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Making & Crafting Faire returns to Library



Clockwise from right: Dylan Burdick demonstrates how to use one of the library's lasers; scenes from the 2023 Making and Crafting Faire.

The Waccamaw Neck Branch Library invites the community to celebrate creativity and craftsmanship at its third annual Making and Crafting Faire, scheduled for 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 24 and 25. Sponsored by the Friends of the Waccamaw Library, this two-day event is designed to showcase both the library's growing collection of maker tools and the talents of local artisans.

The faire will feature demonstrations, exhibits and vendor booths highlighting everything from woodworking and photography to 3D-printed creations and handmade crafts.

A Celebration of Creativity and Innovation

"The most exciting thing this year is that we'll be showing off our brand-new laser," said Donald Dennis, the library's Games, Technology and Teen Services Librarian. "The library also has 3D printers to show off, and this event is a

great way to let people know about the maker resources we have available, while also giving community members a place to show off what they do."

Dennis said this year's vendor lineup includes a mix of returning favorites and new participants, with creations ranging from button bouquets and haiku gifts to hand-turned woodwork, baked goods, 3D-printed art and handmade toys.

"We've got five or six vendors confirmed already, and we'd love to add more," he said. "As we go into the holiday season, it's the perfect time for local crafters to showcase and sell their work."

How to participate

Participation is open to anyone who makes, builds or crafts — whether professionally or just for fun.

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County welcomes Megan Colegrove as new Finance Director

Georgetown County is pleased to announce the hire of Megan Colegrove as its new Finance Director. Colegrove, who officially stepped into the role on Oct. 6, brings with her more than a decade of experience in financial management across both nonprofit and corporate sectors.

Originally from West Virginia, Colegrove relocated to South Carolina in 2011. She began her career in Conway with Shoreline Behavioral Health Services, where she served as Director of Finance. In that role, she oversaw grants, billing, medical claims and all financial operations for the behavioral health facility. Most recently, she worked as a controller with International Paper's box plant, where she managed finance functions in a corporate manufacturing setting.

Colegrove has a Bachelor of Arts in Business with a focus in accounting and human resources from Capital University, just outside Columbus, Ohio.

After just a few weeks on the job, Colegrove said she already feels at home in Georgetown County.

"It just feels like this is where I was meant to be," she said. "Everybody has been so welcoming. I have a great team, and I'm excited about the work we're doing."

Among her first priorities is implementing a fixed asset module to improve efficiency in the department. The new system will automate management of large county assets such as trucks, buildings and land—streamlining a process currently handled with massive spreadsheets, which can be time-consuming and prone to error.

In the short term, Colegrove said her primary focus is on learning the ins and outs of her new role and how her department fits into the larger picture of county government.

"There's so much to absorb here compared to my past



Megan Colegrove

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roles, but I'm excited to take it all in and see where we can improve," she said.

Outside of work, Colegrove enjoys spending time with her family, exercising and exploring the outdoors. Since starting in Georgetown, she has enjoyed taking walks downtown during lunch breaks.

Currently living in Murrells Inlet, Colegrove and her family are in the process of relocating further into Georgetown County.

County Administrator Angela Christian said Colegrove's experience, energy and collaborative spirit make her a strong fit for the position.

"We are excited to welcome Megan to the team and look forward to the contributions she will make to strengthen our financial operations and serve the residents of Georgetown County," Christian said.

INDIGO DYEING

Join this hands-on adult program (ages 18+) to learn about the history and process of indigo dyeing in South Carolina



November 21, 2025 @ 1p

Waccamaw Neck Branch Library

41 St. Paul Place, Pawleys Island, SC

Limited seating. Registration Required

See Reference Desk 843-545-3351



About this publication

At Georgetown County, we want our residents and property owners kept abreast of what's going on inside their local government. That's why we created Georgetown County Monthly.

It's a vehicle for information about county services and events, important messages from county officials and behind-the-scenes glimpses at how government works. You can find our newsletter on our website at www.gtcounty.org/newsroom or through our social media accounts. If you'd rather have it delivered to your inbox, sign up at gtcounty.org by clicking the "News & Alerts" icon on the home page.

If you have questions or comments about this newsletter, please contact Jackie Broach at (843) 545-3164 or jbroach@gtcounty.org. We welcome your feedback.

Council Chambers undergoes audio/visual system upgrades



Georgetown County Council Chambers will undergo an audio/visual system upgrade over the next several weeks. While the project will bring important technical

improvements, the changes may not be immediately noticeable to the public when meetings resume in the space in December.

“This upgrade is really about addressing some ongoing technical issues that have been plaguing our A/V system for the past several years,” said Randy Akers, the County’s Multimedia Technology Specialist. “The system we have now was installed when Council first moved into that room back in, I think, 2010, and in the past few years it has really started to show its age. By modernizing the ‘back-end’ technology we use to facilitate public meetings in that space, we hope to ensure that we can continue to provide as high-quality of an experience as possible, both for the audience as well as elected and appointed officials.”

The upgrade, which began Oct. 20, is expected to take no more than five weeks. While work is ongoing, County Council Chambers will be unavailable to host most public meetings. As such, most meetings previously scheduled for Council Chambers will now take place at Howard Auditorium, located at 1610 Hawkins Street, Georgetown.

The Treasurer’s Tax Sale scheduled for Nov. 3 will proceed in Council Chambers as scheduled due to the use of new software used to facilitate the sale.

County celebrates fastest daughter



On Oct. 14, County Council passed a resolution recognizing Melissa Jefferson-Wooden — the fastest woman in the world — and expressing its support for the installation of signs at county entry points honoring her extraordinary achievements. Melissa was traveling and attended via FaceTime. A similar resolution will need to be passed at the state level before the signs can be installed. Once approved, the County and the state legislature will coordinate with Melissa and the Jefferson family for an official unveiling ceremony. Melissa Jefferson-Wooden is not only a hometown hero, but an internationally recognized athlete who has brought pride and inspiration to Georgetown County through her incredible accomplishments on the world stage. We are so proud of her and can’t wait to see what she achieves next!



WACCAMAW NECK BRANCH LIBRARY PRESENTS
LOWCOUNTRY LEGENDS
 SHARED BY HISTORIAN LEE BROCKINGTON
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28TH AT 10AM

GEORGETOWN MAIN LIBRARY
HOCUS POCUS
 HALLOWEEN CANDY DROP IN
OCTOBER 31
 3PM TO 5PM IN THE AUDITORIUM WHILE SUPPLIES LAST
 Celebrate Halloween with face painting, potions, spells, and spooky snacks!

Trail events at Rocky Point to benefit veterans, students

Runners, walkers and cyclists will come together at Rocky Point Community Forest on Saturday, Nov. 8, to support veterans and kids. The inaugural Rocky Point Patriot Trail Run and Walk takes place that morning, featuring a 5K, 10K and children's dash. The day will also feature off-road bicycle trail rides at Rocky Point in the afternoon.

The Trail Run and Walk begins at 9 a.m. Registration is \$55 for the 10K, \$45 for the 5K and free for the kids dash. The event is untimed, but the 10K has a two-hour limit. No animals or strollers are allowed. The trail rides follow at 1 p.m. and are free.

The Patriot Trail Run and Walk is hosted by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6444 in partnership with Georgetown County, the county's Georgetown Outdoor Adventure Trails (GOAT) program and the Winyah Rivers Alliance. The event celebrates community, conservation, and camaraderie. Proceeds will benefit quarterly outreach programs for veterans and Plantersville Elementary School's PTO, which supports student achievement initiatives.

The bike rides were organized by GOAT as a complement to the Run and Walk, said TL Staub, the county's trails coordinator. It will give folks another opportunity to explore the scenic 650-acre forest. Participants may join a guided group ride or explore on their own. The event also highlights the Kids in Parks TRACK Trail, designed to help children discover nature through self-guided adventures.

Register for the run and walk at tinyurl.com/Patriot-run-and-walk, or email vfwp6444@gmail.com. or goatherd@gtcounty.org.

Participants sought for Veterans Day Parade



American Legion Post 114 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6444 will again sponsor this year's Georgetown Veterans Day Parade. The parade kicks off at 2 p.m. Nov. 11. Line up starts at 1 p.m. at East Bay Park.

"Unfortunately, this parade for veterans doesn't have the same enthusiasm and anticipation as July 4th and Christmas parades," said Paige Sawyer, Georgetown County Veterans Services Officer. "Most people don't give Veteran's Day a second thought."

It's easy for residents, businesses, civic clubs, patriotic organizations, churches and other groups to show their support for local veterans by decorating a truck, golf cart or other vehicle in red, white and blue with a sign that simply says "thank you," he added.

There is no entry fee to participate in the parade. The deadline to register is Friday, Nov. 8. To participate, call text or email one of the following individuals with your name, the name of your group (if applicable) and contact information:

- Rodney Ward, 843-833-3700, rodneymellen49@yahoo.com
- Ed Dennis, 401-920-2699, Cmd@vfw6444.org
- Franklin McCray, 843-997-5546, laretam39@gmail.com
- Peggy Baldwin, 719-453-7850, semperfigal@live.com

FRIENDS OF THE GEORGETOWN LIBRARY

FALL COMMUNITY Yard Sale

Join us for a day of bargain hunting, hidden gems, and community spirit! From books and household goods to unique finds and seasonal décor—you never know what treasures you'll uncover!

OCTOBER 25, 2025

405 CLELAND ST, GEORGETOWN, SC 29440
Start At 8 AM - 12 PM





**Georgetown County
Environmental Services
Division**



**Questions & registration
843-545-3452**

**We get it!
Recycling is
complicated!**

Know Your Recyclables

OCTOBER 25

9:30 AM TO 10:30 AM

Georgetown Main Library

405 Cleland Street., Georgetown, SC

Environmental Services workshops focus on recycling, composting

Recycling and composting are about to get a little less complicated for Georgetown County residents, thanks to a pair of upcoming workshops hosted by the county's Environmental Services Division.

Staff Environmentalist Maureen Mulligan said the sessions are designed to help residents better understand what belongs in recycling bins—and what doesn't—and to introduce simple ways to reduce waste through household composting.

"Educating residents on sustainable development and resource management is one of the main objectives of my position," Mulligan explained. "We're really trying to encourage people to recycle properly, but also to start composting at home."

The first session, "Know Your Recyclables," will take place Oct. 25 from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the Georgetown Library, 405 Cleland St. Mulligan said the goal is to clear up misconceptions about what can and can't be recycled.

"We've been having issues with contamination," she said. "People mean well, but sometimes we get things like food waste mixed in with plastics or aluminum, or even nonrecyclable items like hoses and storage bins. Just because something is made of plastic doesn't mean it's recyclable."

Mulligan noted that the county primarily accepts plastics labeled with a 1 or 2 inside the recycling triangle, such as water and soda bottles, milk jugs and detergent containers. Those materials can be resold, helping offset processing costs. Items labeled with numbers 3 through 7, however, should unfortunately be placed in the trash.

"When in doubt, throw it out," she said. "Wishful recycling—putting something in the bin because you hope it's recyclable—just adds to our costs because we

have to sort it out later."

Plastic bags are another major issue. They tangle machinery at recycling facilities and should never be placed in mixed recycling bins. However, Mulligan said residents can now drop off clean, dry plastic film—including grocery and bread bags—at all county recycling centers.

The second program, a Composting Workshop, will take place Dec. 6 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Carvers Bay Library, 13048 Choppee Road in Hemingway.

Participants will learn how to turn kitchen scraps and yard waste into nutrient-rich compost instead of sending them to the landfill.

"About a third of all waste in the United States is food waste," Mulligan said. "When food decomposes in landfills, it does so without oxygen and produces methane, which is a potent greenhouse gas. Composting allows that material to break down naturally, reducing methane emissions and producing something useful."

Participants in the composting class will receive a free five-cubic-foot compost tumbler to take home, made possible through a grant from the S.C. Department of Environmental Services.

Beyond these workshops, Mulligan hopes more residents will take advantage of the free landfill and recycling facility tours the county offers.

"Before I worked here, I never gave it much thought," she said. "But once you see how much waste we generate and how quickly our landfill is filling up, it really changes your perspective."

Those interested in scheduling a facility tour can call 843-545-3452 for details or to register for upcoming workshops.

GEORGETOWN COUNTY
MAIN LIBRARY

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THURSDAY OCTOBER 30TH
2:00 - 3:30
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CALL TO REGISTER.

843-545-3388

Carvers Bay Branch Library

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October 25th
12pm - 1pm

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- How to keep your bones strong
- Maintain a Healthy Diet
- Fall Prevention & Fracture Risks
- Ways to prevent fractures and broken bones.

13048 Choppee Rd, Hemingway, SC 29554
(843) 545-3515

Library book club reimagines reading for kids

At the Georgetown Library, children's services head Silvana Collins is reshaping what a book club can be. Instead of drilling children on reading levels or chapter books, she's creating a space where kids can enjoy stories, build reading comprehension skills and confidence, and leave smiling.

The inspiration came during a national library conference session on graphic novels. Collins said the presenters began with a surprising question: "What's wrong with graphic novels?" The answer wasn't the format, but parents.

"Too many still believe that if a book has pictures, it's not real reading," Collins said. "But research shows graphic novels help kids remember more because they engage more of the brain."

That idea convinced her to change the way the Georgetown Library's children's book club works. Rather than assigning a long book and asking children to discuss it, Collins now reads a short story aloud to the group. Kids sit in a circle with whiteboards and sketch scenes as they listen, creating their own illustrated versions of the story.

"It's not about how well you draw," she said. "It's about how much of the story you understood. And the kids love it. Ten out of ten, they capture every important detail."

Past stories have included *The Enormous Crocodile* by Roald Dahl and *The Perfect Man* by Troy Wilson. Afterward, the children discuss the plot, characters and how they might have handled the challenges differently.

Collins said one of her goals was to make sure children don't feel judged. "If a child keeps hearing they're not reading on level, they don't want to read in public," she said. "Here, there's no judgment. We just have fun."

And she hopes it will result in more kids developing a



Silvana Collins, head of children's services, reads aloud during a book club meeting earlier this month.

love of reading. The target age group for the book club is first- through third-graders, though fourth- and fifth-graders are also welcome.

The club, which meets on Thursdays, is still small, averaging five to nine students each week, but growing. She has room for 20, but if there is larger interest, would be willing to add more days and times. After families struggled to arrive by 3 p.m., Collins recently pushed the start time to 3:30 p.m. to make it easier for parents juggling multiple school pickups.

The library is also adding more new programs to spark a love of reading. A library volunteer and future teacher, Trina Lawrimore, has started an after-school storytime with songs, crafts and read-alouds for early elementary students. Several other programs are in the works.

For Collins, the goal is to compete with the bright screens that dominate children's free time. "Our competition isn't just other books," she said. "It's tablets, phones and video games. That's why we have to make reading an experience that feels just as engaging."

And for the children who gather each week, the message seems to be sticking. "When we finish, they're smiling and saying, 'See you next week!'" Collins said. "That spark in their eyes — that's what keeps me going."

Find more great programs happening at all five of our library branches on the calendar at gtcounty.org.

First Friday

with Georgetown County



New episodes on the first Friday of every month. Join us as we discuss topics important to residents of our county. Listen on YouTube or anywhere you normally stream and download podcasts.



COUNTY COUNCIL MEETINGS

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Cribb inducted into S.C. Officers Hall of Fame

A. Lane Cribb, Sheriff of Georgetown County for 26 years, was posthumously inducted into the South Carolina Law Enforcement Officers Hall of Fame during a ceremony for meritorious service at the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy in Columbia on Oct. 2.

Cribb was nominated by current Georgetown County Sheriff Carter Weaver, who had the honor of presenting the award.

Cribb, who died in office on Sept. 19, 2019, at age 73, started his law enforcement career in 1973 as an investigator with the state Alcohol Beverage Control Commission. He worked as an investigator with the Florence County Sheriff's Office before joining the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office. He was first elected sheriff in 1992.

Cribb retained his down-to-earth upbringing from Pleasant Hill. Upon meeting someone from his old stomping grounds, he would quiz them until he found something to share about farming. For others, it would be relatives he knew. Cribb had an uncanny knack for remembering names, a trait that served him well in winning seven elections. But it was his plain-spoken, man-of-few-words nature that served him best.

He cared deeply about everyone, including those who were incarcerated. Cribb started a Re-entry Program for felons that has been a model for the nation with a high success rate of inmates returning to society with quality jobs. Particularly aided by Sheriff Cribb were victims of domestic abuse. The Family Justice Center presented Sheriff Cribb an award "for his outstanding and relentless efforts on behalf of victims of domestic violence and their children."



A. Lane Cribb

Help us pick the winner of the 'I Voted' sticker contest

The Georgetown County Voter Registration and Elections sticker contest is back for its third year and 10 finalists have been selected. Now, the department needs members of the public to choose the winner!

School age kids across Georgetown submitted their drawings to be considered for use as the county's "I Voted" sticker for Election Day. The top 10 designs are posted on the department's Facebook page at facebook.com/GTCVoterReg. People can vote for their favorite by clicking like under the photo of their favorite design.

The top five student artists will be recognized and celebrated during the Oct. 28 Georgetown County Council meeting, where each will receive a trophy and a framed copy of their design.

The Office of Voter Registration would like to thank every student who submitted artwork.

For more information, call the Georgetown County Voter Registration and Elections Office at 843-545-3339

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

SAVE A LIFE, GIVE YOUR BLOOD.

NOV. 10TH 11:00AM-4PM



1-800-RED CROSS or www.redcross.org or

Waccamaw Neck Branch Library~41 St. Paul's Place, Pawleys Island

COMPOSTING WORKSHOP



GEORGETOWN COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIVISION

COME JOIN US AT OUR COMPOSTING WORKSHOP AND LEARN HOW TO CREATE YOUR OWN NATURAL FERTILIZER FROM KITCHEN SCRAPS.

12/6/2025
11:30 AM-12:30 PM

CARVERS BAY LIBRARY
13048 CHOPPEE RD, HEMINGWAY, SC



FREE! 5 CU FT COMPOST TUMBLER

County issues RFQ for transformative development process at port

Georgetown County issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) last month to begin development of a Master Plan for the transformative redevelopment of the Georgetown Port property. This marked a critical step forward in reimagining one of the county's most valuable assets into a destination where innovation, commerce and community converge.

The county, which took ownership of the 40-acre property in mid-2023, is seeking proposals from national-caliber planning and development experts to help shape a visionary Master Plan. The goal is to balance economic opportunity with environmental stewardship and community needs, creating a roadmap for redevelopment that will benefit residents and businesses for generations.

About 60 people showed up for a pre-bid meeting at the site on Oct. 1, indicating heavy interest from firms. Bids will close at 3 p.m. on Oct. 29.

"The release of this RFQ marks an exciting step forward in reimagining the future of the Georgetown Port property," said Kelly Robertson-Slagle, Georgetown County Economic Development Director. "This process will allow us to engage top planning and development experts to help shape a visionary Master Plan that balances economic opportunity, environmental stewardship, and community needs. The Port is one of our county's most valuable assets, and through this effort, we are laying the foundation for transformative redevelopment that will benefit Georgetown County residents and businesses for generations to come."



A site rich in history and opportunity

Georgetown became a port of entry in 1732. In its prime, the port was a key driver of the local economy, handling 1.8 million tons of cargo in 2000. By 2017, activity had declined to just 7,500 tons, and the last cargo ship came through in 2016.

Since assuming ownership, the county has completed environmental studies, started site cleanup and removed dilapidated structures. A full structural assessment revealed \$13.6 million in deficiencies, underscoring the scale of investment needed. Today, the port property is best described as "rough," though it continues to house a handful of businesses.

"This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to transform underutilized waterfront property sitting right on the edge of our historic tourist district into a hub that truly reflects Georgetown County's future," Robertson-Slagle.

The vision ahead

After bids close, they will be reviewed and a shortlist of three to five firms will be invited to submit detailed proposals to lead development of the Master Plan.

"Five years from now, we see the Georgetown Port as a reimagined waterfront destination — a place where innovation, commerce, and community converge," Robertson-Slagle said. "What is today an underutilized property will be on its way to becoming a vibrant hub that draws investment, attracts visitors, and inspires pride across Georgetown County. The Port will symbolize resilience and renewal, blending modern economic opportunities with our rich maritime heritage."

Community impact

The redevelopment of the port property has long been identified as a key priority for Georgetown County leadership. County Administrator Angela Christian and her team have made significant progress in preparing the site, clearing environmental hurdles and positioning the property for redevelopment.

"This is more than just an economic development project," said Robertson-Slagle. "It's about shaping the future of Georgetown County, creating spaces where our residents can thrive, and ensuring that our waterfront reflects both our history and our aspirations. We want the community to feel hopeful and excited about what's ahead."

The RFQ is posted on [Georgetown County's procurement system](#) and is available to interested firms nationwide.

For more information, visit seegeorgetown.com or contact Georgetown County Economic Development at (843) 545-3161.

PUMPKIN HUNT

ON THE GOAT TRAILS!

Now through Halloween

Get outside and enjoy the fall weather with a festive pumpkin hunt on the Georgetown County Outdoor Adventure Trails (GOAT) Kids-Track-Trails!

Where to Explore

- Stables Park
- 8 Oaks Park
- Rocky Point Community Forest

Bring the family out to walk or hike the trails and see how many hidden pumpkins you can find — there are over 24 pumpkins total (8 per park) waiting to be discovered!

Share the Fun!

Snap a photo of your family with the pumpkins you find and tag us on social media or send your pictures

Now through October 31st

What to Bring:

- Comfortable shoes,
- your camera,
- your best pumpkin-spotting skills

→] Making & Crafting

Non-selling exhibitors can reserve a table for free to display their projects, talk to festival-goers about their craft and connect with other makers. Sellers can secure vendor space with a \$25 donation to the Friends of the Waccamaw Library. Vendor registration is available online at <https://tinyurl.com/5b4mycym>.

Hands-On Demonstrations and Maker Tools

Throughout the weekend, library staff will demonstrate new and traditional crafting technologies, including foam cutting, laser engraving and patch-making for hats. Visitors will also be able to try their hand at engraving keychains, slate coasters and glassware using the library's new and upgraded laser equipment.

"My hope is to make a gravestone out of foam as a Halloween decoration," Dennis said with a laugh. "Each department will have something to show off, from adult crafts at the front desk to demos of the latest maker tools. It's a great excuse to get people in the door and show them what's possible."

An Event for Everyone

Dennis said the faire has become a fall tradition for local artists and hobbyists alike.

"If there's anybody in the county — whether you live here or work here — who wants to participate, we want to give everybody a chance to show off just how cool and entertaining they are, and connect with other cool people who might share their interests," he said.

The Making and Crafting Faire will be held at the Waccamaw Neck Branch Library, located at 41 St. Pauls Place, Pawleys Island. For more information, call 843-545-3343 or email ddennis@gtcounty.org.

Up Next at the Library

Halloween fun at Waccamaw

The Waccamaw Neck Branch Library will host two Halloween-themed performances on Oct. 31. At 10 a.m., children in Pre-K through 5th grade can enjoy *Franken-Bully*, a funny and heartwarming story about kindness and standing up for others. Then at 11:30 a.m., older students (grades 4 and up) and adults are invited to experience "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," an authentic retelling of Washington Irving's spooky American classic.

Veterans Day poetry contest

The Georgetown main branch invites students in 3rd-5th grades to honor local veterans through poetry. The Veterans Day Poem Contest offers cash prizes for the top three poems: \$100 for 1st place, \$50 for 2nd and \$25 for 3rd. Entries should be emailed to smcollins@gtcounty.org by Nov. 10.

Medicare info sessions in Andrews

The Andrews Library will host an informational sessions with James Samuel about upcoming Medicare changes and United Healthcare plans. The session will take place Monday, Oct. 27 at 9:30 a.m. For details, call 843-545-3621.

Pumpkin diamond painting workshop

Get creative at the Georgetown main branch with Pumpkin Diamond Painting on Oct. 28 from 2-4 p.m. in the auditorium. Call 843-545-3388.



JUNIOR NBA BASKETBALL

REGISTRATION CLOSING NOV. 30

AGES:

- 5-6, 7-8 (CO-ED)
- BOYS: 9-10, 11-12, 13-15
- GIRLS: 9-12, 13-15
-

COST:

- \$40

[REGISTER AT GTC Parks.ORG](http://www.gtcountysc.gov/gtcountyparks)



For more information call 843-545-3320



GEORGETOWN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



2025 Citizens' Academy



Hands-on learning about law enforcement taught by GCSO officers

Thursday afternoons
October 30 - Nov. 20
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129 Screven Street



Bridge work over Santee to begin Oct. 27

Cekra, Inc., a private contractor for the S.C. Department of Transportation (SCDOT), will begin rehabilitation work on the Highway 17 southbound bridges over the Santee river this month. Construction is scheduled to begin Oct. 27 and last about six months.

The project includes rehabilitation of both the North and South Santee River bridges along the southbound lanes of Highway 17 in Georgetown County. Cekra will perform the work and implement traffic control measures throughout the duration of the project.

Motorists traveling between Georgetown and Charleston should expect periodic lane closures and possible delays during construction. Crews will be active in the area preparing for these closures and other work activities.



Beginning Oct. 27, the speed limit on the bridges will be reduced to 35 mph whenever lane closures are in place.

Drivers are urged to use caution when traveling through the work zone, follow all posted signage, and allow extra travel time when passing through the affected area. Updates will be provided as available.

HHW collection event a success despite rain



Even a torrential downpour and gusting winds weren't enough to put a damper on Georgetown County's fall Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Paper Shredding Event on Oct. 11. The event at Waccamaw Middle School drew a strong turnout. A total of 181 vehicles came through the drop-off site, where county staff and volunteers helped residents safely dispose of items such as paint, oil and household chemicals. The team collected four pallets of just latex paint. This popular event keeps hazardous materials out of local waterways and landfills without requiring residents to take materials to the landfill on Highway 51. Pictured at left, Georgetown County Stormwater employee Rodney Butler was all smiles despite the rain as he worked the event. Thanks to our team for getting the job done regardless of conditions!

Coffee

WITH A GOP

Thursday, October 30, 2025

8 am - 9 am

4400 Highway 17, Murrells Inlet

Join your neighbors and Sheriff's deputies for coffee and conversation! No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions and get to know the deputies in your neighborhood.

