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- \$8.5 million and not a drop to drink
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...and more

Peek-a-boo (thanks to A-Tax money) I see you

Edisto Beach Town Council has approved \$59,645 of Accommodation Tax money to install surveillance cameras at the corner of Jungle Road and Highway 174 and at Bay Creek Park. The vote was four to one with Jane Darby voting against. The cameras were requested by the Edisto Beach Police Chief to tape the cars leaving the beach and to record the license plate number of each car as it leaves.



Edisto Beach moves ahead with \$8.5 million RO water system

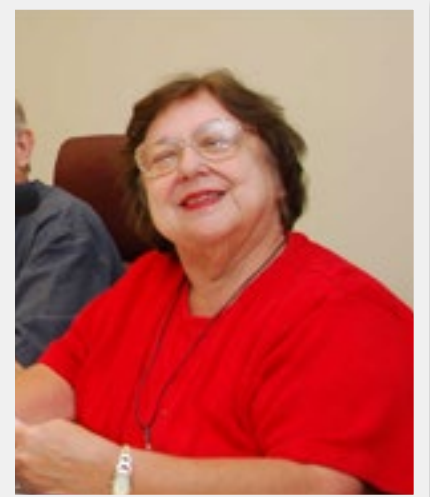
Edisto Beach Town Council continues to move ahead with the proposed system that will bring drinkable and usable water to Edisto Beach and some outside areas close by. The Water Committee discussed hiring one firm to design and build the system that would take water from 2,300 feet below the surface and filter it for every utility customer. The water

would be passed through a reverse osmosis (RO) system to extract the impurities and make 700 gallons per minute of quality water.

Presently Edisto Beach uses ground water, which is treated with chlorine to reduce bacteria, and is then pumped to a water system of 2,300 customers. The Town of Edisto Beach has done numerous

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Hero of the month



Cheryl Van Metre is the hero of the month for March 2013.

Van Metre has served the Edisto community as the most prominent patron of the arts for years. She has been the President of the Edisto Beach Art Guild and Served as the Chairperson for the original Bell Buoy Committee. She has tirelessly directed the Edisto Players in numerous plays and has raised funds for the Art Guild to use to support the arts. She and her husband Mickey, have given so much to our community; we should in turn give her our thanks for all she has done and continues to do. Thank you! ■



From the A-Tax application for the system:

Briefly describe your project and its goals and objectives. Purchase, install, and operate a wireless

A-TAX (continued on page 8)

Itching season begins a little early this year!

There is a whole lot of itching going on out there, and the wrong insects are being blamed for it. Ready yourself for equal parts of conjecture and fact regarding our woodland friends, noseeums.

Most outdoorsmen, ladies, and children

are aware of the perils of chiggers, ticks, and mosquitoes on forays into the wilderness, but few know of the family *Ceratopogonidae*. I believe they didn't exist here in and around South Carolina until 20 years or so ago. All I have is anecdotal evidence... I never got bitten

by one before then.

I can remember my first experience with them in the Lowcountry while fishing on Folly Beach

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Welcome to Edisto Beach

We are pleased that you have chosen to visit Edisto Beach. We are a family-oriented beach community as well as a sanctuary for birds, wildlife and flora. We are committed to protecting our environment while providing for your safety. Please help us to achieve our goal of ensuring that you have a happy and memorable vacation by observing these regulations.

Governed by Town Ordinance

- A noise ordinance is in effect from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.
- Riding or parking any motorized vehicles on the bike paths or lanes are prohibited.
- Motorized vehicles of any kind, including motorized watercraft and all vehicle trailers, are not permitted on the beach.
- Sailboats cannot be stored on sand dunes or grassy areas of the dunes.
- Dogs must be on a leash on the beach from May 1 through Oct. 31. Dogs must be within verbal command of owner, on a leash or in a secure area within the town limits.
- Outside lights on the ocean side and underneath homes should be turned off at dusk during Loggerhead Sea Turtle nesting from May 1 through Oct. 31. Stiff fines could be imposed.
- Glass is prohibited on the beach. Use aluminum or plastic containers.
- Fireworks and open burning are not permitted in the town limits.
- Unlawful to climb upon, sit upon, occupy or damage any groins on the beach.

Governed by Town Ordinance, State Law and/or Federal Law

- Bicycle riders must use the bicycle path lanes where provided.
- Bicycle riders are required to have lights and reflectors for night riding.
- Park with the flow of traffic on streets and right-of-ways.
- Golf carts: must have a permit sticker from SCDOT, and driver possesses a valid driver's license, and operate on secondary street or street within two miles of residence during daylight hours only. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited in or on a golf cart. Golf carts may only cross a primary highway (Palmetto Boulevard).

Section 56-3-115

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- A salt water fishing license is required when fishing from a boat or from shore.
- No watercraft may operate in excess of idle speed within 50 feet of a moored or anchored vessel, wharf, dock, bulkhead, pier, or person in the water or within 100 feet of the Atlantic Ocean coastline.
- Sea oats should remain untouched or damaged.
- Turtle nest and possible tracts are identified with markers and must not be disturbed.
- It is unlawful to endanger or threaten any kind of wildlife in any manner.
- Posted speed limits are: 35 mph on Palmetto Boulevard and 30 mph on Jungle Road, Myrtle Street and paved side streets. Speed limits are 25 mph on unpaved streets.

Please note: Practice personal water safety since no lifeguards are on the beach.

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 studies and has over the years, been looking at ways to improve the water quality. Besides the taste and the high mineral content, it impacts residents by destroying appliances and the Town's pumping stations and water lines. Many houses on Edisto Beach have whole-house reverse osmosis systems installed. These older units are wasteful and in some cases use five gallons of water to make one gallon of good water. The other four gallons is then dumped into the sewer system. For those RO system residents, their cost of water could result in greater savings.

"My water bill could be reduced by as much as half to a third. And that would be for most people with an RO system in their home," Councilman Tom Mann said in a Water Committee meeting. For others the price will rise substantially but there could be cost savings when appliances last longer and faucets and sinks don't corrode.

The best selling dishwasher at Best Buy is \$269 and local appliance companies charge \$75 to install them. The corrosiveness of the present water eats the racks that hold the dishes and destroys the metal in the pumps. To replace the racks can cost as much as a



new machine so most resident just buy a new one since experience tells them it will fail in four to six years. Washing machines are pretty much the same problem. The area around the top of the washer starts to corrode and drop flakes of rusty metal on the clothes inside. These become trapped in the folded material and can leave rust stains on the articles. Best Buy's most popular washing machine is \$399 and installation by local companies would also be \$75.



But, the greatest advantage would be that the new water could be used to wash cars and windows without etching them. Gardens and lawns could be watered and it could and would be used just like in every other neighborhood. The water would taste better and cooking would be easier with good water. As one local resident put it, "I could get the soap out of my hair!" The EPA has a recommended high standard of 500 parts per million of dissolved

solids in drinking water. Edisto Beach water has a range of about 900 ppm to 1,300 ppm. The new RO system that the town is proposing will be more efficient and use less groundwater to make drinkable water; as little as two gallons to make one. It would also reduce the amount of water going through the sewer system. The discharged water will go into St. Helena sound and will have little impact on the surrounding water.

Total Estimated Project Costs

Project Description	Total Cost
Middendorf Supply Well (1,700 gpm)	\$2,506,250
Reverse Osmosis Facility (1.2 MGD)	\$3,891,250
ASR Well (State Park) (350 gpm)	\$1,021,250
Distribution (Force Main and Blending Water Supply)	\$1,043,500
Total Project Costs	\$8,462,250

The Town will incur approximately \$383,000 in O&M costs annually for operation of the RO treatment plant in addition to current O&M costs.

The cost for Edisto Beach water consumers will rise to levels of surrounding communities. Charleston area households pay between \$85 and \$110 per month. Mount Pleasant is more at about \$140. On Edisto Beach, minimum users pay about \$40.00 per month for water that has limited use. The large users with whole house RO systems would pay less because their use would drop significantly. By law, The Edisto Beach water system has to be run without tax dollars. It must be a stand-alone financial system that is required to be paid by the consumers. Public Service Districts (PSD) can use tax dollars to fund infrastructure improvements. Edisto Beach is not in a PSD. ■

Letters to the Edisto News

To the Community of Edisto

We would like to take this opportunity to thank this very special community for the outpouring of encouragement, support and love they have showered on our daughter, Katie in her participation in the World Winter Olympics in Korea.. The surprise welcome back gathering last Saturday in the Pig parking lot was so heartwarming and embodies the best of what living in America means.

I wish each one of you there could have seen it through our eyes as we pulled into the parking lot. This huge cheering crowd - many of whom were dressed in red, white, and blue - waving flags. So amazing. Katie was so tickled! Her smile and delight rivaled the one she displayed when she won her medals. Truly.

It's humbling to come face to face in a concrete way of how her life impacts others. She has developed into the independent young woman she is in a large part because of this special community. She has found so much more than acceptance here. David's willingness to hire her all those years ago have given her confidence and allowed her to mature. Her success in this job was possible because of the support of David, Brad and all the Pig employees. Did you know that when we pick her up from working at the Pig, the first topic of discussion is always -Who did you see today? She has experienced so much kindness from so many people.

This community should be proud of the way it lives out the belief that every person has value and deserves respect. God was so good when He led us to retire here.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Rick, Kathy and Katie Smith

PS The banner is awesome. It is hanging in our house in a prominent place and reminds us daily of how special this place is. And the back, with its comments, is as precious as the front!

New Homeowners Organization Established at Edisto Beach

A group of Edisto Beach property owners have established a new organization called the Edisto Beach Concerned Homeowners (EBCH). The mission statement is "To better the Edisto Beach community, while protecting the integrity and sustainability of Edisto and its natural resources, through education and communication." The EBCH is apolitical, and

the emphasis will be on providing facts and information about Edisto Beach. They are not an advocacy group. Instead, they will focus on providing property owners the factual information about issues and events at Edisto Beach so members can use this information to make their own individual decisions. A key goal of the EBCH is to encourage property owners to contact their council representatives and make them aware of their positions on issues regarding the Town of Edisto Beach.

The EBCH will not have regular meetings but rather will communicate via email and the website in the form of EBCH Updates and Action Alerts. Updates will be used to inform EBCH members of business pending or transpired within Town and State government of interest to Edisto Beach citizens. These will consist of posting the Town Council Meeting Agendas prior to the meetings, synopses of the meetings afterwards, outcomes of Town Commissions and Boards such as ATAX and Planning, and information regarding other issues pertinent to Edisto Beach property owners.

Action Alerts will be used to advise EBCH members of significant issues being addressed by local and state government that require special attention by Edisto Beach citizens. Typically, such alerts will provide unbiased, factual information to enable EBCH membership to make informed decisions on critical issues and to communicate their opinions on such matters to their elected local and state representatives.

The organization is led by an Oversight Committee consisting of Dale Mann, David Blauch, Charlie Kerekes, Ray Johnson, Wanda McCarley, and Iddy Andrews. The membership is open to any property owner at Edisto Beach and the fee is \$20 for a regular household membership or \$100 for those desiring to be Founding Members. Bylaws are available upon request. Memberships can be purchased on the website via PayPal or by checks mailed through the U.S. Post Office to EBCH, P.O. Box 641, Edisto Island, SC 29438.

For more information on EBCH go to www.edistobeachconcernedhomeowners.com or email ebchupdates@gmail.com.

Iddy Andrews
biandrews@comcast.net

Editor:

I am a homeowner on Edisto Beach and I live at Edisto full time. One of the things I enjoy about Edisto is getting and reading the *Edisto News*, especially the "Letters to the Edisto News". The letters that contain opinions by the author I have no problem with...an opinion is an opinion and we all have them. However, I do have a problem when someone writes a letter and states their opinion as fact as Tom Mason (who does not own property at Edisto Beach) did in the February issue of the *Edisto News*. His letter was about the newly formed "Edisto Beach Concerned Homeowners" organization and it contained so much incorrect information about this organization that I felt someone needed to print the FACTS!

Apparently Tom Mason did not take his own advice and "find out what's going on" before writing his letter. The FACT is the EBCH does have by-laws which I am sure they would be happy to share with anyone who requests them. And, in FACT they do have a governing body which is called an Oversight Committee rather than Board of Directors - purely semantics. They are also in the process of becoming a non-profit organization.

While I had been told about this organization prior to their letters being sent out, before I was willing to "send the new kid on the block" my \$20 (for Regular Membership) or \$100 (for Founding Membership), I knew I needed to find out for myself what it was all about. To do so, I attended one of their organizational meetings. At this meeting, I learned that the idea for what became the EBCH was started by several Edisto homeowners (some who are also Edisto businessmen/women) who felt many were getting incorrect, biased, or incomplete information and/or no information at all before decisions were made which affected their future and quality of life here at Edisto. At no time did I get the impression that this was a "front for a few unnamed control freaks" as Tom described it, but rather a group (there were at least 30 at this meeting) of concerned homeowners with the mission of collecting and disseminating accurate, fact based information on issues impacting Edisto Beach homeowners, so they can make sound decisions about issues impacting their property and lifestyle and voice their positions on current issues to the Edisto Beach elected officials the "decision makers" before, not after, the decisions have been made.

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After doing my homework and learning what Edisto Beach Concerned Homeowners is all about, I decided to join this organization. I am happy to report there is currently approximately 80 members of EBCH and not "six of them including two new members" that Tom Mason so incorrectly reported.

For more information about EBCH, go to their website (yes, they even have a website) at: www.edistobeachconcernedhomeowners.com.

Karen Barton

We are visiting this lovely island. The wild life is a joy. What shocks me are the cats that roam freely on the sand dunes, the nesting birds must suffer huge losses. We have a pet cat, he is not allowed outside. Also we own a dog, he would have to be on a leash and restricted to limited times.

Thank you

Mary MacMahon

To the Editor,

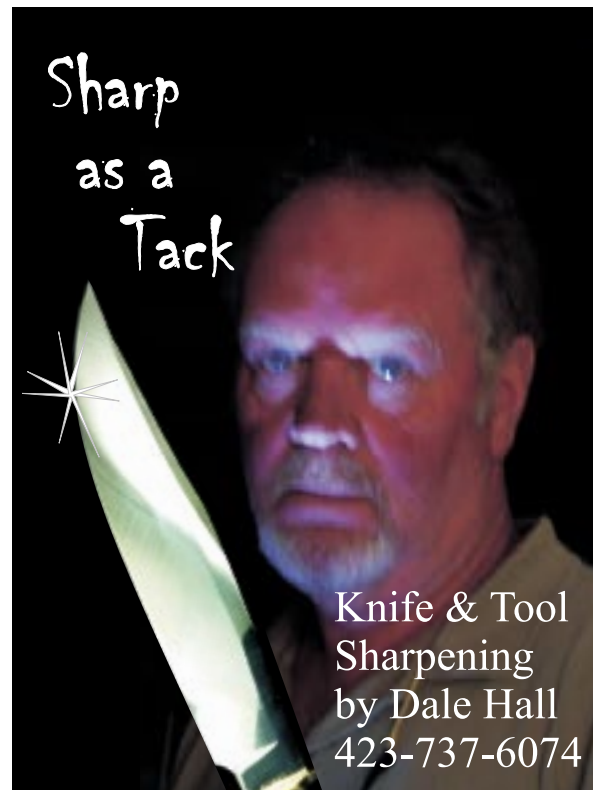
Thank you Bobo!

I am a member of the worship community, Episcopal Church on Edisto, which has chosen to remain with the Episcopal Church in South Carolina and the National Episcopal Church. We began meeting in homes in December, but quickly realized that we needed a larger, more permanent space.

Bobo Lee heard of our need and, without hesitation, offered his restaurant, Po Pigs BOBQ, for our use for Sunday worship and for Wednesday Bible study.

I have thanked BoBo Lee in person several times. I think it is important to let everyone know of his generous, kind spirit toward us. I will be forever grateful.

Harriet Gettys
Edisto Island



Great American Cleanup April 13, 2013

Everyone wants to live, work, and play in a clean and green community . . . and it's up to everyone to make it possible and improve the overall quality of life for us all.

Join EdistoPride and Americans across the nation for the Great American Cleanup. You can participate in the 2013 Great American Cleanup of Edisto Island by cleaning up litter and trash along our side roads, streams, beaches, parks, forests and neighborhoods. Additional events you can do and be counted are recycling for hard-to-dispose-of items like tires and appliances, creating or enhancing green areas by planting plants, bulbs, and trees, and other activities that help beautify your community.

During the Great American Cleanup of Edisto Island, which is April 13, 2013, register at the Community Center at 9 a.m. sharp on the 13th to get free cleanup supplies and gloves donated by Keep America Beautiful, and t-shirt donated by a Palmetto Pride community grant. We invite and challenge community and civic associations, schools and youth groups, churches, families and friends, business employees, hunting and fishing clubs, conservation organizations, sports teams, and others to organize their members and participate in the GAC. Don't forget to stop by 9 a.m.-9:30 a.m. to register your group and area or email edistopride@aol.com ■

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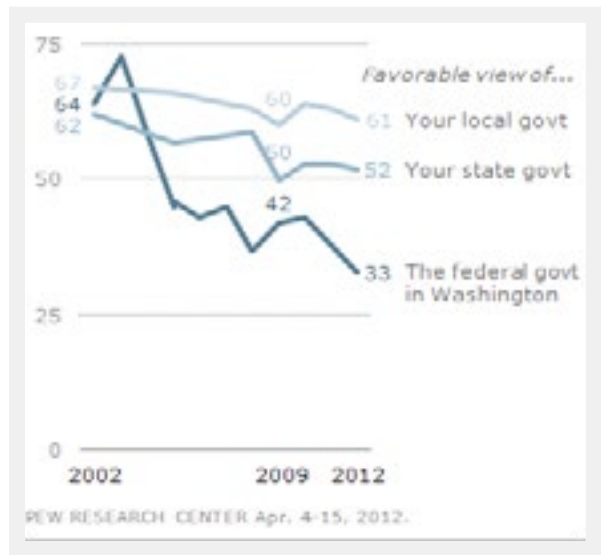
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Trust in Government Falls as Town Debates Water Solutions

Ten to twelve years ago, roughly two-thirds of Americans offered favorable assessments of all three levels of government: federal, state and local. But, in the latest survey by the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press, conducted April 4–15, 2012 among 1,514 adults nationwide, the favorable rating for the federal government has fallen to just 33 percent; nearly twice as many (62 percent) have an unfavorable view.



Trust in government continues to fall.

While the balance of opinion toward state and local governments is somewhat more positive, the majorities poled say their local governments are not careful with their constituent's money (56 percent), is too divided along party lines (53 percent) and is generally inefficient (51 percent). Moreover, while more say their local governments are mostly honest rather than mostly corrupt (by 49 percent to 37 percent), a majority (54 percent) says the federal government is mostly corrupt.

The end result, in this national survey, is that most regard government on the whole as inefficient and wasteful. Locally the view of Edisto Beach government is that we have different groups with different agendas and our elected officials are not responsive to the needs or desires of the full time residents and do not consider the impacts of their regulations on non-residents. Non-residents are more frequently referring to themselves as the "cash cow" of the Town of Edisto Beach. The Edisto Beach Town Council has always referred to themselves as Colleton County's "cash cow".

Why is there no trust in our local government? Case in point: Bell Buoy and the Bay Creek Park. The town spent \$4 million in 2006 to buy the property along Big Bay Creek next to the Marina. The public meetings that were held had diagrams and drawings of a delightful park with lots of amenities; restrooms, a covered picnic area, play ground, stage for concerts and free public events throughout the year.



Bell Buoy plan

Seven years later the town has run out of money for the project and is nowhere close to getting the things we were told were coming. Only the restrooms are under construction. And now, the use of the park is by Town Council decree and it cost around \$3,000 to rent the area for a day. But long before any work could be done on building the park, there were problems; the property line dispute with Count Pulaski, cleaning up the contamination and eventually destroying the shrimp boat *Swamp Fox* which was to be the centerpiece for the shrimping heritage museum. Presently there is nothing which promotes the history of shrimping because the building that houses a few pictures is rarely open.

Another case; cleaning the sludge from the wastewater treatment facility. Originally, council approved a bacterial application that would dissolve the sludge in the bottom at a cost of about \$80,000. Fortunately when the process failed to work, it was stopped at \$35,000. So council has now had to spend \$157,000 to mechanically remove the tons of sludge and pay to have it put in the Dorchester County landfill. The original cost for the mechanical removal was \$150,000.

So now the town council and administration are asking citizens to trust them with an additional \$8.46 million bond to improve the water quality to the 2,300 water customers. Of that 2,300, only about 660 can legally vote for the bond. To help the voters understand the benefits of the new water system, the council has approved \$10,000 to hire a public relations firm to distribute promotional information about the proposed water. As several voters have asked, "If it's such a good deal, why would they have to hire someone to sell it to us?" and, "That's \$200 per voter, if it's so good we should be able to see it for ourselves."



The water committee continues to discuss the cost of the project.

In the last Water Committee meeting, the discussion was that the \$8.46 million was the most it would cost and that the actual cost would very likely be much less, maybe only around \$7 million. But the town could not give a definite answer to The Edisto Beach Property Owners Association as to the future water rates because they seemed unsure of the final cost and the \$380,000 annual maintenance cost. One attendee, who asked not to be identified, said, "I don't trust them to not go over budget, everything the government does goes over budget. So, I'm sure as hell not believing that it will be less."

The town council is also sticking with their desire to hold the referendum on June 25. When asked why the referendum couldn't be pushed back to the general election in November to give voters more time to consider the referendum, the Water Committee chairman Ray Johnson said they did not want to lose their momentum. From comments received by *The Edisto News* online and around town, the momentum is not in the direction he thinks it is. ■



The water committee continues to push for an early referendum.



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Edisto Island Historic Preservation Society Announces Spring Home Tour

This spring, the Edisto Island Historic Preservation Society (EIHPS) will be putting a new twist on an old theme. Long known for its Edisto & Beyond Tour every October, EIHPS has decided to add a spring tour that will feature newer homes on the Island. The new tour will take place on Saturday, April 20, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and will feature six homes.

“We are very excited about this new tour because people will be able to see history in the making,” said EIHPS Director Gretchen Smith. “These homes are especially beautiful and represent the best of our times, much like many of the homes that are on our fall historic tour. Those properties were considered the best of their times too. People love to look at other people’s homes for ideas of how they

might enhance their own houses. The physical setting of the homes on this tour is as important as the architectural features, and the six houses are spread around five different neighborhoods.”

As with the October tour, wonderful Lowcountry dinners will be available at New First Missionary Baptist Church and Allen AME Church. These dinners are not included in the cost of the ticket and serve as fundraisers for the churches.

Tour tickets are \$40 each and are limited. They can be purchased through the organization’s website, www.edistomuseum.org. You do not have to be a member of EIHPS to purchase the spring tour tickets. Funds raised will go toward helping EIHPS continue to fulfill its mission of preserving and exhibiting the history of Edisto Island. ■

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America’s Best Barbeque!

By Jane and Michael Stern
Concierge.com, MSNBC.com
July 3, 2008

Is there any food that better conveys summer than barbecue? After all, no cuisine is more easygoing, begging to be eaten with a wipe-your-hands-on-your-shorts brio—and nothing tastes as good when the heat of July sweeps in. And while we’re all for cooking in the backyard, a quest for America’s best barbecue makes a heck of a good excuse to get out and explore our country’s little towns and back-road byways. Compare those succulent spareribs from Leon’s in Chicago with the whole-hog barbecue in North Carolina’s Skylight Inn, while planning a trip to Memphis for barbecue spaghetti (you read that right). Here are our picks for some of the best, representing smoke-pit passions from coast to coast. It’ll make you glad to be American.

mustard sauce—and side it with a panoply of true-South vegetables such as turnip greens and squash casserole, plus hush puppies. True to classic pig pickin’ hours, Po’ Pig’s is open only on weekends.

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11. Skylight Inn - Ayden, N.C.
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Jane and Michael Stern write the monthly column “Two For The Road” for *Gourmet Magazine*, an ongoing, cross-country guide dedicated to ferreting out the best in American food. The Sterns’ relentless quest takes them all over the country—checking out the offbeat and often going off the beaten path to places as varied as Mom’s Cafe at the crossroads in Salina, Utah, to the foremost knish palaces of New York.

The Sterns are the authors of more than 20 books, including *Roadfood, Eat Your Way Across the USA*, and *Chili Nation: The Ultimate Chili Cookbook with Recipes from Every State in the Nation*. They also run the web site www.roadfood.com, featuring over 1,000 of the greatest local eateries along highways, in small towns, and in city neighborhoods. Witty, clever, and downright delightful, they and their team of foodies, travel the highways and byways to explore the sleeves-up food made by cooks, bakers, pitmasters, and sandwich-makers who are America’s true culinary folk artists.

1. Edisto Island, South Carolina
About an hour southwest of Charleston, Edisto Island seems barely connected to the mainland. Lying among a series of tangled waterways, it has no traffic lights, and beachside residents are required to turn off all outdoor lamps and to be quiet after dark so sea turtles can come ashore and lay their eggs in peace. The buffet line at Po’ Pig’s Bo-B-Q (named for proprietor Robert Bobo Lee) is also proudly primitive, harking back to the old Carolina ritual of a pig pickin’—where everything is laid out, “from the beard to the tail” (barbe à queue). All of the meat is cut and pulled from slow-smoked hogs, and you’ll find dark meat, light meat, pork cracklin’s made from the skin, even pig innard hash to ladle over white rice. Decorate the pork with any of four different barbecue sauces—including a uniquely South Carolinian



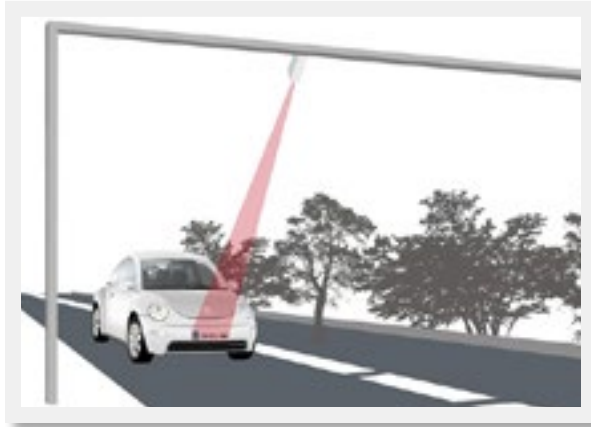
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video camera system consisting of two wireless digital IP-based Pan/Tilt/Zoom (PTZ) cameras and four wireless digital IP-based fixed Long Range Infra-Red cameras and Two stationary automated license plate recognition cameras and one processor and installation package, that are wirelessly connected to a single Digital Video Recorder located at the Police Department. These cameras would be located at Bay Creek Park and the intersection of SC Highway 174 and Jungle Road. A wireless infrastructure will be created to operate the system. A central relay point will allow for future expansion and a Community Wide Wireless Camera Network. The six cameras will produce high quality video with 24/7 coverage. The cameras can be monitored in real time by police at headquarters or from in-car laptops at "Hotspot" locations, or over the public Internet by authorized parties.



The primary purpose of this project is to create a wireless video camera network that will functionally improve the department's capacity for crime prevention, surveillance and evidence gathering. This new system will be used/or both live monitoring and recording and will be invaluable for identifying individuals and vehicles, spotting criminal activity, monitoring weather, and recording accidents. This system will be a "force multiplier" for the police department. Video surveillance will ensure continuous rather than periodic checking of critical hot spots such as Bay Creek Park, traffic intersections, and eventually beach accesses. It will

also aid in the timely evacuation of the island in the event of a hurricane and deter looting and other criminal activity during a mandatory evacuation. A major component of the network will be two stationary automated license plate recognition (ALPR) cameras. The system will read license plates day and night, at any speed and alert officers of the presence of wanted suspects and stolen vehicles. It will assist the police department in preventing criminal elements from violating the peace and safety of Town residents and visitors.

Describe how your project will enhance the visitor and tourist trade within Edisto Beach. (State estimated tourist/visitor dollars to the community, # of visitors expected, other verifiable objectives, etc.)

Since Edisto Beach relies on tourism as its main industry, any decrease in tourism is detrimental to property owners and businesses located at Edisto. Crime adversely affects the productivity and well-being of a community. The costs of crime include; personal injury, property loss and/or repair, loss of use of property and personal resources, increased insurance costs, and more local government time and resources. A negative reputation creates a ripple effect regarding vacation/resort desirability. Edisto Beach has approximately 3,100 housing units comprised of single family homes and condominiums. Most of these housing units produce income as they are available to vacationers and visitors for rent or lease. Protecting these properties - which are vital to Edisto's tourism industry - is a major daily concern of the police department. Adjacent to the Town, in Colleton County, is the Edisto Beach State Park, one of the busiest state parks in SC, which has over 371,000 visitors per year. These year round visitors travel our streets, visit our businesses, attend our churches, and often require police services.

Property crimes on Edisto include thefts from vehicles parked at homes, businesses and beach access parking areas. Vending machines and items from rental properties - especially flat screen televisions are also targets of thieves. Most burglaries to homes occur in the winter months when many properties are unoccupied.

Vandalism and malicious injury to property incidents are costly to property owners including the Town of Edisto Beach. Patrol officers are limited to what they can see and hear at any given time based on location, lighting, weather conditions, etc. Limited resources require more innovative and cost effective ways to closely monitor our streets, parks, homes and businesses. Video camera surveillance networks have been effective in deterring crime and assisting police in developing crime suspect information and such a network would be a force multiplier for the Town of Edisto Beach Police Department resulting in better protection of, and service to, tourist and the tourism industry on Edisto.

The breakdown of the cost is:

- Wireless cameras - \$33,000
- License plate readers - \$20,500
- One year annual contract - \$2,400
- Tax - \$3745
- Total - \$59,645

This does not include the cost of maintenance, which in the salt air environment will be expensive.



This camera case was up for 7 months and failed.

A-Tax money is collected and is mandated by law to be used to promote tourism. Locally referred to as money that should be used for advertising to put "heads in beds".

Annually in 2009 there were 13 burglaries; 2010 - 6; 2011 - 18; 2012 - 29. (Town's website-this includes all burglaries.) ■

Point/Counterpoint: Cameras that photograph the public

Point:

Nothing wrong with “surveillance” of public areas

By **Jac Wilder VerSteege**

The tiny town of Manalapan, Fla. has installed a series of cameras to take pictures of every car and license plate crossing its municipal borders.

Says Howard Simon, executive director of the ACLU of Florida, “The program raised privacy concerns as to whether government was going to be essentially surveilling people.”

Well, if the government is “surveilling” people, it’s “surveilling” them on the public streets of Manalapan. The camera system, in place since 2004, hasn’t resulted in a lot of high-profile crimes getting solved.

But Manalapan doesn’t have a lot of high-profile crimes. And if it ever does, who knows, the cameras could give cops a break.

This isn’t the same as a town taking pictures at red lights and sending tickets to people it claims run those lights. Those bypass courts. This certainly isn’t like the town surreptitiously placing a camera into somebody’s living room or at the edge of their private property.

When you’re in public, you can have your picture taken. Everybody knows it. Go into a store, and you’re being filmed. Go to an ATM, and you’re being filmed. Heck, do anything outrageous or even mildly interesting, and you’re likely to find somebody filmed with their cell phone and stuck it on *YouTube*.

Manalapan isn’t invading anybody’s privacy. On the street — whether in Manalapan or New York City, there isn’t any privacy.

Counterpoint:

Just because surveillance is possible, doesn’t mean it’s necessary

By **Rhonda Swan**

Four words: *Enemy of the State*.

The 1998 thriller foreshadowed the day that the U.S. government would have virtually unlimited powers to tap our phones, read our emails, and access our bank accounts. And now local governments such as Manalapan are taking snapshots of every car that comes into their communities in case it helps them solve crime. Where does it end?

The fact that Manalapan doesn’t have significant crime is one good reason to ditch the cameras. Another is that just because government can surveil people in public, doesn’t mean it should.

The government is very good at convincing us to give up our rights to keep us safe.

In *Enemy of the State*, the fictitious National Security Agency murders a congressman for his stance against the so-called Telecommunications,

Security and Privacy Act, a bill that would greatly expand the agency’s ability to spy on U.S. citizens supposedly to protect national security. “I’m not going to sit in Congress and pass a law,” said the congressman played by Jason Robards, “that lets the government point a camera and a microphone at anything they damn well please.”

Three years later, Congress did just that with the Patriot Act, using the 9/11 terrorist attacks to justify invading our privacy. The law allows the government to seize anything they want without a search warrant and surveil individuals without probable cause. The Manalapan cameras do the same — surveil us without probable cause.

There must come a point where we decide that our civil liberties are just as important as our security. Particularly, when there’s no evidence — as is the case in Manalapan — that government surveillance is keeping us any safer. ■

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Who we are!

This is the results of the 2010 US census for Edisto Island that lies in the 29438 zip code.

POPULATION BY SEX AND AGE ZIP Code 29438		
Total 2010 Census Population for ZIP Code 29438	2,408	100.0%
Under 5 years	104	4.3%
5 to 9 years	106	4.4%
10 to 14 years	100	4.2%
15 to 19 years	96	4.0%
20 to 24 years	108	4.5%
25 to 29 years	92	3.8%
30 to 34 years	87	3.6%
35 to 39 years	74	3.1%
40 to 44 years	121	5.0%
45 to 49 years	151	6.3%
50 to 54 years	205	8.5%
55 to 59 years	240	10.0%
60 to 64 years	313	13.0%
65 to 69 years	240	10.0%
70 to 74 years	166	6.9%
75 to 79 years	94	3.9%
80 to 84 years	66	2.7%
85 years and over	45	1.9%

Median age (years)	54.1	(X)
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16 years and over	2,086	86.6%
18 years and over	2,033	84.4%
21 years and over	1,978	82.1%
62 years and over	789	32.8%
65 years and over	611	25.4%

Male population of ZIP Code 29438		
Under 5 years	63	2.6%
5 to 9 years	50	2.1%
10 to 14 years	53	2.2%
15 to 19 years	53	2.2%
20 to 24 years	57	2.4%
25 to 29 years	38	1.6%
30 to 34 years	39	1.6%
35 to 39 years	30	1.2%
40 to 44 years	65	2.7%
45 to 49 years	66	2.7%
50 to 54 years	103	4.3%
55 to 59 years	111	4.6%
60 to 64 years	145	6.0%
65 to 69 years	126	5.2%
70 to 74 years	87	3.6%

75 to 79 years	49	2.0%
80 to 84 years	26	1.1%
85 years and over	17	0.7%

Median age (years)	53.7	(X)
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16 years and over	1,004	41.7%
18 years and over	979	40.7%
21 years and over	943	39.2%
62 years and over	389	16.2%
65 years and over	305	12.7%

Female population of ZIP Code 29438		
Under 5 years	41	1.7%
5 to 9 years	56	2.3%
10 to 14 years	47	2.0%
15 to 19 years	43	1.8%
20 to 24 years	51	2.1%
25 to 29 years	54	2.2%
30 to 34 years	48	2.0%
35 to 39 years	44	1.8%
40 to 44 years	56	2.3%
45 to 49 years	85	3.5%
50 to 54 years	102	4.2%
55 to 59 years	129	5.4%
60 to 64 years	168	7.0%
65 to 69 years	114	4.7%
70 to 74 years	79	3.3%
75 to 79 years	45	1.9%
80 to 84 years	40	1.7%
85 years and over	28	1.2%

Median age (years)	54.5	(X)
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16 years and over	1,082	44.9%
18 years and over	1,054	43.8%
21 years and over	1,035	43.0%
62 years and over	400	16.6%
65 years and over	306	12.7%

POPULATION BY RACE FOR ZIP Code 29438		
What is the Population of ZIP Code 29438	2,408	100.0%
One Race	2,397	99.5%
White	1,535	63.7%
Black or African American	818	34.0%

American Indian and Alaska Native	7	0.3%
Asian	0	0.0%
Asian Indian	0	0.0%
Chinese	0	0.0%
Filipino	0	0.0%
Japanese	0	0.0%
Korean	0	0.0%
Vietnamese	0	0.0%
Other Asian [1]	0	0.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	1	0.0%
Native Hawaiian	0	0.0%
Guamanian or Chamorro	0	0.0%
Samoan	0	0.0%
Other Pacific Islander [2]	1	0.0%
Some Other Race	36	1.5%
Two or More Races	11	0.5%
White; American Indian and Alaska Native [3]	2	0.1%
White; Asian [3]	4	0.2%
White; Black or African American [3]	5	0.2%
White; Some Other Race [3]	0	0.0%

Race alone or in combination with one or more other races: [4]		
White	1,546	64.2%
Black or African American	823	34.2%
American Indian and Alaska Native	9	0.4%
Asian	4	0.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	1	0.0%
Some Other Race	36	1.5%

HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION ZIP Code 29438		
Total population	2,408	100.0%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	87	3.6%
Mexican	79	3.3%
Puerto Rican	0	0.0%
Cuban	2	0.1%
Other Hispanic or Latino [5]	6	0.2%
Not Hispanic or Latino	2,321	96.4%

HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
Total population	2,408	100.0%

Hispanic or Latino	87	3.6%
White alone	48	2.0%
Black or African American alone	1	0.0%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	1	0.0%
Asian alone	0	0.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	1	0.0%
Some Other Race alone	36	1.5%
Two or More Races	0	0.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	2,321	96.4%
White alone	1,487	61.8%
Black or African American alone	817	33.9%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	6	0.2%
Asian alone	0	0.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0	0.0%
Some Other Race alone	0	0.0%
Two or More Races	11	0.5%

RELATIONSHIP		
The Population of ZIP Code 29438	2,408	100.0%
In households	2,408	100.0%
Householder	1,064	44.2%
Spouse [6]	549	22.8%
Child	431	17.9%
Own child under 18 years	245	10.2%
Other relatives	271	11.3%
Under 18 years	125	5.2%
65 years and over	30	1.2%
Nonrelatives	93	3.9%
Under 18 years	4	0.2%
65 years and over	7	0.3%

Unmarried partner	45	1.9%
In group quarters	0	0.0%
Institutionalized population	0	0.0%
Male	0	0.0%
Female	0	0.0%
Noninstitutionalized population	0	0.0%
Male	0	0.0%
Female	0	0.0%

HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE		
Total households for ZIP Code 29438	1,064	100.0%
Family households (families) [7]	728	68.4%
With own children under 18 years	143	13.4%

Husband-wife family	549	51.6%
With own children under 18 years	88	8.3%
Male householder, no wife present	46	4.3%
With own children under 18 years	14	1.3%
Female householder, no husband present	133	12.5%
With own children under 18 years	41	3.9%
Nonfamily households [7]	336	31.6%
Householder living alone	286	26.9%
Male	141	13.3%
65 years and over	48	4.5%
Female	145	13.6%
65 years and over	70	6.6%

Households with individuals under 18 years	204	19.2%
Households with individuals 65 years and over	436	41.0%
Average household size of ZIP Code 29438	2.26	(X)

Average family size for ZIP Code 29438 [7]	2.72	(X)
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HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	3,481	100.0%
Occupied housing units	1,064	30.6%
Vacant housing units	2,417	69.4%
For rent	1,217	35.0%
Rented, not occupied	7	0.2%
For sale only	42	1.2%
Sold, not occupied	4	0.1%
For seasonal, recreational, or occasional use	1,047	30.1%
All other vacants	100	2.9%

Homeowner vacancy rate (percent) [8]	4.5	(X)
Rental vacancy rate (percent) [9]	86.8	(X)

HOUSING TENURE		
Occupied housing units	1,064	100.0%
Owner-occupied housing units	886	83.3%
Population in owner-occupied housing units	1,906	(X)
Average household size of owner-occupied units	2.15	(X)
Renter-occupied housing units	178	16.7%
Population in renter-occupied housing units	502	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied units	2.82	(X)

As of the 2010 census estimates, there were 691 people, 354 or 51.2% male, and 337 or 48.8% female, the population is most likely much higher, due to the fact that many residents do not include Edisto Beach as their permanent home. The median age was 63.4 years. The population under 5 years was 3 or 0.4%, 18 and under was 12 or 1.7%, 18 and over was 679 or 98.3%, and 65 and over was 287 or 41.5% of the population. There were 7 or NA% families with children residing in the town. The population density was 351.7 people per square mile (116.7/km). There were 1,812 housing units, with 360 or 19.9% Occupied housing units, 317 or 88.1% Owner-occupied housing units, 43 or 11.9% long term Renter-occupied housing units, and 1,452 or 80.1% Vacation or other housing units. The racial Demographic was 657 or 95.1% White, 0 or 0% African American, 0 or 0% Native American and Alaska Native, 34 or 4.9% Asian, 0 or 0% from other races, and 0 or 0% from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race were 0 or 0% of the population.

- [X] Not applicable.
- [1] Other Asian alone, or two or more Asian categories.
- [2] Other Pacific Islander alone, or two or more Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander categories.
- [3] One of the four most commonly reported multiple-race combinations nationwide in Census 2000.
- [4] In combination with one or more of the other races listed. The six numbers may add to more than the total population, and the six percentages may add to more than 100 percent because individuals may report more than one race.
- [5] This category is composed of people whose origins are from the Dominican Republic,

Spain, and Spanish-speaking Central or South American countries. It also includes general origin responses such as "Latino" or "Hispanic."

- [6] "Spouse" represents spouse of the householder. It does not reflect all spouses in a household. Responses of "same-sex spouse" were edited during processing to "unmarried partner."
- [7] "Family households" consist of a householder and one or more other people related to the householder by birth, marriage, or adoption. They do not include same-sex married couples even if the marriage was performed in a state issuing marriage certificates for same-sex couples. Same-sex couple households are included in the family households category if there is at least one additional person related to the householder by birth or adoption. Same-sex couple households with no relatives of the householder present are tabulated in nonfamily households. "Nonfamily households" consist of people living alone and households which do not have any members related to the householder.
- [8] The homeowner vacancy rate is the proportion of the homeowner inventory that is vacant "for sale." It is computed by dividing the total number of vacant units "for sale only" by the sum of owner-occupied units, vacant units that are "for sale only," and vacant units that have been sold but not yet occupied; and then multiplying by 100.
- [9] The rental vacancy rate is the proportion of the rental inventory that is vacant "for rent." It is computed by dividing the total number of vacant units "for rent" by the sum of the renter-occupied units, vacant units that are "for rent," and vacant units that have been rented but not yet occupied; and then multiplying by 100.

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Councilmember graduates from Municipal Elected Officials Institute of Government

Councilmember Pete Anderson from the Town of Edisto Beach graduated from the Municipal Elected Officials Institute of Government on February 13. Graduates received their certificates during the Municipal Association of South Carolina's Hometown Legislative Action Day in Columbia.

Established in 1986, the Institute is a program of the Municipal

Association of South Carolina that gives municipal officials a strong foundation in the operation of local government. Participants learn about the role of elected officials and administrative staff and the relationships municipal officials have with other local governments, the state and federal government. The Institute includes two day long sessions and three evening sessions. ■

King's Daughters

March Announcement

Scheduled for Thursday, March 21, 9:30 a.m., at the Edisto Beach Baptist Church, this month's meeting will be an important planning session that will focus on upcoming events sponsored by King's Daughters:

1. Isabelle Mims, Marsha Korpanty, and Karen Holley will give a brief overview of their experience at the New Horizons program held this past summer at the IOKDS headquarters in Chautauqua, NY. This year's leadership seminar is scheduled for August 24-29.
2. Bazaar chairmen Denise Blauch, Mary Kay Dirr and Linda Johnson will discuss plans for the Edisto Day Bazaar, the Circle's only fundraiser which is scheduled for Saturday, May 4.
3. Marsha Korpanty and Marilyn

Bowman will present details for this summer's pilot literacy partnership with our two local elementary schools and public libraries. Initiated and managed by King's Daughters, children who meet customized reading goals will be rewarded with a field trip to the South Carolina Aquarium.

The Whatsoever Circle of King's Daughters is an interdenominational Christian service organization. We support the ministries of the international order as well as sponsor local projects and services for area residents with a three-fold emphasis: religious, educational and philanthropic. All ladies in the Edisto community are invited to visit as guests and become new members. Please see the Edisto Chamber of Commerce website for more details. ■

Edisto Island Lions Club

A program for every interest:

The Edisto Island Lions Club does, in fact, have a program to involve virtually every interest. For example:

- The Sight for Success committee: focusing on the vision and hearing issues of Island residents, recently held screening of these issues at two local elementary schools, and will be involved in helping develop the resources to deal with those in need of help.
- The Environmental committee: Focusing on environmental and ecological issues on Edisto Island and the beautiful ACE Basin area. A Lions Club team will participate in Operation Clean Sweep, and future programs will be dedicated to this area of interest.
- The Quality of Life Committee: Focusing on the critical housing needs in the Edisto community, making or contributing to repairs of some of the sub-standard housing existing on the island.
- The Bingo committee: The primary fund raising program of the Edisto Island Lions club is also a great source of fun and fellowship for club members and for residents and visitors alike.

The Edisto Island Lions Club meets the fourth Tuesday of each month, except June, July and August (During Bingo season). Meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. with a social time,

allowing members and guests to catch up with each other or meet new members. This is followed at 7:00 by a brief business session and then dinner, ably prepared by our own Frank Cone. A variety of programs then follow. For example:

- The February meeting was dedicated to the Lions signature program, sight, and the speaker, Dr. Kerry Solomon of Carolina Eye Care, one of the premier specialist worldwide in the area of vision correction through Lasers spoke on medical advances and treatment for dry eyes, glaucoma, macular degeneration and Lasix surgery.
- The March meeting will be an Oyster roast, and Eric Thomas will give a brief talk on oystering in the Ace Basin.
- The April meeting will have Edisto Island computer guru Ty Lenz speaking on issues and opportunities with our computers.
- The May meeting will feature Sid Gathreaux, a renowned ornithologist, who will speak on birds, birding and habitat preservation.
- In June we begin the Bingo season.

The Lions Club cordially invites you to attend one of these interesting meetings, greet your neighbors and perhaps join us on a more permanent basis. ■

Dr. Ann Jenkins comes to Edisto

Dr. Ann Jenkins, a native of Edisto Island from Brick House Plantation, has been practicing the art, science and philosophy of health through a healthy functioning spine and the nerves that transmit Life from the Brain to the Body.

A graduate of Life College in Atlanta, Ga. in 1985, Dr. Ann was just the beginning her education. Not only does she correct injury and misuse of the spine and the joints, she also takes care of the muscles, and organs through diet, nutrition, exercise and

ways to lower the bad harmful stress in our daily lives. Dr. Ann also has an office in West Ashley located off of Sam Rittenberg and Orange Grove area. If you would like to start care when she is off the island, you may call her for an appointment in town using her cell number 843-270-9913.

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Fri. Mar. 1	3:53 a.m. -0.61 L	9:48 a.m. 6.09 H	4:03 p.m. -0.62 L	10:15 p.m. 6.31 H
Sat. Mar. 2	4:41 a.m. -0.38 L	10:39 a.m. 5.86 H	4:50 p.m. -0.45 L	11:10 p.m. 6.20 H
Sun. Mar. 3	5:34 a.m. -0.09 L	11:35 a.m. 5.64 H	5:43 p.m. -0.23 L	
Mon. Mar. 4 ☾	12:11 a.m. 6.08 H	6:35 a.m. 0.18 L	12:36 p.m. 5.48 H	6:45 p.m. -0.01 L
Tue. Mar. 5	1:16 a.m. 5.99 H	7:43 a.m. 0.30 L	1:40 p.m. 5.41 H	7:56 p.m. 0.07 L
Wed. Mar. 6	2:23 a.m. 5.98 H	8:52 a.m. 0.20 L	2:45 p.m. 5.47 H	9:07 p.m. -0.05 L
Thu. Mar. 7	3:30 a.m. 6.06 H	9:57 a.m. -0.07 L	3:51 p.m. 5.67 H	10:14 p.m. -0.31 L
Fri. Mar. 8	4:35 a.m. 6.22 H	10:54 a.m. -0.41 L	4:54 p.m. 5.98 H	11:13 p.m. -0.61 L
Sat. Mar. 9	5:34 a.m. 6.42 H	11:47 a.m. -0.72 L	5:50 p.m. 6.31 H	
Sun. Mar. 10	12:08 a.m. -0.84 L	7:25 a.m. 6.57 H	1:36 p.m. -0.94 L	7:40 p.m. 6.58 H
Mon. Mar. 11 ☽	1:59 a.m. -0.96 L	8:11 a.m. 6.61 H	2:22 p.m. -1.04 L	8:25 p.m. 6.72 H
Tue. Mar. 12	2:45 a.m. -0.95 L	8:54 a.m. 6.52 H	3:04 p.m. -0.99 L	9:07 p.m. 6.71 H
Wed. Mar. 13	3:29 a.m. -0.80 L	9:35 a.m. 6.32 H	3:45 p.m. -0.82 L	9:48 p.m. 6.58 H
Thu. Mar. 14	4:10 a.m. -0.52 L	10:15 a.m. 6.02 H	4:23 p.m. -0.54 L	10:28 p.m. 6.35 H
Fri. Mar. 15	4:48 a.m. -0.16 L	10:56 a.m. 5.69 H	5:00 p.m. -0.20 L	11:10 p.m. 6.06 H
Sat. Mar. 16	5:26 a.m. 0.24 L	11:40 a.m. 5.36 H	5:38 p.m. 0.16 L	11:55 p.m. 5.77 H
Sun. Mar. 17	6:06 a.m. 0.63 L	12:26 p.m. 5.07 H	6:19 p.m. 0.51 L	
Mon. Mar. 18	12:43 a.m. 5.52 H	6:50 a.m. 0.98 L	1:16 p.m. 4.85 H	7:06 p.m. 0.80 L
Tue. Mar. 19 ☽	1:34 a.m. 5.33 H	7:42 a.m. 1.24 L	2:08 p.m. 4.73 H	8:02 p.m. 1.00 L
Wed. Mar. 20	2:27 a.m. 5.23 H	8:42 a.m. 1.35 L	3:02 p.m. 4.72 H	9:04 p.m. 1.04 L
Thu. Mar. 21	3:23 a.m. 5.24 H	9:45 a.m. 1.26 L	3:59 p.m. 4.84 H	10:07 p.m. 0.90 L
Fri. Mar. 22	4:19 a.m. 5.35 H	10:42 a.m. 1.01 L	4:55 p.m. 5.09 H	11:05 p.m. 0.63 L
Sat. Mar. 23	5:14 a.m. 5.56 H	11:33 a.m. 0.68 L	5:48 p.m. 5.44 H	11:57 p.m. 0.29 L
Sun. Mar. 24	6:05 a.m. 5.83 H	12:20 p.m. 0.31 L	6:36 p.m. 5.85 H	
Mon. Mar. 25	12:46 a.m. -0.07 L	6:53 a.m. 6.11 H	1:05 p.m. -0.05 L	7:19 p.m. 6.26 H
Tue. Mar. 26	1:34 a.m. -0.39 L	7:36 a.m. 6.34 H	1:48 p.m. -0.36 L	8:01 p.m. 6.61 H
Wed. Mar. 27 ☽	2:20 a.m. -0.65 L	8:18 a.m. 6.48 H	2:32 p.m. -0.60 L	8:42 p.m. 6.87 H
Thu. Mar. 28	3:06 a.m. -0.80 L	9:01 a.m. 6.50 H	3:16 p.m. -0.73 L	9:24 p.m. 6.99 H
Fri. Mar. 29	3:52 a.m. -0.82 L	9:45 a.m. 6.42 H	4:00 p.m. -0.75 L	10:10 p.m. 6.96 H
Sat. Mar. 30	4:39 a.m. -0.71 L	10:33 a.m. 6.24 H	4:46 p.m. -0.63 L	11:01 p.m. 6.82 H
Sun. Mar. 31	5:29 a.m. -0.47 L	11:27 a.m. 6.02 H	5:35 p.m. -0.40 L	11:59 p.m. 6.60 H

Environmentalists raise concerns about treatment plant

Environmentalists are raising concerns about plans to treat more wastewater at a plant that sends its effluent into the headwaters of the Edisto River.

The Saluda County Water and Sewer Authority wants to build a pipeline to the Batesburg-Leesville Wastewater Treatment Plant, which has put its treated effluent into the Edisto River for years.

“We are concerned about introducing additional wastewater into the very small streams of the headwaters of the river,” Friends of the Edisto River board member Bill Marshall said.

“There is already a discharge there from the town of Batesburg-Leesville and this pipeline would lead to more wastewater being displaced into the headwaters,” he said. “We want a more full analysis of this and the alternatives that Saluda would have routing that wastewater someplace else. The concern is impairing the river and having additional wastewater in it.”

The Saluda authority has applied for a S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control permit to take wastewater to the Batesburg-Leesville treatment plant.

Under the proposal, Saluda County sewage currently treated by the Town of Lexington and the Aiken County Horse Creek wastewater treatment plant would be diverted to the Batesburg-Leesville plant.

The nine-member Friends of the Edisto Inc. board has voted unanimously to oppose

this plan, fearing it will increase discharge into the creeks feeding the North Edisto River.

DHEC Public Information Director Jim Beasley said the application is under review.

“No decision has been made at this time,” he said. Beasley said a public hearing will be held related to the sewer and stormwater permit application, but a date hasn’t been set.

“The stormwater permit is needed to address land disturbance during construction of the sewer system,” he said.

Batesburg-Leesville has already contracted with Saluda County to take up to 1 million gallons of sewage per day from the county.

Batesburg-Leesville City Councilman Steve Cain, who has been a frequent critic of the plan, said the additional wastewater will max out the town’s wastewater treatment plant. He says Batesburg-Leesville will then have to seek a permit to expand to treat 5 million gallons per day.

Town officials have said Batesburg-Leesville is averaging about 900,000 gallons of wastewater a day, well below its 2.5 million gallon sewer capacity. There are no immediate plans for expansion due to the costly — estimated to be approximately \$8

million — nature of the project.

And Beasley said S.C. DHEC has not received a request to expand the existing plant.

In the meantime, FRED began a petition campaign requesting at a minimum that no action be taken without a public hearing and ultimately that the project not proceed.

Through Oct. 10, 437 letters have been delivered by petitioners to DHEC Director Catherine Templeton.

FRED President Tim Rogers said opposition has been widespread.

“Folks from all up and down the river are concerned,” he said.

Rogers said research conducted by FRED has revealed that the transport of water from one river basin to another — in this case from the Saluda River basin to the Edisto River basin — has only been done one other time in the state’s history.

He said about 12 years ago, wastewater was transported from the Saluda basin to the Savannah River basin as part of a similar project.

“We want to know whether or not the law and regulation rubrics of South Carolina should allow or enable or prohibit crossing from one basin to another and particularly when you are shipping wastewater,” he said.

Rogers said in addition to the historically unusual nature of the case, the wastewater discharge would be in a problematic location.

“It is the headwaters area of the North Fork of the Edisto,” he said, explaining that it is an area where a number of small creeks join together. “There is not a lot of water and not a lot of space.”

The project would increase the utility of the already existing Batesburg-Leesville facility by “some amount.”

“We don’t know the extent of that,” Rogers said. “Our concern is whether or not the existing facility can handle it safely and appropriately and whether the additional stuff would in turn trigger a need to expand the plant.”

Rogers said one solution would be to invest in an updated more modern treatment facility that would treat wastewater without having to discharge effluent into the river.

“We ought to be looking at and working on this,” he said.

All should be concerned about the Edisto River, Rogers said.

“It is unique in that it is the longest, free-flowing unimpeded blackwater flowing river in the northern hemisphere,” he said. Rogers said the river is important for ecotourism and serves as identifier for many.

“We all grew up on the river, we all learned to swim in the river, we all liked to fish in the river,” he said. “It is truly an extraordinary ecological phenomenon.” ■

Edisto River facts

The Edisto River gets its name from the native Americans who lived beside it. The Edisto Indians were a part of the Cusabos tribe, a group of historic Native American tribes who lived along the coast of the Atlantic Ocean in what is now South Carolina, approximately between present-day Charleston and south to the Savannah River. The English began settling on their land at Charleston beginning in the 17th century. The Cusabo developed a relationship of accommodation with the colony that persisted through the early 18th century. After the Yamasee War of 1712, surviving tribal members migrated to join the Creek or Catawba tribes.

The Edisto is one of the longest, free-flowing blackwater rivers in the United States. It flows about 250 miles from Saluda and Edgefield counties to the Atlantic Ocean at Edisto Beach.

Blackwater rivers gain their distinctive coloring by flowing through forested swamps or wetlands. As vegetation decays, tannins leach into the water, coloring it.

The Edisto River watershed touches or goes through 12 of the state’s 46 counties including Orangeburg, Bamberg and Calhoun counties

Fish in the river include large-mouth bass, striped bass, jackfish, pike, warmouth, catfish, bream and redbreast.

Source: S.C. Department of Natural Resources, S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control, Angler Guide and Wikipedia.

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in the early '80s, I happened to step across a strange little spit of sand after some wet weather. It is here, while looking for bait with a friend I think I first encountered noseems. She confidently told me that we had ran afoul of something called sand fleas.

For the rest of my Lowcountry years, and much to my consternation, they have found me again each spring and fall. The common fact was that prior to 20 years or so ago I had never been host to the devilish creatures.

It may be of some interest to learn that other noxious species of flora and fauna have found their way to our area, where before, they weren't. Case in point is the fire ant. It is known that the black fire ant first landed in Mobile in 1918, followed a couple of years later by the red fire ant. Both types of ant are native to South America, and most likely were deposited on our shore by unloading boats from across the big waters.

Kudzu, the delightful green vine we're so familiar with, arrived in America in 1876, a present from the Japanese. It wasn't until the 1940s that it was used in the area as a popular ground cover and animal feed.

So, armed with these facts, until someone tells me differently, I believe our noseem invasion is of fairly late origin. For all my study on the subject, I can find nothing to disabuse me of the notion. It probably came here in a flower pot from down south.

There is a not inconsiderable amount study going on as regards noseems. More than you would expect, actually. There is much flyings, seminarings, and spendings of your tax money by highly educated college professors. Unfortunately, they don't tend to publish much, and much of what they publish is about as practical, useful and interesting as articles about sleet storms on the planet Uranus.

Also, even though worldwide, noseems are a tremendous problem, what is known is mostly generality, and even in this there are good natured high brow conflicts. Let's get real here. There are more than 5000 identified noseem species, and this is admittedly only a fraction of what exists. Below are some interesting and useful facts that aren't in dispute.

- The noseem is actually a fly. There are 136 known families of flies and the noseem belongs to the family *Ceratopogonidae*.
- The noseem is also known as a biting midge. British folks call them punkies. They are seen worldwide, mostly in warmer climates. They don't suck, they bite. Actually, they chew up a little place on your skin and, much as the mosquito regurgitates a little spit to keep everything flowing while they dine.
- They range from 1/4 to 1/32 inch long. We seem to have the smaller variety. They are so small that the only way you can see them at a distance

is thru the filtered forest sunlight. They look like little specks of pocket lint floating in the sun rays. They are so small that cleaned, baked, and served with all the trimmings, it would take two to fill up the tummy of a gnat for his Sunday lunch after church. They are so ridiculously tiny that they can fly right thru a screen door.

- Elsewhere, noseems serve a beneficial purpose. Again, like the mosquito, only the female is a blood drinker. The male contents himself with flower nectars. In Costa Rica, they serve as pollinators of the rubber tree. As primary pollinators, they also take care of business in respect to the cacao bush too. So, in other words, without them, you would have no way to drive to the candy store to purchase chocolate which comes from cacao. Same for mangos. Most Southerners could do without mangos, but chocolate is a different matter.
- In our area, much like fire ants and kudzu, noseems probably serve no good purpose, or at least one that could be done just as well by something else. We were getting along just fine before these things arrived, thank you very much!
- Some species of noseems are not very nice. In South America, at least one type carries life threatening diseases. In the U.S. South, some carry infections that can kill deer and cattle, including hemorrhagic diseases, which can turn an animal's innards into a soupy bloody mess. Sort of the Ebola of the animal world. To date, at least, man is safe from our local invaders in this respect. For cattle and deer, the scientific description of the diseases are Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD) and bluetongue (BT) viruses for white-tailed deer.

Noseems, biting midges, insects from beyond the lower inferno or whatever you want to call them, are easy enough to kill. Just smash them with your finger. This is great, if you see one. The problem is that even if you see one, you may not see it. They are that small. Some people claim they can feel them crawling around. I certainly can't and that's even when I have all my receptors turned up to max.

Noseems live in the top part of the forest soils in the leaves. They prefer damp places, but it's not mandatory with them. While chiggers and ticks in our area seem to go dormant about the first of October, noseems may not until much later, or maybe not at all. I suspect they are ready for a good feed on any warm day, of which there are plenty right thru the middle part of December.

The current thinking is that noseems will generally travel no more than 350 feet from the hatching place. I guess there are any number of them on the wing anyway, but you really stir them up as you scuffle along in the leaves scouting,

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3	4 Methodist Church Clothes Closet 10-1 and 3-6 ▪ Whaley's - Karaoke	5 Colleton Co. Council Meeting Colleton Co. Council Chambers 6 p.m.	6 Open Air Market Bay Creek Park 9-5 ▪ TIDE Committee Meeting Council Chambers 10 a.m.	7	8	9
10 Daylight Saving Time begins	11 Methodist Church Clothes Closet 10-1 and 3-6 ▪ Whaley's - Karaoke	12 Town Council Work Session Council Chambers 10 a.m.	13 Open Air Market Bay Creek Park 9-5 ▪ Planning Commission Work Session Council Chambers 4 p.m.	14 Municipal Court Council Chambers 2 p.m. ▪ Town Council Meeting Council Chambers 6 p.m.	15	16 Edisto Beach 5K Road Race Wyndham Ocean Ridge Rec Center Starts 8:30 a.m. ▪ Edisto Eats Food Festival (multiple events) McConkey's Jungle Shack www.edisto eats.org
17 St. Patrick's Day	18 Methodist Church Clothes Closet 10-1 and 3-6 ▪ ZBA Meeting Council Chambers 5 p.m. ▪ Whaley's - Karaoke	19	20 Open Air Market Bay Creek Park 9-5 ▪ Planning Commission Work Session Council Chambers 5 p.m. Spring begins	21 Kings Daughters Edisto Beach Baptist Church 9:30 a.m. ▪ Edisto Art Guild Players The Red Velvet Cake War Dinner Theater Civic Center 6:30 p.m.	22 Edisto Art Guild Players The Red Velvet Cake War Civic Center 7:30 p.m.	23 Edisto Art Guild Players The Red Velvet Cake War Civic Center 7:30 p.m. ▪ FRESpace Annual Meeting
24 Edisto Art Guild Players The Red Velvet Cake War Civic Center 3 p.m. Palm Sunday	25 Methodist Church Clothes Closet 10-1 and 3-6 ▪ Whaley's - Karaoke	26 Planning Commission Meeting Council Chambers 5 p.m. Passover begins	27 Open Air Market Bay Creek Park 9-5	28	29 Town Hall closed Good Friday	30 Great American Cleanup Spring Campaign Community Center 9 a.m. ▪ Art Guild Spring Show & Sale The Edistonian All Day
31 Easter Sunrise Service Pavilion Parking Lot 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunday	1 Methodist Church Clothes Closet 10-1 and 3-6 ▪ Whaley's - Karaoke April Fools Day	2	3 Open Air Market Bay Creek Park 9-5 ▪ TIDE Committee Meeting Council Chambers 10 a.m.	4	5	6

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Scana Reactors to Cost \$10 Billion More Than Gas Plants

By Julie Johnsson - Mar 14, 2013

Scana Corp. (SCG), owner of South Carolina's largest power and natural gas utility, would save consumers almost \$10 billion over 40 years by scrapping two nuclear reactors it's constructing and instead building gas-fired plants, according to a report.

The case for Scana's Summer nuclear project "could not be more abysmal for ratepayers," Mark Cooper, an economic analyst with the Vermont Law School's Institute for Energy and the Environment, said in a statement today. The reactors face \$283 million in new construction costs, recession-flattened demand and a 73 percent drop in gas prices since regulators approved the project in 2009, according to the report.

Scana, based in Cayce, South Carolina, didn't immediately respond to a voicemail and e-mail seeking comment on the report. The company has said the \$10.2 billion project ensures it won't be overly dependent on volatile gas prices, which were more than \$13 per million British thermal units in 2008 before dropping to a 10-year low of less than \$2 in New York last year.

The new reactors are economical if costs are calculated over their expected 60-year life span,

the company has said. Low inflation rates have reduced total costs by about \$600 million from the \$6.3 billion that Scana anticipated in 2008, Jimmy Addison, Scana's chief financial officer, told analysts during a Feb. 21 earnings call.

Little Incentive

The first reactor at the site near Jenkinsville, South Carolina, is scheduled to begin generating power in 2017, according to Scana's website. Santee Cooper, the state-owned power and water utility, owns 45 percent of the project.

Cooper said the reactors would cost consumers \$9.4 billion more than power from combined-cycle gas plants over 40 years, with costs rising if the nuclear project runs over-budget. Duke Energy Corp. (DUK)'s proposed Levy County nuclear reactors in central Florida would cost \$4 billion more than gas plants, according to the report.

Regulated power companies face little incentive to use cheaper gas and renewable energy alternatives because ratepayers bear project costs, not investors, Cooper said. South Carolina, Florida and Georgia, where Southern Co. (NSC) is building two reactors, allow utilities to charge consumers for construction costs as they are incurred. ■

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hunting, or just walking around in your back yard. To a noseem, your open pant leg looks like just about the most inviting place in the whole world. Once they fly up that warm, yawning cave, its tux, tie and tails all the way for a super dining experience. You can tie down your pants leg and zip up everything else real tight, but it really doesn't matter to something as small as this hellishly hungry creature.

The good news is that they hate insect repellants with DEET as much as mosquitoes. The bad news is that if you're a deer hunter, deer don't think much of it either. So, bug repellent does work, so it is said. It's all about how much you hate noseems and love to eat venison. If you are a backpacker, you might consider one of a number of head to toe mesh outfits you can purchase. It's cheaper than a surplus NASA space suit. The best of all defenses seems to be wide expanses of dry, leafless terrain, like grass filled subdivisions. It says something for living in town.

I have spoken in particular to outdoorsmen, because they are, mostly outdoors. Frankly, I don't have any experience with subdivision home owners who are faced with a noseem problem. I really can't imagine. I really can't. While

noseems will die just as well as most other bugs if enough poison is used, they are so numerous as to make them almost impossible to control. And we are talking control, not eradication. Like our friends, kudzu and fire ants, it looks like they are here to stay.

So friends the tip off that you have made the acquaintance of Ms. *Ceratopogonidae*, AKA devil/insect/fly from the bad place, is that about a day later, a small intensely itchy bump will rise from your soft flesh. Later, it may develop a clear blister. Scratching and digging at the bump, as you will doubtless do, only makes it worse. The itching, along with the bump, will fade after a week or so. Since you will have a lot of bumps to deal with, you'll have even more respect for the stealthy little biting fly that inflicts so much itchiness out of all proportion to its size. You will marvel at the loathing and fear that something you can barely see, if you see it, will generate in your human psyche. Hey...I respect the noseem. Big time!

P.S. Many excellent lab quality specimens have been found in 120 million-year-old fossilized amber. So, this proves they are not the byproduct of unwise atomic testing. ■



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4th annual Low Country Classic High School Golf Tournament promises to be the best ever !!!

The popularity of an annual high school golf tourney in Edisto Beach is somewhat surprising since the nearest high school is over 40 miles away. Possibly, the organizers were correct when assuming 4 years ago that the support of the community, the quality of the course, and the committed organization, could combine to develop a successful golf tourney.

The event which runs over three days, from April 5-7, has received encouraging reviews from coaches, golf enthusiasts and locals, but most important is the reaction by the High School participants.

A practice round, a get acquainted cookout, a Saturday evening banquet and two grueling days of golf lead to the awards party at the close on play on Sunday. Also, the participants appear to enjoy The Plantation Course and its challenges that are absent from many other layouts. Narrow fairways, plentiful lagoons, and frequent spring winds demand participants best on this shotmaker's course.

The 4th annual event promises to provide the best field ever for the classic. Nine selected teams from Upstate, five from the Midlands, and six from the Lowcountry round out the 20 competing teams.

Last years winner, Fort Dorchester, will have a difficult time defending their championship against several favored teams, which all have very strong squads. Easley, the defending 4A State champions, have finished second for the last two years in the Low Country Classic. They will be lead by Trace Crowe who is ranked 5th in S.C. and recently won the S.C., Ga., N.C. Tourney at Mt. Vintage. He will be backed by Adam Garrett and Chandler Pearson from the Green Wave.

Pendleton High won the 2A State Championship last year and won the Rebel Invitational in 2013. They are led by the talented twosome of Carson Young and Austin Langdale.

They rank No. 1 and No. 2 in the state SCGA Rankings as of January. Carson is the State 2A Individual Champion and is winner of The Jay Haas Award. Langdale ranks in the top 15 nationally as scored by *Golf Week*, and won the 2012 Southern Cross Individual Championship, shooting a 64 in the last round. Both Young and Longdale have signed scholarships to play for the Clemson Tigers next year.

Low Country fans will be closely following the play of Pinewood Prep, who features Katelyn Dambaugh, Reona Hirai and Richard Hubbard. Dambaugh, who is ranked nationally, holds the girls record at The Plantation Course posting a 67 in 2012. She is headed to USC next year for her college career. Reona Hirai is ranked second in S.C. and is the 2012 winner of the prestigious Beth Daniel Award. It is bound to thrill the spectators, watching the two young ladies battling the guys to the finish.

Other stiff competition is expected from 2012 3A Champ AC Flora of Columbia, along with Lexington, Byrnes, and South Aiken.

Two Charleston players, Austin Zoller and Andrew Novak, have joined the field and will compete in the individual competition. Both are highly rated and will battle Bishop England's, Jeremy Grab, who is the current S.C. Junior Amateur Champion. Jeremy will be representing South Carolina in the Sage Valley Invitational Junior Tourney on April 26-28 in Graniteville, S.C. This new event will highlight the skills of 30 United States Junior Champions in a field that includes 24 foreign competitors.

Blythewood will again be fighting hard to claim the crown this year after finishing, second, third and sixth in the first three events. Bryce Howell, who has signed with Furman University, will lead the team which has had six golf scholarships in the past three years.

Overall, the 2013 Low Country Classic will have 14 of the top 20 ranked Juniors in S.C., and two of the top eight girls. An air of excitement will exist in Edisto

Beach when parents, school officials and many guests descend upon the island for the weekend. The tourney is open to the public and guests are welcome. ■



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Before contact with Europeans, forests covered much of the area, which is often called the Eastern Woodlands. The tribes of the Eastern Woodlands were among the first to meet European explorers and settlers. At first, the two groups had friendly relations. Squanto, a Patuxet, is said to have taught the white settlers how to plant corn and fertilize it with dead fish. Massasoit of the Wampanoag helped the Pilgrims of Plymouth Colony. In 1621, the Wampanoags and Pilgrims joined in a Thanksgiving ceremony to give thanks for a good harvest and peace. But the friendly relations did not last, and warfare soon became common. Most of the early fighting consisted of small battles between settlers and Indians. Smallpox, measles, and other European diseases killed many Indians. As the settlers moved westward, they took the land for their own. When the Indians objected, fighting broke out. Some of these battles grew into wars. The Iroquois League began to split during the Revolutionary War in America (1775-1783). Some members of the league sided with the American colonists, but most supported the British or remained neutral. This also happened in South Carolina. Many Cherokee Indians in South Carolina fought with the British during the Revolutionary War. After the American victory, white settlers poured onto Iroquois lands. We have various Treaties during this time period for the Cherokees of South Carolina.

Many tribes from the Eastern Woodlands now live in Oklahoma and various Western states. The U.S. government forced them to move to these areas during the early 1800s. But the Iroquois and



The Edisto River



Natchez Warrior, 1758



Edisto River Area Map

some others still live on their original lands. The Cherokees and Tuscaroras are southern Iroquois people. Today, the Iroquois are leaders in the struggle for American Indian rights.

The Southeast portion of the United States that extends from just south of the Ohio River to the Gulf of Mexico and from the Atlantic Coast of southern North Carolina to just west of the Mississippi River was inhabited by numerous tribes. It is a region of mild winters and warm, humid summers. The terrain varies from the mountains of the Appalachians to the sandy coastal plain, with rolling hills and some swamps in-between. Pine forests covered most of the region. Before European contact, the tribes of the Southeast included the Catawba, Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Creek, and Seminole. The Alabama, Coushatta, and a number of other tribes belonged to a federation called the Creek Confederacy. Southeastern Indians spoke many languages, including ones belonging to the Iroquoian, Algonquian, Muskogean, and Siouan language families. We had all of these language groups in South Carolina in ancient times. The Cherokee, Tuscarora were an Iroquois people that lived in South Carolina and North Carolina. Among the Cherokee Indians in South Carolina also lived Creek Indians who are Muskogean speakers.

Southeastern Indians generally had an abundant supply of food. The adequate rainfall and long growing season enabled them to grow

Yamasee War

Date

April 14, 1715—1717

Location

eastern South Carolina

Result

- Colonial government victory
- Power of the Yamasee was broken
- South Carolina colonists establish uncontested control of the coast
- The Catawba become the dominant tribe in the interior

Belligerents

Colonial militia of South Carolina
 Colonial militia of North Carolina
 Colonial militia of Virginia
 Catawba (from 1715)
 Cherokee (from 1716)
 Yamasee
 Ochese Creeks
 Catawba (until 1715)
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Commanders and leaders

Charles Craven

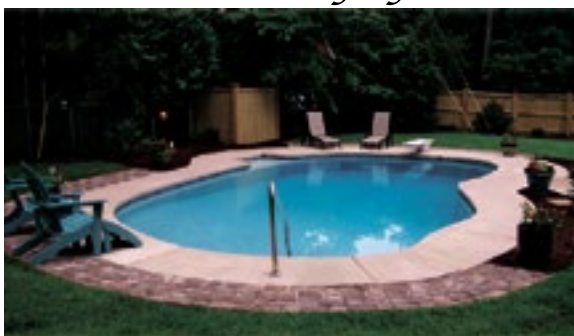
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large quantities of corn. A favorite food was sofkee, which was made by grinding and then boiling corn. Today, sofkee is known as grits. Southeastern Indians also grew beans, squash, pumpkins, and sunflower seeds, and raised turkeys. The women farmed and gathered nuts, berries, and wild plants. Men cleared the land and did most of the hunting and fishing. People of the Southeast traveled either on foot or in wooden dugout canoes.

Most Southeastern Indian villages had a central plaza with a council house, a public square, and a ceremonial ground. Most houses were made of wattle and daub, that is, a wooden frame covered by reed mats with plaster spread over them. Palisades enclosed many villages. Many Iroquois long houses sheltered an elderly couple with separate "apartments" for each married daughter. The couple's married sons lived in the long houses of their wives' families. The Indians of the Southeast made deerskin shirts, dresses, leggings, and breechcloths. Women sometimes wore wraparound skirts of woven cloth made of plant fibers. Turkey feathers were

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Ecotourism Offers Economic Growth in Rural Charleston County

Edisto Island’s first Eco-retreat has opened and is ready for visitors who enjoy the natural wonders that Edisto has to offer. ‘Chateau Relaxo’ sits at the entrance to Botany Bay Plantation and offers a truly unique location to enjoy the 4,000 acres of protected forests, beach and marshes.

Owner Meg Hoyle of Botany Bay Ecotours says “It was only a matter of time before Edisto began to cater to the eco-travelers looking for a way to become immersed in our amazing island. Ecotourism is the fastest growing sector of the travel industry and attracts people who want to experience the ecology and culture of an area without negatively impacting it. It’s an obvious fit for the Lowcountry.”

Located in the heart of the ACE Basin, Edisto has become a ‘jumping off spot’ for local and international travelers who want to explore the cultural and natural history of an area that

is globally recognized. Comprised of private and public lands, the ACE Basin’s 350,000 acres are a mecca for birders, kayakers, hunters and people who want to get away and experience a natural connection.

Hoyle, who as a Watson Fellow studied the economic impacts of conservation says “people around the world have identified the link between successful conservation efforts and allowing considered access to protected areas. People want to save what they can experience first-hand and rural economies can thrive when they harness the eco-dollar. It’s a win-win for the visitor and the local.”

A true eco-experience, ‘Chateau Relaxo’ is a restored home that was first put on the property more than two decades ago. “Instead of burning through resources and building something new, we used what was at hand and thoughtfully

reconfigured what was on site,” Hoyle explains. “The location couldn’t be more perfect with Botany Bay Plantation out the back door and the carefully regulated Wilkinson’s Landing a stone’s throw away. Visitors can be walking on a deserted, undeveloped beach after a 25 minute paddle or five minute boat ride. We encourage visitors to make plans with local boating guides to learn more about this special area and how to enjoy it responsibly.”

Ecotourism can positively impact the economy of a rural area like Edisto. Atwood Vacations proudly offers the Eco-Retreat to those looking for an immersion experience in “Edislow” life.

John Hamilton, president of Atwood Vacations said “offering a property like Chateau Relaxo is a unique opportunity to show the real Edisto to those interested in the natural beauty of the area. The integrity of our beaches, creeks, and landscapes have not been burdened by high rise condos and overdevelopment. It is our pleasure to offer a home that is a reflection of what Edisto is and will always be.”

Both Botany Bay Ecotours and Atwood Vacations are true to the vision of ecotourism by supporting community projects that protect the area’s natural resources and support educational programs for Edisto students.

According to Hoyle, “We know that we have to help prepare the next generation of stewards of this special place.”

For more information, visit <http://www.atwoodvacations.com/rental/house.html?ID=226&User=> ■





As part of their continuing focus on character education, Jane Edwards Elementary hosted Scott Humston’s “Pro Kids Show”. This motivational program included a strong yet warm message for students in the afternoon on courage, honesty, and respect, and a family program in the evening on growing our children.



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Bethlehem RMUE Church	8017 Point of Pines Road	577-5521	Sunday School 9:30 a.m.	Worship Service 10:30 a.m.	Rev. Wesley A. Moore Sr.
Calvary AME Church	8318 Pine Landing Road	869-3672	Sunday School 10 a.m.	Worship Service 11 a.m.	Rev. John Alston Jr.
Edisto Beach Baptist Church	414 Jungle Road	869-2662	Sunday School 9 a.m.	Worship Service 10 a.m.	Rev. Rob Heath
Edisto Island United Methodist Church	3319 Palmetto Road	869-3456	Adult Bible Study 8:45 a.m.	Worship Service 9 a.m.	Rev. Scott Eford
Edisto Presbyterian Church USA	1890 Hwy. 174	869-2300	Sunday School 9 a.m.	Worship Service 10 a.m.	Rev. McKinley Washington Jr.
Episcopal Church of Edisto	1644 Hwy. 174			Worship Service 10 a.m.	
Greater Bethel AME Church	945 Hwy. 174	869-1961	Sunday School 9:30 a.m.	Worship Service 10 a.m.	Rev. Alice Salters
Greater Galilee Church	Steamboat Landing Road	869-1138	Sunday School 10 a.m.	Worship Service 11 a.m.	Rev. Harrison Jenkins
Mount Olive Baptist Church	Pine Landing Road	869-0990	Sunday School 10 a.m.	Worship Service 11 a.m.	Rev. Marion Gadsden
New First Missionary Baptist Church	1644 Hwy. 174	869-2432	Sunday School 8:30 a.m.	Worship Service 9:45 a.m.	Rev. Albert (Chick) Morrison
Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island	2164 Hwy. 174	869-2326	Sunday School 9 a.m.	Worship Service 10 a.m.	Dr. Ted Dennis
St. Frederick and St. Stephen Catholic Church	544 Hwy. 174	869-0124	Saturday Mass 5 p.m.	Sunday Mass 11:45 a.m.	Rev. Antony Benjamine
Trinity Episcopal Church	1589 Hwy. 174	869-3568	Traditional w/organ 8 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m.	Casual w/band 9 a.m. Choir w/organ 11 a.m.	Rev. Weyman (Wey) Camp
Zion Reformed Episcopal Church	Hwy. 174	753-2273		Worship Service 10 a.m.	Rev. Moses Rollerson

Earthquake!

In 2001, The South Carolina Emergency Preparedness Division commissioned the Comprehensive Seismic Risk and Vulnerability Study for the State Of South Carolina. The report described the sophisticated computer modeling technology used to reproduce the effects of a magnitude 7.3 (1886-size), 6.3, and 5.0 earthquakes generated in the Charleston area, and also a magnitude 5.0 earthquake in Columbia. According to this simulation, a repeat of the 1886 magnitude 7.3 earthquake in the Charleston-Dorchester-Berkeley county area during daytime hours would probably produce the following results:

- Vastly greater destruction of life and property. This is due to the enormous population growth since 1886 and the lack of earthquake-resistant building construction standards until the last few years.
- **At least 900 fatalities, compared to 124 known deaths in 1886.**
- **At least 8,000 serious injuries, compared to 140 known serious injuries in 1886.**
- **Approximately 45,000 total casualties (dead and injured), compared to approximately 500 in 1886.**
- More than 200,000 people displaced, with 60,000 requiring short-term (under 90 days) shelter, compared to 40,000 in 1886.
- At least \$200 billion in total economic losses from damage to buildings, interruption of businesses, and damage to transportation and utility systems, compared to approximately \$100 million in 2006 dollars in 1886. About 77 percent of the losses will occur in the Charleston-Berkeley-Dorchester region.
- More than 250 fires, compared to eight in 1886. The lack of operational firefighting equipment and a supply of water to fight the fires will be major concerns—just as in 1886.

- Significant damage to more than 200 schools and over 100 fire stations. Because of insufficient seismic building code standards and the age of the majority of buildings, the majority of structures in the State, specifically schools and fire stations, are vulnerable to damage. The catastrophic failure or partial collapse of one or more school buildings during a school day could greatly increase casualties.
- About 20 out of 108 hospitals will be incapacitated, mostly within the tri-county area, where most of the casualties will occur.
- About 800 bridges will be rendered unusable, thereby preventing first responders who try to reach victims. A number of sea island communities, such as the Isle of Palms, Sullivan’s Island, and Hilton Head Island, whose only connection to the mainland is a bridge, may be cut off from all transportation except by boats or helicopters if the bridge fails.
- Substantial damage to power production and distribution facilities, resulting in power outages lasting days to weeks. After Hurricane Hugo in 1989, for example, some neighborhoods had no electrical power for a month.
- Significant disruption of water lines. Over 500 major water pipeline breaks are expected. Homes may not have water for periods ranging from weeks to months.
- Damage to communication facilities, chiefly to large, poorly secured equipment. Disruption of telephone and television service may last for days to weeks. Emergency radio broadcasts will probably be the first to provide disaster-related information.

Edisto Beach is on fault line that roughly follows Jungle Road. This fault has been inactive for longer than anyone remembers. The closest active fault is in Adams Run. ■

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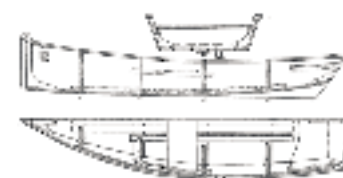
Pirates exhibit comes to the Edisto Island Museum

The “Pirates, Privateers and Buccaneers of the Carolinas” exhibit will be featured at the Edisto Island Museum during March and April. The exhibit was developed by the South Carolina State Museum with research, collaboration and assistance from the North Carolina Museum of History, the Queen Anne’s Revenge Project of the North Carolina Office of State Archaeology, and the North Carolina Maritime Museum.

One of the most feared pirates of all was Blackbeard, who was said to weave lit fuses into his beard for battle to increase his fierce countenance. The story of Blackbeard, who blockaded the Charleston Harbor in 1718 prior to his death in North Carolina, can be found in this exhibit, along with the stories of many other pirates who sailed

the waters of both Carolinas. The exhibit features 42 hanging scrolls as well as a life-size pirate mannequin.

The Museum is located at 8123 Chisolm Plantation Road. Hours of operation in March and April are 12–5 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays. ■



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Jump Rope for Heart
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American Civil Liberties Union looks into police militarization

The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) has launched a nationwide campaign to assess police militarization in the United States. Starting Wednesday, ACLU affiliates in 23 states are sending open records requests to hundreds of state and local police agencies requesting information about their SWAT teams, such as how often and for what reasons they're deployed, what types of weapons they use, how often citizens are injured during SWAT raids, and how they're funded. More affiliates may join the effort in the coming weeks.

could respond to riots, barricades, shootouts, or hostage-takings with more skill and precision than everyday patrol officers.

The concept caught on, particularly after a couple of high-profile, televised confrontations between Gates' SWAT team and a Black Panther holdout in 1969, and then with the Symbionese Liberation Army in 1973. Given the rioting, protests, and general social unrest of the time, Gates' idea quickly grew popular in law enforcement circles, particularly in cities worried about rioting and domestic terrorism.

"We've known for a while now that American neighborhoods are increasingly being policed by cops armed with the weapons and tactics of war."

Additionally, the affiliates will ask for information about drones, GPS tracking devices, how much military equipment the police agencies have obtained through programs run through the Pentagon and the Department of Homeland Security, and how often and for what purpose state National Guards are participating in enforcement of drug laws.

"We've known for a while now that American neighborhoods are increasingly being policed by cops armed with the weapons and tactics of war," said Kara Dansky, senior counsel at the ACLU's Center for Justice, which is coordinating the investigation. "The aim of this investigation is to find out just how pervasive this is, and to what extent federal funding is incentivizing this trend."

The militarization of America's police forces has been going on for about a generation now. Former Los Angeles Police Chief Daryl Gates first conceived the idea of the SWAT team in the late 1960s, in response to the Watts riots and a few mass shooting incidents for which he thought the police were unprepared. Gates wanted an elite team of specialized cops similar to groups like the Army Rangers or Navy SEALs that

From Gates' lone team in LA, according to a *New York Times* investigation, the number of SWAT teams in the U.S. grew to 500 by 1975. By 1982, nearly 60 percent of American cities with 50,000 or more people had a SWAT team.

Throughout those early years, SWAT teams were generally used as Gates had intended. They deployed when there was a suspect, gunman or escaped fugitive who posed an immediate threat to the public, using force to defuse an already violent situation.

By 1995, however, nearly 90 percent of cities with 50,000 or more people had a SWAT team — and many had several, according to Peter Kraska, a criminologist at Eastern Kentucky University, who in the late 1990s conducted two highly publicized surveys of police departments across the country, and a follow-up survey several years later. Even in smaller towns — municipalities with 25,000 to 50,000 people — Kraska found that the number of SWAT teams increased by more than 300 percent between 1984 and 1995. By 2000, 75 percent of those towns also had their own SWAT team. ■



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E-Waste is banned from the convenience station and in waste receptacles. South Carolina Legislation changed and all e-waste is banned from South Carolina Landfills. ■

There's no substitute for healthy choices

By **Olivia North**, Nutritionist
Atlanta Ga.

Once upon a time, not so long ago, people ate out for a reason. Maybe it was in celebration of an anniversary, a birthday or a promotion. Maybe it was out of necessity to seal the deal with an important prospective client. Or maybe it was the understandable consequence of travel. But one thing's for sure—we didn't used to eat out simply because we could. Eating out was special.

Growing up in the 1970s, meals out were exceedingly rare for my family. Aside from our every-other-year family vacations, I'd bet we only ate out once every few months or so—and almost always to mark an occasion. I don't think we were atypical in how we spent money on food back then; as a society, the 1970s saw roughly 30 percent of our food dollars spent on food prepared outside of the home. Today we're

near 50 percent.

Working in my office, an office that deals exclusively in the non-surgical management of weight, my average patient is eating out three to four times a week. And yet, it's not laziness that drives their frequent meals out. Regular meals out are simply North America's new normal. And it's a new normal that I think is a huge player in our collectively poor health.

"The inconvenient truth of health is that healthy living does require effort. There are no shortcuts."

While there is no one singular cause for our societal struggle with diet and weight-related conditions, there's no doubt in my mind that one of the primary drivers is our unbelievably frequent use of restaurants, cafeterias and take-out food. Sometimes we justify

these choices because there's a "low-fat" option or something that sounds safe and healthful, and sometimes we convince ourselves it's due to a lack of time—that we honestly don't have the five minutes it would take each morning to brown-bag that lunch.

But I'd bet that most of the time we don't even think about whether we should or shouldn't be eating out. And we don't think about it, because the regular use of restaurants or supermarket take-out or nuking a box or assembling a jar of this with a box of that and calling it cooking is just what we all do. And generally people don't question conventions that simply reflect regular behavior.

I'd go further and say that families are often looked at with scorn when the vast majority of their meals are transformed from purchased, whole ingredients. The "normal" of convenience has people seeing the cooking family as having an "obsession" with health or nutrition beyond what "normal" folks consider to be healthy.

At the end of each day, we're all consumers of the exact same amount of time. While, no doubt, some of us have far tougher lives than others, and some work far longer hours, there was a time when each and every last family out there, regardless of how rough their circumstances, was obligated to find the time to prioritize cooking as part of day-to-day requirements, because there simply was no alternative.

Now I'm not trying to romanticize the foods we all once cooked. I'm certain many a meal from those days would have turned many a dietitian white with horror. But I'd argue that the simple act of cooking—a health-preserving life skill—is a skill that risks extinction. In some families, regular home cooking is a phenomenon not seen for three generations.

My guess is that even the worst home-cooked-from-fresh-whole-ingredients meals from back then were likely to be lower in calories and sugar than many healthy-

sounding restaurant choices today. More importantly, those meals were far more likely to involve shared meal preparation and cleanup along with their consumption as a family ritual, around a table free from today's drone of kitchen-based TV sets and the pings and beeps of emails, tweets and Facebook updates from our electronic leashes.

So what have we prioritized in cooking's place? Longer work hours? Our favorite TV shows? Kids' organized sports? Text messaging? Social networking?

Boiling it down to its essence, ultimately what we've prioritized as more important than cooking is convenience. Moreover, we go out of our way to convince ourselves (as does the food industry) that convenience can still confer health, that those boxes that claim they contain healthy nutrients and those menu items that include vegetables are in fact good for us. But looking around us—and given the urgency of the problem and the never-ending call to arms to fix it—it sure doesn't seem as though convenience is doing a very good job.

The inconvenient truth of health is that healthy living does require effort. There are no shortcuts.

And if you're looking for the one thing you can do that would most dramatically improve your or your family's health, my money would be on you prioritizing the regular, uninterrupted use of your kitchen. Prioritize it at the expense of your electronic tethers and, yes, even at the expense of your children's after-school sports, as teaching your children the life skill of cooking trumps their need to learn how to play soccer.

We need to cultivate love affairs with our kitchens and, while I still encourage all of us to take advantage of the miraculous times that we live in and enjoy and savor some wonderful meals out, I'd encourage you to make eating out special again—make it a rare and exciting treat. In other words, eat out for occasions, not just because it's Tuesday. ■

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WAR (continued from page 20) sewed onto netting to make robes. The Indians in warmer areas wore little clothing, and many decorated their bodies with tattoos and body painting. Creek and Chickasaw men shaved their heads almost completely, leaving only a small tuft of hair on top. Choctaw men let their hair grow long. Iroquois villages included long houses with separate sections for related families. Tall fences called palisades surrounded many villages and provided protection from enemies.

The Iroquois were the dominant group in warfare. Warfare sometimes broke out among Southeastern Indians. Weapons included bows and arrows and a variety of clubs. Warriors fought for glory and often tattooed their bodies with signs of brave deeds. Elaborate ceremonies accompanied most warfare. Before battle, the warriors gathered in a council house. They painted themselves, performed religious rites, and took special medicines. Sometimes, two tribes would play a stickball game to settle a dispute and thereby avoid a war.

Women held much of the power and influence among most Southeastern Indians. In most cases, family ties were traced through the mother, and extended families in which all the women were related formed the basic social unit. Cherokee women could attain the position of "war woman" and participate in war councils. A few Cherokee women fought as warriors.

The Southeast had the most complex forms of government north of present-day Mexico. The Natchez who also lived various in South Carolina regions, had a king (Chief

called the Great Sun. He and his family formed the highest class, the Suns. Below them were two other upper classes, the Nobles and the Honored Men and Women. At the bottom were the commoners. The Natchez built temples and the Great Sun's house on large, flat-topped, earthen mounds. Many Southeastern tribes had ascending ranks of chiefs. Nearly all chiefs were men.

A chief could head a village or a whole region of villages or, in the case of Chiefdom, a whole tribe. Typically, some chiefs represented the peace faction. Others represented the war faction. Even today in South Carolina there are many Chiefs! Many times, leaders of the Eastern Woodlands tribes were called "Sachems."

Councils of assistants, advisers, and shamans helped each chief. In most cases, a man inherited his position of chief from his mother's clan. Religion played an important role in the lives of the Southeastern Indians. The people honored their ancestors and held elaborate funeral ceremonies. Many of the dead were buried with "grave goods", that consisted of pottery and other objects, for use in the afterlife.

The green corn dance was the most important ceremony of the Southeastern Indians. This annual harvest celebration lasted several days and was a time for giving thanks. The dance/ceremony was thought to maintain harmony and to make things pure again. A new year began when a community fire was lit during the ceremony and a woman from each household took some fire for her hearth.

After European contact, the tribes of the Southeast were among the



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first Indians to meet the explorers and settlers. Armies, explorers, missionaries, and traders from Europe came through the Southeast looking for gold, slaves, converts to Christianity, fur, and even the Fountain of Youth. As the Europeans took the land for their own, the Indians objected. Warfare between the two groups became more common, and many Indians were killed.

After the Revolutionary War, the Cherokee and some other Southeastern Indians tried to adopt the ways of the dominate culture. They began to dress, speak, and act like others. White people sometimes called the Cherokee, Creek, Choctaw, Chickasaw, and Seminole the Five Civilized Tribes because whites considered their own ways more civilized than Indian customs.

However, white Americans continued to take Indian lands, and in 1830, Congress passed the Indian Removal Act. This legislation allowed the U.S. government to move Indians living east of the Mississippi River to a territory west of the river. Thousands of Indians

died during this forced removal to the West, and the Cherokee came to refer to this journey as the "Trail of Tears." This term was later applied to the forced removal of other tribes as well.

In many cases, a small part of a tribe managed to remain behind in the East. A small group of Cherokees, for example, fled north from South Carolina and Georgia near the Tugaloo River to the mountains of North Carolina. Also some Cherokees stayed in the upstate of South Carolina after the Treaty of 1816, and hid on private property.

Today, the Indian tribes that remain in the Southeast maintain a balance between traditional and modern ways of life. In South Carolina, there are many Native American Indian groups, communities, nations, organizations and tribal entities that are organized and chartered in the state by The Secretary of State Jim Miles office. They are an estimated 25,000 South Carolinians of Native American Indian descent and their distinct cultural communities. ■

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Surprising facts about health care costs

Steven Brill's magnum opus on health care costs recently graced the cover of *Time* magazine, and it's worth reading in full. But it's also an article of substantial girth, much like many obese Americans themselves. Recently the 26,000 word piece was summarized to ten basic talking points. Brill's piece is liberal in the classic sense, and broadly sympathetic to Obamacare, but it is by no means a down-the-line defense of the Democratic Party's interventions in health care. In fact, Brill recommends quite succinctly that the Democrats need to declamp from the teat of trial lawyers.

1. The only thing approximating a market in health care is Medicare, in the sense that the prices it bills for procedures and exams are set by a formula that is somewhat based on what these instruments of

health care actually cost. In no way is the private insurance market analogous because hospitals and doctors have much more leverage to set prices. For everyone not covered by Medicare, health care is a seller's market. Customers generally have little choice within their insurance plans of which hospital to go to given consolidation and price-reducing deals that insurance companies make with hospital companies.

2. Hospitals use a document called a chargemaster to set prices. The inputs to the chargemaster are mysterious; hospitals are reluctant to talk about it. It varies considerably, and it often bears no relation to cost. Medicare patients and people with expensive private insurance plans often get discounts off of these

prices, but those without health insurance or with cheap insurance plans do not.

3. Non-profit hospitals often make more profit than for-profit hospitals. As much as doctors and hospitals complain about Medicare, they don't avail themselves of the opportunity to not accept patients (in non-emergency situations) with Medicare as their primary insurance plan. This is probably because Medicare payments are sufficiently profitable — just not exorbitantly profitable. (Smaller medical practices are an exception, especially if they charge significantly larger amounts of money for certain services to folks not covered by Medicare.)
4. Insurers have little power to negotiate with hospitals because hospitals are increasingly buying the competition, which has adverse effects on everything from patient outcomes to customer satisfaction, not to mention a driver of price increases.
5. Health care equipment like CT scanners often pay for themselves very quickly, and hospitals and doctors have an incentive to buy more of them. The more they buy, the more they are used, the more people are screened by tests they don't need. Selling stuff to hospitals is "one of the bright spots" of the U.S. economy. Defensive medicine drives up demand for tests, too.
6. Hospitals usually wind up taking in about 35 percent of what they bill — and still make profits because the chargemaster prices are so "exorbitant," Brill says.
7. Even if health care consumers DO know the price of things in advance, there is almost no price sensitivity of the category of services provided. It is as if humans intuitively do not and will not (and should not)

behave as their choices have an effect on prices and quality.

8. There is almost no transparency in the system; non-profits don't have to post their chargemaster rates, and hospitals often explicitly include clauses in their contracts with equipment manufacturers to prevent disclosure of the price they paid for something. Lab work — both in house and exported — bill in ways that defy transparency.
9. Medicaid covers more people than Medicare, and yet its rules and coverage are much more limited and much spottier. (Brill surmises this is because, unlike seniors covered by Medicare, the poor Americans covered by Medicaid have no reliable political organization to advance their collective interests.)
10. Many insurance plans now have life-time payout limits. Many basic insurance plans cover basically nothing beyond a few very basic basics. Obamacare gets rid of these, but that means that premiums for everyone with insurance will increase because insurers will not be able to mitigate their risk as much.

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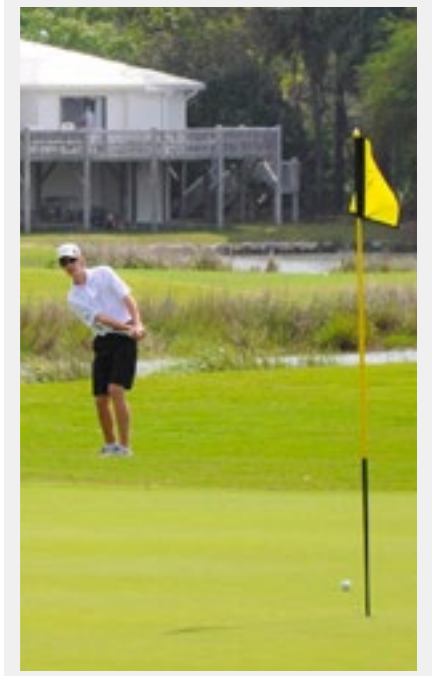
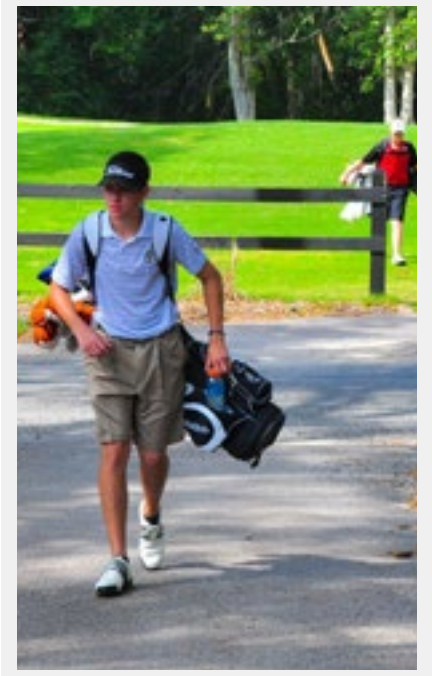
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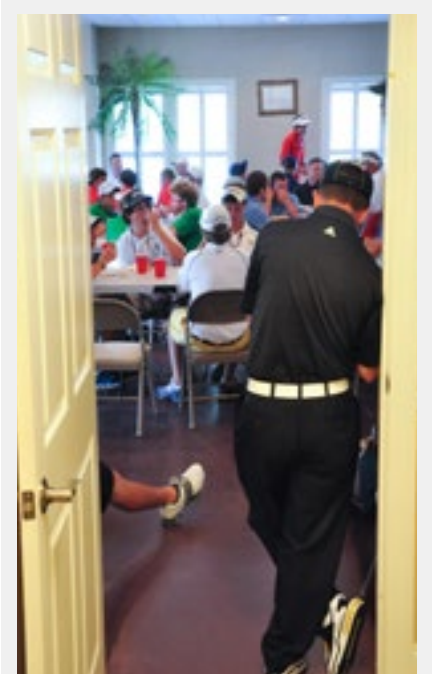
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