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Band Classic Marches Forward for the 46th Year

By Scott Green

The 2023 Waltherboro Band Classic was held at Conger Stadium on Saturday, September 30. The results are beautiful and bands took home 250 trophies. The Band of Blue Boosters Club hosted vintage bands at the event that has been held for 46 years at Colleton County High School. The band classic is one of the largest and longest running events of its kind in South Carolina. The band classic is a competition with Hartwood High School placing 1st in Division 1, and Effingham County placed 1st in Division 2. The night was capped off with a performance of "HOMEBODY'S LIT" by the Band of Blue, the production took the audience on a journey through the music of Steve Wonder. In one other award Effingham County took home the 2023 Waltherboro Band Classic Grand Champion William T. Young True Blue Award. For more information visit thisismycommunity.com

Children's Theatre has Successful Return

By Scott Green

The Colleton County Children's Theatre returned to the stage at the Civic Center's Hampton Street Auditorium. After a 4-year hiatus, "The Enchanted Bookshop Musical" brought literary characters to life for the audience on the historic building's stage. The production was the bookshop's return to the stage. The musical was a success, with the financial aid from the community.

Defense Requests U.S. Government to take Control of Murdaugh Assets

By Scott Green

The defense asked the receivers for \$100,000 in legal fees related to Murdaugh's appeal to the state supreme court. The defense also requested the receivers to take control of the assets which would allow them to pay the receivership which they currently reside and place them in the custody of the U.S. government. Court documents filed by the defense say the receivers have \$25.2M in assets. At a May hearing in Lexington County, the defense requested the receivers to take control of the assets for the purpose of the receivership and give Murdaugh professional treatment over other victims who will make claims for the assets. In preparing to distribute funds, the defense says a "trust agreement" has been requested. The government would perform an accounting of the funds that have been distributed and facilitate the distribution of funds to the heirs. Court documents may "post of claim" for that purpose be submitted by Oct. 26. For more information visit www.wccourts.gov

SPOTLIGHT HERMAN BRIGHT

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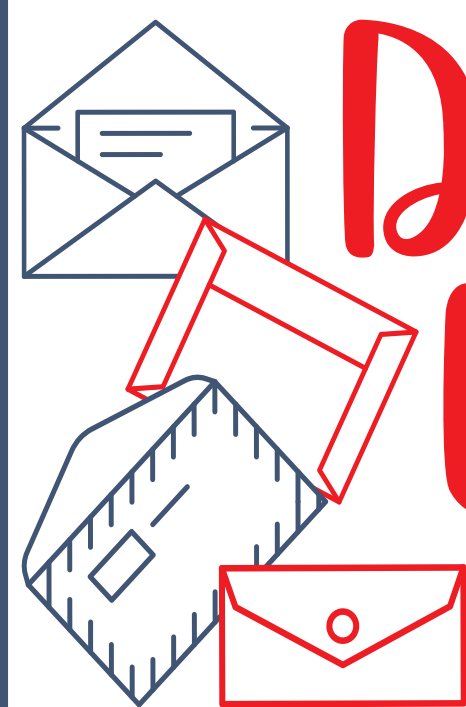
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