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EDITOR: Attention all Eagles Staff and Students: Remind your friends and come to the Eagle Alumni Homecoming- 2PM-4PM- this Saturday March 7 at our former school grounds, now the Eagles Nest Art Center. Salem, Tamasee-Salem, and Eagle Ridge Charter students are all united under our beloved Eagle mascot! As our beloved Coach, Mentor, and Friend, "Mr Hines" would say, "The Eagle will fly again, and again, and again!" As a T-S alumnus, I can say without doubt, our school was truly special and one-of-a kind. It was a home where you felt safe and loved by teachers who lived right in our community. I remember as an elementary student watching out for our teachers to arrive at school in the mornings to help them get items out of the car. Miss Alice Elrod, Mrs. Estelle Nicholson and Mrs. Eloise Griffith were favorites, now long passed away, but their memories and contributions are very much alive! LRMartin

Town of SALEM: 5 Park Avenue Monday-Friday 8AM-5PM. Closed 12-1 for lunch. 864-944-2819. Save the dates for our **Easter Egg Hunt Saturday April 4th** at 10AM at the Salem Park and our first **Car Show April 11** at 5PM!

Salem Library: 5 Park Avenue Mon 10AM-6PM, Tues-Fri 9AM-5PM. Closed 12-1. 864-944-0912.

News: A Social worker will be at our library **March 9th**, 1:30PM- 4PM. No appointment is necessary.

Jottings from Miz Jeannie by Jeannie Barnwell **NIFTY & THRIFTY** I'm very nifty and very thrifty. Here is a



timely tip for you involving the cardboard rolls provided with paper towels. Project number one: insert a sturdy piece of string into the cardboard roll instead of trashing it. Now wrap your favorite ribbons around the cardboard roll using a piece of scotch tape to secure the end. Now you are prepared to quickly wrap a birthday gift Project number two and three require that you cut the cardboard tubes into three sections. Take them outside and fill them with potting soil now bring them back inside. Set them in a sunny window and plant your seeds. You will get a Headstart on your garden when the worries about frost are over. Finally, save your dryer, lint and stuff it in the cardboard tubes. When you're starting a fire to burn yard trash, use these handy little tubes to safely and skillfully light the fire. Miss Jeannie loves you and wishes you a happy spring time! **MIZ JEANNIE**

ASHTON RECALLS by Ashton Hester **HAIL SUFFERERS THANKFUL FOR ASSISTANCE** - (The following letter to the editor was in the January 23, 1924 Keowee Courier). . .Editor Keowee Courier: Please allow us space in your valuable paper to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to W.H. Talley for his many kindnesses and his help, which he has shown to us so freely in our time of need. . .--Hail Sufferers, Salem, S.C., Rt. 1, W.A. Perry, W.J. Abercrombie, I.S. Alexander, C.S. Talley, W.E. Alexander, A.C. Smith, W.M. Nix, C.D. Perry, L.R. Cantrell, J.L. Cantrell, O.H. Alexander, D.N. Alexander, W.M. Alexander, W.B. Holden, I.T. Alexander, L.W. Grant, G.W. Alexander, J.L. Lusk. . .(Footnote written by Ashton Hester: These farmers had their corn crops destroyed or severely damaged by a massive hail storm, and W.H. Talley led a campaign to collect monetary donations to help them cope with their losses. The Keowee Courier assisted by serving as a collection point for donations and printing the names of the donors and the amount they donated each week.

JOCASSEE VALLEY BREWING COMPANY, (JVBC) & COFFEE SHOP* 13412 N Hwy 11 phone: 864-873-0048 Hours: Wed-Sat 9am-9pm & Sunday 12pm-7pm Events this week **WED: Food: FARM TO FIRE FERMENTERY PIZZA** and **BLUE GRASS JAM 7PM Thurs: No event Fri: Food: FRESCA LUNA Music: AMY KINCAID 6:30PM Sat: Food: MAJOE'S FILIPINO Music: NEIL CONWAY 6:30PM Sun: 12PM-7PM FOOD: FARM TO FIRE FERMENTERY PIZZA Music: ERIC CONGDON 4PM * Serving Pisgah Coffee Roasters all day-delicious hot & cold!***

Health Tips: Health is a journey and a destination! We can sometimes unintentionally veer off the path but we can get back on the right road! None of us are perfect and we cannot beat ourselves up! Just start back with something new, maybe a new work-out to change it up a bit. Since it is getting warmer choose a new path or a new place to walk. Choose some different music with your exercise. Remind yourself to stay away from anything that will set you back. Stock your fridge with great snacks to grab quickly like sliced celery, sliced oranges, carrots, grapes and apples. Prepare them ahead of time so they are readily available. When your taste buds are cleared of junk foods, real food takes better and you wonder why you every strayed. Junk foods are like friends with bad habits, they are not good for you!

OPUS TRUST will host an Oyster Roast March 29th at the Jocassee Valley Brewing Company, 13412 North Hwy 11 from 3PM-7PM. To ensure you have the oyster you want purchase Advance tickets for \$20 a dozen and may be purchased at the business. Day of the Roast they will be \$25 a dozen. **OPUS TRUST** is an upstate nonprofit operated by an all volunteer board of directors and volunteers dedicated to the education and preservation of open space, historic sites, farm lands, and precious places. **OPUS TRUST** was a large part of the **grass roots effort** that spread across this nation in 2007 that saved 1000 acres surrounding Stumphouse Tunnel and Issaqueena Falls from being a gated development and closed to the public forever. These iconic sites have been destination spots for multiple generations to visit for decades.



Eagles Nest Art Center, a 501c3 nonprofit formed in 2020 with a mission to offer opportunities for arts, education, and performance for all. ENAC was the former home of the Tamassee-Salem Middle and High Schools Golden Eagles and was the heart and home of community. A small board of directors and volunteers operate solely from grants, sponsors, and donors to ensure these cherished buildings and surrounding 13 acres are utilized to benefit our community and future generations. Over the past 5 years we continue to grow and increase unique opportunities and skills through art and music, uniting communities and people in the upstate. As with all nonprofits, ENAC needs your support for these beloved grounds to thrive. Ways to support: volunteer, shop or donate to our treasure store, attend our programs, be a sponsor, help care for the buildings and grounds, or just come visit and see how you can contribute your talents.

2026 UPCOMING EVENTS: THE TREASURE STORE WILL BE OPEN THS WEDNESDAY FROM 12PM to 5PM to shop for your favorite thrift items!

THIS WEEKEND March 7, 2026- Eagle Alumni Homecoming- 2PM-4PM- Call up former classmates, friends, teachers and staff for an afternoon of reminiscing on your former school grounds. Tour the Alumni Memorabilia Room, and the campus. For more information call Judy Hines 864-557-0869 or Susan Hopkins 864-247-4622. Enjoy turning pages of old year books to generate memories and create more. Refreshments will be available as everyone is encouraged to bring a little something to share.

March 14, 2026 -Annual House of Raeford Chicken Fundraiser— YOU MUST PREORDER ONLINE by March 12 at noon: Go to www.houseofraeford.store Click SC sales Click Salem SC 3/14/2026 Follow the directions for pick-up time, products and payment. Great fresh local poultry-no hormones-no antibiotics.



* JAZZY JEFF BRIGHT*

MARCH 21, 7PM– OCONEE MOUNTAIN OPRY- Local and regional musicians, singer-songwriters, comedy, and just good old fashioned entertainment for the whole family. The March Line Up features: Spalding McIntosh from Brevard NC, Jennifer Gregory Duo from Clemson SC, and Conservation Theory, local singer-songwriters of original tunes of our mountain home. Tickets available on eaglesnestartcenter.org or at the door the day of the event. Tell your friends, get a date and come support local music in a family-friendly atmosphere. Enjoy homemade concessions and treasure shopping prior to the doors opening at 6:30PM

APRIL 18, 7PM– MOUNTAIN FAITH– Bluegrass gospel family group from Sylva, NC. Tickets available eaglesnestartcenter.org on Ticketleap. Advanced tickets \$20. Tickets day of the event will be \$25. Tickets also available at the Salem Town Hall.

ONGOING: Treasure Store: Do you enjoy a bargain? Come visit our thrifty store open every Saturday 9AM-12PM and on the first Wednesday each month from 12PM-5PM. Call to deliver donations **864-557-2462.**

Senior Exercise every Tuesday and Thursday 9:30-10:30AM and Saturdays at 10AM. Evening classes each week on Mondays and Wednesdays at 5PM-6PM. Cost \$2.50 each class or \$22.00 each month for unlimited classes.

BELLFEST 2026– Celebrate our rare Oconee Bell hosted by Friends of Jocassee at Devil’s Fork State Park on Saturday March 21, 2026 from 10AM-3PM-walk the trail-visit exhibits-vendors-enjoy music and more!

Heavenly Father– We lift our nation and leaders to You, trusting Your Will be done. Amen

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- MELON HEAD by guest comic GM

I think cats can talk! :>) LM

