



Town of McClellanville

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February 2018**

VILLAGE NEWS

Upcoming Meetings:

Town Council Regular Meeting – Mon, March 5, 2018 at 7 p.m.

Architectural Review Board – Mon, February 26, 2018 at 7 p.m. Deadline to submit an ARB application for February 26 meeting is Friday, February 16 at 11:00 a.m. To view pending ARB applications go to www.townofmcclellanville-sc.net

Continuing Education for Board and Commission Members
We will have continuing education training on Monday, March 19 at 5p.m. , Town Hall

Planning Commission – Mon, March 19, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

McClellanville Municipal Court –

Tues, February 27 at 9:30 a.m.

Tree Committee Meeting—Tues, April 17 at 6:30 p.m.

McClellanville Town Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

McClellanville Message Center — (843) 887-3054

CLOSED: February 19-Presidents’ Day

Awendaw-McClellanville Consolidated Fire District / Charleston County: We are happy to report that the two Water Distribution Stations have been re-opened. Water Station 2 is located at Fire Station 4 at 10009 Hwy 17 N, in McClellanville, and Water Station 3 is located at Fire Station 6 at 911 South Santee Rd, in the South Santee/Germantown area.

The Awendaw-McClellanville Consolidated Fire District will be providing daily checks at both these locations to ensure citizens have access to clean drinking water. We now have staff on hand, certified by DHEC, to provide the quality control needed to keep the water stations open.

Charleston County Sheriff’s Office: Remember, it is that time of year for IRS scams to run heavy around the country. The IRS does NOT notify the public by phone. If you happen to be concerned about issues with the IRS, contact them yourself. Do Not give any personal information to these scam artists (criminals). Hang up the phone immediately.

Vacancy on ARB/DRB for Town A vacancy currently exists on our Architectural Review Board/Design Review Board. The Town is seeking a qualified, interested individual to serve on this board. The Architectural Review Board reviews applications for new construction, additions or alterations to existing structures, and signs in the Historic District. They also act as the Design Review Board for proposed new construction, additions/alterations and signage in the Highway Commercial District. The Board consists of five members, and meets regularly on the third Monday of each month at 7 PM. State law requires that new Board members participate in a six hour planning orientation session presented at the Council of Governments office in North Charleston. After the initial training, Board members must complete three hours of continuing education annually. Every effort is made to provide the continuing education classes in the McClellanville/Awendaw area. Those interested in applying for the vacancy on the Board should inform the Town Office in writing, stating his/her interest and qualifications for serving. Applications please mail to: Town of McClellanville, 405 Pinckney St, McClellanville, SC 29458 or email to mcclellanville@tds.net. Applications will be submitted to Town Council for consideration of appointment. For further information, please contact the Town Office at 887-3712.

Annual Boat Launch Renewal

Annual Boat Launch Permits for 2018 are available at Town Hall. You may also purchase permits online via the Town’s website www.townofmcclellanville-sc.net. Short term passes are available at Boats N Hoagies and Citco.

Notice to McClellanville Dog Owners

The Town Office has recently received an increasing number of complaints about nuisance dogs in town. The complaints include reports of dogs that threaten residents and visitors who

are walking or bicycling on town roads, dogs that threaten or harm neighbors' pets, and dogs that disturb the peace with constant barking.

McClellanville's General Ordinances (Sections 3.100 and 3.106) contain prohibitions on the possession of nuisance or vicious dogs by town residents. If you are a dog owner, please be considerate of your neighbors and take responsibility for your pet. Dogs should not be allowed to threaten or harm anyone or any other pets. If your dog often barks for more than a few minutes at a time, bring the dog indoors or consider other options. Most of us in McClellanville are dog-lovers, but until dogs begin paying taxes we must place more importance on the rights of our human residents to enjoy the Village!

The Village Museum

Acclaimed as one of the finest small town museums in the state, The Village Museum opened in April 1999. Exhibits demonstrate a time line of history beginning with villages of the Seewee Indians and the settlement at Jamestown, S.C. by the French Huguenots, through the rice planting on the great Santee plantations and the establishment of the town of McClellanville as a coastal resort. Displays also tell of the simple lifestyle of the postwar farmer, the rise of timber harvesting in the 20th Century and the growth of the local seafood industry. The museum attempts to both educate its visitors as well as entertain them.

401 Pinckney Street • (843) 887-3030

Thursday, Friday & Saturday 10 am to 5 pm

(Closed 12 noon to 1 pm for lunch)

The Cottage News

Come see our new shipment of American made Puppets, they are adorable. New Flax "Bold" is scheduled to arrive this month. We also have fabulous English-made serving pieces (dinner plates, salad plates, platters, coffee mugs) in Blue Crab and Shrimp designs that make perfect gifts or just treat yourself. Thanks to all of you who came to our watercolor class and a big thanks to Jenny Owen for teaching it.

Don't forget the oil painting demonstration by Joyce Hall on February 11 from 2:00 till 5:00. The cost is \$65.00.

And a sweetgrass basket making class on February 17 at 1:00 for \$50:00 taught by Barbara McCormick.

We have lots of new merchandise, as always. Come see us.

February and Early March at the McClellanville Arts Center In the Gallery

To celebrate Women's History Month, we will host "Gifted Hands: Artistic Movement" in our gallery. This multicultural exhibition will offer works in fiber arts, photography, sculpture, jewelry, handmade dolls, paintings, jewelry, glass, sweetgrass, pottery and more. Participating in this extraordinary exhibition, include artists Barbara Manigault, Rosalind Milton, Melissa Cash Rogers, Jessica Cash Richardson, Annie Purvis, Adrienne King Cromer, Cookie Washington, Jackie Jureck, Francina Smalls Kolbus, Caseline Jenkins, Stacey Emma Green,

Christian Cook, Caroline Spahr, Maggie Schwartz, Georgette Sanders, and Bernadette Humphrey.

Please drop by our gallery on Saturday, March 3, between 2 p.m.-6 p.m. to meet some of the artists and help us celebrate Women's History Month! The exhibition will remain in our gallery through April 7, 2018.

Classes and Workshops:

Evening Yoga: Tuesdays 7:00-8:15 p.m. Join instructor Blythe Brown for an evening yoga class that is appropriate for all levels. Classes are held every Tuesday from 7:00-8:15 p.m. Please call for more information, 843-887-3157. Class fee is \$12 for 2018 members, \$15 for non-members.

Piano Lessons: Brenda LeFevre offers weekly thirty-minute piano lessons for students ages six and up, including adults. No previous experience is necessary. The cost is \$18 per session for 2018 members and \$20 for non-members, payable at the beginning of each month. Classes are held in our studio building on Pinckney Street. Please call 843-887-3157 to schedule your session.

After School Art: Monday afternoons from 3:30-4:15. Fee is \$18 per day for 2018 members and \$20 for non-members. CREECS Art Teacher Blythe Brown will be offering after school art lessons in a small group setting in our studio. We are going to continue with the 9 and up age group, with a focus on building a portfolio for high school. All materials are provided. Please call 843-887-3157 to register your child.

Painting Happy Hour: February 11, 5:00-7:00 p.m. Join Blythe Brown on a Sunday evening for this fun and relaxed painting class, appropriate for beginners and experienced painters alike. BYOB, and feel free to bring a snack to share. All materials are provided. Class fee is \$20 for 2018 members, \$30 for non-members. Please call 843-887-3157 to sign up. Ages 21 and older.

Sushi 101 with Yuka: February 17, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Learn to roll sushi! Students will learn about the various ingredients in homemade sushi, how to make sushi rice, and how to make 4 different sushi rolls. Students will leave the class with their own sushi rolling mat and the know-how to make sushi themselves at home. Come hungry and feel free to BYOB. Ages 21 and up. Class fee is \$30 for 2018 members, \$40 for non-members. All materials are provided. Please call 843-887-3157 to sign up.

Kids' Workshop: Saturday, March 10 from 10:30-11:30. Ages 8 and under, and parents are welcome to stay if they want to. We'll be using clean recycled school milk cartons to make something fun and creative! Materials and snacks are provided. Class fee is \$10 for 2018 members, \$15 for non-members. Please call 843-887-3157 to register your child.

St. James Santee Elementary School—Family Vision Night

Join us on Tuesday, February 13 from 5:45-7pm at SJSEM Media Center to discuss our new plans for family involvement and how you can make a difference in your child's education. Together, we can create the home-school partnership that will guarantee the success of our scholars. Contact Bryon Ray for any questions Byron_ray@charleston.k12.sc.us 843-723-0863 ext. 75055

Sewee Visitor & Environmental Education Center

Caretaker "Wolfman" Rob conducts Red wolf feeding and interpretive talk on Saturdays at 11:30 AM and Thursdays at 3:00 PM.

February 16, 17 & 18, Southeastern Wildlife Exposition,

Charleston: Join us at the Conservation Tent in Marion Square and pick up information on the outdoor Recreation opportunities that await you at the Sewee Visitor and Environmental Education Center, Cape Romain NWR and the Francis Marion NF.

February 17, Saturday 11:30 AM, Beach Drop on Bulls: Take Coastal Expeditions' ferry to the North End of Bulls Island for a Day of shelling, photography, birding and bliss. This seldom-offered trip brings guests directly to one of the most secluded and pristine beaches in the world for shelling, birding, and a chance to reconnect with nature. For information and booking call 843.884.7684 or go to www.coastalexpeditions.com

February 24, Saturday 10:00 AM, Make Feeders For Our Feathered Friends: The quiet of winter is a good time to help our feathered friends with food resources. Make a bird feeder using the longleaf pine cone from the forest. Come to the Sewee Center and make a feeder to hang in your backyard. All materials for the feeder and seed are provided. You can join Naturalist John Galbary for a bird walk around Sewee to see some of our winter resident birds. Call the Center at 843.928.3368 to register. FREE program!

Hours: Wednesday — Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Phone: 843-928-3368 for more details!

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Smash Glass Art : WHO ARE WE?

Smash Glass Art Studio is a local, non-profit created to encourage art [of all facets], sustainability and community building. CLASSES ARE ALWAYS FREE! We serve the northeast region of Charleston County, South Carolina; from Awendaw to South Santee. Our mission is to smash barriers and build relationships between generations and races using broken, recycled and found materials. The Smash Glass experience includes fine art, dance, fashion and guitar - all of which use a S.T.E.A.M approach (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math). WEBSITE: www.smashglassarts.org

EMAIL: smashglass@hotmail.com

Here's What's New

Smash Glass at St. James Santee Elementary -

From Feb. 5 through April 30. Please visit www.smashglassarts.org for more information.

Double Date - Pair up with your little ones for arts & crafts.

Held every Tuesday at 10:30am at 205 Oak St Studio MCVL This class is hosted by Melanie and is for ages 3+ (younger kids must be accompanied always by caregiver).

Guitar - Learn to play an electric or acoustic guitar with local musician, Mr. Chris McClellan check our website for an update on the class day & time.

Fashion Friday -

Beginning Feb. 9, Fashion class will move back to Fridays! For ages 7+ (younger kids must be accompanied by guardian). Every Friday, 3:30- 5pm at our Oak Street Studio

Senior Crafts -

Attendees of both the South Santee & Awendaw Community & Senior Centers have fun with seasonal arts & craft projects. 1st and 2nd Monday of each month at 10:30am (South Santee on Feb. 5 & Awendaw on Feb. 12).

South Santee Community Center | 710 S. Santee Rd, Awendaw
Senior Center | 6655 US- Hwy.17

Senior Dance -

Seniors are invited to engage in a low impact session of physical wellness and movement. Hosted by Y on the 1st and 2nd Tuesday of each month at 11am (Awendaw on Feb.6 & South Santee on Feb.13).

Third Thursday Open Mic -

Everyone is welcome, and don't be afraid to shine! Hosted by Melanie & Y on every 3rd Thursday of the month, 6:30pm at The Morrison House (144 Oak Street, MCVL)

Smash Special: Glass Beadmaking -

February 26th, 6 – 8pm at our Oak Street Studio Open to ages 16+, however students under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Maximum class size is 8, so please email us at smash-glass@hotmail.com to reserve your spot.

If anyone has an old guitar and/or accessories that they would like to donate or sell to the program, please email us.

Purple Martins Return-The blue-black colored skimmers returned to the Village after an arduous journey from their South American winter homes. The arrival of these first few scouts mark the eventual coming of spring. The remainder of the nesting colony will soon follow.

Purple martins, members of the swallow family with fifteen-inch wingspans, will soon fill the sky over the Robert E. Ashley Boat Landing at Jeremy Creek. Several dozens of the little birds will once again make their nests in the tall "gourd trees" that have been installed on the bank of the creek by Gabe Purvis and friends.

Purple martins are cavity nesters, but, on the East Coast, the tiny birds seem to require a helping hand from humans. It is also thought that they enjoy building their nests in areas that are heavily visited by humans such as the boat landing at McClellanville. They seem to feel safe in such settings.

The "martin trees" that Purvis and other members of the community have erected consist of a number of hollow gourds that have had one and a half inch holes drilled into the belly portion. The trees traditionally have two cross-arms mounted at angles, one above the other. From these the nesting gourds are attached.

Not only are purple martins a joy to watch as they dive, swirl and make rapid banking turns overhead, but as they fly, they devour thousands of mosquitos in the area surrounding their nest. It would be wonderful if more martin trees were erected all along the creek and throughout the Village. Lord knows that in the summer we have plenty of mosquitos available.

The birds spend about three months in the Village mating, laying eggs and caring for their young until they are ready to leave the nest.

By Selden B. Hill

**Congratulations to our Mayor Rutledge B. Leland III
A HOUSE RESOLUTION**

South Carolina General Assembly

122nd Session, 2017-2018

TO SALUTE RUTLEDGE B. LELAND III, MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF MCCLELLANVILLE, WHO, HAVING FILLED HIS POST AS MAYOR WITH DISTINCTION FOR MORE THAN FOUR DECADES, IS WORTHY OF DEEP APPRECIATION FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF COMMITTED SERVICE AND BEST WISHES FOR MUCH CONTINUED SUCCESS IN THE YEARS TO COME.

Whereas, for more than four decades, the Town of McClellanville has enjoyed the benefit of the dedication, experience, and leadership of Mayor Rutledge B. Leland III, esteemed by all who know him; and Whereas, born in Charleston on January 31, 1944, Rutledge B. Leland III grew up in McClellanville, where he graduated from McClellanville High School in 1962. In preparation for his career, he earned a bachelor's degree in industrial management from Clemson in 1966, next serving as an Air Force captain until 1970. In that same year, he returned to McClellanville, where he is presently the owner/manager of Carolina Seafoods, Inc.; and

Whereas, in 1972, Rutledge Leland won election to McClellanville Town Council and began what is now a forty six year span of dedicated service to his town. He has served as the town's mayor since 1976, making him one of the state's longest serving mayors. In this leadership capacity, he led the town through the Hurricane Hugo disaster and the recovery years following the storm; and Whereas, Mayor Leland has devoted countless hours to the welfare and betterment of the town and its citizens and has done so on a volunteer basis with no compensation; and

Whereas, in 2016, feeling that his unmatched years of service to the town should be recognized and memorialized, McClellanville Town Council named the Rutledge B. Leland III Municipal Services Building in the mayor's honor; and

Whereas, the House, appreciative of the dedication and leadership Mayor Leland has bestowed on this great State, and particularly on the people of McClellanville, takes great pleasure in wishing him all the best as he continues serving his beloved town. Now, therefore, Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, salute Rutledge B. Leland III, mayor of the town of McClellanville, who, having filled his post as mayor with distinction for more than four decades, is worthy of deep appreciation for his many years of committed service and best wishes for much continued success in the years to come.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mayor Rutledge B. Leland III.

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Agendas, minutes, and a list of meetings are available at the Town of website www.townofmcclellanville-sc.net

The regular meeting of Town Council is on the 1st Monday of each month at 7 p.m..

Town Council

Aaron L. Baldwin Christopher B. Bates

Robert J. Gannon James E. Scott, IV

Mayor

Rutledge B. Leland, III

Town Hall Staff

Town Clerk / Town Administrator, Michelle A. McClellan is in the office during business hours Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. except on Wednesday when the office closes at 1 p.m.

Administrative Assistant, Natalie Lewis is in the office from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. except on Wednesday when the office closes at 1 p.m.

Zoning Administrator, Kathryn S. Basha

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Town Newsletter

All material should be submitted by the Friday before the Town Council meeting. The Town Council meets the first non-holiday Monday of each month, thus the **deadline for the March newsletter is March 2nd**. We will attempt to have the newsletter mailed by the Friday following the Council meeting which should have the newsletter in local mail boxes by **Saturday, March 17th**. Material to be included in the newsletter, should be sent to McClellanville2@tds.net

All material submitted is subject to editorial review by the Town staff. Some material may not be accepted for publication.

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