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TL Hanna inducts 6 into Hall of Fame



The T. L. Hanna High School Athletic Hall of Fame Committee is happy to announce the 2023 inductees to the school's prestigious group of players, coaches, and others who have made great contributions to its athletic program over the years. The TLH Athletic Hall of Fame banquet and induction ceremony will be held at Hanna

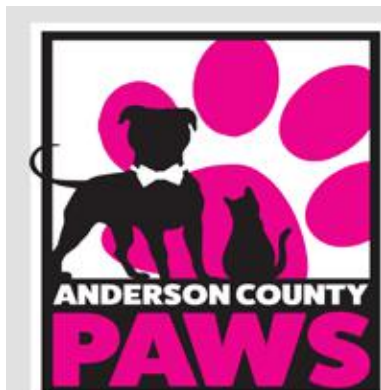
on September 22, 2023, the same night as the TLH vs. Laurens football game. The following former athletes will be inducted:

JEANETTE DINGLE

Jeanette played basketball for TLH from 1980-1983. A four-year varsity basketball player, she had 96 career wins. During 1981-1982

season, she helped the team to a 20-9 record, winning the South Carolina Girls Basketball Championship. During her senior year, Jeanette averaged 17 points per game. She made All-State in Class AAA. She was the most valuable player in the North-South All-Star

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Kim von Keller

While a bowl of chili might be best for post-season play, the beginning of football season calls for lighter, cooler fare, especially if you're going to a day game. I like a drink that can be batched in advance and finished to order. With

that in mind, Tito's Handmade Vodka suggests the Orange Splash. Combine most of the ingredients in a pitcher, keep it chilled until serving time, and add lemon-lime soda at the last minute.

You'll want something fatty and salty to accompany such a juicy cocktail, so I'd suggest Old-Fashioned Ham Spread. It mixes quickly in a food processor, and it's easy to pack for a tailgate. Double the recipe for a big party.

Old-Fashioned Ham Spread

- ½ pound deli ham, coarsely chopped
- 8 oz. cream cheese, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 3 T. Dijon mustard
- 3 T. light brown sugar
- ½ t. ground cloves
- Crackers, for serving

Combine ham and cream cheese in the bowl of a food processor. Add mustard, brown sugar, and cloves and process until well combined. Transfer the ham spread to a container with a tight-fitting lid, and chill for at least two hours before serving. Serve with crackers.

Orange Splash

- 2 oz. Tito's Handmade Vodka
- ½ oz. orange liqueur
- 3 oz. orange juice
- 1 oz. lemon-lime soda, chilled

Combine vodka, orange liqueur, and orange juice in a tall glass. Fill with ice, top with lemon-lime soda, and stir gently to combine. Makes 1.

NOTE: To batch in advance, multiply ingredients by the number of guests. Combine vodka, orange liqueur, and orange juice in a pitcher and keep chilled until serving time. Divide the vodka mixture among serving glasses, fill each with ice, and top each with lemon-lime soda. Stir gently and serve.

Hanna

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game with 23 points. She was selected as the Anderson Independent-Mail Girls Basketball Player of the Year in the 1982-1983 season. Jeanette had 1000+ career points and 870 career rebounds, placing her third in historic T.L. Hanna rebounding records.

CHELSEA DRENNAN

Chelsea played soccer for TLH from 2010 to 2013. She was selected as 2012-2013 Gatorade SC Girls Soccer Player of the Year; 2012 Class AAAA State Player of the Year; 2012 Viking Cup Champion; NSCAA All-American Girls Soccer Player; 2011 Class AAAA State Player of the Year; Four-time All-Region Player; Four-time All-State Player; Miss Soccer 2012-2013; and Team Captain during Senior Year.

CALDREQUIS LESLEY

Caldrequis ran track for TLH from 1991-1995. He holds school records in the 110 meter hurdles and 300 meter intermediate hurdles. He is a three-time SC State Champion in the 110 meter hurdles; one-time SC State Champion in the 300 meter hurdles; and two-time SC State Champion in the 4 x 100 meter Relay. He was the 1994 Gatorade High School Athlete of the Year; 1994 National High School Indoor 55 meter Hurdles Champion and 1995 National High School Indoor 55 meter Hurdles Runner-up. He was All-State 1992-1995 and All-Region from 1992-1995.

QUINTIN PAYTON

Quintin played football, basketball, and ran track at TLH from 2005-2009. In football, Quintin was chosen to be on the 2008 High School Sports Report (HSSR) Class AAAA All-State Offensive Team; selected and participated in the 2008 SCADA North-South All-Star game; 2008 All-Region 1 AAAA Football selection; member of the 2007 and 2008 Anderson All-Area Football Team; 2008 TLH Most Valuable Offensive Player in Football and Permanent Captain's Award both years. In 2007, he was an All-Region Football selection and TLH Best Receiver recipient. In 2009 he was named to Prep Stars All-Atlantic Region Class in football.

DR. WENDY QUEEN

Wendy played softball at TLH from 1994-1999. She received All-State Honors in 1997 and All-Region six times – 1994-1999 (the only TLH softball player to ever be named All-Region six times). In the TLH 1998 record books, she is #1 in runs scored (49), hits (56), and career hits (school record holder - 223). In batting average, she holds the #2 all-time record (.509).

LINDSEY ROGERS SEITZ

Lindsey ran track and cross country at TLH from 1992-1997. She has 41 awards and honors in these two sports. She was CAWS AAA Cross Country Runner of the Year – 1993, 1994, 1995; CAWS AAAA Cross Country Runner of the Year – 1996; All-Region – 1992-1996; All State – 1992-1996; AAA Cross Country State Champion – 1993-1995; AAAA Cross Country State Champion – 1996; SC Coaches Classic Champion – 1994-1996; The State newspa-

per Runner of the Year – 1993-1996; Hanna Invitational, Appalachian Invitational, Wendy's Invitational and Seneca Invitational Champion in 1996; first female in SC to be a State Champion four times; and one of eleven girls to be state champion four times in the nation. In track, Lindsey was All-Region – 1992-1997; All-State 1993-1997; 1600 meter AAA State Champion – 1995; 3200 meter AAA State Champion 1993-1995; 3200 meter AAAA State Champion – 1997; 3200 meter School Record in 1997; 3200 meter State Record in 1997; and Anderson Independent Mail Girls Track Athlete of the Year – 1997.

"We honor these former Hanna athletes as they are inducted into the T.L. Hanna Athletic Hall of Fame. The TLH Selection Committee consists of the following members: Chuck Allen, Tommy Bell (Athletic Director), Anthony Galloway, Derek Hamby, Glendale Hill, Dr. Sheila Hilton (Chair), Terry Honeycutt, Brantley Isom, Wayne Jones, Walter Mayfield (Principal), and Chuck Parker. Nomination forms can be found on the Hanna website at <https://tlhannasports.com>."



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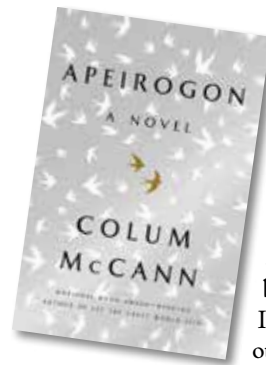
Apeirogon by Colum McCann

I've been sitting on the review for *Apeirogon* ever since I finished the book. It's one of those reads that you sort of keep thinking about? Just the act of reading it resonates to your bones—I'm really not sure how else to describe the experience. It's not a book I would have picked up on my own, maybe even ever, but it was selected for one of my book clubs, so obviously as the leader I was going to need to read it and lawd, am I glad I did.

Apeirogon sort of defies genre definition. It's heavily based in facts and true stories, while also technically being classified as fiction. McCann also pulls in incredible historical details and scientific tangents that all somehow tie back to the story of Rami and Bassam, two fathers on opposite sides of a conflict, tied together through the tragedy of war.

McCann gives the definition of 'apeirogon' as "a shape with infinite number of sides (pg 417)." He goes on to give some of the etymology breakdown of the Greek 'aperion,' meaning to be boundless, and the Indo-European root of 'per,' which means 'to risk.' Knowing the definition and history of the word, it may be the most perfectly titled book I've ever read. In *Apeirogon*, McCann takes the topic of war, and shows exactly how 'boundless' its parameters are, and the infinite number of 'sides' there are to a conflict, especially one that's as complicated as the Israel and Palestine border dispute.

The novel itself tells the semi-fictionalized story of the two very real men who sit on opposite sides, and have their own extensive and complicated histories tied to the disputed border. Rami is Israeli, and Bassam is Palestinian. Both men have participated in violence toward their opposing side, in Bassam's case even spending several grueling years being tortured in an Israeli prison. Rami's thirteen year old daughter,



Smadar, was killed by a suicide bomber while out with friends. Bassam's ten year old daughter, Abir, died after being shot in the back of the head by a rubber bullet, fired by a member of the Israeli border police outside of her school.

Both men, miraculously, have put their personal histories of violence, and the murder of their children, somewhat to the side in order to engage in the bigger conversation of finding peace. When I say this is steeped in real stories, I mean you can watch videos of Rami and Bassam on stage together using their grief and life experiences to pull back the veil on the conflict and speak out for peace.

Apeirogon follows the history of both men and their families, both before and after the tragic loss of their daughters. McCann takes these personal histories and plants them in context of the centuries of conflicts in the area over land and water, and sort of gives a map to how things

have gotten to where they are. McCann also doesn't shy away from the graphic violence that is the affected community's daily norm, giving stray facts about how the impact of a rubber bullet affects and breaks different parts of the body.

McCann also uses actual novel/book structure to make you sit in the story he's telling with lines like "Abir was ten years old." being its own chapter, sandwiched between the story of the soldier who fired the shot from a tiny square opening in the jeep, and a description of Abir and her friends outside the school running practice problems for an upcoming math test. His use of language, and structure, and then what feels like an errant stream of conscience, creates this incredible story that you can't help but be trapped in. The novel has a slow start, but by the end you're aching for these fathers and the reality of the world that their two daughters died in. It's far from an easy read, but this is another one of those necessary reads that I think more people should wade into. The story of the border conflict we get from general media doesn't come close to the raw, heartbreaking narrative that McCann writes, taking these true stories and weaving them together into something you just can't ignore.

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A hero honored

BY JULIE WILSON MCCLELLAN

Tuesday, August 1, a memory was made that will be etched in my heart for the rest of my life.

My father, Wayne Wilson, was honored for his service in Korea. My father is 94 years old and is now under hospice care.



Wayne Wilson

A beautiful service took place on my parents' sun porch. A few family members were present for the ceremony, their pastor and his wife, and a handful of my father's life-long friends. In addition, nine local veterans came to the house. What was really touching, was that these veterans, with the exception of one - had never met Wayne Wilson. They made the trip to honor him and thank him for his service to our country. The ceremony was called, "The Last Patrol".

The veterans prayed, spoke beautiful words of gratitude, and presented him with meaningful gifts. The gifts included an American flag, a veteran's quilt, dog tags, plaques, certificates, and a large print Bible. Watching these dedicated men thank my father, salute him and present him with meaningful gifts made me even more aware of the treasure we have in our veterans.

I, for one, will be much more aware of saying thank you any time I am around a person who has served in any capacity. I am so very thankful for my father, his service, his strength and dignity that he has displayed his 94 years on this earth and that I've been a part of almost 64 of those years.

It's a painful season as we watch him close up "the last chapter" of his story here, and this is a memory I'll forever hold close to my heart.



JEWELRY THROUGHOUT HISTORY

Jewelry has been around since the beginning of time. Traces of jewelry and amulets and adornments can be found dating back before Christ. The oldest jewelry archeologist I have found is 150,000 years old. Beads were discovered in a cave in Morocco. Jewelry worn back then was used for status symbols and even protection. I have discovered some really cool pieces just by studying and looking at a captivating Instagram page called Archeology and Art. It has



Kristine March

recently sparked my fascination. From Egyptian rings to medieval pendants there are so many intriguing pieces that prehistorians are preserving. Thankfully these precious items have been kept in museums and even purchased by collectors. One of the most beautiful pieces they posted wasn't a piece of jewelry but a Roman glass bowl from Italy, from the first or second century. Also, Roman chalices made out of Jade that were over 1,600 years old. Beyond beautiful. The designs and the craftsmanship are just magnificent. My personal favorite piece I dis-

covered is in The Metropolitan Museum of Art. It's a gold broad collar from the early Ptolemaic period. Made of turquoise drop beads, lapis and coral lotuses engraved with lilies and leaves. I would never take it off. It looks so modern like it could be made today. Ornate and powerful.

Another amazing piece discovered was a ceramic blue ring with a tiny cat on it. I'm a cat person and Egyptians were too. They believed cats brought good luck

and domesticated the. I'm so grateful that they did. Cats were actually worshiped and carried around on pillows. Maybe that's why my cat steals my pillow every night while I'm sleeping. Such a fun fact.

Hopefully this year when I go to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, I can check out some of these pieces in person and I will give you readers an update. History is magical and takes us back to those amazing places in time. What kind of history are you into? Remember to make the sidewalk your runway and kindness matters.




Back by popular demand, *Ray McGee's Jazz Club* returns on **Thursday, September 21, 2023 at 7:00pm** at Bleckley Station for one night only to benefit GAMAC! Featuring performances by renowned R&B vocalist Wanda Johnson, jazz saxophonist Alan Nowell, and The Shannon Hoover Quartet, Ray McGee's Jazz Club is truly the hottest club in town! Enjoy special VIP table seating with hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine, and non-alcoholic drinks, or just experience the music with general admission seating and concessions.

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Are you ready for some football?

I recently had some business at the office of the Register of Deeds down on East River Street. As we went through my paperwork, my conversation with the very helpful staff member turned to everyone's favorite topic of autumn: football.

"Are you looking forward to this season?" I asked.

"Oh, yes," he replied in a lovely British accent.

"My team finished fourth last year, but I feel good about the new coach. Who's your favorite Premier League club?"

"My team isn't in the Premier League," he said sadly. "Stoke City got relegated to the Championship League a few years back."

"Maybe this is the year you get promoted!" I said in my most optimistic tone.

If you've ever seen "Ted Lasso,"

we were not talking about American football. We were talking about soccer, also known as football in the



Kim von Keller

rest of the world. This is a pretty exciting time for both, as the English Premier

League started its season a couple of weeks ago and

the NFL begins regular season play on September 7. I was introduced to soccer at T. L. Hanna, but I didn't really know the game until I met my husband, a former college goalkeeper and avid English soccer fan.

Followers of either sport can be quite dismissive of the other. On this side of the pond, you'll hear,

"How can anyone watch a game that ends in a 0-0-tie?" From the other side, it's, "American football is just a bunch of sissies in helmets and pads." In the spirit of unity, however, I'd like to argue that the two sports with the same name have more in common than you'd think.

THE PLAYERS

In both sports, there are good guys. Travis Kelce of the Kansas City Chiefs devotes his charitable efforts to kids from low-income households. Marcus Rashford of Manchester United works to alleviate child hunger. You've also got mad skills. The 99-yard completed pass from the New York Jet's Eli Manning to Victor Cruz is a stand-out, and gymnastics met soccer when Man City's Erling Haaland scored a goal against Southampton

with a beautiful bicycle kick.

Looking for a glamor couple? The NFL has Russell and Ciara Wilson, and the Premier League had David and Victoria Beckham.

THE FANS

Face paint? Check. Jerseys? Check. Hats for every conceivable weather condition? Check. Fans of both types of football are all in, and they know every word to their teams' songs. Some teams have songs written just for them, like the Philadelphia Eagles' "Fly, Eagles, Fly." In England, however, the Wolverhampton Warriors adopted "The Happy Wanderer," often learned in American elementary school music classes, as its theme.

THE COACHES

It's universal to love and detest

coaches in equal measure, and you'll find colorful characters in both types of football. Jurgen Klopp, coach of Liverpool FC, so over-celebrated a player's important goal that he pulled a hamstring. Bill Callahan once called the Oakland Raiders – the team he was coaching – the dumbest team in America. In public. Personally, I rate all football coaches based on personal style, and no coach of any sport is as polished as Manchester City FC's Pep Guardiola.

If you're a fan of one kind of football, why don't you give the other one a try? The NFL plays a couple of times a week, and Premier League matches are on multiple times during the week, so every day can be Game Day. But whichever type is your favorite, LET'S GET READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL!



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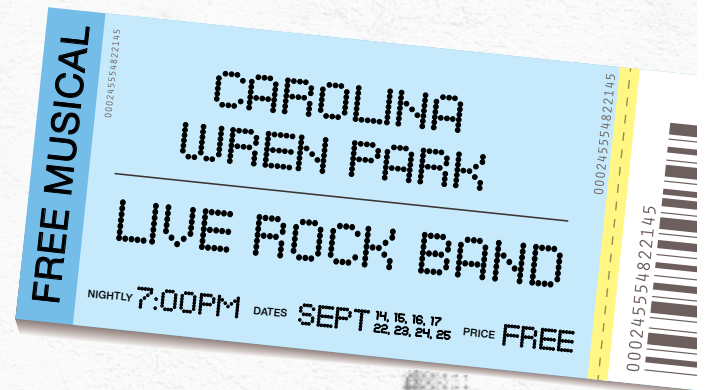

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Celebrate Anderson is our community's largest annual outdoor concert focusing on family, fun, and camaraderie. This year's music under the stars will feature world-renowned country artist Martina McBride. NEW to Celebrate Anderson this year: The Cancer Association of Anderson's Hot Air Affair: Rising Above Cancer event will kick off our Celebrate Anderson – Labor Day Weekend spectacularly. Anderson County is excited to partner with the Cancer Association's ballooning event, establishing the Celebrate Anderson Weekend and solidifying Anderson County's reputation as THE Labor Day Destination!

"Anderson County is appreciative of its partners and Michelin, Arthrex

and many sponsors for joining with the county in giving back to the local community by funding and to the Cancer Association of Anderson as they provide assistance to many Andersonians through a life-changing experience," said Anderson County Council Chairman Tommy Dunn. "There's no need to look further for something to do this Labor Day Weekend; it's right here in Anderson County."

The Cancer Association of Anderson is proud to bring the 2023 HOT AIR AFFAIR: RISING ABOVE CANCER to the Anderson Sports & Entertainment Complex during this upcoming Labor Day Weekend! Once again, skies above Anderson County will be

filled with beautiful hot air balloons. Mark your calendar for Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 1-4! This signature event benefits the Cancer Association of Anderson, the only LOCAL cancer charity in Anderson County.

Come join our Hot Air Affair sponsors: Anderson County, Blossman Gas & Appliance, AnMed Health, The People's Bank, Reliant Homes, Cantey Foundation, Window Depot of the Upstate, a few anonymous Angel Sponsors", and many others as we join with Anderson County's Celebrate Anderson to bring together more than twenty-five hot air balloons, and a Labor Day Weekend filled with Family Fun and entertainment!

According to Cancer Association

Director Angela Stringer, "We look forward to welcoming our balloon pilots to the skies over Anderson County every year! The opportunity to join with Celebrate Anderson to provide a FREE event that raises funds and awareness for our brave patients and survivors makes it even more exciting! The fabulous Combo Kings will be performing on the Balloon Stage as well as The Band Silver and No Speed Limit. Please come out and join us for a family-friendly weekend with hot air balloons, kids-zone, food trucks, vendors, and much, much more."

Organizers are expecting 30,000+ people during the three-day event.

CAA will host a couple of training sessions for those who would like to

volunteer and/or crew with the balloons. For volunteer or sponsorship opportunities at the Hot Air Affair, please email Angela@CAAnderson.org or call 864.222.3500.

CANCER ASSOCIATION OF ANDERSON

For twenty years, the Cancer Association of Anderson has fulfilled its mission to "lessen the burden on Anderson County residents who are battling cancer" by providing financial, physical, and emotional assistance". CAA is a LOCAL charity and is not affiliated with, nor receives any funding from larger, national organizations such as the American Relay for Life or any Relay for Life events.

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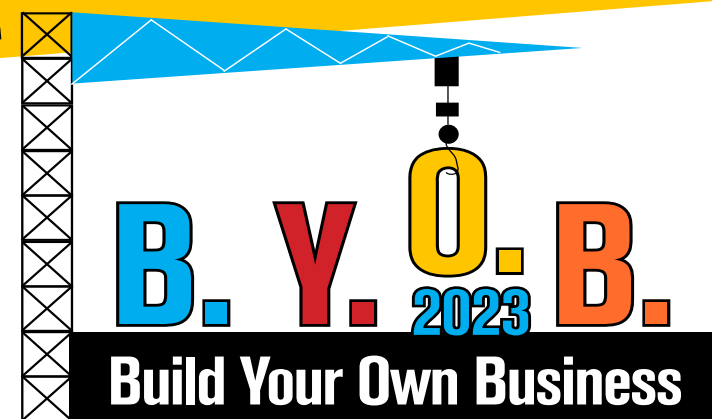
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Homesteading

BY RICH OTTER

Homesteading generally brings to mind colonial farmers building a new life on rough land in America. In Anderson County it has a somewhat different current purpose but returns to the land through a program developed for the disabled and special needs community.

It is designed to encourage self-reliance and challenge individuals in the Anderson County Disability and Special needs program, one of a number of options available for participants.

Under the auspices of Eileen Jewell who has studied homesteading programs produced elsewhere, including in Spartanburg, it has had a modest but exciting beginning with groups of the special needs individuals. Jewell reports, "They are loving it," a statement eagerly confirmed by a few of the participants randomly met.

The groups come from the 90 to 100 individuals in the organization's program who participate in the planting and raising of small crops, primarily for food consumption, in available spaces on the grounds of the department's facilities. They received a grant from Anderson

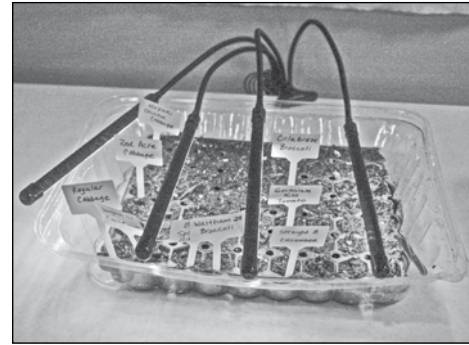


Soil and Water Conservation. Seeds, a contribution from Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds, consisted of a great variety in some 200 packages.

Currently the plots have squash, okra, corn, cucumbers, tomatoes and onions. In addition, there are Chinese red noodle beans and Luffa gourds. Recipes using the produce are demonstrated and cooked with the participating individuals. What may be left over, is sold to staff members, proceeds being reinvested in the project.

Jewell reports the participants are terribly excited seeing something develop from a little seed into what becomes a plant and then actually processing and eating what they have produced. The Disability and Special Needs program concept began in April a year ago and came to fruition last November.

The learning experience supplements other teachings at the facility. The full program is



founded upon training goals, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. The homestead goal creates the joy of seeing how vegetables are produced and enjoying the products. Also, "We feel it will likely lead to healthier diets for those involved."

With shortages in food products at the grocery stores and inflation, only the cost of seeds and a little water can be an economic help. Watering is one of their most enjoyable activities, often at Jewell's expense. "They turn the hose on me."

She said, "When they went out and dug up potatoes the first time, they were laughing and screaming." It was a fantastic experience.

Jerrel Lynn King, Anderson Disabilities and Special Needs director, emphasized that

what already had been observed demonstrated the great potential for the individuals involved, offering pride, possible income and a gift to the community.

Where this is all leading now, however, may be the most exciting prospect. Anderson County Council has approved granting a 3.1-acre tract for the utilization of a new entity to manage the homesteading program. Appropriately, the land is part of the former Anderson County farm. They are anticipating operating a greenhouse.

They would begin by raising lettuce, a commodity that can be grown year-round in a greenhouse and has a fairly rapid cycle. They would market the lettuce to local restaurants. The special needs individuals would be the employees and would receive at least minimum wage. With various capabilities they would learn how to create and operate a business.

Assuming a success equivalent to Spartanburg's experiment, it could lead to additional greenhouses and a variety of products. The funds would feed the program and Jewell envisions it might ultimately include such accommodations as a picnic shelter, rest rooms, fire pit and possibly a little tea room. The participants could integrate with the community.

Development now depends on needed funding and obtaining volunteer help.

Parenting hacks: Cards, jars and furniture



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How many of you are overwhelmed, overstimulated, and confused by your child's behaviors and emotions? If you are inching closer to the end of your rope, consider a few strategies for regaining calm, clarity, peace, and respect.

1) Implement "trump cards." This is extremely valuable when your child/children desire to have an explanation or continuously negotiate. Introduce tokens or chips that can be used by children to get out of doing undesirable or unexpected chores. Likewise, these tokens and chips can be used to obtain a reward on a list. These tokens can be received for engaging in respectful behaviors and taken away from inappropriate behaviors. Make a list together, both for rewards and also for what behaviors lead to tokens being removed.

2) Sweet and Sour Jars. This is a great tool for implementing effective discipline practices. Specifically, children begin pairing offenses with

consequences. In one jar, have children write out a common list of offenses (e.g., not washing dishes) as well as a list of consequences (e.g. going to bed 30 minutes early). It is important not to make these consequences too hard and to consider a child's age. There are no threats or elevated tone needed. Instead, simply state, you are the master of your fate and pick your stick from the jar. All offenses and consequences are listed prior to the incident, and it is not necessarily directly linked to the problematic behavior yet consequences or consistently learned.

3) Quiet spaces. All of us have strong feelings and big emotions. Sometimes, the best practice is to literally stop and fall to the ground. Sit and do not engage. Alternatively, remove yourself from the situation for 5-45 minutes (depending on child's age) and reset yourself. You show your children that you need space and are not always available, and that it is OK to take refuge in a quiet space. Use the "zen den" and remind yourself your children sometimes need a break from you too.

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RED AND PINK FLOWERS IN SHADE



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Gardeners often times have difficulty finding blooms in shade. With temperatures and heat indexes this summer, anything that can take heat and drought is very much appreciated. Turk's cap (*Malvaviscus arboreus* var. *drummondii*) is one such plant. Being native to South Carolina, it's difficult to understand why it is not offered more in nurseries. Turk's cap was very popular back in the 1950's but somehow has ended up a pass-along plant. Mine came from Grandmother Cooley's neighbor's house.

Turk's cap needs a bit of room though, unless the gardener is willing to keep it pruned. I'm not one for planting something in a space smaller than a plant needs. This only creates work. Being a sprawling shrub, it will get much wider than tall. The oldest patches in my garden are at least 10 feet around. Bright red flowers, which look sort of like a hibiscus, start in early summer and bloom until frost. The flowers never fully open and that's where the common name comes from. The blooms look like a Turkish turban.

Turk's cap has many common names so knowing the botanical name if shopping for it will be most helpful. I've heard it called wax mallow, red mallow, sleeping hibiscus, is often confused with Turk's cap lily, and new common names I recently read are ladies' eardrops and Schotchman's purse. That name is puzzling. Turk's cap is a favorite of hummingbirds and butterflies, plus is beneficial to pollinators. It has been totally deer resistant in my garden. However, I gave a small plant to a friend a couple of years ago and deer did not let it grow in her yard. It seems possibly deer were browsing through and pulled it out of the grown before it was established. Turk's cap will also grow in the sun so if you should see it in a nursery, or a friend's shady garden and they are willing to share, sun is fine too. It may flop open more in full sun without being watered. I've read of white varieties but have never seen a white one. Turk's cap is deciduous so take that into consideration on where to plant. Generally, I leave the stems in winter. If I happen to bush hog in winter, sometimes I cut down the stems, but as camellias grow in this area, it's getting more difficult for the tractor to fit.

Another bang for buck, maybe be careful what you wish for, tough shade plant is hardy begonia (*Begonia grandis*). These plants have been fantastic all summer. I cannot say first hand if they are deer resistant because the



Hardy begonia patch

patch in the picture is on the backside of the breezeway. So far, deer are not walking up on the breezeway. I moved a plant from this area under the maple tree in the front garden several years ago. It did not make it but I think it thirst to death. I've read they need moist soil. These begonias only get water from Mother Nature and I do not think the soil is naturally moist there. However, when it rains, rain does pour from the corners of the roof. Hardy begonias have a low toxicity, with the most poisonous part being the bulbous (technically bulbils) like roots. According to NC State's website, they could be a problem for dogs, cats and horses. My new four-legged companion will be watched more closely around them now.

Hardy begonias bloom from summer until frost with pink flowers. I've read they are fragrant but one must stoop down to smell them it seems, I've never noticed a fragrance just being nearby. Generally they will grow to about two feet tall. If such a spot is possible, backlit by the sun makes a beautiful show. Backside of leaves are maroon. Even without backlighting, this color variation give more interest. Foliage turns yellow in fall. These plants will spread by roots and reseed. They are easily dividing and I plan to try to grow them in another shady spot behind the house. They will have to be deer resistant to survive there. I know the soil will provide enough moisture. Years ago on "A Gardener's Diary" on HGTV, Erica Glasener was talking to a lady about a very large patch of hardy begonias in her yard. The lady said "I spent two dollars on a plant years ago, now I have thousands of dollars worth".



Turk's cap bloom

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I received some happy mail at school this week, a brand-new Scholastic Book Club catalog. As a teacher and parent, picking out new books from a Scholastic magazine excites my soul. I enjoy perusing the pages looking for new and familiar book titles. I love to sit down



Katie Laughridge

with my children and let them pick out books that interest them. I usually also choose a few for my classroom library or to use as read alouds with my own children and students. Sometimes all your child needs is something new to spark their love for reading.

It's easy for us to get into a rut when it comes to regular, everyday routines. Well, guess what? It doesn't have to stay that way. Is your child lacking excitement and enthusiasm when it comes to reading? It's not as hard as you think to excite them. Let them pick out a new book—maybe a graphic novel or a sound book with buttons. Maybe they love joke books, non-fiction books, or performing magic tricks. All of those books require reading. It may not be your everyday novels, but it's still reading. Even better, it's reading for meaning. They will begin to see why it is so important to read. Words are everywhere.

We need to know words in order to communicate, order from a restaurant, read road signs, cook dinner, and even to tell jokes. Maybe next time you stop by Target or Walgreens you could grab a little flashlight or book light. Maybe they'd enjoy a new bookmark with their favorite characters on it, or maybe a new book is just what they need.

"The world belongs to those who read." – Mark Holland

Flying kites — the bird kind

BY ANN BAILES

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August is not the best month for observing wildlife. Birds are as hot and tired as the rest of us living creatures, and unless someone is at the coast, where both people and birds thrive this time of year, most birds seem to be hiding out during the day. That is, until this year's kites came through. The bird kind of kite, that is - not the kind tied to a string.

A swallow-tailed kite is starkly black and white. Its underparts are white with black on the leading edges of its wings, and if it swoops low enough you can see that white coloration. It also has a gleaming white head, and black back and upper wings. It has no other colors, just that dramatic contrast of black and white. A Mississippi kite is similar, but has a more mottled black and white appearance.

Kites are similar in size to vultures, which also soar high in the sky but have wider wings. The main difference between the two kinds of kites is in their tails. A Mississippi has a fan-shaped tail similar to a hawk. And a swallow-tailed has a beautiful forked tail, long and narrow, that provides the perfect punctuation mark to its stunning coloration.



The kites are traveling westward from the Atlantic coast, flying through Mexico to their wintering grounds in South America. Sometimes they are so high they are barely visible, but other times they come quite low.

The whole kite show started for Mike and me on July 9, when a swallow-tailed swooped near our car as we were on our way to church, close enough to clearly see that fork in its tail. Early July is not typical for kites to be seen in the Upstate, but, as Mike often says, "Birds are wild, Ann. They don't follow

the range maps." And they don't follow the projected date of arrival either - which was still a couple of weeks away.

After that first occurrence, we saw many kites of both kinds along New Hope, Keasler, and New Prospect Church Roads --up to a half a dozen of each on several occasions. In late morning and other times of the day, anyone looking up while driving down Whitehall Road near New Prospect Baptist Church was almost assured of spotting kites performing their lovely and graceful flight acrobatics.

Word got out among upstate birdwatchers, and a number of people, including an entire bird club from Greenville, came to observe. The occupation of kites lasted about six weeks, and by the time this comes out in print, the kites' annual appearance will probably be over.

Not long ago I posted a picture of these beautiful swallow-tailed kites on my Facebook page, when an old college friend who was not familiar with my bird addiction wrote "And I thought you were out flying kites." Well, no, I'm talking about the bird kind. Much better in my book. And we'll always remember the past six weeks of watching kites in west Anderson!

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they left were called Potters Holes and broke many a chariot wheel.

Potholes, as they are now called, have been hated for centuries, but I'm here to praise these dirty divots. We are blessed here in the South to have some of the finest potholes around.



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I'm proud of the fact that our potholes are the widest and deepest and are strategically placed for maximum affect. These muddy craters have saved our police officers countless hours by no longer having to distinguish the law-abiding hole-dodging sober driver from the swerving inebriated operator.

Our potholes are also the pinnacle of artistic quality. Just the other day I jerked the steering wheel in time to save a pothole that had the exact shape as South Carolina.

Unfortunately, the next day someone accidentally changed it to look like Tennessee. Some of our most positive potholes provide free assistance while we're driving. There is one near me that will change your radio station for you and another that will unlock your doors while giving you a complimentary neck adjustment.

Our potholes are very social and are willing to introduce you to mechanics and tow truck drivers that you otherwise wouldn't have met. Day or night, seven days a week our potholes are expanding and growing to save us and hold us back from driving to the restaurants, stores, and entertainment venues that we wish to spend our time and money.

We should be thankful to the lowly pothole for scrambling our eggs before we get them home, and for not having to bother with any label that reads "Shake Well". Our potholes constantly watch out for our well-being and are vigilant about keeping us alert and on guard while never permitting us to enjoy the scenery for one second. Be aware that potholes are sneaky. They know that you are watching and have memorized where they are on your



routine travels. They let you get comfortable for a week or so before multiplying and moving. They realize that even if they are temporarily patched that you will still not trust that new dark spot in the road and avoid them anyway.

One of the biggest thrills a pothole lives for is a chance to encounter a new car. The news that you have just left the car lot is quickly spread throughout the county and every pothole hopes to be the one to meet you first. The pothole has no bigger thrill than when it swallows a brand-new Michelin / Mercedes combo platter.

Potholes can also be mean and should be called another type of hole besides Pot. They hear you curse and they laugh with their mouths wide open, knowing that you have

paid for their existence and will keep paying again and again.

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Oh well, I'm not complaining, I remember when the roads were tar and gravel and lots of dirt. But cars and wheels were made of steel back then and a hard-working pothole didn't have a chance to be a positive influence.



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WESTSIDE RAMS

Rams drop opener against Belton-Honea Path

BY BRU NIMMONS

ANDERSON — Even with Brian Lane entering his first season leading the Westside Rams, expectations remained high for the Rams heading into their season opener against the Belton Honea-Path Bears last Friday.

The Rams still have plenty to prove in the next few weeks after they struggled to stop a potent BHP running attack in a 43-28 loss to start the year.

While the Bears ultimately were able to take control of the game, it was Westside that got ahead early turning an interception by Zeke Marshall into a 1-yard touchdown run

from Demarco Evans to give the Rams a 7-0 lead six minutes into the game.

Less than a minute later, BHP answered with highly touted running back Marquise Henderson scoring on a 22-yard run to tie the game at 7-7.

Henderson kept the show going in the second quarter converting a 12-yard run for a score to give the Bears their first lead with a little under nine minutes to go in the half.

Westside was able to answer back on their next possession with Evans picking up his second score of the day on a 20-yard run to put things back even at 14-14.

The Bears refused to stay even with the

Rams adding a 4-yard score from Justin Lathon with 1:25 left until the half alongside a field goal from Peter Betroni with under twenty seconds until the break to take a 24-14 lead into the locker room.

BHP kept their momentum going in the second half with Shaheem Robbs getting in on the scoring on a 7-yard touchdown to give the Bears a 31-14 lead with just over six minutes to go in the third quarter.

Westside refused to go down without a fight answering back almost immediately as Cutter Woods hit Sharode Richardson on a 56-yard scoring strike to cut the lead 31-21 with five minutes left in the third quarter.

The Rams stayed on the attack in the third and on the first play of the fourth quarter added a 16-yard touchdown run from Dee Robertson to cut the lead to 31-28.

With the lead cut to three, BHP regained its composure answering with a 5-yard touchdown run from Henderson, his third of the day, to push the lead back to two scores.

From there, the Bears held the Rams off the board and added one final touchdown from Lathon in the final seconds to pull out the 43-28 win.

Westside will look to right the ship with matchups against rival T.L. Hanna and Class 2A power Abbeville over the next two weeks.

T.L. HANNA YELLOW JACKETS

Hanna takes down Bulldogs, Red Raiders to start season

BY BRU NIMMONS

ANDERSON — After two weeks of play, the seventh-ranked T.L. Hanna Yellow Jackets have lived up to their lofty preseason billing with an unbeaten start to the season.

The Yellow Jackets began their season going on the road to face Boiling Springs, taking down the Bulldogs in a 34-26 battle.

Boiling Springs took control of the action early with Lincoln Huskey finding Kyle Patterson twice for scores to give the Bulldogs a 13-0 advantage in the first quarter.

Hanna was finally able to answer back when KD Patterson broke free for a 51-yard touchdown run and just before the quarters end, Vashun Burton added a sec-

ond 50-yard touchdown run to tie the game at 13-13 heading to the second quarter.

The Bulldogs answered right back with a 42-yard touchdown from Jaden Chhim, but Hanna was able to take the lead into halftime after Patterson scored from 32 yards out and Eddie Pino added a three-yard touchdown.

Coming out of the break, Josh Donald added to the Jacket lead with a 2-yard touchdown on fourth and goal.

Trailing 34-19, Boiling Springs tried to get back in the action and finally cut the lead to 34-26 in the fourth on a 5-yard pass from Huskey to Tre-Sean Taylor.

The Bulldogs threatened again down the stretch getting as close as the Jacket 1-yard

line before Hanna forced a fumble and the Yellow Jackets were able to hold on the rest of the way for the win.

The Jackets kept their momentum going into the next week taking down Class 4A's top-ranked Greenville, 28-17.

It was all Hanna from the start against the Red Raiders with Patterson scoring a 28-yard touchdown on the opening possession to give them an early lead.

After a Greenville fumble, Hanna was able to use the momentum and add another touchdown on a 17-yard pass from Eli Hollinger to Jaylon Boles to give the Jackets a 14-0 lead after one quarter.

The Red Raiders finally got on the board

with a field goal in the third, but Antonio Hatten responded on the very next play with a 99-yard kick return touchdown to put the Jackets ahead 21-3. Greenville added a 2-yard touchdown from Zachary Pickelsimer to cut the lead to 21-10 before the break.

A 14-yard touchdown strike from Bryson Drummond to Brayden Renfrow cut the lead to one score in the third, but the Hanna defense stood strong the rest of the way. Josh Donald also added a late touchdown to give the Jackets a 28-17 win.

The Yellow Jackets still have major non-region matchups ahead over the next two weeks with rival Westside and Wren on the schedule.



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