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EDITOR: Coming home is always a sweet welcoming this time of year. Our long driveway is a natural arbor of mountain laurels in full bloom. These breath-taking floral beauties are short-lived making the scene all the more precious. Similar to this is our beautiful Oconee County. Our landscape of trees, mountain views, farms, agriculture, native flowers, wildlife, water supply, flowing rivers, lakes, and trails are going to be a only a memory if we do not make a plan to protect this place we call home. LRMartin

Town of SALEM: 5 Park Avenue Monday-Friday 8AM-5PM. Closed 12-1 for lunch. 864-944-2819 **Thursday May 7** is the **National Day of Prayer**. Meet at the flag pole at 8AM. If rain meet in the community center. The next Town Council meeting is Tuesday, May 19th at 5PM. Join us for **May Madness at the Salem Town Market- May 30th 9AM-2PM**
Salem Library: 5 Park Avenue Mon 10AM-6PM, Tues-Fri 9AM-5PM. Closed 12-1. 864-944-0912

Jottings from Jeannie- by JeannieBarnwell **Mercy Me!** Down in Greenville last summer, the preacher chose as the sermon topic; GOSSIPING. THE CLOSING HYMN was "I love to tell the story." 2) the Well loved former pastor at Cheohee Baptist Church announced that he had been asked to join the choir. Pastor had been asked to sing. Pastor was requested to sing ON A HILL FAR AWAY. 3) A six-year-old boy, informed his mother that he liked to go to church with her, especially when the congregation sang that animal song. The mother was puzzled. She told her son that she couldn't remember the Animal song. The little boy replied "oh mama, you know that song!!! it's called "Gladly, the cross eyed BEAR!" Greetings gentle readers! How many times have you packed away your winter clothes only to have to retrieve boots or sweaters? Warmer days are coming so enjoy this fine weather. Miz Jeannie loves you. When I see you in the gas station, be prepared to tell me a funny joke that I can use to entertain the residents of this divine County!!!!

ASHTON RECALLS by Ashton Hester **SALEM HIGH 1961 GOINGS-ON REPORTED** - (The November 15, 1961 issue of the Keowee Courier contained a report from Salem High School with the heading "Salem High Lights." It was written by teacher Nelle Rochester who later became the school's assistant principal. The report was quite long, so I will include some of the items this week and more over the next three weeks). . **SALEM HIGH LIGHTS** - Since I haven't been writing the weekly column of the Salem High News since school began, I shall take this opportunity to bring my readers up-to-date on the things that have been happening around Salem. . **SALEM WINS IMPROVEMENT AWARD** - The Salem Community Club entered the Oconee County Community Improvement Contest and finished third in the judging of nine communities. The club was awarded \$75 in cash which will be applied to the community house. . **TEEN CANTEEN ORGANIZED** - The school faculty organized the Salem Teen Canteen which is open every Thursday night from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Two teachers, the superintendent, and at least two parents are always present to serve as chaperones. . Membership is open only to Salem School students, with dues set at 50 cents for the entire school year. The average attendance has been about 50 students per week. . Activities include basketball, skating, table tennis, bingo, and various table games such as Monopoly. Music is provided by a record player. . The canteen will be closed during basketball season.

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: Farm to Fire Fermentery PIZZA 4PM**
MUSIC: BLUE GRASS JAM starts about 7PM **Thurs: Reg hours but No event. Fri: Food: JUST A SMILE CAR-IBBEAN** Music: **JAGUAR 4** at 6:30PM Sat: Food: Unconfirmed at print Music: **BRIAN BRILEY 6:30 PM Sun: 12PM -7PM Food: Farm to Fire Fermentery PIZZA 2PM Music: JUSTYN FOX 4PM** * Pisgah Coffee Roasters all day-delicious hot & cold! .

Box Turtles- do not remove them from the area you find them. Do not have an accident but slow down when you see one on the road and try to miss it. Place it across the road in the direction it was headed if you can safely.

Cinco de Mayo! May 5th is the Celebration of Mexico's Independence Day over the Second French Empire in 1862 at the Battle of Puebla is much like America's July 4th! **Habaneros** located 8211 N Highway 11 Tamasee, SC is ready for the celebration! Call for more information 864-944-0738

A reader shares a QUOTE: "One day you will put your child down and never pick them up again." I tear up every time I read it.. *Anonymous

Important Decision? 5 things One can't get back.. A stone after it's thrown.. A word after it's said...An occasion after it's missed.. Time after it's gone... A person after they've passed. *Anonymous

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Senior Exercise

every Tuesday and Thursday 9:30-10:30AM and Saturdays at 10AM. Evening classes each week on Mondays 5PM-6PM. Cost \$2.50 each class or \$22.00 each month for unlimited classes. **The Wednesday class is soon to become a Yoga class starting at 5:30PM!**

Don't be bored! We need your help at Eagles Nest Art Center. Volunteer to help us open the Treasure Store with more hours!

YOU'RE INVITED TO ATTEND
SALEM'S 3RD ANNUAL

Mother's Day Tea Party

SATURDAY, MAY 9TH
2-4 PM @ EAGLES NEST COMMONS AREA
4 EAGLE LANE SALEM, SC
\$10 PER GUEST
ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE EAGLES NEST ART CENTER
QUESTIONS OR RSVP TO:
KAYLA LUSK @ 864-903-0681

EARTH ART CAMP

AT THE
EAGLES NEST ART CENTER
4 EAGLE LANE
SALEM, SC 29676

JUNE 8-12, 2026
9AM-12PM

Ages 6-12 YEARS OLD COST \$50

Explore, Learn, Create, and Express Care of Earth Using Paints, Nature, Recycled Materials, Music, Song, and Movement. This is offered for children who want to enjoy creativity and expression while incorporating stewardship of God's Creation.

Call Lynne Martin 864-280-1258 to register.

EAGLES NEST ART CENTER

Thrifty Bargain shop at the Eagles Nest Art Center
TREASURE STORE
THRIFT STORE
Saturdays 9AM-12PM
To donate:

Rental EVENT SPACE for your reunions and birthdays!

* BARBER SHOP COMING SOON! Stay-tuned for more Details!

MakeKeowee.org— a makerspace at the Eagles Nest Art Center with increasing opportunities including sewing, quilting, wood working and more! Night classes have been added!

2026 YAM SUMMER DAY CAMP— for youth held at Haygood Mill in Pickens, SC. All levels from beginner to advanced. July 13-17 Open to all rising 3rd graders to 9th grade. Instruction at all levels in guitar, mandolin, fiddle or banjo. Traditional Appalachian Arts, Storytelling, Games, Music and more.
Contact: Wwwwyamupstate.com or tshort@yamupstate.com

CHURCH AND FAITH

Bethel Presbyterian (PCUSA), 580 Bethel Church Rd Walhalla, 29691.
Worship at 10:30 a.m. Come visit or make us your church home! All welcome!
Minister Schedule: **May 10** Mel Davis, **May 17** Terri Price
May 24 Hymfest w/Marty Hopkins, Zack Vollroth & others.

Mother's Day Story: I assisted with an adoption at the hospital where I worked for almost 0 years. I met the adoptive parents and the new mom at different times that morning as I would be handling important legal papers. Arrangements were set. The young college-student mother was given time to hold her baby one last time before handing it over the adoptive parents. No family supported her. I was the only one with her. When she was ready, she handed her newborn to the adoptive parents were older and were never able to have a child of their own. That was the most sad and yet most joyful moment to witness in my whole life. Unselfish love. LRM

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LAKES APPRECIATION MONTH POSTER CONTEST

Instructions:
All grades K-12 welcome to participate!
Send an electronic version of your poster artwork to lakesappreciation@nalms.org
Each entry must include student name, grade, school, and contact information
Prizes will be awarded to the top entry in each grade division
Deadline: June 12, 2026

Three posters will win a \$300 cash prize!
\$250 to the artist's school or organization / \$50 to the artist.

July 2026
Lakes Appreciation Month

NALMS
Submitted artwork will be a big part of NALMS' celebrations through July across North America.
<https://www.nalms.org/lakes-appreciation-month/poster-contest/>

