



SPRING RECITAL — The Laurens County Academy of Music at Presbyterian College held three spring semester recitals May 3-4. Over 45 students, ages six through adult, performed on piano, violin, viola, cello, guitar, flute, French horn, percussion, and voice. For more information, see the website at www.presby.edu/music/academy, or contact Tacy Fleury at tgfleury@presby.edu or 864-833-7144. Those pictured are Ray Sizemore, flute, Paige Trent, piano, and the LCAM percussion ensemble with instructor Matthew Jones.



LCSO 55 announces '19-'20 Teachers of the Year

The Teacher of the Year program recognizes outstanding educators for the significant contributions they make to their school, students, and district. These individuals carry out the Laurens County School District 55 (LCSO 55) mission statement of empowering and inspiring all to be educated and informed. All of the Teacher of the Year selectees demonstrate a willingness to devote their time and energy to activities that result in improved instruction for students. Please join LCSO 55 in congratulating these individuals for their selection as Teachers of the Year for their schools:

Borden
 Laurens Elementary School: Savannah Campbell
 Waterloo Elementary School: Gerri McConnell
 Gray Court-Owings School: Amber Theus
 Hickory Tavern School: Missy Turner
 Laurens Middle School: Nicole Andrews
 Sanders Middle School: Tera Kennedy
 Laurens District High School: Michelle Gibbs
 The LCSO 55 2019 - 2020 Employee Recognition Banquet will honor these nine individuals as well as announce the District Teacher of the Year on Thursday, May 30.

The dos and don'ts of feeding pets people food

When a pet is begging for food, it is sometimes hard to resist giving them a little taste of your meal. Before you do this, though, it is important to know which foods are OK to give as treats and which can cause serious health concerns.

Kaitlyn Upton, a veterinary student at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, discusses some common human foods that are either safe or toxic to pets.

Though pets of all kinds are known to beg, dogs tend to do so most often. There are several human foods that can be given to dogs occasionally.

"Lean meats can be a great treat if you want your dog to feel a little bit of extra love," Upton said. "You can easily add them in to one of your pet's meals — just avoid fatty pieces or meat with lots of spices or seasoning."

Meats with high fat content can cause stomach upset, including vomiting and diarrhea. It is also best to avoid seasoned meats that may contain high levels of sodium or toxic seasonings such as onion. Pets should also never be fed bones, which are a serious choking hazard.

Raw vegetables such as green beans and carrots also make great treats for dogs; green beans can be great for training because of their low calorie content, and carrots can help with teeth cleaning.

Upton also recommended occasionally adding canned pumpkin to meals to increase a dog's fiber intake, which can help with weight loss. Like meats, these vegetables should not have any extra flavorings or seasonings.

While there are several human foods that are safe for dogs, there are also many that can cause serious health problems. The most well-known of these dangerous foods is chocolate.

"In addition to potentially harmful levels of caffeine, chocolate contains

a compound called theobromine, which is toxic to dogs," Upton said, adding that dark and pure baker's chocolate contain the highest amounts of theobromine, but all types of chocolate should be kept away from dogs.

Upton also said to avoid feeding dogs grapes and raisins, which can cause kidney failure, or plants from the onion family, which can damage red blood cells.

"Most people do not try to feed their dogs whole onions or garlic cloves," she said. "However, it is easy to forget that we often use garlic and onion salts on our meats or when cooking vegetables."

All of these toxic foods have the same effects on cats as they do on dogs, though Upton said garlic can be even more harmful to our feline friends.

Cats can also be given the same human food treats as dogs, but because of their carnivorous diet they should not be given too many vegetables.

She advises keeping toxic foods out of the reach of pets and being aware of the types of seasonings you use when cooking.

Symptoms from eating toxic foods can take up to a day to develop and may not be noticed right away. The most common symptoms are vomiting, diarrhea, weakness, and seizures.

It is helpful to keep a phone number for an animal poison control center or emergency veterinary clinic in an easily accessible location. The ASPCA poison control line is open 24 hours every day at 888-426-4435.

Upton says pets should generally keep a consistent diet to avoid any gastrointestinal tract issues, and any major food changes should be done gradually and discussed with a veterinarian.

Pet Talk is a service of the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University. Stories can be viewed on the web at vetmed.tamu.edu/pet-talk.

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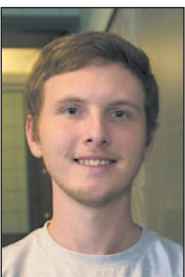
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Presbyterian College students, professor receive NASA Awards

Three Presbyterian College students and one professor received NASA awards at the recent NASA South Carolina Space Grant Consortium. The three awards by the PC students were the most by any college or university in the state.

"I feel very blessed to have received the research fellowship award with NASA," Briana Cody, a senior from Enoree, said. "It is amazing that I'll be able to do research over the coming school year."



Clay Wright

Cody and fellow students Preston Robinette of Maryville, Tenn., and Clay Wright of Clinton, are eligible to receive a

stipend from NASA worth \$6,000 each. They can use the stipend for expenses related to research to be conducted during the 2019-2020 school year.

"Performing research for NASA is an absolutely amazing opportunity," Robinette said. "I would not be in this position without the aid of my research advisor, Dr. Eli Owens, who works relentlessly with other PC faculty to make these opportunities a reality."

PC physics professor Dr. James Wanliss also received a research award at the competition. The S.C. Space Grant Consortium Office selected Wanliss's proposal, "Field Line Resonances in a Stretched Magnetotail."

"I'm grateful for the ability to make a serious scholarly contribution and to work with talented student researchers," Wanliss said.

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