Area Events

Piecemakers Quilt Guild meets second Monday

Piecemakers Quilt Guild meets the second Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at Heath Springs Baptist Church. The group welcomes anyone with an interest in making quilts. The next meeting is Aug. 13. For details, call (704) 282-7399.

Blood Drive

Give blood and help save local lives! Donate blood with Community Blood Center of the Carolinas. Call 1-888-59-BLOOD or visit www.cbcc.us to make an appointment at any location.

More public drives can be found at Community Blood Center of the Carolinas' website www.cbcc.us. CBCC has donation centers in Charlotte, Concord, Gastonia, Hickory, and Greensboro (http://www.cbcc.us/about/donor-center-hours.php for center hours).

Lancaster
September 02, 2018
RedStone 14
9650 RedStone Drive
Fort Mill, SC 29707
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Free ticket voucher for donors!

September 27, 2018
Edgewater Corporate Center
3023 HSBC Way
Fort Mill, SC 29707
12:00 PM - 3:00 PMAugust 22, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. – 2: 00 p.m. at the Lancaster County Airport located at 286 Aviation Blvd, Lancaster, SC 29720.

Buffalo Baptist Church 6390 Lockhart Road, Kershaw SC will hold a Fall Revival on September 9-13. Speakers are:

Sunday at 10:30 AM and 6PM- Rev. Stacey Hinson
Monday and Tuesday at 7PM- Rev. Trent McLaughlin
Wednesday and Thursday at 7PM- Preacher Cotton Pate
A nursery will be provided at each service.
Come and bring a friend.

September Kershaw County Library Events

Camden
Wednesday, September 12
3:30 PM - 5 PM
Legomania! Bring your master builder for Lego play with friends. For kids of all ages.

Wednesday, September 12
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM
Knit Night: Join knitters and other yarn and fiber artists at Knit Night at the Library. Work on your project while enjoying the company of others. Pearl Nester, avid knitter and art quilter, lends her knowledge to the group. All levels are welcome from beginners to experts.

Friday, September 14
12 PM – 1 PM
Brown Bag, Business Book: Join other area professionals for a book club just for you! Bring your lunch to the library for conversation about terrific books on topics that will help you grow in work and life. Professional development couldn't be any easier or more fun! This month's read is Multipliers: How the Best Leaders Make Everyone Smarter by Liz Wiseman.

Friday, September 14
2:30 PM – 4 PM
Introduction to Computers: Learn the parts of the computer and how to use a mouse. This class is for those who have never used a computer before. Class limited to first ten individuals, however, additional students may sit in on the class without hands-on use of the computer.

Saturday, September 15
11 AM - 1 PM
Superhero Training Academy: Your mission: to complete a series of challenges to become an official member of the Justice League. Choose your superhero identity, test your x-ray vision, build mighty muscles, strike out the villain, and more. Kershaw County needs your superhero powers; will you answer the call?

Wednesday, September 19
3:30 PM – 5 PM
Cool Chess: Come to learn and play chess. All ages are welcome.

Wednesday, September 19
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM
Camden Book Club: Join us for a great read and a book discussion! This month we are reading A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles. New members are always welcomed!

Thursday, September 20
2:30 PM – 4:30 PM
Computer Lab: The Computer Lab is time for staff to assist you with the use of research tools, online job applications, and selected programs. Staff may also assist with most laptops, tablets, and smart phones using downloadable materials from Jasmine and Hoopla. Please bring your device with you.

Saturday, September 22
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM
Space Rock Sherlock: Can you find the space rocks in a collection of rocks? Be a super sleuth and find the genuine space rocks. Ages 8 and up.

Monday, September 24
6:30 PM – 7:45 PM
Cool Cat's Awesome Life: That cool cat is you! And your awesome life starts as soon as you say "Let's go!" Once a month, join us for some tips on how to get going. We're going to start by writing your resume, looking at jobs and knowing what to do when you get one. Refreshments will be served. For ages 15 and older.

Tuesday, September 25
10:30 AM – 12 NOON
Internet Explorer 11: Learn about a browser, search engines, and basic online safety. Class limited to first ten individuals, however, additional students may sit in on the class without hands-on use of the computer.

Wednesday, September 26
3:30 PM - 5 PM
Legomania! Bring your master builder for Lego play with friends. For kids of all ages.

Thursday, September 27
6:00 PM – 7:30 PM
Medicare 101: Approximately 59 million Americans depend on Medicare as their primary insurance provider. What do we do when we realize we need it? This workshop is an overview of Medicare. We will learn the basics about Medicare and how and what Medicare covers for the beneficiary. Tanieka M. Ward-Akabane of Medical Services of America (MSA) Hospice guides and informs us.

Bethune
Thursday, September 6
4 PM – 5:30 PM
Legomania! Bring your master builder for Lego play with friends. For kids of all ages.
Thursday, September 13
4 PM – 5:30 PM
Bethune Builders: What can you create with Keva Planks? Join us in designing and building our creations with Keva Planks. For kids ages 3 and up.
Tuesday, September 18
7 PM – 8:30 PM
Casual Yarn: Inviting local yarn enthusiasts, knitters and crocheters to bring their current projects to meet and socialize with like-minded crafters. All levels are welcome from beginners to experts. This is not a class; however, some basic help may be available from other group members in attendance.
Wednesday, September 19
1:30 PM – 3 PM
Movie Break! Come join us as we meet Mrs. Whatsit, Mrs. Who, and Mrs. Which and learn what exactly a tesseract is while watching A Wrinkle in Time (PG).
Thursday, September 20
7 PM – 7:30 PM
PJ Stories: Put on your PJs, bring your favorite teddy or doll and join us for bedtime stories and fun. For all ages.

Elgin
Friday, September 14
4 PM – 5 PM
Furry Tails with Sneezy: Come read to Sneezy the kitty! Sneezy is a one-eyed, laid back kitty who loves to listen to stories, so come read to him.
Saturday, September 15
10:30 AM – 1:30 PM
Caturday Saturday: Adopt-a-Cat! Thinking of getting a cat? The Cat Around Town Project will be here to answer questions and they will be bringing cats and kittens available for adoption! *adoption fee is required*
Thursday, September 27
6:30 PM – 7 PM
PJ Stories: Put on your PJs, bring your favorite teddy or doll and join us for bedtime stories and fun. For all ages.
Friday, September 28
4 PM – 5 PM
Coping with Holiday Stress: On "Peace Day," come learn how to stress less! Do you dread the holiday season? Don't let it catch you unprepared. Join Julie Trott of MSA as she shares tips and tricks for making the holiday season much more relaxing.

Revival

Oak Ridge Baptist Church

September 16th-19th

10:45 am -- Sunday, September 16th – HartStrings in Concert

6:00 pm – Sunday , September 16th -- King"s Kids

7:00 pm – Monday, September 17th – Buffalo Church Choir

7:00 pm – Tuesday, September 18th – Oak Ridge Church Choir (sister church)

7:00 pm – Wednesday,September 19th -- Abney & Providence Church choirs

Pray that each heart will be touched and our church will be revived and many souls will be saved

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that extra runoff has nowhere to go."

First, make sure that all inlets and outlets, which control flow moving into the pond and flow moving out, are clear of vegetation, sentiment or debris that could block flow into and out of the pond.

"That's probably the number one thing they can do," Wallover said.

Next, community residents should ensure that storm drains and ditches around neighborhoods are clear to allow water to flow smoothly to the stormwater pond designed to receive it.

"Often during dry weather, storm drains can get blocked with leaves and lawn debris, or sometimes people dump things down there that they are not supposed to," Scaroni said. "When a big rainstorm comes you want the water to smoothly flow into the storm drain. If they are blocked, you could end up with localized flooding on your streets and throughout the neighborhood. And the same thing with ditches, which can fill in with sediment and vegetation and may have less capacity to channel water downstream than they are designed for."

Flooding near neighborhood
Numerous neighborhood lakes and retention ponds in South Carolina broke during flooding in October 2015, resulting in widespread property loss.
Image Credit: Clemson University Relations
Some large stormwater ponds or reservoirs, particularly ones in inland locations off the coast, have dams that are regulated by the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC). Pond owners who are unsure what actions to take to ensure their dam is safe should contact the DHEC Dams and Reservoirs Safety Program with questions.

Extension agents also advise that residents preparing for a large storm take the proactive step of bagging any yard waste and debris around their properties to prevent them being carried by the storm water directly down the storm drain.

"A lot of our ponds performed pretty well in the past few storms, but I've seen situations where people who have put wood up in front of their pond's outlet to create a higher pond level, or that they've been dumping down the drain and it has inhibited flow," Wallover said. "So if there was a hurricane on top of those situations, it can really cause a lot of damage in the community."

Scaroni added: "Sometimes when people block flow out of a pond to raise the water level, they tend to do that because they don't like the look of a pond where the water level is low and you just see dirt below the pond bank. But that isn't advisable in the event of a major storm."

Local Red Cross Preparing for Hurricane Florence Residents and Visitors Should Prepare

(Sept. 10, 2018 – CHARLOTTE, N.C.) – Volunteers and supplies have been mobilized as the American Red Cross works around the clock to prepare for the impact of Hurricane Florence. Additional volunteers are on standby for further deployment to support the coast of North Carolina, and many are on stand-by to respond within the Greater Carolinas region, which covers from Alamance County west to the state line.

Additional shelter and kitchen support trailers, meals, and clean up kits are en route.

"Hurricanes cause problems for people in coastal areas but these dangerous storms can also cause damage hundreds of miles inland as well," said Angela A. Broome Powley, regional executive officer, American Red Cross Greater Carolinas Region. "We encourage our neighbors not to wait, but to prepare and be weather aware."
WHAT YOU SHOULD DO
Build an emergency kit with a gallon of water per person, per day (recommended 3 days), non-perishable food, a flashlight, battery-powered radio, first aid kit, medications, supplies for an infant if applicable, a multi-purpose tool, personal hygiene items, copies of important papers, cell phone chargers, extra cash, blankets, maps of the area and emergency contact information. Many of these items are available through the Red Cross Store at redcrossstore.org.
Talk with household members and create an evacuation plan. Practicing the plan minimizes confusion and fear during the event.
Have a communication plan. Identify someone outside the impacted area to call to check-in or leave messages.
Be informed. Listen to your local weather channel or follow NOAA weather reports. Learn about the community's hurricane response plan. Plan routes to local shelters, register family members with special medical needs as required and make plans for pets.
Download the free Red Cross Emergency App to set severe weather and emergency alerts on a mobile device. The content includes expert guidance on what to do before, during and after different emergencies or disasters from home fires to hurricanes. The app can be found in smartphone app stores by searching for American Red Cross, texting 'EMERGENCY' to 90999, or by going to redcross.org/apps.

If you already have an emergency kit, now is the time make sure the food and water is still okay to consume and that copies of important documents are up to date. If you already have an emergency plan for your household, talk about it again with family members, so everyone knows what to do if an emergency occurs.

"We're thankful for the dedication of volunteers who are willing to help those in need," said Broome Powley. "If you would like to volunteer with the Red Cross, visit redcross.org/volunteer to learn more about the many volunteer opportunities and how to submit a volunteer application. This would allow you to not only help on large disasters like Hurricane Florence, but also when smaller disasters like home fires happen in our community".

HOW YOU CAN HELP
DONATE: We know Americans are generous and want to do everything they can to help after a disaster. Unfortunately, collecting and sending food, clothing and other household items often does more harm than good. It takes time and money to store, sort, clean and distribute donated items, which diverts limited time and resources away from helping those most affected. Instead, the best way to support disaster victims is with a financial donation.

The Red Cross depends on financial donations to be able to provide disaster relief immediately. Help people affected by disasters large and small by visiting redcross.org, calling 1- 800-RED CROSS or texting "RED CROSS" to 90999 to make a $10 donation.

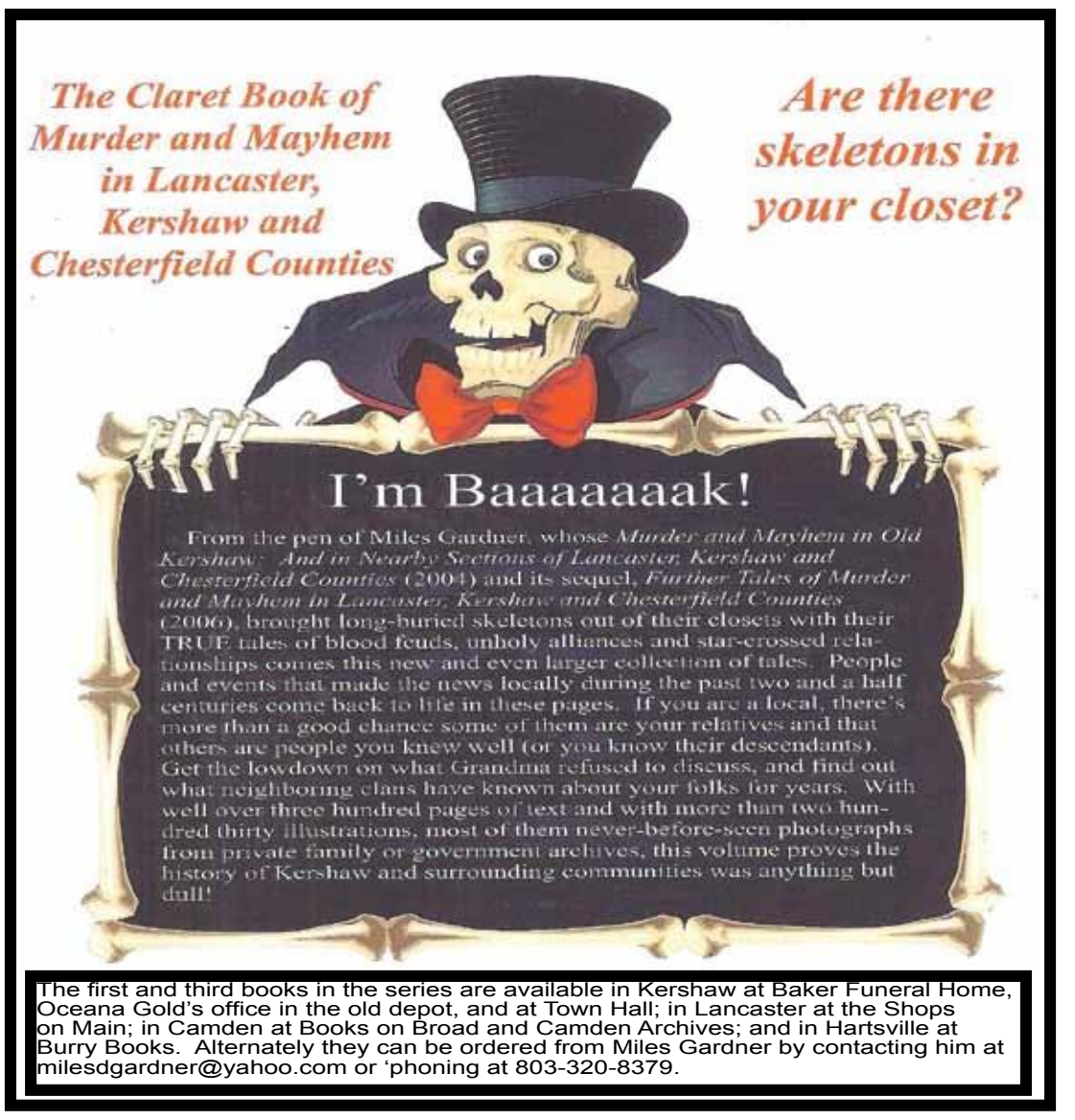
VOLUNTEER: Visit redcross.org/volunteer to learn about volunteer opportunities near you and to begin the process now.

GIVE BLOOD: Visit redcrossblood.org to find a blood drive or collection location near you. Every 2 seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood. It is important that the Red Cross has a sufficient blood supply on hand to meet the needs of patients every day and be prepared for emergencies of all types, including those that can disrupt blood drives or require blood or platelet transfusions.
Natural disasters, such as flooding and hurricanes can make road travel hazardous, preventing blood and platelet donors from giving and resulting in blood drive cancellations.
Blood can take up to three days to be tested, processed and made available for patients, so it's the blood already on the shelves that helps save lives in an emergency. Unlike many other lifesaving medical treatments, blood donations cannot be stockpiled. Red blood cells have a shelf-life of only 42 days and platelets just five days.

About the American Red Cross:
The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or cruzrojaamericana.org, or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross.

Lancaster County Garbage Operations during Hurricane Florence

Just wrapped up the 3:00 meeting at the EOC. Based on weather forecasts we are opening the recycling sites on Wednesday, a day we are normally closed, to give everyone a chance to dispose of garbage before the storm. The tropical force winds are due to hit Thursday afternoon and it would be unsafe to run the trucks to the landfill that evening and on Friday. Operations on Saturday will depend on the weather.



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