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just closed on a house sale and the new owner had a mother-in-law apartment for rent. I grabbed it. Phew! Time to exhale.

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WALTERBORO POLICE CHIEF WADE MARVIN



Walterboro Police Chief praised for saving crash victim's life in Florida

For The Press and Standard

On behalf of American Legion Post 93, Chief Wade Marvin was nominated for the 2023 American Legion Award for Bravery Program.

Chief Marvin has always been dedicated to the needs of Walterboro and the surrounding communities by offering one on one communication and having an open door policy. As the Chief, he has created community events such as Cookies with a Cop, Pop with a Cop, and many other events to help strengthen the relationship with the citizens of Walterboro and Colleton County. Chief Marvin has been in law enforcement for over 22 years and Chief of Police for 8 years. He has dedicated his life to serve and protect others.

While on summer vacation with his family in Orlando, Fl., Chief Marvin observed an overturned vehicle in a lagoon just off the side of an interstate. Instinctively, and with no regard for personal safety, Chief Marvin crawled into the vehicle and noticed the unconscious driver, hanging upside down with her head underwater. He was able to hold the victim's head above water until she began to breathe again. He continued to hold her head above water until local First Responders arrived to extricate the driver.

As you can see from the published reports of television station WCSC reporting the events as told by the Orange County Fire Rescue crew on the scene, Chief Marvin did not tell anyone in his town what happened. It came to light when a public information officer with Orange County contacted Walterboro's public information officer to thank Marvin for what he had done. Orange County credited Chief Marvin with saving her life.

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MAIN STREET GRILLE

DEREK RUSH

Located in the heart of downtown Walterboro, known as the front porch of the Lowcountry, is a small restaurant that has been a staple in the small town. Main Street Grille has been serving patrons both local, as well as tourist from all over the world for the past twelve years. We sat down with owner Derek Rush to get his take on what exactly it is that has made the quaint restaurant a success for over a decade.

Rush, a former law enforcement officer, decided in 2011 to give self employment a go. "I always liked the idea of being my own boss" he said. He laughed as he told us that in the beginning, he had absolutely no idea what he was getting himself into, but affirms that the business venture has brought many blessing into his life that otherwise he would have missed out on. "Everything happens for a reason" he said, and he believes that whole heartedly.

Main Street Grille has come into its own over the years, and while he still feels its a work in progress, he thinks it's found its own groove in way. Running and maintaining a businesses of any kind are a challenge, but this one has been unique from day one.

Main Street Grille has a menu of southern fare, from shrimp and grits to its signature burger the "Highwayman". A dish coined from Rush's days as a State Trooper. There are a long list of appetizers, as well as a full bar.

A few interesting facts about the place are that before it was ever an eating establishment it was a five and dime store, and some scenes from the Hollywood film Radio, were actually filmed inside the place.

Rush also told the most important thing he believes has made Main Street endure the test of time is not thinking of it as just a job, but a lifestyle. He says his employees are his family, and says that without his core group managers none of it would be possible. One in particular, Cheryl Curry, who has been with Main Street Grille since the second day it opened, which was twelve years ago. He calls her his "right-hand." Jon DeLong, his kitchen manager, gets the cuisine out and onto the tables night after night and Eve Olvera, the bar manager, is the personality that the regulars show up for week after week. "Its a well oiled machine, a lot of work, but a lot of fun too!" he states. He added that his success with employees is in part due to the fact he doesn't micromanage. "If I hire them, I tell them exactly what I expect from them," he said. "I give them a lot of freedom, a happy employee works hard."

This is not to say there haven't been any hiccups along the way. Far from it. He states that help is still hard to find and food and beverage hasn't fully recovered from the effects of COVID-19, but much of that is behind him now. "You have to just keep showing up" he added.

Week after week, he puts in many hours himself; to the point he believes he might be the longest running "one man band" operating a food and beverage business in Walterboro. He said this somewhat tongue in cheek,



though. When he first opened Main Street Grille, he had a five-year plan. Twelve years later he's still at the helm. "I never thought I would make it 12 years," he said. "It definitely hasn't been an easy feat." he expressed. Perhaps another reason is the way customers are treated. "I try and treat people good, the way I'd want someone to treat me or loved ones" he says. He told us if there was one thing to take away from this interview it would be that without the good people of Walterboro and surrounding areas consistently giving the restaurant support over he years none of it would have been possible. "They've been so good to me, my customers are so very dear to my heart." he said with a smile.

As for Rush himself, he doesn't know what the future holds. For now, he says he will continue to run the place as usual, and continue to serve the people of Walterboro as long as they'll have him.

For the time being, Rush is content being called Walterboro's version of Sam Malone (from the TV show, "Cheers.") "There's got a lot going on here in Walterboro, its growing" he said. "It will be interesting to see what will take place next." That includes his establishment. He told us "Walterboro needs a Main Street Grille."

Main Street Grille, 256 E. Washington St., Walterboro, SC 29488, 843-782-4774, Days/hours of operation:; Tuesday-Friday 4-11 p.m., Kitchen usually closes between 9:30-10 p.m. Facebook @ mainstreet.grille.18



4 CORNER FINANCIAL GROUP

Johnny Craven and his sister Brenda Eustace love what they do, helping people plan for their future and well-being in the four corners of life: health, property and life insurance, and retirement planning. These are the reasons why they founded 4 Corner Financial Group, LLC, a full-service one-stop financial services planning agency, which they started together in 2006.

Going into their 17th year, the agency continues growing. The reason being they are constantly looking out for the best interests of their clients. They accomplish this by keeping up with rules and regulations, constantly taking classes and keeping up with all certification requirements, and one other thing, knowing who they serve.

In other words, they are more than just selling policies. They conduct in-depth research, help a person or couple determine current and future needs, including major changes along the way, such as marriage, children, education, and

the inevitable. It also means preparing for the unexpected.

"Many folks tell me, 'I trust you, Johnny,'" he said, adding it boils down to one thing. "Folks don't care how much you know until they know you care."

As a result, people turn to the pair time and time again, and because they do, they tell others about 4 Corner Financial Group.

Eustace boils it down quite simply.

To her and her brother, the people they serve are not viewed as clients. They are family. When you love your family you do everything you can to safeguard and protect them. In return it has rewarded the two of them.

"We love what we do and we love helping people," she said. "Helping people is our satisfaction."

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INGREDIENTS

- 12 ounces pink lemonade concentrate
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ABBILLOW AMELIA WHITE

As an upcoming female business owner, I am excited to have this amazing opportunity to interact with our flourishing community. As a lifelong member of The City of Walterboro, I enjoy getting to interact on a new personal level as the CEO and owner of Abbillow Clothing Company. Growing up around strong women who dressed their best created my love for fashion. This drive for the fashion industry has now become a constant in my life.

I was forced to grow up quickly at a young age when my father passed away. The heartache this caused my family taught me that tomorrow is not promised, and we must always live life to the fullest. My mother has been a great example as a fellow business owner. She has been my number one fan.

As a model for Judy Blue, I can find the best-fitting jeans and the latest trends. I then handpick the new jeans for Abbillow. In addition, I discover other brands and get the inside scoop on the latest chic style.

Becoming a Judy Blue model has allowed me to travel cross country and experience many different lifestyles.

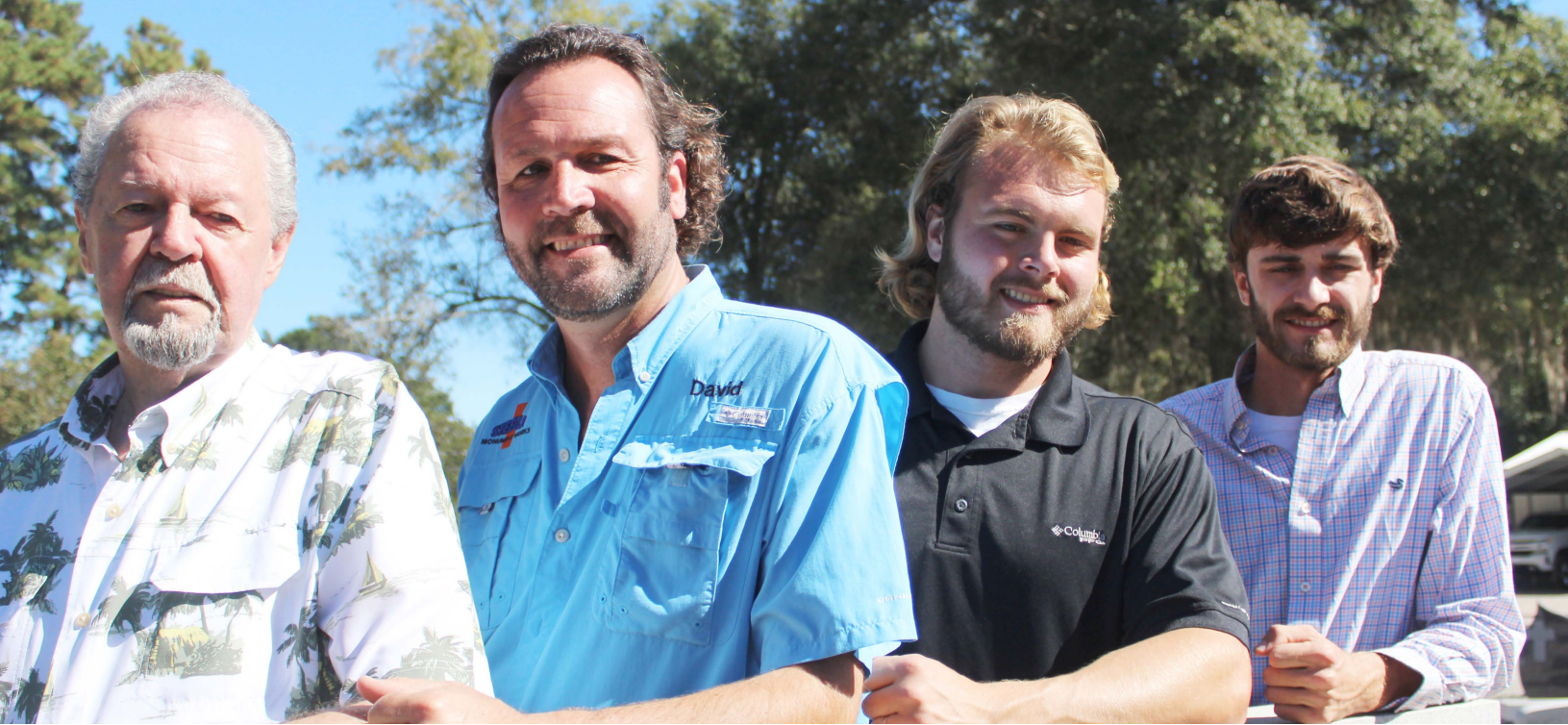
What keeps me going is knowing that my dad is looking down on me, smiling, and is proud of all my accomplishments. I strive to continue this hard work, learning, and growth to make my family proud. I look forward to what the rest of 2022 brings for the Walterboro community. Tik Tok @abbillowboutique, Facebook @abbillow, 244 E Washington St., 843-599-4990.



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STEEDLEY MONUMENT WORKS

Steedley Monument Works celebrates 55 years of service in Walterboro and surrounding areas in the Midlands, Lowcountry, and parts of Florida. The premier monument maker of the Lowcountry is a four-generation family-owned and operated business since 1968.

Wheeler Steedley, a local native, who started the company in February 1968. His son, Terry Steedley; his grandson, David W. Steedley, who is the current owner-manager. David hopes to pass the legacy down to his sons, Reese, Dawson, and Daniel, so the business continues to grow and flourish through future generations.

In the beginning, Wheeler Steedley worked and trained under another company in Bamberg, SC, and brought new knowledge to Walterboro to start his own business in 1968. Wheeler retired, and Terry took over the legacy of customizing monuments and burial headstones for the Lowcountry. Terry's son, David, has been working in the family business since he was 18 years old and has been carrying this company to new heights of success over the last three and half decades.

In those early days, there was only one small building, which has since expanded a few times. They used a flatbed truck to transport the granite from Winnsboro, SC as their original source of granite. To move the granite slabs from the truck to the shop, they would use a firehose in the sand to roll across the ground. Hand trucks would then move the slabs into the building. Once the slabs were inside, they used simple hoists and pulleys on a basic track system to move the heavy pieces from station to station within the shop.

In terms of the design process, all the designs were once all hand drawn. With technological advances, they transitioned from hand-drawn designs and templates to the computerized machine-cut version they use today. They were the first in South Carolina to use an effective CAD system (the first etching machine in the Lowcountry) to make that transition.

The granite is cut with laser precision from the core of the granite using an IBM track plotter. By today's standards, every process step is now more fully automated compared

to the days of long ago. However, there are still finishing touches that only a skilled hand can perform when they must take a hammer to stone, chisel cut, saw, and polish each finished piece.

On average, they currently cut three tractor-trailers full each month: two domesticated granite trailers and one imported granite trailer. In the 1990s, "Free Trade" opened imported sources as an option. The company produces thousands of stones each year. Currently, they serve over 80 funeral homes with gorgeous headstones, memorials, and markers custom-made for each family's lost loved one.

The heart of their business is manufacturing marble, granite, and bronze monuments. They also offer laser etching, benches, vases, markers, footstones, pet memorials, coping around cemetery lots, ledgers, cremation items, dedication memorials, porcelain photos, and on-site sandblasting. Staff will add death dates to existing monuments either in-house or on-site, clean and restore monuments, and help build cemeteries.

Both as a family and as a business, they have adapted to the changes that the funeral industry brings. What they offer is still viable, even for crematory stones. They strive to always give their valued customers quality work, personalized cremation products, and fair prices.

David and his wife Tani Steedley's admirable dedication to this community, expertise and strong work ethic are applied to every aspect of the business. This loving family business is well known for treating its customers with respect and honesty. This tradition will flourish through David's sons, Reese, Dawson and Daniel.

All of Steedley's monuments are produced in Walterboro at 288 Mt. Carmel Road, which offers indoor and outdoor showrooms.

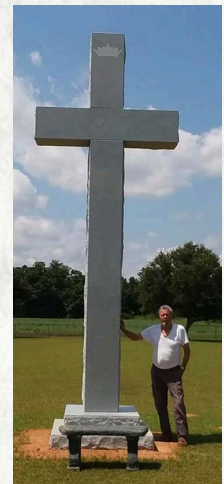
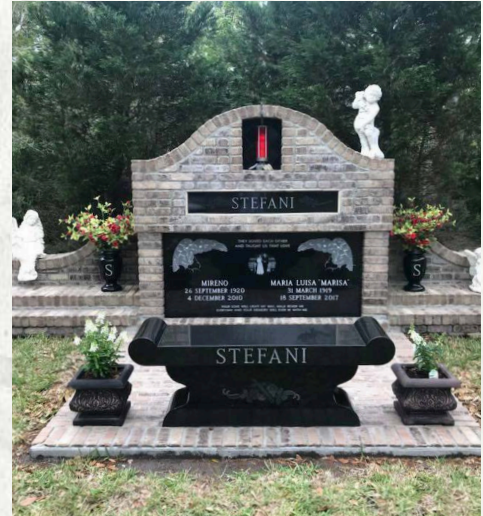
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Billy Hamilton, current owner-operator of Hamilton's, said his parents, Cecil and Ruby Hamilton, founded the business in 1947. The fine furnishings store was first located on Washington Street in the heart of downtown Walterboro.

Later in November 1965, the store moved to its current location on Bells Highway where it has remained ever since.

The store has undergone several steps of expansion to reach its current 21,000 sq. ft showroom floor capacity.

Hamilton's offers a wide variety of home and office furnishings. They also extend a full-service selection for custom blinds, rugs, and other interior design needs. Future plans are to continue to offer quality items and services at an affordable price for more generations to come. They are open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturdays from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., and closed on Sundays. For more information, please visit .hamiltonfurn@lowcountry.com.

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STATE FARM - KESIA L. BROWN

Kesia L. Brown is a resident of Walterboro and a University of Florida (B.S.) and Nova Southeastern graduate (MBA). She has two The American College of Financial Services designations, CLU® and ChFC®. She has been affiliated with State Farm for over 28 years in various positions such as Life/Health Underwriting, Life Management, Auto/Fire Claims, and Agency Field Management and currently, she is entering her thirteenth year as a State Farm agent. She enjoys growing with her community and looks forward to expanding into other community-focused areas.

Brown is a community philanthropist donating her time and resources to various organizations such as FoCCAS,

Habitat for Humanity, and various small, local business organizations. She currently serves on the Technical College of the Lowcountry Foundation Board and the Lowcountry Council of Governments Workforce Board of Directors. Over the years she has also given her time to the Walterboro Chamber of Commerce and Colleton County Arts Council, in addition to coaching middle school volleyball. She takes a special interest in the youth of Colleton County and offers a yearly student assistant position in her office to better prepare students for college and the workforce. For information email kesia@kesiainsures.com or call 843-549-1880, www.statefarm.com, 1551 Jefferies Highway.





WALTERBORO WILDLIFE CENTER SCOTT & SONYA GROOMS

Scott Grooms was born and raised in Walterboro, but upon graduating college his career took him away to other areas.

He graduated from John C. Calhoun Academy in 1981 and went to Spartanburg Methodist College, where he met the woman who now is his wife, Sonya on the first day.

Before graduating high school, Scott participated in band and in the Variety Series Shows.

Sonya grew up in Georgetown, S.C., and attended Winyah High School.

After graduating from Spartanburg, Scott attended Winthrop College, majoring in broadcast communications and drama.

Sonya went on to Coastal Carolina and after graduation, worked for a number of major hotels, including Hyatt, Weston, Hilton, and Marriott.

There were few opportunities for broadcasting in Walterboro at the time, so his career took him to other parts of the state. Scott worked for South Carolina ETV, WSAV, various radio stations such as River 98.7, WCHY Savannah, and KIX 96, among a few and finished his career as a broadcaster at The County Channel in Beaufort County as

station manager and engineer.

Scott and Sonya also work in live theatre around the country, producing, directing, and providing technical assistance to a number of venues and performing groups.

Scott and Sonya returned to the area in 2017, bought a house on the same street as his parent's house where he grew up and quickly blended back into the community.

Moving back to Walterboro was an easy decision, as the hectic lifestyle of where they were living was not what they were looking for in a hometown.

"We came back to town and got involved with some organizations: Rice Festival, Arts Council, the Colleton Civic Center, and really enjoyed being back in the community," Scott said. "After broadcasting came a new opportunity, when the role of Tourism and Downtown Development Director opened up for the City of Walterboro. This was a great opportunity, and with my background and knowledge of local history it is a great fit."

Scott and Sonya are grateful to be back in Walterboro and look forward to what is ahead for them. For more information call 843-782-1010, 100 S Jefferies Blvd., or Facebook @ walterborowildlifecenter



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SC ARTISANS CENTER DAVID SMALLS

There are some new faces at the South Carolina Artisans Center. One in particular is actually not new to the Center. David Smalls became the new Executive Director in 2021 but he was already very familiar with the Center. He once served on its board of directors and was the board chair for a couple of years. During those years, he was involved in a capital campaign and the construction of the addition of a new wing to one of the buildings on the Center's property. That building now houses the retail outlet for the handcrafted artwork of the more than 200 artists featured at the Center. These artists are located in 35 out of the state's 46 counties. Smalls is very excited to be affiliated with the Center again. After his board term ended, Smalls still was involved in the community and worked in executive level positions with various nonprofit organizations statewide and regionally but his heart was always with the South Carolina Artisans Center. So when the opportunity became available to come back to the Center, he was ready to take over as its leader.

The South Carolina Artisans Center will be celebrating their 30th anniversary in 2024 and Smalls sees that milestone as a way to showcase the incredible asset that the Center is to the state as well as a tourism and economic entity for Walterboro. It is the "Official Folk Art and Craft Center" for the state and at its core is the creation of economic activity for the artists and the community. Now at the Center, Smalls is intent on meeting the mission to ensure that the handcrafted artwork of the state's leading artists, which is inspired by tradition, is also protected and nurtured.

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I feel being a woman in business is a great honor and privilege as women have become more successful over the years. My advice to my fellow women in business is to set goals and stay focused on your dreams.

Perseverance, determination, and hard work do pay off. Our loyal customers and supporters have played an integral part in my success and kept us going for the past eight years. For information 874 Robertson Blvd., 843-782-4800.



JAUQUANTAE FILM + CO JAUQUANTAE JOHNSON



Jaquantaé first found his talent as a photographer when, as a model, he wondered what he could accomplish behind the scenes instead of front.

His first personal shoot was one he directed it from the very beginning --- which included being in charge of scenery, location, poses and style --- was one he really enjoyed.

His involvement furthered when he helped his local church, Faith Church, as it was raising money for Speed the Light, a youth organization and its project, helping with water wells across the world. He decided to take photos and donated 50% of the profit to the organization.

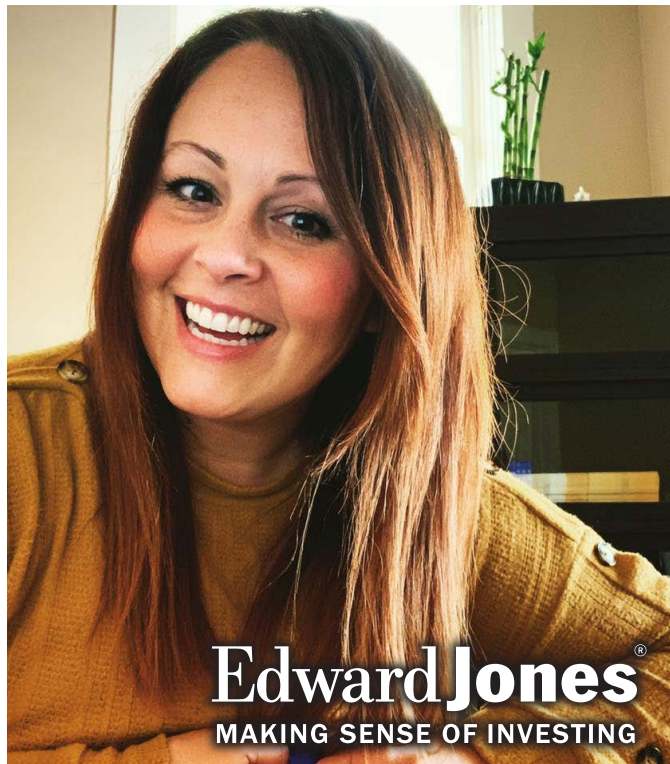
Once the fundraiser ended, he decided to continue to work in the profession, and began Jaquantaé Film+Co., at age 18.

On June 17, 2021, Jaquantaé began offering family, weddings and senior sessions from all over South Carolina. A year later he expanded to include videography services, including wedding videos, sports highlights, and business commercials.

Eventually, his long-term goal is to become a movie director.

Meantime, he strives to help anyone one looking to go into this field from his current location, his hometown, Walterboro. Jaquantaé Film + Co, 843-599-5261, Jaquantaeandco.com, or Facebook @ JaquantaeFilmandCo

EDWARD JONES LORANN COOK



"I just love meeting new people, hearing their individual stories and striving to understand fully their unique circumstances and backgrounds. Moving to Walterboro with Edward Jones 2 years ago has given me an incredible opportunity to do just that.

Being a James Island native and long-time resident in the Charleston community – the Lowcountry air is in my blood, and from the moment I moved here to Colleton County - I fell in love with the charm of this beautiful city. It reminds me of the allure of the Lowcountry from years past. And my family and I have truly been so warmly welcomed by so many kind-hearted people we now consider friends and neighbors.

I have been married to Jason – the kindest and most patient man – for 20 years, and our three children at home, Caleb (16), Elijah (13) and Meg (10) keep us very busy – especially with all of their CCSD activities! Go Cougars! Our oldest son Joshua (18) is experiencing his first year at The University of South Carolina, also my alma mater. Go Gamecocks!

It's important to me to try to have a genuine impact in the lives of others in my community. Through intentionally listening, compassionately caring and passionately serving – I desire to help every client reach and maintain any and all individual, business, and household financial goals and dreams. I consider my clients family and long to offer servant-hearted, personal guidance designed to benefit each individual for the long term.

My family and I have planted our roots for the future here. And we could not be more grateful and excited." For more information 304 S Jefferies Blvd, 843-549-9373. www.edwardjones.com

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CEASAR



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In 2016, Robin Harrison opened her doors to her real estate business, Carolina Homes & Land Realty, after the company she worked for as an assistant plant manager relocated to Chicago. Her real estate business has now grown to a team of seven agents.

Robin has loved people ever since she was a little girl and has contributed to her success in real estate by being a dedicated, ethical agent conducting business professionally. I have had several mentors with whom I have had the honor of working in real estate. "I am very thankful for the knowledge they shared with me," she said.

Harrison invites you to stop by the office to get assistance with your real estate needs!

"My motto is, 'The right agent makes all the difference,' and I strive to be the right agent for all of my real estate clients," Harrison said. For contact information 1229 Bells Highway, 843-539-4444. www.carolinahomesandlandrealty.net.

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CONSIGNMENT ENVY ANNETTE BRADLEY

Walterboro native Annette Davis Bradley and her husband, Mark Bradley, know how to get their envy on! The Bradleys have 15,000 square feet of retail space combined with three locations within city limits. Consignment Envy, Downtown Envy, and Estate Envy have over 2500 consigners and all three locations provide the opportunity for others to sell their items.

Consignment Envy is the first location that opened eight years ago at 813 Bells Highway. It is an upscale thrift and consignment store and has a variety of antiques, collectibles, and vintage items. They specialize selling and reselling consignment, vintage, and antique markets as well as estate liquidation.

The Bradleys' always have the community in their hearts and minds, a legacy that has been passed down from Annette's father, Glover Davis. Annette shared a story about her father, a Walterboro native, who was also a small business owner and a staple in the community. Davis, the father of nine children, was a shoe cobbler by trade.

Davis opened his first shop in the 1960s in Holly Hill. During the 1960s, segregation was still very much a sign of the times. When Annette's father was handed the keys to take over the building for his first shop in Holly Hill, the first thing he did was remove the two signs that designated the two entrances by race and permanently closed off the second entrance. He then hung a large sign over the register behind the counter that said, "First come, first serve" because he wanted to show that everyone was welcome equally.

He later went on to own Davis Shoe Store, the Western Store, and Shoe Land in Walterboro. Annette's father and two of her brothers became master cobblers over the years. Downtown, the building on the right was the men's department the one in the middle was the shoe repair, and then the one on the left was a shoe shop. In the front were all used shoes and in the back were women's new shoes.

Regularly, Davis would drive to North Carolina in his covered pickup truck to buy a truckload of used or discarded shoes to bring to the shoe shop. During the year he and the boys would repair those shoes. They would replace the heels, sew the splits on the sides, and polish them up to resell. Then every year, before Christmas, Davis drove to Florida to purchase a truckload of oranges. Upon returning, he gave every child he saw a pair of shoes and an orange for Christmas.

The Bradleys keep this same giving spirit alive by giving and to give back to the community. The Bradleys sponsor quarterly sidewalk sales at Consignment Envy where all the proceeds are donated to charitable causes and organizations. The next sidewalk sale is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 4.

Annette went on to say, "I never really thought about the impact it would make on the people that I have bringing things in. Honestly, I just thought that was a great way to get rid of stuff. Before, I think we didn't really understand the impact that it makes. But it does make a big difference in a lot of people's lives."



Annette Davis Bradley said, "I've got my envy on!" and she wants everyone to "Get your envy on now!" Shoppers are encouraged to "Buy now, or cry later."

For more information call, email or visit any of the three locations in Walterboro.

For the Consignment Envy location call 843-782-5000 or email consignmentenvy@yahoo.com. Located at 813 Bells Highway. Facebook @ [consignmentenvy](https://www.facebook.com/consignmentenvy)

For the Estate Envy location call 843-782-5757. Located at 367 Washington Street.

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BLOOMING INNOVATIONS CLAYSO WRICE



There is a new florist located in downtown Walterboro. This is a joint father-and-daughter venture between Clayso Wrice and Kar'e Wrice-Stewart. This new business is called Blooming Innovations 2, which is an extension of Wrice's original shop.

Wrice's inspiration first started at Margaret's Florist in Walterboro. Ruthie Readon was the owner and introduced Wrice to the world of floral design. He started as a helper within the shop and, over time, developed his new interests and talents into something more, paired with his experience as an art minor, and eventually opened his own shop, Blooming Innovations.

Now Wrice is ready to pass his talent and skills, along with his legacy to his daughter, Kar'e. The duo has paired to bring inspirational beautiful floral designs to Walterboro and the surrounding communities. Each floral piece is designed by hand and comes from the heart. They are also a member of the National Flower Network.

The grand opening is this Saturday Nov.5 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Everyone is invited to visit and join in the celebration. There will be door prizes, floral demonstrations, and hot dogs for all those who attend.

Blooming Innovations 2 is located at 362 Washington Street in downtown Walterboro8. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

For more information, please call 843-592-0548 or visit www.bloominginnovationsflorist.com.

CEDAR HOUSE SPA CRYSTAL HARTZOG



The Cedar House Spa (CHS) in St. George is owned and operated by Crystal Hartzog. The business brings a vast array of services to the town and surrounding communities from styling hair and nails to giving massages and so much more. Hartzog also has a passion from the heart and helps Lowcountry locals follow their dreams while working in sync with other businesses.

Hartzog has known since she was the young age of 15 that she wanted to work with hair for a living. Following her dreams, she attended the Cosmetology School at Dorchester County Career School while in grade 11.

In 2003 Hartzog wanted to bring her talents to her hometown in St. George to serve her community.

In 2017 another opportunity presented itself through a friend that had a larger space available for rent. This new space enabled more expansion and growth. Hartzog shared how it was scary for her, but she decided to make the move to 903 Dukes Street. She ended up purchasing the building in 2018 and named it Westbrook Wellness Center. Her salon expanded from four stylists to six, along with one massage therapist and an esthetician.

Over the next few years, Hartzog and her team were able to continue to grow while branching out their services. Other small businesses such as Foundation Family Chiropractics, Evertan, Nubeginnings Nutrition, Dukes Street Barber, and JAG Medical joined in.

Hartzog said, "My purpose in life is to help people. It gives me so much joy by making other people happy. I love to see the smile on a guest's face after they receive the hairstyle they want." She said, "Cedar House Spa offers services for nails, pedicures, all things hair, and hair extensions. We have a curly hair specialist, massage, prenatal massage, facials, hydra facials, brown tinting, waxing, lamination, lash extensions, and tinting. In 2023, we will be offering a new service to the east coast called Zero Gravity Pedicures. Stay tuned."

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