# 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.

#### **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

Have a communication plan. Identify someone outside the impacted area to call to checkin 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

#### 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

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

make plans for pets. Download the free Red Cross Emergency App to set severe weather and emergency alerts after different emergencies or disasters from home fires to hurricanes. The app can be GIVE found in smartphone app stores by searching for American Red Cross, texting 'EMERGENCY'

If you already have an to meet the needs of patients emergency kit, now is the time every day and be prepared make sure the food and water is for emergencies of all types, still okay to consume and that copies of important documents blood drives or require blood or are up to date. If you already platelet transfusions. have an emergency plan for Natural disasters, such as your household, talk about it flooding and hurricanes can everyone knows what to do if an emergency occurs.

to 90999, or by going to redcross.

org/apps.

'We're thankful for the 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 a volunteer application. This would allow you to not only help five days. 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 blood; teaches skills that save everything they can to help lives; provides international after a disaster. Unfortunately, humanitarian aid; and supports collecting and sending food, clothing and other household families. The Red Cross is items often does more harm than a not-for-profit organization good. It takes time and money to that depends on volunteers store, sort, clean and distribute and the generosity of the donated items, which diverts American public to perform its limited time and resources mission. For more information, away from helping those most please visit redcross.org or affected. Instead, the best way to cruzrojaamericana.org, or visit support disaster victims is with a us on Twitter at @RedCross. financial donation.

The Red Cross depends on financial donations to be able to provide disaster relief immediately. Help

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

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

family members with special affected by disasters large and medical needs as required and small by visiting redcross.org, calling 1- 800-RED CROSS or

on a mobile device. The content VOLUNTEER: Visit redcross. includes expert guidance on org/volunteer to learn about what to do before, during and volunteer opportunities near you and to begin the process now.

> 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 including those that can disrupt

again with family members, so make road travel hazardous, preventing blood and platelet donors from giving and resulting in blood drive cancellations. Blood can take up to three days

dedication of volunteers who are 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, donations cannot be stockpiled. opportunities and how to submit Red blood cells have a shelf-life of only 42 days and platelets just

> 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 military members and their

the beneficiary. Tanieka M. Ward-Akabane of Medical Services of America (MSA) Hospice guides and informs

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 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 attendancė.

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 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.

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. read to nim.
Saturday, September 15
10:30 AM – 1:30 PM
Caturday Saturday: Adopta-Cat! Thinking of getting
a cat? The Cat Around
Town Project will be here to
answer questions and they
will be bringing cats and 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 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 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>

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

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

7:00 pm - Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> - Buffalo Church Choir

7:00 pm - Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> - Oak Ridge Church Choir (sister church)

7:00 pm - Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> -- Abney & Providence

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

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### **Hurricare Prepare**

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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

**Lancaster County** 

**Garbage Operations during** 

Hurricane Florence

Just wrapped up the 3:00 meeting at the

a day we are normally closed, to give

are due to hit Thursday afternoon and

it would be unsafe to run the trucks to

the landfill that evening and on Friday.

weather.

EOC. Based on weather forecasts we are

opening the recycling sites on Wednesday,

everyone a chance to dispose of garbage

before the storm. The tropical force winds

Operations on Saturday will depend on the

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

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."

