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Tricia Nicholson of Savannah Lakes Village captured this photo after the dusting of snow over the weekend. Snow started falling Friday night and most of it melted during the day Saturday. Folks of all ages enjoyed the winter wonderland.



Aziraphale the cat ventures outdoors to investigate after awaking to find the yard mysteriously covered in a cold, white substance. -Joey White photo

In Brief

Democratic Party

Tuesday, Feb. 1, the McCormick County Democratic Party will be meeting at 5:30 p.m. at the McCormick Library. Please contact Chair Alonzo Harrison, 864-602-0381, for further information.

Anniversary of Massacre

Friends will gather in Troy at Lower Long Cane ARP Church at 2 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 6, for the 262nd Anniversary of Long Cane Massacre. Eric Williams will present his new painting of Patrick Calhoun and unveil an Interpretive Wayside Marker. Chip Tinsley of Greenwood Historical Society will speak on the importance of the massacre in local history and its place in South Carolina.

Contact Jenny Hagan Kelly at 864-379-2753 for more information.

Fundraiser

TFC Cafe, 1319 South Main Street, McCormick, will host a Valentine's fundraiser on Feb. 11 at 7 p.m. Enjoy dinner with a performance by Elvis impersonator, Jacob Eder.

The menu includes baked chicken, broccoli casserole, green beans with potatoes, rice with gravy, side salad, roll, red velvet cake and drink. Singles \$20, couples \$35.

Please call 864-852-3755 for reservations.

All proceeds will benefit Meals on Wheels.

Exhibit

The Aiken County Library is hosting a baseball exhibit on the Negro Leagues and Black Baseball History featuring Jackie Robinson, Larry Doby, Don Newcombe, Monte Irvin, Buck O'Neil, Satchel Paige, Josh Gibson and many others.

The memorabilia is provided by baseball historians Lamar Garrard and Milledge Murray.

Health Screening Events

Self Regional Healthcare's Full Circle Care Clinic and Community Prevention and Wellness will host community preventative health screening events on the following date:

Sunday, Feb. 20, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at Shiloh AME Church, 405 SC Highway 10, McCormick.

This event is open to the public. Health education, preventative screenings, assistance with MyChart Activation and Telehealth appointments will be offered.

Alicia Harrison recognized by DAR Long Cane Chapter

By Bob Stockton

The Long Cane Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution presented McCormick High School senior Alicia Harrison with its Good Citizen Award.

The DAR Good Citizens program encourages and rewards qualities of good citizenship, emphasizing dependability, service, leadership and patriotism.

Harrison, a member of the National Honor Society and Beta Club, is an intern who contributes sports articles about the McCormick Chiefs to the *McCormick Messenger*. She initiated a Chiefs Media and Broadcast Club at McCormick High School. Harrison participates with the Girl Scouts and attends the Missionary Baptist Church.

"The Long Cane Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is proud to have Alicia Harrison as our 2022 award recipient," said Paula Goldman, chair of the chapter's Good Citizen Committee.



Alicia Harrison (center) was honored with the Long Cane Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award. Chapter Regent Paula Palaima (left) and Paula Goldman congratulate Harrison.

McCormick Town Council recognizes maintenance employee Johnny Moore

Upon calling the meeting to order for Jan. 11, Mayor Roy Smith Jr. recognized town maintenance employee Johnny Moore. Moore has been employed with the town for almost seven years. Mayor Smith asked Moore to come forward, after which Moore was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for his service.

"I feel when someone does a good job, they need to be commended for it; we have a gentleman here who has been with the town for quite a while and has done an outstanding job. You may see him picking up litter, emptying trash containers, putting up Christmas decorations, setting up the sound system for the Chamber, assisting the MACK with various tasks and much more. Johnny is always busy in making the town a better place. He always does a good job, and we appreciate him for that," Mayor Smith said.

Mayor Smith recognized January as School Choice Week by Proclamation.

In other business:

- The minutes, bills and financial statement for the month of December were all approved.

- The American Rescue Plan Funding FY 21/22 budget was approved for first reading by Council.

- Council approved the police, fire, clerk/treasurer and deputy clerk/treasurer's

reports.

Under new business, Council was reminded to file their annual Statement of Economic Interest forms by noon on March

30.

Town Clerk/Treasurer Sandra McKinney gave a report on contracts for 2021.

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Mayor Roy Smith Jr. (left) recognized town maintenance employee Johnny Moore with a Certificate of Appreciation during the regular town council meeting on Jan. 11. Moore has been employed with the town for almost seven years.