

Kershaw THE NEWS-ERA ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



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AJ VS BUFORD SOFTBALL
AJ #29 Makenzie Avant pitching for The Lady Vols.....AJ girls lost 0-5

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Town of Kershaw South Carolina March Council Meeting Recap

Here's a recap of items discussed at the regular Council meeting held March 16:

• Lancaster County's Parks & Recreation Director Chris Clouden briefed Council on the status of County recreation programs and facilities in the Kershaw area.

• Marc Wood of Sheheen Hancock Goodwin CPAs presented a high-level review of the fiscal year 2025 audit report to Council. The Town received an unmodified opinion, which is the best possible result.

• Mayor Dorman reported that the Town would soon be receiving \$1 million toward the total cost of renovating the second floor of the Clyburn Early Childhood Center. This is one of several projects being funded by Lancaster County's 2022 Capital Project Sales Tax (also known as the penny sales tax). Council will be asked to weigh in on how those funds would be used to help accomplish the renovations, be it adding an elevator or engaging an architect to draw up plans.

• Town Administrator Chris Keefer thanked employees Jack Orvin and Chris Sowell for covering the Streets Department Supervisor duties during the two months that position was vacant. She also reported that the Town of Kershaw has been named a Tree City USA for the third consecutive year.

• Council approved entering into a memorandum of understanding with Kershaw Community Park Council and Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation's Kids in Parks program to collaborate on designating the existing walking trail at Stevens Park a



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nationally recognized TRACK Trail.

• Council approved using surplus FY27 golf course revenue to partially fund improvements to the course's irrigation system, with the balance to be covered by anticipated Parks and Recreation Development grant funding and a required Town match.

• To ensure safety, Council approved an

expenditure of \$12,050 for repairs to the fire suppression system at Town Hall to correct a valve deficiency found in the annual inspection.

Celeste Sullivan Elected to Membership into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

BATON ROUGE, LA (03/23/2026)-- Celeste Sullivan of Cassatt, South Carolina, was recently elected to membership into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society, at College of Charleston.

Sullivan is among approximately 20,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Easter in Stevens Park!

FREE Community Event!

Saturday, April 4th from 11am - 1pm

Bring your basket to Easter in Stevens Park!

11am - Visit church booths with activities

11:30am - Easter egg hunt for ages 0-5

12pm - Easter egg hunt for ages 6-12

- Church booths with prize giveaways

sponsored by KCPC, KARE and The Town of Kershaw.

- Easter basket prize redemption and coloring sheets in Pavilion.

- Hammy's food truck will be on-site

to offer food options for purchase.

- Music with

Cayden and Hannah Blankenship!

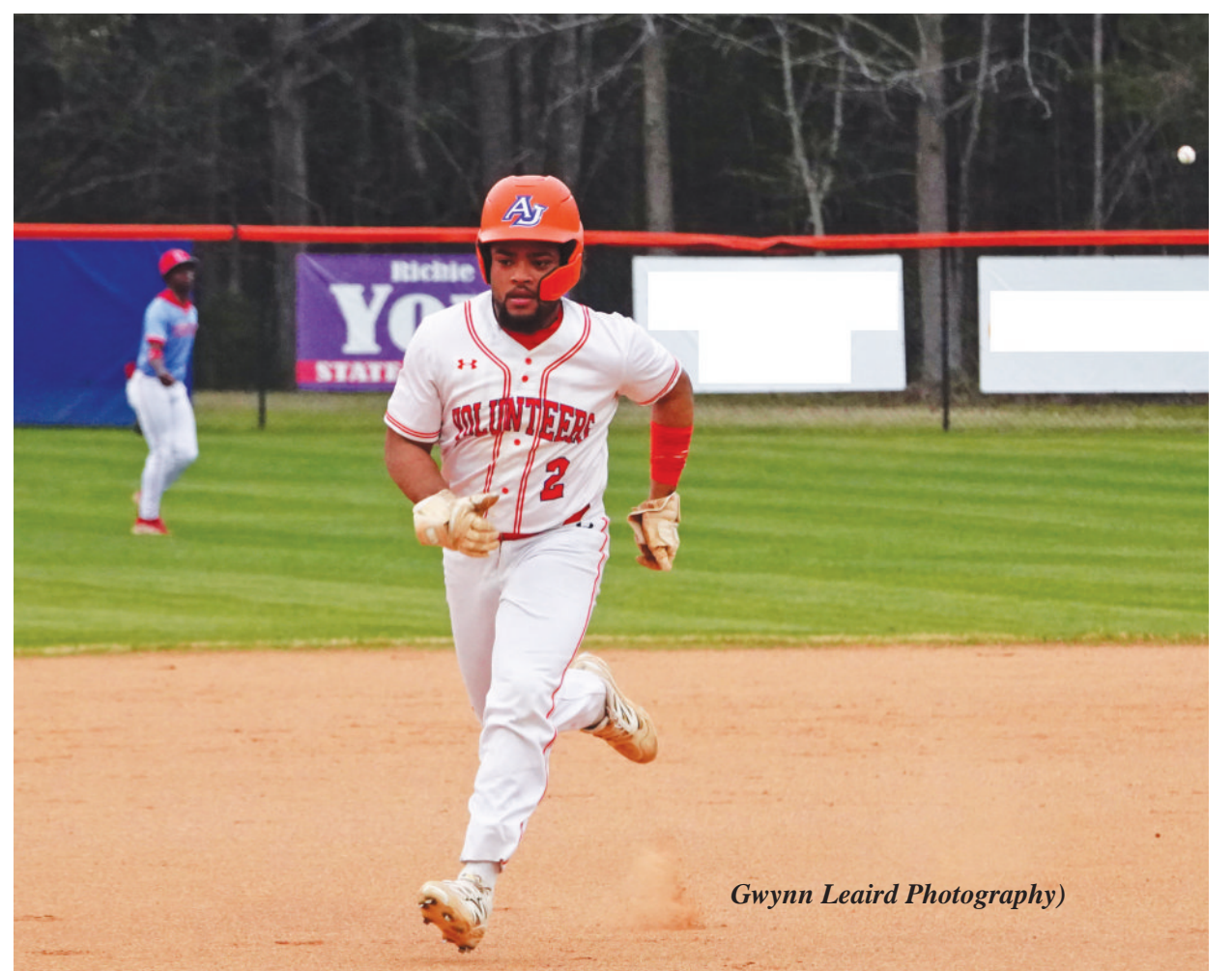
Rain cancels event.



Stevens Park, 200 Close Cir, Kershaw, SC

"Bring your family and friends to Stevens Park for a super fun Easter Extravaganza in the green spaces of the park on Saturday, April 4th from 11 am - 1 pm. Churches will have booths set up with activities and snacks. (Easter decorations, Easter eggs, Easter baskets and prizes are being provided by KARE). Easter egg hunts with prizes for finding specific eggs will be set up and run by the KCPC. Music in the outdoor amphitheater will be provided by Hannah and Cayden Blankenship! Food will be available by Hammy's food truck. Check the flyer for more details. Hope to see you there!"

AJ VS CENTRAL BASEBALL



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AJ #2 Jayce Fair making his way to third base.....AJ BOYS WIN 8-7

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