Wrath," and we still had a sweaty half-mile walk ahead of us.

A long morning of driving, rolling, and hiking can make a person think, and I was thinking that just seeing Gene Kelly was no longer satisfactory. Somehow,



Kim von Keller

I convinced Cliff that we needed to meet him before he took the stage at the center court. In a series of moves that today would be called "stalking," we set off across the mall to figure out where he might be. Now, Cliff was, and remains, a law-abiding citizen, but he helped me investigate every corner of the building until we found the most generic, nondescript door of them all. We gently tried the knob. It was locked. Somehow, we knew that Gene Kelly was in there, so we waited.

A short time later, the door opened. He walked toward us, accompanied by handlers. He was not the youthful figure of his movie heyday, but a handsome

older gentleman nonetheless. I think that Cliff and I were actually stunned that we had accomplished our mission. But as we made eye contact with the star, and before the handlers could call security, I bolted toward him to blurt out the least sophisticated remark of my life: "Mr. Kelly, 'An American in Paris' was the greatest movie ever made!"

And then it happened: Gene Kelly smiled his unmistakable smile, touched the still-dirty sleeve of my blouse, and said, "Thank you, dear."

Cliff had put up with a lot that day. He had taken me on a car trip, tried to clean me up, hiked a half a mile in the summer heat, and risked mall-cop detainment to stalk a Hollywood legend. And when I finally met my hero, he stood there quietly while I had a moment that I will remember till the day I die.

A real friend will do that.

HOT HITS

She's Back (sort of)

By Justin Tyme

In 1987, malls across America were welcoming Tiffany to perform her hit single "I Think We're Alone Now."

She had other singles but since most of us can't remember them, we'll consider her a one hit wonder. The song spent several weeks at number 1. Well, it's my guess that the singer must be broke. We haven't heard a



Justin Tyme

peep from her in 30 plus years.

Until now. Billboard is featuring the remake/re-release of the video on their website. And I'm sorry, but to me it sounds exactly the same. Judge for yourself at Billboard.com.

In case it's driving you crazy, Tiffany's other big hit was "Could've Been" which also spent several weeks at number 1.

Tiffany got a revival of her 1987 smash in the Netflix series "Umbrella Academy" so we have Netflix to thank for this.

Justin Tyme can be heard on HOT 98-1 Saturdays and Sundays at 3 p.m.



Tiffany is a performer from the 80s.

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The tax man cometh



JIM FRASER

For some reason the tax deadline has triggered a certain amount of angst and trepidation in me. Not because I'm an anti-tax guy, conversely, I'm a big believer in paying for the necessities and services that have a cost attached. Nor do I have any offshore clandestine bank accounts. I've long ago divested my yacht and my Bentleys. My net worth still hovers around only a modest eight figures, so I have nothing to hide.

My thinking is that any institution such as the IRS that brought Al Capone down, has made billionaires quake in their boots, and maybe even cheat, is too formidable for

me to go one on one with. Kinda like in football, we would always try to double team their best lineman. Therefore, every tax return I've ever submitted has been with the help of a tax preparer, starting with my first teaching/coaching check from Marlboro County schools for the princely sum of \$3,900. I've been told by my friends and cohorts that I could prepare one on a postcard. My president even told me so. I only flunked long division twice so I knew I could do it,

but I just need to have that human element and confidence to provide for such a monumental undertaking.

Imagine my consternation when six days before deadline, it occurred to me I had zero contact with my tax person. I frantically dialed his office and set up a one on one for five days till doomsday. After a 15 minute wait, a comely assistant informed me that Mr. Blank was on the phone, but my taxes were ready. Ok I reasoned, I'll do it your way, yet still craving that one on one. As she gave me forms for my L.W. and I to sign, I noticed my bill was higher than my previous returns. "I'm not paying more for

not seeing Mr. Blank than I paid for seeing him!" I protested. Nevertheless, I took the forms home that Joyce and I signed, then a eureka moment hit me. I would write a check for half my bill and pay the rest with my return windfall. That will get Mr. Blank out from his inner sanctum and I'll have the meeting I crave. On presenting my plan to his assistant, Mr. Blank did appear. Rather than, "What's up Coach, let's work this out," I got a terse, "If you want me to continue with your taxes pay me this, otherwise get somebody else." Whoa Nellie, never give an old timer an ultima-

tum because he'll always choose the wrong one. Leaving his office, I pondered what to do, so I called my buddy Joe Argo. "Hello," I pleaded to the secretary at Argo and Associates, "I'd like an appointment for D Day minus 2." After hinting that half of zip code 29621 would also like one, she said she would have Mr. Argo call me. Eight minutes later the coveted call came. "Sure coach, no problem, have your stuff in my office at 11 hundred hours tomorrow. We'll save you from the IRS. I'm on speaking terms with those guys." True to his words, my

taxes were finished and trundled off to wherever your taxes are trundled off to and I had my necessary meeting. They treated me like a rock star. I even sold three of my books out of my car trunk. My only regret was I found out I was not an average American. I had also been informed by my president that we were going to get a \$4,000 refund. Now I'll have to ponder whether I'm above average or below average. Darn. *Jim Fraser was the athletic director and head football coach at T.L. Hanna High School from 1968-1985. He was also a full time member of the faculty who taught U.S. History.*

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The kitchen is located at 306 West Franklin Street, Anderson, SC. Call 864.224.4763 or visit online at www.andersonemergencykitchen.org.

Katy Smith named president of SCARE

By Kay Burns

Katy Smith, Director of Anderson County Voter Registration and Elections, was recently sworn in as president of the South Carolina Association of Registration and Elections, or SCARE.

SCARE is the acronym for the state-wide professional organization that discusses and recommends improvements for state elections. Smith, who will serve a two-year term as president, said she is honored and excited to take on this leadership role.

Smith has served as director of county voter registration and elections for more than 13 years, and before that she served four years as assistant director. She has been a member of SCARE since 2002, serving as vice president, district director, chairman of the Publicity, Audit, and Scholarship committees. She also served on the Committee of the Future, Legislative, Users Group, and Conference committees.



Katy Smith is director of Anderson County Voter Registration and Elections and president of South Carolina Association of Registration and Elections.

Since 2009 Smith has been a member of the Election Center — the voter registration and elections community's only full-time professionally staffed organization specializing in voter registration and election administration. She earned her certification from this organization and is 1 of only 3 Certified Election/Registration

Administrators in the state.

In February, the Anderson County Voter Registration and Elections Office was awarded Outstanding County of the Year by the South Carolina Association for Registration and Elections Office at the annual meeting. The award recognizes the county voter registration and/or elections office that has established an innovative best practice, initiative, or program that has benefitted the voter registration and election process in that county.

In August, Smith will oversee a legislative conference in Anderson. "I am very proud to serve my county, and state," said Smith. "It is an honor to be elected to this position by my peers and to work with such great people across the state as we continue to move forward in promoting open, fair, and transparent elections."

In her spare time, Smith is an avid reader of all genres and enjoys camping and hiking with her husband.

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Group uses therapy dogs to help students to read

By Kay Burns

SCDOGS is an all-volunteer organization that visits area facilities with their own personal pets. Dog handlers have special training to participate in the program so they can visit elementary schools, nursing homes, hospices, rehab centers, mental health facilities, children's camps and more.

The organization created BARK (BOOKS AND READING KIDS), a reading program for elementary school students. As a group, volunteers make approximately 30 visits a month serving Anderson, Clemson, Seneca, and Northeast Georgia. SCDOGS visits 18 different elementary schools in the Upstate. During the school year, 30 Anderson County students participate in the program. Ellen Pohl, SCDOGS volunteer and former teacher, speaks enthusiastically about the program and her observations of how students' grades have risen since participating in the program.

In June and July, interested students



ages 6-12 who like to read can sign up to come to the SC DOGS Therapy Group at the Anderson County Library on Friday mornings to read with a therapy dog by their side for 15-20 minutes. Sign-ups begin on Monday, June 3. The phone number of the library is 864-260-4500.

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T.L. HANNA YELLOW JACKETS



By Dan Lacobie

Congratulations to the T.L. Hanna track team on winning the 2019 Region Championship! In the highly competitive 8 team region, Hanna came out on top at the last meet on April 26, beating out Westside High school – which finished second place – by a score of 193 to 115.

Hanna's team on the boys side was led by all-region selection, Isaiah Norris. Norris was all-region in long jump and high jump. For the girls, all-region representative Leah Dotson won all-region for the triple jump. Other all-region mentions are Jon Pierre for the triple jump and Austin Spencer for the 1600 meter. Some of the top performers for the girls include Leah Dotson, Brooklyn Cathey, Jayla Lawton, Alana Webster, Catherine DeMinio, and Mikala Howard – just to name a few.

Congratulations are most definitely in order to all of these hard-working student athletes for keeping up the winning tradition of Hanna track and field!

The boys and girls will participate in the state qualifier on Saturday, May 4. Those who qualify will compete at state on May 10 and 11. Good luck, Yellow Jackets!

The T.L. Hanna varsity boys baseball has also been very successful. The team record is 21-7 overall and a region count of 11 - 3. The last few games have been very good for Hanna. In the Spartanburg Diamond Invitational, the Jackets won 8-7 versus the Spartanburg Vikings and 2-1 versus Wren High School. Both wins took place at Blythwood High School in Blythwood.

In the last three contests, Hanna won against Mauldin High in the playoffs (5-4) on April 24 and again versus Mauldin (5-3) on April 27. The Jackets suffered only 1 loss which came on April 25 versus Fort Mill (2-10). The team faced a rematch with Fort Mill on April 29. Congrats to all the players on the team for an outstanding 2019 season.



VIEW FROM THE STANDS

By Dan Lacobie

If I were to say to you, “It’s been a mediocre couple of weeks in sports...” and you knew



Dan Lacobie

anything about sports, I would be had for sure. To say the least, the last couple of weeks in the sports world have been anything but mediocre.

The first thing that pops into my mind is an extra inning game to end them all. On Tuesday, April 16 (and well into the wee hours of Wednesday April 17), the 4th ranked Georgia Bulldogs and the 24th ranked Clemson Tigers played, well, shall we say, a few extra innings. Tied at 2 runs each at the end of 9, both coaches decided their pitching strategies and headed into the 10th inning. I was watching the game from the first pitch and as it wandered into what is known in the baseball world as “free baseball” (fans only pay for regulation 9 innings when they purchase tickets), a pitching duel continued for both teams. When all was said and done, both teams combined for about 50 strikeouts in the 20 inning marathon.

Late in the 20th inning – and I mean late folks – Cole Tate singled to left field plating Tucker Maxwell for the go-ahead and winning run giving the Dawgs their second win over Clemson this season. The first was at Doug Kingsmore stadium on April 2 (5-3).

Both Clemson and Georgia have slid a little the last couple of weeks. Georgia dropped a mid week game (6-8) versus Georgia Tech and then were swept by Mississippi State in 3 games last weekend.

After the Georgia game, the Tigers dropped a weekend ACC contest against the Duke Blue Devils and a mid-week game versus Winthrop that left Clemson baseball with 5 straight losses.

The Tigers came back with a mid-week win versus Tennessee Tech, 7-4. But then dropped 2 out of 3 to Georgia Tech in conference play.

Just a quick note on football: As the NFL draft came to a close this past weekend, I hope your favorite player was chosen to go to your favorite team. The three big area schools - Clemson, Georgia and The University of South Carolina had a great showing at the draft. The schools should be proud of the quality young men they move on to the next level, whether it be the NFL, corporate world or a family man with a mortgage.