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EAT. PRAY. SERVE.

Performance brings history to life at Silver Brook Cemetery

One of Anderson's favorite live production duos has teamed up once again to bring us a play, unique in topic and presentation.

"Eat. Pray. Serve. Stories from Silver Brook" written by Beth Batson and directed by Mary Haley Thompson will be presented at Silver Brook Cemetery on Sunday, October 25th with performances at 2PM and 4PM.

The play, based on research by the late Brian Scott, features vignettes of real-life characters interred at Anderson's historic Silver Brook Cemetery.

"We did a version of this script



back in 2013. Since then, people have asked us to do it again," the play's author, Beth Batson said. "In light of the pandemic, this might be a perfect way to bring back theatre in a safe environment, while serving the City. The play is written for an outside

venue and the cemetery allows plenty of room to social distance. I dusted off the script, made a few revisions and called my City colleague, Mary Haley Thompson."

The performance is presented by the City of Anderson as a creative

way to bring attention to the City's municipal cemeteries as a cherished asset. In 2010, the City established the City Cemetery Foundation through the Foothills Community Foundation

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Anderson County Emergency Medical Services begins Paramedic Quick Response Vehicle program

ANDERSON — Steve Kelly, Director of the Anderson County Emergency Medical Services announced recently that Anderson County has begun operating Paramedic Quick Response Vehicles in specific areas of the County and within the City of Anderson.

These paramedics staffed vehicles will supplement the current ambulance services within Anderson County and provide better response times for some of the rural areas in the county. The QRV's will also allow for better utilization of Paramedics to provide Advanced Life Support.

Each ambulance staffed in Anderson County must be staffed with Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs). These EMTs can provide 95% of the medical care that a person may require. Paramedics can provide the additional 5% that may be needed. The QRV's will be dispatched by the Anderson County 911 Center with the appropriate ambulance to 911 request requiring advanced level care.

The current shortage of Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians has mandated that all agencies across the United States seek better ways to provide emergency medical services to the areas they serve.

The most important aspect of emergency medical care, is to have someone capable of providing the needed care on scene as soon as possible, transportation is then secondary.

The current Anderson County EMS System is provided by seven private ambulance services that operate under contractual agreement with Anderson County. Some of these providers have been struggling with personnel shortages and the inability to attract EMS personnel to the area.

The QRV concept is being utilized across the country in an effort to reduce the strain on emergency responders, by only sending the resources or personnel that is required to treat the patient. QRVs can also respond faster to life threatening emergencies, because the personnel are not tied up on transports to the hospitals.

Anderson County Council chose to venture into this aspect of providing emergency medical services to supplement the current providers and ensure that all citizens in the county have access to advanced medical care when it is needed, while reducing response times for true emergencies.

The QRV system will be a true representation of a private-public partnership with the county and the private ambulance services. This partnership will only enhance the county's ability to ensure that our citizens received the best care possible.

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as a way to garner funding for preservation and upgrades to cemetery grounds. Over the years, the City has hosted numerous themed tours but none as popular as this offering with live actors.

Rickey McClain, the City's Cemetery manager and superintendent, is the man responsible for the day to day operations of

the City's four municipal cemeteries. "Hardly a day goes by that someone doesn't drive through and mention how much these places mean," he said. "They might come from California and ask for directions to a loved one's grave. And chances are, if they are from here, they ask when we are going to do the live tour again."

Mary Haley, who has been active in the local community theatre scene, jumped at the chance to mix her vocation and her avocation. "It just seemed perfect. When

we were all so sad and wondering about the future of theatre, this came along. And it is for such an important cause, the preservation of a significant, historic City landmark."

Batson and Thompson previously worked together to present Batson's play, "I Am Not This Person: Monologues from a Plague," as a benefit for AID Upstate on World AIDS Day last December.

"Mary Haley did such a nice job with that production. She has an elegant style, a deft hand and keen directing instincts," Batson said. "I knew that she would bring

something new and special to this endeavor. And she has."

Featured characters include a tour guide, a gracious lady, a famous hostess, an aerialist and a nun.

Mary Haley says: "Join us, and you might discover who Anderson's real ghost is."

The performances are free and open to the public. Please note that masks are required, social distancing will be observed, and audiences are limited to 50 people for each performance.

Cast & Crew

Director – Mary Haley Thompson
Stage Manager - Rebekah K Teffertiller
Costumer – Kendall Guntner
Graham Macintosh, Host – Guillermo Jemmott
Georgia Brown – Kelly Seto
Theresa Brown – Kyra Morgan
Rose Lummis – Rachel Jeffreys
Maud Broadwick – DeAnna Gregory

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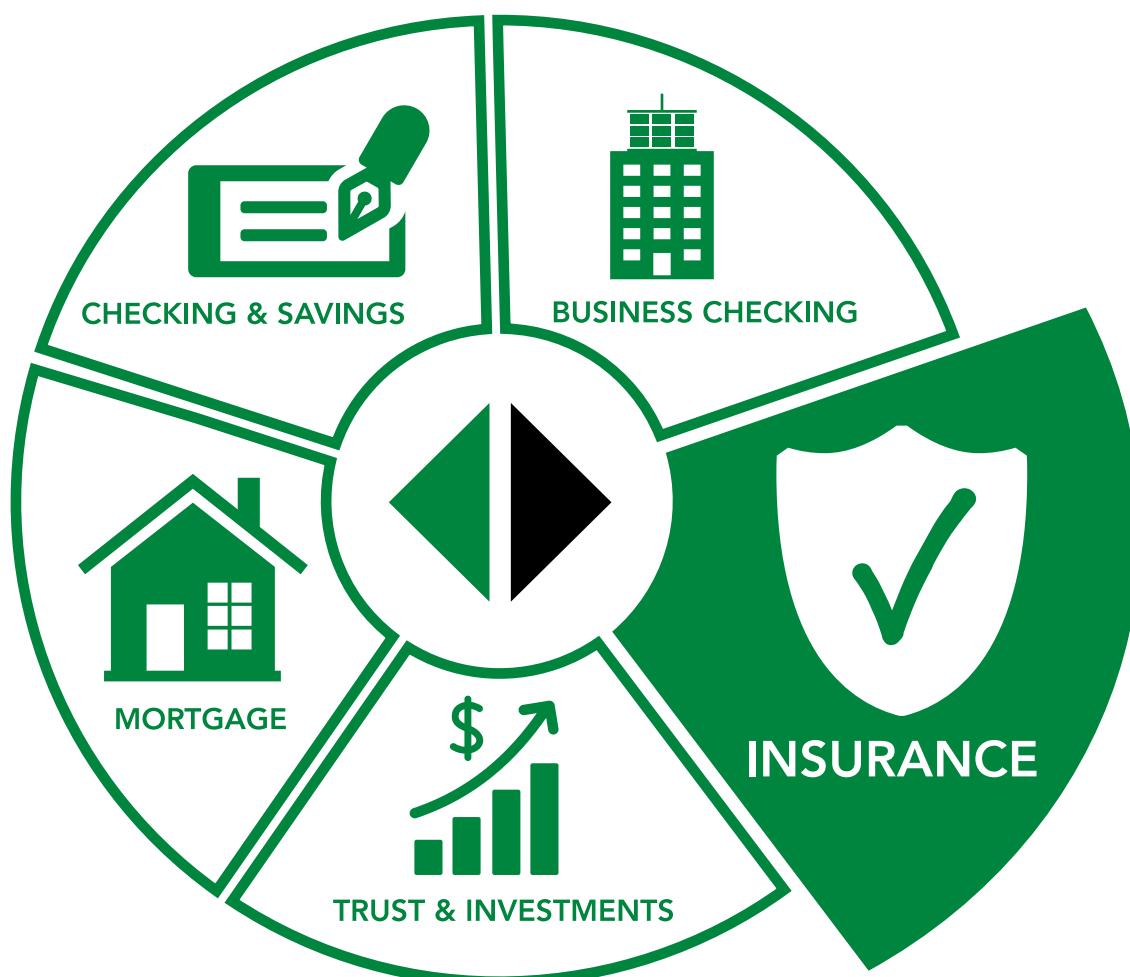
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WILSON, HARDIN WED

Janice Vandiver Wilson and Max McIver Hardin were married Saturday, September 5, 2020 at The Bleckley Inn in Anderson, South Carolina. Dr. Dennis Tedder officiated the marriage ceremony.

Janice Vandiver is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Watt Wilson of Anderson, South Carolina. Max McIver is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lance Carter Hardin of Raleigh, North Carolina. The bride is a 2018 graduate of the University of South Carolina and is presently teaching kindergarten at Roger Bacon Academy Charter Day School in Leland, North Carolina.

The groom is a 2018 graduate of the University of South Carolina and is presently the Facility Buyer at International Paper in



Leland, North Carolina.

After a honeymoon to Punta Cana, Dominican Republic the couple will reside in Wilmington, North Carolina.

Are bleached corals dead?

BY NATHAN GREENSLIT

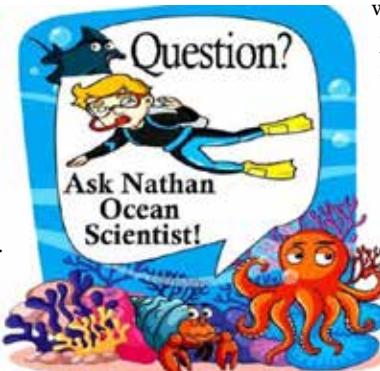
To answer this, we can go through some background info on coral physiology. Coral reefs have a close relationship with plant cells called zooxanthellae. The corals provide a community where the plant cells can live, and the cells provide the reef with nutrients via photosynthesis (this is called a symbiotic relationship). Additionally, the plant cells are what provide the coloring you typically see on corals. Different species of zooxanthellae can yield different colors such as red, brown, or yellow.

When waters get too warm, corals will think that the zooxanthellae are the issue and actually get rid of them. Without their little microalgae friends, corals are losing up to 90% of their nutrient supply. The other 10% can be attributed to their consumption of tiny zooplankton at night (but they aren't super good at doing this). This doesn't mean they are done for however. Many species of coral are able to recover (some better than others). But as global temperatures continue to rise at the rate they are now, corals are not able to adapt fast enough. The more bleaching events that occur, the more stress it is under and the more likely they are subject to mortality.

This is certainly a sad topic, but that doesn't mean you have to



lose hope. Scientists are working on understanding why some corals are more resilient to bleaching than others. And many programs are working hard on outplanting (taking healthy coral samples and growing them in the ocean) in coral nurseries. As a reader, you are making a difference right now! Just by educating yourself and others, you are able to spread awareness about what is going on our planet and are creating positive change.



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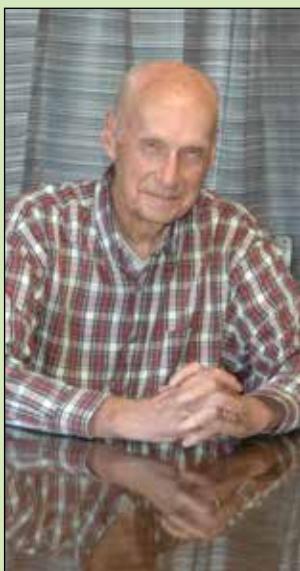
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Meet the press

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RICH OTTER

Feature writer

Rich Otter has been an integral part of The Electric City News for several years. Rich's wealth of knowledge and well rounded humor makes him a favorite writer among our readers. When asked what he likes most about writing for The Electric City News he said, "I enjoy digging up Anderson historical information. Although most of it has been previously documented, it has been too easily forgotten." "It's like writing for my mother", Rich said. "I'm not supposed to

say anything nasty about anyone."

Rich is a graduate of Duke University and Duke University School of Law. He was in private law practice here in Anderson for 57 years. He retired in 2017. He also served as Mayor of Anderson from 1968 to 1972. He is married to Mary Linne Stitely Otter and they have two daughters, Linne Anne Otter Hogg and Laura C. Otter. He enjoys photographing wildlife, writing for The ECN and he also enjoys genealogy.

Rich has educated us, entertained us and made us look good. We are truly fortunate to have him on our staff.

KRISTINE MARCH

Fashion columnist

I am thirty-five years old and grew up in Gaffney, SC. Married to Josh March, we have a twelve year old son named River. I have been singing since I was a little girl and have worked with various bands in Atlanta – singing in venues and at music festivals as a back up vocalist with my identical twin sister. I have also worked in the fashion industry since I was a teenager and signed with Wilhelmina modeling agency in my twenties. I have been writing for the Electric City News for three years. Something you may not know about



me is I like to stay active in the community volunteering for school plays and the drama department and at food banks and homeless shelters.

Feeling a little out of sorts? You don't have to imagine ALL the people.

My mother grew up in a house at the end of a long dirt road in Lowndesville, South Carolina, about 25 miles south of Anderson. She was an only child, so she had a lot of experience keeping herself entertained, living as remotely as she did. Even now, she has no particular desire to "go for the sake of going," as she puts it, choosing instead to stay at home and read the paper or play with her cat or watch the news on television. It was probably June before she even realized that there was a pandemic going on. My sister and I like to tell her that she's been in training for it her whole life.

Me, not so much. I am about as social as they come. I'm big on going, doing, and saying "yes" to every invitation. I like having friends over for dinner, a nibble and sip, or

even a movie and some popcorn. I love my husband, and we've spent a lot of time together over the past 32 weeks. Still,

without the occasional company of my women friends, I find myself a bit lonely and even slightly adrift. So yesterday, I settled on what I thought was the perfect solution to this problem: an imaginary friend.

You know the kind I mean. Many children, especially only children, invent imaginary friends to talk to and play with. They give them names and back stories, and the interactions they have with these invisible play-

mates allow them to practice social behavior, alleviate stress, an establish control over an otherwise chaotic environment, things we all could certainly use right now. And in 2020, they have the added advantage of an inability to pass on COVID-19, even if they're sitting in your lap without an imaginary mask, breathing right down your neck.

Full disclosure: I actually spent some time thinking about what my imaginary friend would be like. Her name would be Morag (heard it once on a BBC mystery), and she would be from Scotland. She would be funny as well as intelligent. She would like fiddle music and Broadway show tunes. She would prefer phone calls to texts. She would enjoy books, movies, cooking, traveling, and all fried potato products. Apart from the

strong accent, she would be an amalgamation of all of my actual friends.

Who are always there when I need them, even if I don't ask.

Today, out of the blue, one of them called to chat. We talked about our jobs and our parents and a particularly good vegetarian recipe that featured a lot of feta cheese. We talked about our sisters and our daughters. We talked about a mutual friend and whether, when she said she was in need of a "PJ party," she was referring to the kind where you wear pajamas or the kind where you drink grain alcohol and Kool-Aid out of a Rubbermaid trash can. (That one, we decided, was a toss-up.) Five minutes turned into 35, and just like that, Morag was on the next plane to Edinburgh with her fiddle in the overhead compartment.

I know I'm not the only one who has felt, at times, a little untethered since the spring. What I should have been doing was reaching out to friends to say, "Hey, do you have a minute to connect?" Like a lot of people, though, I'm not always good at asking for help. But as it turns out, John Lennon was wrong: I don't have to imagine ALL the people. Even if we can't be physically together, I have quite a few real ones in my life who are more than happy to lend an ear. I'll bet you do too.

But when they're not available, I'm happy to share Morag. She loves tater tots, and you get used to the brogue.

If you had to design an imaginary friend to quarantine with, what would he or she be like? Let me know at editkim50@gmail.com.

Pregnancy and infant loss awareness



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*A side note, resist from asking when friends/family may have children. Do not assume that everyone wants children. Avoid comparing your grief to someone else's, as grief is experienced differently among everyone

What to say after someone has experienced a miscarriage:

- I am here for and with you
- I am deeply saddened for your loss
- Take all the time you need, as healing is not linear
- You did nothing wrong. This is not your fault
- I would love to share if you want to share your story/journey
- How are you feeling since your loss?

*It is OK, and often desired, to say the baby's name when discussing the loss. Try to consistently reach out every week, even if you do not have a response back. Lastly, deciding when/who you share pregnancy with is a very personal decision. Whatever you choose, you deserve support, kindness, and love.

Mary-Catherine McClain Riner, Ph.D., Ed.S., M.S., is a Licensed Psychologist with Riner Counseling, LLC. Visit www.rinerounseling.com or call 864-608-0446.

Anderson University to offer medical imaging degree

ANDERSON, SC – Anderson University has launched a new Bachelor of Health Sciences in Medical Imaging program. This program will prepare graduates to work in a variety of settings and industries including hospitals, medical imaging centers, outpatient care centers, primary care clinics, mobile imaging, and radiology sales and service.

"This academic degree is a tremendous opportunity for students who have either completed hospital certifications programs in radiology or a related medical imaging fields or those transferring in from two-year degree programs to complete their academic degree is a relative short span of time," said Dr. Donald Peace, dean of the Anderson University College of Health Professions. "Generous academic credit will be provided to those students for their previous work in their field. Anderson University is excited to offer this opportunity and to

assist these healthcare professionals to their next level of academic achievement."

"For over 70 years AnMed Health has been extremely successful in the hospital-based education of radiologic technologists," said Susan Merrill, program director for radiologic technology at AnMed Health. "Now, partnered with Anderson University, we will be able to elevate the degree status for previous graduates as well as and incoming students.

A bachelor's degree will open additional employment opportunities in imaging specialties, radiology education, management and sales. Anderson University is currently the only university in South Carolina to offer a bachelor's degree with a concentration in medical imaging sciences.

For more information, including how to enroll, visit online. andersonuniversity.edu/undergraduate/medical-imaging.

THE TIME HAS ARRIVED

BY ANN BAILES

Since we're into October, on Saturday afternoon I filled our bird feeders with seed for the first time since cleaning them in August. The next morning Mike said "There's something different out there." He was right -the first bird getting seeds was an immature male rose-breasted grosbeak. We watched all last spring as person after person reported seeing grosbeaks passing through the area, but we never saw one. And who would have thought, with so many more common species around, that this more unusual bird would be our very first one of the season.

Yes, it's that time of year again - Time to help the birds through the winter, time to set up for cold weather entertainment outside your window, and time to look for your own unusual bird. It's time to set up a bird feeding station.

Bird feeding can be as elaborate or as simple as you like. It's one of those things in your life that, once you start, you'll wonder what took you so long to get going--because feeding birds, especially in the autumn and



winter, is addictive. Addictive, that is, for you as well as for the birds.

Anyone can do this, but if you live in an area that has nearby woods and bushes, you have especially good conditions. The easiest feeder to put up is a hanging tube from any hardware or big box store. Shelf feeders also can be made from almost any material that has some kind of edge around it. Hang your feeders if possible near trees or large shrubs. This gives the birds cover in case predators (usually hawks) swoop by. A shepherd's crook works great, and can double for hanging flower pots in the summer.

An important point to remember is to use black oil sunflower seed, as generic wild bird seed is thrown on the ground by most species. Black oil

sunflower seed is a much better choice. Supplement seed feeders with suet baskets, which are cheap, easy to hang, and can be filled with inexpensive suet cakes that are also easily available. These suet cakes are great protein sources for birds already coming, and will attract woodpeckers as well.

The first birds to frequent your food most likely will be Carolina chickadees and tufted titmice. These birds find feeders quickly, and are fairly tame and fun to watch. You possibly will also be visited soon by house finches, goldfinches, cardinals, nuthatches, Carolina wrens, and many more. As the season moves on, various winter warblers and other species may find your feeder. Keep a list, and also keep a good field guide and a pair of binoculars close by.

Start small, but start--and this is the time of year to get going. You won't regret it, and you will enjoy watching these beautiful creatures who come to your yard in search of the food you've provided--especially when you see something unusual, like that migrating rose-breasted grosbeak we saw this past Sunday morning!

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NIBBLE & SIP

Cocktails for two, for real

When Morag and I get together (see "Feeling a little out of sorts? You don't have to imagine ALL the people."), there are many things we enjoy doing. We take turns singing the Angelica parts from



Kim von Keller

"Hamilton." We fight over the last French fry in the basket. We watch the movie "Waking Ned Devine" again and laugh like it's the first time we've seen it. But there's one thing we never, ever, ever do together, and that's have a cocktail.

That's because she's not real, and drinking alone may be problematic. So if you're

having gin and tonics with an imaginary friend, you need to stop that right now.

That's why I like Friday night. Ted comes home early from work, we turn on some music, and we enjoy a Nibble and Sip like actual people. Lately, we've been enjoying Barbecue-Spiced Popcorn. It takes five minutes to make, makes exactly two servings, and it's salty, spicy, and crunchy. And to go with it, we like old-school Singapore Slings for Two. They are light, bubbly, and fruity without being sweet. And since there's only enough for Ted and me, Morag will just have to make her own.

Barbecue-Spiced Popcorn

1 teaspoon garlic salt
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons smoked paprika
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons sugar
1 teaspoon onion powder
1 teaspoon chili powder
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon ground mustard powder
1 6.29-oz package microwave popcorn (I like Orville Redenbacher's Smart Pop with Butter)

In a small bowl, mix the garlic salt, smoked paprika, sugar, onion powder, chili powder, and mustard powder until evenly combined. Place the popcorn pouch in the microwave and pop, following package directions. Empty the popcorn into a serving bowl and sprinkle with half of the spice mix. Using a pair of spoons, toss to distribute the spices evenly. Sprinkle with the remaining spice mix and toss again. Serves 2.

Singapore Slings for Two

3 oz. gin
1 oz. cherry liqueur
 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Benedictine
 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. orange liqueur
3 oz. pineapple juice
1 oz. lime juice
 $\frac{1}{2}$ t. grenadine
2 dashes Angostura bitters
Club soda, chilled

In a large shaker, combine the gin, cherry liqueur, Benedictine, orange liqueur, pineapple juice, lime juice, grenadine, and bitters. Fill the shaker with ice and shake vigorously. Strain evenly between two Collins glasses and fill with ice. Top with club soda to taste and stir gently. Makes two.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

BY MARY HALEY THOMPSON

PHOTOGRAPHY BY WILL MALONE

Something is brewing in downtown Anderson

Joshua Pritchett opened Electric City Brewing Company in downtown Anderson. It is South Carolina's first nanobrewery and coffee roaster. The hybrid business model features a coffee shop by day and brewery at night.

From fermenting wine in his college dorm room to brewing beer out of his home garage, Josh has been experimenting with this concept for years. Josh's career began in the United States army. He worked subsequently in the medical field and dabbled in areas of development before he decided to make the jump full-time into entrepreneurship this summer.

Two years ago, Josh started to put pen to paper and develop a plan that became Electric City Brewing Co. When it was time to look for properties, the building and location were very important. From the time he stepped foot into the Cox Oil Co. building, he knew he had found the perfect space. He kept the original sign on the side of the building to pay homage to the former company, owned and operated by Don Cox, who retired this past year.

The building was transformed into a modern, artistic style brewery and gathering space. An additional



outdoor seating area features shade structures, string lighting and large picnic tables.

Josh opened the business on Calhoun Street in July as a coffee shop. Now in its third month in operation, customers are raving about the artisan coffee and unique gathering space. The coffee is roasted in small batches to ensure customers enjoy a cup that is fresh to order. You will also find breakfast pastries and hand-crafted kombucha on the menu.

In the coming weeks, Electric City Brewing Co. will launch the nanobrewery side of the business with their new line of craft beers. Also made in small batches, customers will enjoy a fresh taste of beer that's always brewed within the last 24–48 hours. The lineup will feature a dozen beers with eight regulars on tap and four seasonal flavors.

Branded in the marketing of Electric City Brewing Co., the busi-



ness was "Crafted for Community." "I wanted to create a space that served Anderson," explains Josh. "Whether you want a coffee, beer, place to study, or hang out spot with friends after work, it is my hope that Electric City Brewing Co. will provide the ultimate experience, products, and services that keep the community coming back."

Electric City Brewing Co. is located at 109 East Calhoun Street downtown Anderson. For hours of operation and daily specials, follow them on Facebook and Instagram.

Most wonderful time of the year?

This is the most wonderful time of the year, at least in my household it is. My husband and son get most excited about Halloween. I secretly think they like it better than Christmas. We have decorated almost every inch of our home and now we just need to figure out our costumes. We have several in mind and this year and we're going to get creative. It may be a bit unusual compared to last year's festivities but we're going to make the most out of the season. Our neighborhood goes all out and it's just a ton of fun. Last year we did a movie

theme. I was Cher from the movie Clueless and my husband was Jack Torrence from The Shining. My son was a video game character of course. If you want an easy costume definitely go the movie route. Pick a film like The Royal Tenenbaums or a classic like Breakfast At Tiffany's. So fun. If you look on Pinterest there are endless



Kristine March

costume ideas and tutorials. This year I'm thinking about doing something different. A nature fairy. Wearing a mystical crown made of twigs and flowers and faux berries. Since I live in the mountains, it will be apropos. The company called Earthbound had amazing head pieces this year. If you want to wear something unusual. You can also do it yourself if you feel like getting crafty. What are you going to be on Halloween night? Remember to make the sidewalk your runway and always be kind. Happy Halloween y'all.

YOUR DENTIST CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE

Oral systemic health — the new frontier!

If you are a regular reader of this feature, you know I make a concerted effort to keep abreast of not only oral health issues but the latest information on how we can stay healthy, enjoy life more, and live longer.

I have long dreamt of the day when physicians and dentists would coordinate their care, to assure patients get a full and complete focus on their health to achieve optimum treatment outcomes.

That day has arrived for Grand Oaks Dental.

I am pleased to announce I am now a member of the American Academy for Oral Systemic Health. The academy is a non-profit organization comprised of health professionals dedicated to expanding awareness of the relationship between oral health and whole-body health.

Here is a prime example of this relationship...

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Medical and dental schools are now studying dental plaque as a dental disease, the destructive forces of which cause systemic diseases such as cardiovascular disease, stroke, Alzheimer's, diabetes, rheu-

matoid arthritis, and more. Looking ahead, large oral care companies are now directing their future research and products at oral-systemic health.

There's more. The bad bacteria associated with both Periodontal disease and systemic diseases can be tested for in the dental office. A surprisingly large portion of the American population is above the desired level for these harmful bacteria. Think of the benefits of early detection via oral exam in helping people avoid serious health issues!

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expanding our ability to help our patients. Think of us as your hometown resource -- dedicated to your optimum oral as well as overall health. If you have questions, please call.

Dr. Gabrielle F. Cannick is the owner of Grand Oaks Dental, located at 3905 Liberty Highway in Anderson. A strong believer that dental fear and anxiety should not prevent any patient from receiving the highest quality dental care, Dr. Cannick has received extensive training in Sedation Dentistry and is a certified member of the Dental Organization for Conscious Sedation. She is also a member of the South Carolina Dental Association, the American Dental Association, the Academy of General Dentistry, and the American Academy of Dental Sleep Medicine.

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The ferry's sordid past

BY RICH OTTER

It is now under the waters of Hartwell Lake but the ferry crossing that once carried much of the traffic fording the Savannah River to Georgia has an interesting and sordid past. It bore the name of the proprietor Shockley and then names of subsequent operators with Brown followed by Paine. The most notable landmark still existing is the remnant of Shockley Ferry Road that once led travelers toward the crossing. River ferries in those years were ordinarily pulled across South Carolina rivers by cables and pulleys.

Shockley had his home in the area of the crossing and the distinctive Shockley apple was named for the product of his orchard. It was under a subsequent operator William Penn Brown in the 1860s, however, when the location achieved its lasting notoriety.

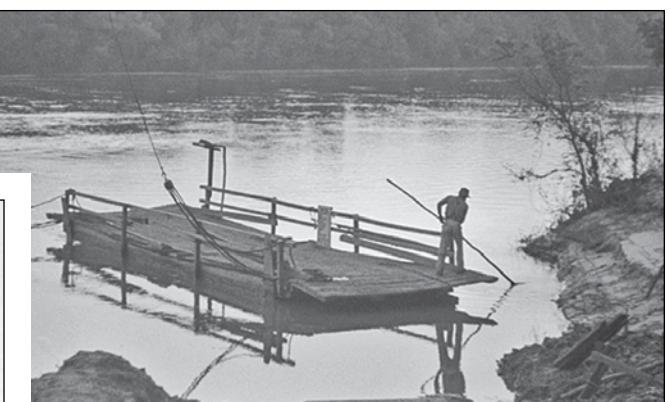
The most notorious incident occurring at Brown's Ferry was during Union occupation after the War Between the States. It has been

referenced in numerous writings including books by Roy Ethridge and Louise Vandiver.

Union troops stationed in Anderson included some young boys who had not been of age to actually have engaged in the fighting. Cotton had been confiscated and was being held at Brown's Ferry to be shipped to Augusta. Three of the boys were sent the fifteen miles to the ferry landing to guard the cotton. The confiscated cotton had belonged to Crawford Keys.

During the night the boys were attacked by an unknown number of men and killed. Ferryman Brown claimed that Crawford Keys, Elisha Bryum, Robert Keys and Gaines Stowers were the murderers. They were arrested, tried and convicted. They were to be hanged at Castle Pinckney. Castle Pinckney was a small masonry fortification in the Charleston Harbor that had been named for Revolutionary War hero Charles Cotesworth Pinckney.

The evidence was considered to



Above: A typical cable ferry
Left: Castle Pinckney

at the age of 85, he committed suicide. Many considered conscience had

over-taken him.

Louise Vandiver reported the bodies of the boys had been brought to Anderson and interred in the Presbyterian Church grave yard. After 35 years they were removed and taken to the Federal cemetery in Atlanta. During their stay in Anderson Lenora C. Hubbard, a teacher and principal at West Market Street School, had cared for their graves. Vandiver reported the Maine legislature officially thanked Miss Hubbard for her humane conduct.

In 1917 the then ferryman William Pierce was killed, allegedly because he knew too much about rum runners who used the ferry.

A. N. Alford of Hartwell, Georgia, continued the ferry operation and offered a \$1,000 reward for the capture of the murderers that was supplemented by \$300 from Pierce's father. They were never apprehended.

In the following year a toll bridge was erected by A. N. Alford at the site replacing the ferry. The murdered ferryman's father became the toll taker.

As to Shockley Ferry Road, it now merges into Highway 29 just south of the City of Anderson.

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My besties

The best friends probably don't even know that they are my friends. They just pretend to like me because of the food and shelter that is provided to them. My three feline friends, Ruby, Caly, and Bear, have the best life any cats could ask for. I spoil them and allow them to do whatever they want. If they want out, I let them out, and when they

want in, I let them in. They have cleared every horizontal surface in my house for their perching and sleeping pleasure.

Before these kids with paws came into my life three years ago, I enjoyed feeding the birds and squirrels or watching a lizard scurry across my hot patio while the butterflies fluttered among the flowers.

Now there are no birds, squirrels, or lizards to view, and the butterflies are few.

My friends won't allow any moving object within their territory to creep, crawl, flutter, scurry, or fly. Even my neighbor that had a mole

problem in his yard has thanked me for saving him hundreds of dollars of expensive contractor eradication

fees. I should have named my little friends, Orkin, Terminix, and Raid.

Now I know that there are those that would question why I would unleash these wild claws of destruction into the peacefulness of nature and disturb the trophic cascade of the native wildlife. My reasoning is simple, they belong there, and I've just never cared to see any animal confined and kept from doing what nature intended for them to do. Besides, my friends usually sleep sixteen hours a day and appear lazy and harmless while they gather enough energy to be able to (play),

with the squirrels, birds, moles, and lizards. They say that allowing your pet to venture outside will shorten its life, but keeping my friends inside all the time would certainly shorten mine. Freedom and risk is something we can all relate to these days.

I admire my friends for the way they are able to thumb their noses at society, strutting around with their tails high in the air, knowing that the only law that they must fear is bad luck, and that they are Kings and Queens of their little jungle.



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il n'y a qu'un pas
Napoleon September 7, 1812

Napoleon's ill fated invasion of Russia culminated in the Battle of Borodino. That marked the apex of his vast empire and it's beginning of the end. The Russians rather than surrender set the city a fire and abandoned it with the czar never capitulating. With the fierce winter approaching and supplies almost exhausted Bonaparte left for home with orders for his army to follow. He lost an incredible 410,000 of his army due to counter attacks, attrition murder by the peasants to, cold and starvation.

In case you're not up on your French, the translation of the above words mean. "From the sublime to the ridiculous there is but one step." Napoleon, whose desire for world dom-

ination would spiral downward with this banishment to the island of Elba where his last days would teeter between fantasy and reality.



Jim Fraser

As a young high school coach in the 1950's that a colloquialism went like this. "It's a short walk from the penthouse to the outhouse." The obvious premise was don't become infatuated with success, you might be having because it can be

lost in the twinkling of an eye. One bad year can wipe out seven good ones. Never, ever let the pursuit or the quest supplant the thrill, the character building, and lessons in the journey.

How dangerously close we are becoming

with Napoleon's France of 1812, of morphing from the sublime to the ridiculous, of moving from the penthouse to the outhouse.

We are fast removing our mantle of world leadership of using our great might for good and stability to not being welcome to enter most of the countries in the world. My granddaughter, Maggie who is a professional volleyball player can't even enter her adopted country, France.

Our inability to control this virus that has brought us to our knees has caused us to be mocked and ridiculed. We have pulled out of many of our treaties and alliances. Many of these will now collapse without us.

We seemed to believe that a return to the 1920's where our isolationism helped trigger WWII. Our refusal to join the League of Nations doomed that organization.

The pomp and ceremony, the protocol and

strength. Like Napoleon's vast empire is fast losing its luster and it pains me to say this, but is bordering on the ridiculous.

When a country forgets what made them great, when it tries to bypass decency, honor, respect, and truth we make Bonaparte's word ring loud and true. Intrepidity, verve, plus responsibility will make us great again (if anybody's listening).

Jim Fraser was the athletic director and head football coach at T.L. Hanna High School from 1968-1985. He was also a full time member of the faculty who taught U.S. History.



Junie B. Jones

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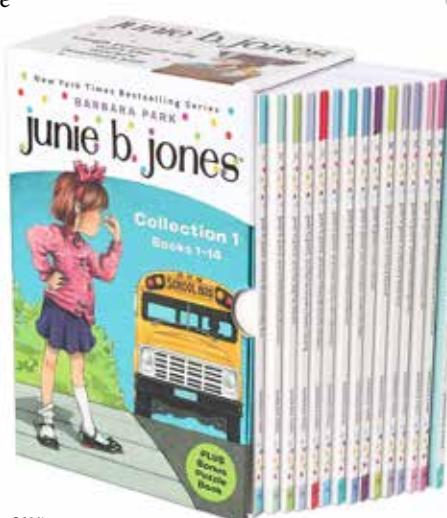
Junie B. is a kindergartner in Books 1-17, and then a first grader, beginning in No. 18, Junie B., First Grader (At Last!). She is funny, strong-willed, and prone to misunderstandings and mishaps.

Junie B. is a favorite book character in our

home. She's always the character picked for school dress up days and character projects. My two little girls started reading Junie B. Jones books as kindergarteners and haven't put them down since. If you aren't familiar with this book series, I encourage you to visit the library today and check one out. I know you'll love it! Keep reading, friends. -Katie



Katie Laughridge



American Christian Fiction Writers' South Carolina Chapter set to hold meeting this month

The American Christian Fiction Writers' South Carolina Chapter will meet Saturday, October 24, 2020, at 2:00 PM at North Anderson Baptist Church, 2308 N. Main Street, Anderson, SC. The meeting is free and visitors are welcome. A writing class will be offered the first half and critique of members' manuscripts, the last half. Visitors are welcome, and invited to sit in the critique sessions and offer feedback.

The free writing class, "Editing Your Own Manuscript" will be presented by award-winning Christian author, editor, and writing coach Jessica Brodie.

Jessica's first novel won the 2018 Genesis award for Contemporary Fiction from American Christian Fiction Writers.

Visitors to the meeting are encouraged to come early and to park on the side of the church with the long handicap ramp behind the small white house or church office. Come in the double glass doors at the ramp, take the elevator to the second floor and go left down the hall to a class room.

To learn more about the chapter, check out the chapter blog at <http://scwritersacfw.blogspot.com/>. To learn about the national organization go to www.acfw.com. For more information about this meeting contact the President, Elva Martin at elvacmartin@gmail.com or call her at 864/226-7024.

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THE GARDEN SHOP

Shopping markdowns



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A few weeks ago I was shopping at the big box home improvement store where mother does not allow me to go. They made her mad over a lemon lawnmower she bought. The rude manager was the topper and she has never been back. Yes, she knows I do not always mind her on this matter. But I only go to that store when I can't find what I want at the other one.

The plant markdown rack is usually my first stop. Most of the time these plants are good ones, just past their prime and/or a bit thirsty. For a dollar or two, I'll risk it depending on what's offered. There were two

different kinds of salvia on sale. Salvatore Blue Salvia (*Salvia nemorosa* 'Salvatore Blue') and East Friesland Sage (*Salvia superba* 'East Friesland'). Even in that environment, some of the flowers were visited by bees and butterflies. A few issues ago, Garden Shop featured *Salvia microphylla* and *Salvia greggii*. If your garden doesn't have room for those types, these smaller varieties may work better. They are not shrubby and die back to the ground each winter. Salvatore Blue grows about a foot high and about eight inches wide. East Friesland grows slightly bigger at two feet tall and wide. If happy, they will spread a bit but not unpleasantly so. I've tried to grow May Night Meadow Sage (*Salvia sylvestris*) without success. I think it rotted in the winter. Side by side I might could tell the difference in May Night and East Friesland but they look like the same plant to me. So this time around, I planted East Friesland in a different area of the garden and planted it a little high-

er. Salvatore Blue is planted across the path. I like it better because it's taller. Hopefully they will complement each other.

The blooms of both are dark purple. True blue flowers are hard to find. Salvatore Blue should bloom earlier, starting in late spring, blooming through summer and possibly into fall. East Friesland will bloom in summer. If I would take time to deadhead them, they should bloom into fall. But I'm not going to kid myself on getting that done. As I remember from May Night, these types may get a little ratty looking in late summer so I will have to plan on pruning them some if weather warrants it. According to one source, Salvatore Blue provides nectar for lots of butterflies – American Lady, Cabbage White, Clouded Skipper, Cloudless Sulphur, Dun Skipper, Fiery Skipper, Giant Swallowtail, Gray Hairstreak, Gulf Fritillary, Monarch, Peck's Skipper, Sachem, Silver-Spotted Skipper, Spicebush Swallowtail, Zebra Longwing, and



Salvia nemorosa

Zabulon. Wow, if I was only smart enough to know all those butterflies should they visit my garden. I'm still waiting on a zebra swallowtail to come to my pawpaw trees. Looking up Zebra Longwing, the range is sometimes South Carolina but it seems more to our coast. Seeing one of those would be a thrill. Bright yellow Cloudless Sulphur butterflies really stand out when visiting my red salvias. Salvias are also great for hummingbirds and deer do not like them.

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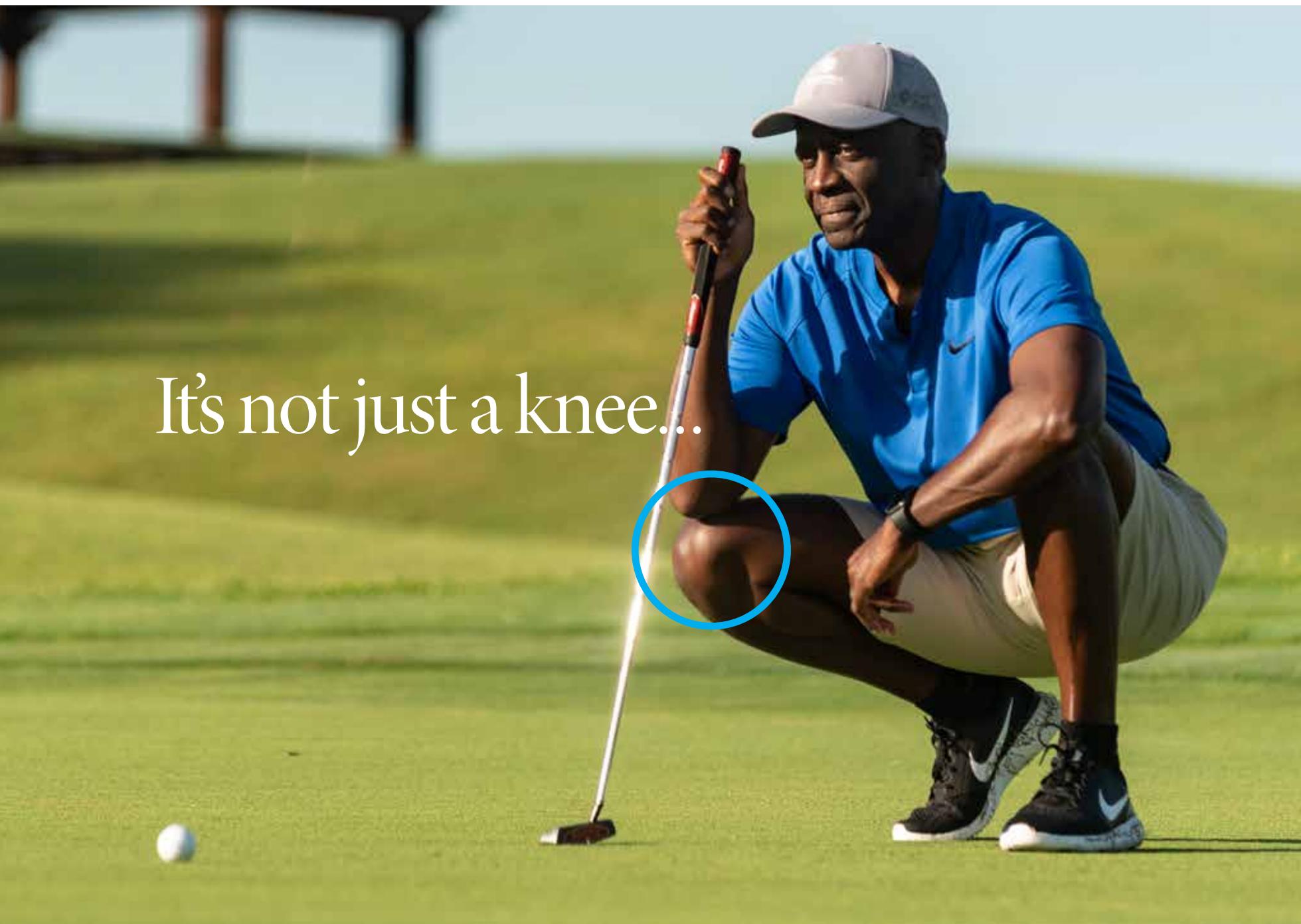


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