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## Two chemical leaks at Silfab

BY ELI JACOBSON, CHS JUNIOR

FORT MILL, S.C. - Silfab Solar confirms the leakage of harmful chemicals in Fort Mill. On March 3, 300 gallons of potassium hydroxide were spilled subsequently followed by a leak of hydrofluoric acid on March 5. While both incidents have no confirmed injuries or pose a threat of imminent harm, the temporary shutdown of Flint Hill Elementary has officials expressing frustrations, in some cases even calling for the shutdown of the facility.

The York County SC Facebook account posted "We are incredibly disappointed that another issue at Silfab Solar has occurred; York County does not have regulatory authority but will continue to coordinate with those agencies who do." Two subsequent leaks two days apart raise speculations of the competency of Silfab Solar.

Potassium Hydroxide (KOH) exposure may cause a build-up of fluid in the lungs (pulmonary edema), a serious and possibly life threatening emergency that makes it



Source: WSOC TV - The Silfab main office in Fort Mill.

hard to breathe. Mistakes like these may not have caused harm this time, but continued

issues like this present danger to not just Fort Mill and Lake Wylie, but also the general

area of Clover.

If the leak had escaped into the air, it would have caused an evacuation radius of over a mile.

Parents were outraged at the incident and took it to the school system. According to a WCNC article, one parent shared "Today was not a hypothetical. Today actually happened and your schools were caught completely flatfooted." WCNC reports.

Fort Mill Superintendent Grey Young assures

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Source: WSOC-TV - An aerial view of part of Silfab Solar.

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# Clover men's basketball season ends in the second round

BY BRODY WOOLBRIGHT, CHS SENIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - The Clover men's basketball season came to a close on Saturday Feb. 21. The team lost to one of the best teams in the state, James F. Byrnes, 79-56. This was the second round, as in the first round the Blue Eagles defeated Blythewood 57-50 at the home game. The Blue Eagles wrapped up the season with a record of 19-8 and finished undefeated at home.

The Blue Eagles had three seniors on their team. These gentlemen finished the past two seasons with the most wins in two decades and consecutive playoff wins, which was also the first time since 2006.

When asking Coach Darris Jackson how he felt about how this season went he said, "Just so proud of these guys and how they competed each and every day."

Jackson then touched on how special this group of



Najeh Potts checks his defender in a game against West Meck High School.

seniors were because "they were my first group of freshmen, so these three have been able to see and develop the last four years. These guys

really set the standard and set the bar."

Jackson then laid out how they're going to elevate and take that next step. "I think the guys upcoming in the program realize what it takes to win and once you start winning, its hard to stop. We got about one week off then we're back to it Monday. Like I said, those seniors laid down the groundwork. Now we know what it looks like to win 38 games in two years, now it's time to elevate."

Jackson and the boys the past two years have done things not seen in an decade.

Our Blue Eagle Nation is excited to see where this program goes next and fans and players alike believe it's only up from here.

# Clover falls in second round despite an accomplished season

BY TYLER ALLEN, CHS JUNIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - Clover women's basketball entered playoffs by playing Spring Valley in the first round, winning with a big lead. However, they lost their second round game.

Coach Shakkia Walker said they had a good season, though it didn't go as expected. Looking back the team did good overall.

When asked to reflect on the season, Walker explained that the biggest growth for the team, from start to finish, was the trust in one another and believing in each other. The chemistry was the start of their mission.

Walker shared, "One of the games that stood out the



The CHS Women's Basketball team get a quick huddle in before a game.

most of the season was the Rock Hill game at home; the girls really wanted to win it badly. They came out, and performed very well in that game".

Another highlight was Senior Night. Having seven

seniors on the team made this season extra special, even though only six actually had the opportunity to play because of an early injury. Their bond was another highlight of the season.

Clara Powell was a stand-

out player this season because she really stepped up. She became an overall well-rounded player. She not only dominated as a scorer, she also shined on defense by consistently using her whole body. Walker was impressed by her growth and very proud of her overall efforts.

Jada Chambliss, Julie Chambliss, Clara Powell, and Georgia Smith made the All-Region team. Julie Chambliss and Clara Powell also made the All-State team. One could say they, despite their challenges overall, had quite an accomplished season.

Next season is lined up to be exciting. Everyone cannot wait.

# Strong kick start with women's and men's soccer

BY BRODY WOOLBRIGHT, CHS SENIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - The men's and women's soccer teams have got the ball rolling in season and are looking forward to a huge region push!



Kaelin Antreim gets the ball on the ground to make a run for the goal in a recent match.

## Women's Soccer

The Clover women's soccer team kicked off the season with a 3-0 win over Carolina Forest on Feb. 28.

The girls are coming off a strong 13-9 season last year with an incredible 8-1 playoff win versus Boiling Springs before ultimately losing 4-2 to

JL Mann in the second round.

With a new season there's also new leadership. Head coach Daniel Perez is taking over this year. Perez said,

"We're building more than just a season, we're building a standard for what Clover women's soccer represents, that means accountability, togetherness, and learning how to manage moments in matches".

When asked what excites him about the upcoming season, he kept mentioning, "this group's willingness to grow and how they compete for each other like a real family. They're really starting to learn how to play as one unit and that really makes this team special".

The team started region play on March at home.

## Men's Soccer

The boys soccer team kicked off their season Feb. 20 versus Myrtle Beach in a match they lost.

The boys are looking to build off a strong season last year.

Recently, the guys picked up their first win against Bluffton 1-0. The guys have started the season 1-3 but are just starting to heat up at the right time.

When asking Coach Todd Sykes his expectations for this season he shared, "We play a very tough region, if we can get through the region it will prepare us for step two which is a deep run in the playoffs".

"We fully expect to win the region and then play for the state championship," said Sykes.

Sykes also explained, "we played the number two team



Aiden Dieter passes the ball between two defenders during a match.

in the country and reigning state champs, and only lost 2-1 and we outplayed them most of the game but was a good learning lesson".

"I can't say enough about the character of these young men and their talents are top of the state and we can't wait to show that." Sykes concluded.

The Blue Eagle soccer team kicked off region play March 10 at Rock Hill.

# Men's and women's lacrosse begin

BY ANTHONY MATHIPANNA, CHS SENIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - Men's and women's lacrosse at Clover High is already underway. Feb. 23, men's lacrosse started with Indian Land, and women's lacrosse kicked off with Boiling Springs.



The CHS Men's Lacrosse team.

wins over Indian Land, winning 24-1 at home, two points away from a state record, and a second time at 23-1.

The men also matched up against Chapin, but lost in a very close showing. They then played Eastside, taking home a good win, 16-8. They are sporting a 4-1 record to start off the season and currently hold a 2-0 lead in 5A District 3.

Last season, the men's lacrosse team sported a 13-1 record, leading the way in the 5A District 3, with their most dominant win against South Meck, 25-1. The

season was one of the best runs in the school's lacrosse history.

## Women's Lacrosse

Women's lacrosse started their season slowly but rebounded quickly. Although they lost their season opener against Boiling Springs in a very close matchup, they bounced back big against Eastside winning 7-3, and dominating Indian Land 27-1.

They are in second place in the region, chasing behind Fort Mill.

Women's lacrosse currently is at 3-4 with their most recent win sweeping Indian



The CHS Women's Lacrosse team.

Land with a score of 21-2.

Women's lacrosse had a rough but competitive season, playing through tough games and close match-ups. They were able to hold 2nd place in the 5A Upper District 3.

## Men's Lacrosse

The men's lacrosse team started hot with dominant

## SPORTS

# Men's golf works hard to up their game

BY BRODY WOOLBRIGHT, CHS SENIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - The men's Golf team is gearing up and getting ready for a great season.

The team just finished tryouts two weeks before they had their first tournament on March 1 at Spring Lake Country Club in York.

In an interview with Coach Spencer Jackson about his expectations for the season, he said "The expectation for this season is to qualify for the state championship and have a strong showing in the tournament. We've been

building this thing for the last five seasons and I feel that this year is the year we can put it all together."

Last year the Blue Eagles fell short in the Upper State tournament, yet it was the first time they made it in a decade.

Jackson shared what that loss meant to them for this season. "Unfortunately we didn't have our best day and performed well below expectations and ultimately fell short."

Then reassured that "The

team really came together and used that experience as motivation over the summer and the fall and competed in many SCJGA tournaments to gain valuable experience in competitive situations, and with that extra chip on our shoulder we feel were ready".

Jackson kept reiterating how fired up and excited the team is for the season ahead.

Jackson said the team has "a chip on their shoulder and they expect nothing less than to qualify for state and compete high once they get there.

If they play how they should a lot of people will be shocked, and we have potential to surprise a lot of people across the state."



Porter Quinn with a strong swing.

# Tennis trains for individual and team success

BY ELI JACOBSON, CHS SENIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - Coming off a tough loss on Feb. 24, the men's tennis team is looking to improve moving through the season.

Last season the team had a 5-10 win-loss record, having multiple standout wins against Northwestern. "We have a very young team. They've all moved up in position" said Coach Leann Mellon.



The tennis team has been focusing on conditioning and making everyone well fit.

Mellon shared, "The offseason is where you make the big difference, during the season we build off the small things and tweak things."

This being the last year before the school split, the focus on bonding and playing as a collective team is heavily prioritized.

Mellon explained, "We want to see them know what it's like to play tennis as a

team, not just as an individual."

The upcoming schedule faces Northwestern, Fort Mill, and Indian Land. We were 2-0 against Indian Land last season, 0-2 against Fort Mill last season, and 1-1 against Indian land last season.

Such a contrasting schedule brings a chance for some electrifying games this month.

# Track continues to grow each season

BY TYLER ALLEN, CHS SENIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - Clover's first track meet was held on March 4 at Catawba Ridge High School followed by one March 7 in Waxhaw, NC.

Coach Heidi Haug said her expectations for this season this year are going to be high.

"Some really strong runners are coming back that were putting up great numbers at the end of the season last year, but then we also got competitive freshmen that have come out. The team also gained new sophomores, and



Jatavis Byrd in the triple jump event.

they have been doing well in practice".

One of the returners to watch as a potential standout

is Eliza Grieves. She was one of the top 400 runners last year as a freshman.

And of course all eyes will be on Ella Nighbor, who won state in the 1600 last year.

Ava Jagelski was another standout from last year coming in right after Nighbor.

On the men's side, Ethan Solomon is one to watch while he continues putting up great numbers.

Also, keep an eye on Dylan Kozel; last season his performance was outstanding.

Ola Aderoju, a jumper for the team was excited about the season. He said "I'm feeling really good and confident in the team and our abilities. We put in a lot of work in, with the jumpers and the sprinters, everyone."

Coach Haug says they have a chance to win the region; they were so close last year.

With 25 athletes going to state and several of them placing last year, Haug thinks they will bring more, bigger numbers this year.

# Baseball demonstrates their philosophy: “#OneTeam”

BY RYAN SCONZO, CHS SENIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - The Clover Baseball team traveled to Mount Pleasant, S.C., from Feb. 27 to March 2, to compete in the Shipyard x Prep Baseball Showdown Tournament.

Over the weekend, they competed against four teams, all based in Charleston, SC. Wando High School, Hanahan High School, Oceanside Collegiate Academy, and West Ashley High School were the opponents.

The team went 1-3, dropping two games by two runs or less, stranding the winning run on base in both instances.

In their only win, they defeated West Ashley 11-0,

ending the game in the fifth inning via a run-rule.

Senior Christian Soder earned the team's "Player of the Game" award, being given the lineup card from the team's bout against West Ashley.

Earning this award deservedly, Soder pitched three innings, surrendering no runs on only two hits, along with four strikeouts and two walks.

Thanks to the hospitality of the team's coaching staff,



Briggs Lessmeister, sophomore, is at bat for CHS at the Southside game.

parent support, and organization, the squad was treated to great food and entertainment when they weren't on the diamond.

The team visited the Crush Yard and TopGolf, where they

competed in pickle ball and various simulated golf games.

Outside of entertainment, the trip also featured eats from Bojangles, Chick-fil-A, Raising Cane's, Olive Garden, DIG in the Park, Dunkin', Groucho's Deli, and a local pizzeria.

The team will continue to region play soon, facing Rock Hill High School in a 3-game series. With an all-around improving region, the squad will face a tough schedule this year, but with impressive pre-season training and a good showing in pre-season play the Blue Eagles will be ready for what comes for them.

# Softball: teamwork and chemistry are key ingredients

BY RYAN SCONZO, CHS SENIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - The Clover Softball team has begun the 2026 season focusing on teamwork, communication, and growing together as the year progresses.

With a mix of experienced leaders and newer players, the team has worked to build strong chemistry both on and off the field.

Senior, Hunter Hoffman, believes teamwork has been the team's biggest strength so far this season. "Our biggest strength right now is definitely our teamwork," Hoffman said, and continued, "Everyone supports each other, and we stay positive even when things get tough during games."

Hoffman, who plays shortstop, enjoys being involved in

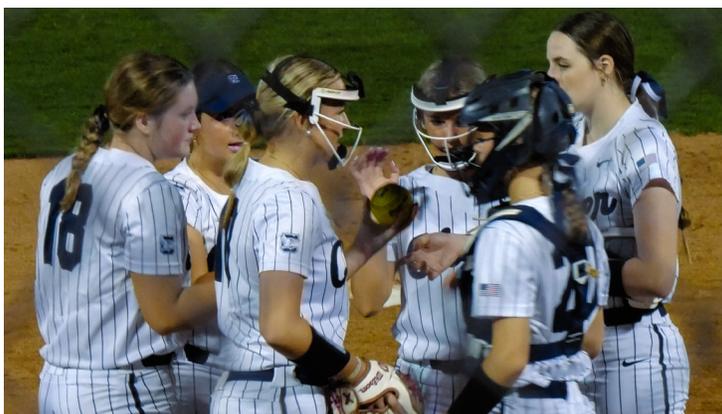


Photo credit: Nathan Catts - Players huddle before taking the field at a recent game.

nearly every play and sees the position as a leadership role on the field. "I enjoy playing shortstop because it keeps me involved in every play," Hoffman said. "It's also one of the leadership positions on the field, so I'm constantly

encouraging my teammates."

She also noted that the team has improved its communication and defense since the start of the season, as players continue to adjust to their roles.

Senior Camille Landers

has also focused on improving communication, making sure her teammates stay prepared during games. "I've been working on talking more on the field and in the dugout, but also making sure it's constructive so everyone is ready for the next play," Landers said.

Landers believes the team's chemistry is a key factor in how they play together. "I think the team chemistry is amazing," Landers said. "We're all friends with each other, which is really important for how a team plays together."

As the season continues, the team hopes to keep improving and building stronger connections on the field.

## SPORTS

# The new leading face of the Blue Eagles football team

BY BRODY WOOLBRIGHT, CHS SENIOR

CLOVER, S.C.- Clover High School found it's next head football coach 80 miles down the road — and Bennett Swygert says the community's passion for the game is exactly what drew him here.

The departure of Perry Woolbright left Clover High School with big shoes to fill. Woolbright has moved on to North Myrtle Beach as the head football coach at their highschool. The school knew replacing him would take time and hard work, but the search ultimately led them to Hillcrest High School's Bennett Swygert.

Swygert played his high school football at Summer-ville High School, where he led the team to a state championship. He then enrolled

at the University of South Carolina before transferring to Western Carolina University, where he finished his career as the starting quarterback.

Swygert began his coaching career as the quarterbacks coach at Fort Dorchester under coach Steve LaPrad.

He then moved to the college ranks as a running back coach at Newberry College for two years before being elevated to offensive coordinator. After six years,

he took another step up and became the offensive coordinator at South Carolina

State, a Division I FCS program in Orangeburg. Swygert later left the college ranks and joined Hillcrest as head coach, where he led the team to a 26-11 record over three seasons.

During an interview, Swygert first touched on

how difficult the decision to leave Hillcrest was. "This was probably the hardest thing I've had to do outside of really personal things," Swygert said. "The relationships you

build over time can never be replaced."

When asked what excites him most about coming to Clover, he didn't hesitate.

"This is a community that cares about football — you can tell it's important to them," Swygert said. "Our new indoor facility is unmatched, and I feel with the resources here we can really do something special."

Swygert isn't putting any expectations on his team this year. He said the biggest focus is simply "stacking days" and "winning the day."

Clover is coming off a disappointing 5-6 season after back-to-back nine-win and eight-win seasons. The Blue Eagles open Aug. 21 at Fort Mill.



Bennett Swygert

## COMMUNITY

# Lawmakers pass screen time bill in SC

BY ANTHONY MATHIPANNA, CHS SENIOR

COLUMBIA, S.C. - A new bill has been passed and approved by Governor Henry McMaster. It changes how minors use social media and screen time overall.

The South Carolina Social Media Regulation Act passed the General Assembly and was ratified by the State Senate on Jan. 21.

Aimed to protect minors and set restrictions on large tech companies, the goal is to require companies to provide tools to limit addictive features.

This bill allows parents to restrict their child's access

to social media platforms. It effects mostly during the later hours, from 10 P.M. to 6 A.M.

Another goal of the bill is to limit social media during school hours.

This bill was passed by lawmakers to make companies give more power to parents by providing more parental control, as well as to protect minors from harmful or explicit content when they are online.

Age verification will now be required for social media platforms for those under 18. Parental consent will also be required for minors.

This also limits how much data social media companies can collect on minors and restricts targeted ads to those under 18.

The bill raised concerns for places such as small-owned businesses that rely on social media to promote products. An additional concern is reaching customers through social media.

Proponents say the bill only targets one demographic and would not damage any small businesses.

Under the new law, social media companies would be charged for mishandling mi-

nors' data, such as collecting and sharing. They will now need to make reports from third-party auditors detailing features and the minors' activity. Failure to do so will cost them.

The SC Attorney General will now be responsible for enforcing these regulations.

The bill was signed by the Governor and took effect on Feb. 5, 2026.

This is only the lawmakers' first move as they plan to further push to make tighter protections for minors.

# From Larne to Clover: A Celtic Celebration

BY LILY BRODBECK, CHS JUNIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - Clover celebrated its Celtic connections through "From Larne To Clover: A Celtic Celebration".

The event highlighted the cultural ties between the local community and Larne, Northern Ireland, bringing heritage to life through music and tradition.

The famous Colm Keegan, who is known for his spoken word poetry and artistic work, performed many Irish hits and was joined by the Clover Middle School Honors Chorus and Clover High School Band.

His wife Laura Keegan and pianist Brian McGrane were unfortunately not able to attend the event, but Peter

Sheridan flew down the day-of to accompany Keegan.

Sheridan is a talented pianist and composer from County Cavan, Ireland.

He has collaborated with many well-known Irish artists and was gracious



Lily Brodbeck gets a picture with Colm Keegan after the Clover show.

enough to learn all of the music for the night's concert.

Both musicians expressed how impressed they were with the students' performances, the auditorium setup, the grand piano, and the lively energy that filled the room.

The Clover Mayor, Bo Legg, complimented this say-

ing that the event "highlights our community's heritage while showcasing the talent of our students and strengthening Clover's ties to our international partners."

This concert attracted more than just our locals. Gary McGinnis, the lead organizer for the event, was approached by a gentleman who had seen Keegan's Facebook post about the Celtic Celebration. He flew in from Portland, Maine just to attend the performance.

It is moments like this that truly showcase how far the reach of music and story can be.

## SCDMV selling data of drivers

BY ELI JACOBSON, CHS JUNIOR

COLUMBIA, S.C. - The South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles has been confirmed to be selling millions of dollars of drivers information to third party websites and companies.

Information such as name, vehicle registration data, and other bits of both private and public data is being shared across the internet.

Companies such as Lexus-Nexus, Experian Automotive, Southern Farm Bureau and other large companies spend hundreds of thousands of dollars just for this information.

However, selling people's data isn't just for companies and advertisements. The data



Source: WCSC

sold by the DMV helps people such as toll road operators locate drivers to send fees and helps insurance or towing companies set accurate values on vehicles.

While the consequences of selling the data is low, drivers

have no choice in whether their data is sold or not. Anyone wanting a license must share their data.

SCDMV operates under the Driver Privacy Protection Act which limits who can see or obtain the data but still leaves

confidential information out on the table, like vehicle registration data.

SCDMV has never publicly stated when the implementation of selling driver's data began, and in the past five years, \$97 million has been made off of selling people's personal information, addresses, and vehicle specifications.

Some of the information is readily available through public record requesting, also known as the Freedom of Information Act.

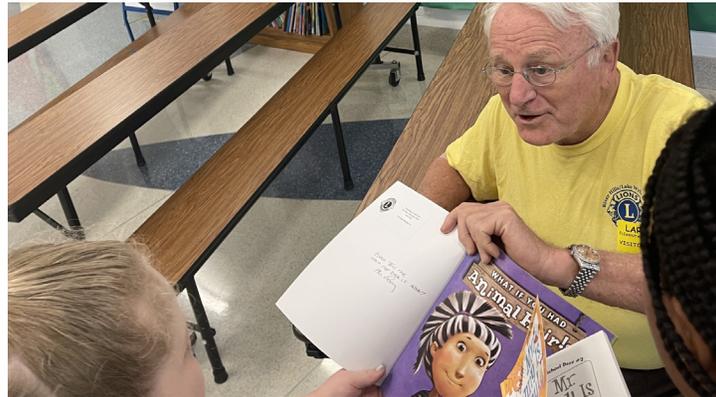
# River Hills/Lake Wylie Lions bring the joy of reading to students for over 10 years

BY ART VERSNIK, GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

CLOVER, S.C. - For more than ten years, the River Hills/Lake Wylie Lions Club has championed childhood literacy through a remarkable bookgiving program that serves students in three Clover, South Carolina Title One elementary schools: Kinard, Bethany, and Larne. What began as a local service initiative has grown into a beloved tradition—one so impactful that it was formally recognized by the South Carolina House of Representatives in Bill 4613 on Jan. 16, 2016. The program came about after retired Lions Club members, Frank and Dona Van Leer introduced it to the River Hills/Lake Wylie Lions Club as another project to demonstrate “We Serve.”

Each year, every first through fifth grade student in these schools receives two brand new books, gifted at no cost and selected to match their personal reading interests as expressed to the media specialists in each school.

For many children, these books become treasured possessions and a spark that



Larry Arnold, a Roaring Reader, shares a new book with elementary students in CSD.

fuels a lifelong love of reading.

The program is chaired by Lions member Sherri Ciurlik, whose dedication has been central to its success. Alongside fellow Lions volunteers, she personally delivers the books to each school twice a year—handing them directly to the students and sharing in the excitement that comes with receiving a book chosen just for them. Many of the members take the time to read to the stu-

dents in their classrooms.

This past school year alone, the Lions Club funded, purchased, and donated nearly 2,100 books, a testament to the club’s commitment to literacy, equity, and community service. The program continues to thrive thanks to the generosity, time, and passion of the River Hills/Lake Wylie Lions Club and its members.



Dona Van Leer, a Roaring Reader, speaks to a group of elementary students before they get their books.



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# America's Boating Club of Catawba offers boating course

BY ELI JACOBSON, CHS JUNIOR

YORK COUNTY, S.C. - In South Carolina, Boaters under 19 years of age are required to complete an approved boater education course before operating a personal watercraft or boat powered by a 10 hp motor or more.

The courses are typically an all-day, six hour course that highlights key points of safety and competence in boating skills.

The law has been in effect since Aug. 18, 2023, since then, class sizes have increased drastically.

America's Boating Club of the Catawba is offering

three of the courses with one coming up on Mar. 21, the classes would allow an individual to ride a boat, jet ski, or watercraft under 10 horsepower without supervision.

"This law has changed the

**DATES:** March 21<sup>st</sup>, May 16<sup>th</sup>, and August 22<sup>nd</sup>.  
**TIME:** 8:45 - 5:00  
**LOCATION:** Tega Cay Police Department, 7705 Tega Cay Dr, Tega Cay, SC 29708  
**INCLUDES:** In-Person Course, Course Book and Lunch

America's Boating Club of the Catawba, aka US Power Squadron, has taught America's Boating Course for 60-years. You will learn how to be safe on the water and with a passing grade you will receive a Boating Certificate from North or South Carolina.

The cost of the course is \$40.00 for the first student in a family and \$10.00 for each additional student from the same family sharing the course materials.

For more information contact: Jim VanBlarcom at [jimvan11@comporium.net](mailto:jimvan11@comporium.net) or by phone (803) 493-2472.

To register online <https://www.register-ed.com/programs/43?> (enter your zip code)

To register for the class, scan the QR Code (enter your zip code):



To learn more about America's Boating Club of the Catawba, scan the QR Code:



Boating Course Flyer

waters so much for the better," Mary Williams said.

The boating club has over 60 years of experience, using the same courses professionals would use.

Many teenage students end up taking the same courses their parents

or even grandparents have taken.

Williams believes that even a shallow understanding of boating knowledge is paramount to watercraft safety. "People gotta know the simple things, where a wake zone is, or an idle zone is," explained Williams.

The Tega Cay Police Department is hosting the next class on March 21 at 7705 Tega Cay Drive, Tega Cay, SC.

Courses are \$40 per student, with an additional \$10 per each additional student from the same family.

NEW TO THE AREA

## Swig opens it's 100th location: Rock Hill, SC

BY PIPER HAYCOCK, CHS SOPHOMORE

ROCK HILL, S.C.- This February, Swig opened its 100th location in Rock Hill, South Carolina.

Swig, along with the concept of "dirty soda," originated in Utah and later spread throughout the Midwest. The opening in Rock Hill reflects the company's nationwide growth and expanding popularity.

Swig sells a wide range of sodas that can be mixed and matched with different flavored syrups, creams, and purées. These combinations, often called "dirty sodas," have become a viral trend on social media.

In addition to sodas, the

menu also includes desserts, snacks, and other beverages.

Unlike a typical coffee shop, Swig focuses primarily

on cold drinks and quick service, with many locations operating as drive-thru-only stores.

The exponential rise of Swig across the country gained momentum when the

Hulu reality TV show *The Secret Lives of Mormon Wives* aired. The show highlighted how Swig became part of

Utah culture and helped introduce the trend to a wider audience.

For those who do not drink coffee, a "dirty soda" can be a fun alternative to start the morning.

So far, a high percentage of customers at the Rock Hill location have posted positive reviews on Facebook. Swig is a great option for

anyone looking for a sweet treat or wanting to try something new.

The chain's success shows how social media and television can turn a statewide trend into a nationwide phenomenon.

The newest location is on India Hook Road in Rock Hill at the Sharonwood Shopping Center. It is open seven days a week. The store is open Monday-Thursday from 8 am-9 pm, Friday from 8 am-10 pm, Saturday from 9 am-10 pm, and Sunday from 11 am-7 pm. Customers can find more information on their website at <https://swig.com/findaswig/rock-hill>



Source: Swig The 100th store is open.

# Opinion: Bias towards Gen Z

BY KYLEE LOWE, CHS SENIOR

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** *The following is a student opinion column. The views expressed are those of the student author. Email us at [roaringeaglenews@gmail.com](mailto:roaringeaglenews@gmail.com) to share your thoughts about the new column.*

CLOVER, S.C. - There has been generational bias as long as generations existed. Generations have been separated by challenges, economy and technology. Each lived in a different time when things were different from how they are today.

We all have completely different opinions about life and what to do in specific situations because we lived in slightly different times. Each generation grew up a different way so of course we have biases.

I want to share a couple of biases against Gen Z and what I think as a Gen Z-er about these biases.

## **Addicted to technology**

Almost all Gen Z-ers have a phone, and therefore constant access to the internet.

I understand why on the outside we look addicted. Some young adults freak out when they lose their phones.

If we have lived with phones more than half of our lives and it is the way we communicate to our friends and families then all of the sudden it is taken from us, of course that is challenging.

The first worry I would have would be the need to tell my friends I don't have my phone. Otherwise, they would worry because they haven't heard from me. Our parents also know we have phones and so they use them to communicate with us and expect an immediate response.

If you tried to call or text your child and they didn't respond would you be worried? Especially if you heard about an emergency in the area?

## **Artificial Intelligence usage**

Some say we rely too much on AI. In some cases we do. Youth should not use AI to be creative, but if it is used as a tool to get answers to ques-

tions that aren't common it's okay. What is wrong with using a tool that we were given? It's like a cheat sheet.

If you're taking a math test and your teacher allows you to use a note card to write whatever you want on it, why would you voluntarily not use it?

## **Laziness and lack of real world skills**

I hear youth my age sometimes talk about their plans when they get older and it includes living in their parents basement and off of their parents income.

When I hear this I want to tell them to get a job and not put their parents through that. This is lazy and I hope they will change their minds, but if you think about inflation and how hard it is going to be to buy a house in the future, can you blame them?

Most youth plan to go to college or go live on their own. We have to work super hard to make this a reality and we never feel like we'll have enough money.

I know young adults my age who pay rent, buy groceries, have to take care of their siblings, work, and have school all at the same time. It sounds to me that they were forced to grow up at a young age. These talents that they learned at such a young age will help them in the future and that is a good thing, but was it worth a shorter childhood?

I don't have anything against other generations, if anything I'm grateful for what they went through to get me here. Most of the biases are just stereotypes, but if each generation came together and helped each other out, we could do amazing things.

If we were all open to listening to what each other has to say we'd be unstoppable.



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# Night to Shine: an exceptional night for exceptional guests

BY RYAN SCONZO, CHS SENIOR

ROCK HILL, S.C. - The Rock Hill Sports & Event Center on Feb. 13 hosted Night to Shine, which brings over 100 guests with special needs to a prom-like experi-

event.

The event offered individuals aged 14 and older the opportunity to experience limousine rides, a red-carpet entrance, dinner, dancing,

cornhole, and karaoke with their volunteer buddies. By the end of the evening, every guest was crowned king or queen.

More than 300 volunteers from the community helped make the night possible, guiding guests

through each part of the celebration while caregivers were offered a time off-site.

Clover High School senior Ryan Sconzo, who attended the event, found it to be “an amazing night filled with joy and excitement.”

Some guests entered quietly, taking in the flashing lights and applause. Others, who had attended before, came in with their personalities shining.

The dance floor filled within minutes after dinner guests finished their meal. The guests transformed



CHS Students and volunteers get a luxury ride to Night to Shine.

ence.

The Tim Tebow Foundation supports this nationwide initiative, which Impact Church hosts as the local



Logan Kale and Karalynn Ervin dance after being crowned.



Patti Myers enjoys catching up with Tina Cook during the event.

from a nervous state into a joyful atmosphere as they danced, sang, and displayed their moves on the floor.

The crowning ceremony marked the highlight of the evening.

The room roared with applause and excitement as every individual guest was honored, confirming the main message of Night to Shine: every individual deserves to be recognized, appreciated, and celebrated.



Jayden Gaines and Mason Hamilton pause during the fun.



Former CHS teacher Kailey Galloway gets a big smile from former student Sadie Maurer.

# CMS Robotics program excels

BY CLOEY HARRIS, CHS SENIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - Something remarkable is happening at Clover Middle School. Team 1660B — affectionately nicknamed “Triple Trouble” — has earned a coveted invitation to one of the most competitive robotics events in the country: the 2026 Create US Open Robotics Competition, taking place in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

The invitation is extended only to standout teams, and as of this writing, just one other team from South Carolina has qualified.

Triple Trouble will compete alongside teams from across the United States as well as international teams from China and Canada.

## **The Challenge: VEX Robotics and the Push Back Game**

VEX Robotics is one of the world’s most popular student robotics programs, celebrated for giving students complete creative control over their machines.

Every team member designs, builds, tests, and competes with their own robot — no pre-built kits, no shortcuts. Students have full autonomy over their engineering choices, making every

robot as unique as the team behind it. VEX also changes the game entirely each season, requiring teams to design and build from scratch every single year.

This year’s game is called Push Back. The playing field features numerous small 3.5-inch octa-decahedrons — 18-sided three-dimensional shapes — along with elevated tube-like structures arranged horizontally across three different levels.

The objective: score points by inserting the octa-decahedrons into those tubes. It demands precision engineering, strategic programming, and quick thinking under the pressure of live competition.

## **Award-Winning Work That Got Them Noticed**

Triple Trouble’s invitation to the US Open was earned through outstanding performance at two separate competitions this season.

At Clemson University, the team took home the Innovation Award for their original roller intake system — a mechanism born entirely from their own engineering vision. They also earned the Judge’s Award in recognition of their outstanding Engi-

neering Notebook and their achievement of fully coding their robot in Python, a professional-grade programming language that demonstrates technical skill well beyond the typical middle school team. Together, these two awards made the case that Triple Trouble belongs on the national stage.

## **Meet the Team**

Triple Trouble is composed of three Clover Middle School students, each owning a specialized role:

**Annabelle Naile — Lead Designer & Scribe.** Annabelle drives the team’s overall design process and maintains the Engineering Notebook, the official record of the team’s work that competition judges carefully evaluate.

**Trinity Scott — Python Coder & Autonomous Subject Matter Expert.** Trinity is responsible for programming the robot, including the autonomous phase of competition in which the robot must operate entirely on its own without any driver input.

**Harrison Mayberry — Drivetrain Designer, Lead Builder & Skills Driver.**

Harrison leads the physical construction of the robot and

takes the controls during the high-stakes skills challenges at competition.

## **The Coaches**

The team is guided by Head Robotics Coach Virginia Mayberry, a PLTW-Gateway Teacher at Clover Middle School whose dedication to hands-on STEM education has been foundational to the program’s growth. She is supported by Assistant Coach Matthew Mayberry, P.E., a professional engineer from Kinectrics with expertise in nuclear design engineering. His real-world industry experience gives students a direct window into what engineering looks like as a career.

## **A Community Effort**

Getting to Council Bluffs takes more than talent — it takes community. The costs of attending the US Open will be shared through a partnership between Clover LEAF, Dr. Millicent Dickey (Chief Academic Officer for Clover School District), and the families of the team members. Their collective support reflects the Clover community’s commitment to investing in young students who are pushing the boundaries of what’s possible.



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# Lawmakers move to dissolve the SCHSL

BY ANTHONY MATHIPANNA, CHS SENIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - SC Lawmakers are a step closer to dismantling the 113-year-old South Carolina High School League.

The SCHSL is the governing body for high school athletics in SC. This move marks a long-running feud between the General Assembly and the league, which has overseen sports in the state since 1913.

Under the House Bill 4163, State leaders cited multiple primary reasons from multiple legislative complaints.

## **Student athletes' safety**

Pointed out by legislators, failures to ensure EMS staffing at athletic contests showed a lack of accountability by SCHSL.

This is one of the big reasons why legislators want to dissolve the league.

## **Transferring**

A changed transfer rule would allow student-athletes to be

eligible to play immediately after transferring once during middle school and once during high school.

The current league rule forces student-athletes to sit out a season unless they win a formal appeal.

## **What this means**

The changes won't be huge, but they will be significant and include revamped rulings in South Carolina Sports.

The S.C. House of Representatives voted 112-0 to pass the bill, but it was heavily revamped and allowed SCHSL to keep its name. This changes multiple rulings and is put under legislative oversight and a few other agencies.

Clover High School's Athletic Director Bailey Jackson, when asked about issues with SCHSL, said, "I would be in favor of being more strict on the transferring, they're moving in another direction

where it's less strict. The new rules will eliminate 16 different exceptions and one free transfer."

Jackson continued with his take on charter schools in the SCHSL. "As for them supposedly favoring charter schools, they only have 500 to 600 kids as opposed to 2,800 like we do. They are put in a bigger classification to balance it. It's called competitive balance to make it more competitive. Oftentimes, they just get athletes to come to their school so it makes it a little unfair."

Jackson also shared his thoughts on safety. "The EMS situation in my opinion is an isolated event. We have athletic trainers, and like any other school we all have emergency action plans written down that go through every specific thing that we could possibly encounter.

Injuries and transport to the hospital is one of them."

With the bill potentially going into effect and significant pressure from SC lawmakers, all invested in SC athletics have been paying attention.

Jerome Singleton, the SCHSL Commissioner since 2005, is now set to retire by July 1, 2027, based on finding a replacement. The league executive committee unanimously approved of his retirement. The bill has passed the state house. The bill still has to be passed by the state senate and signed by Governor Henry McMaster.

Moving from SCHSL to a more state-controlled athletics organization would be the most significant reorganization of South Carolina youth sports in 113 years.

## Silfab Solar leak, cont.

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that no chemical properties were found on campus. Testing was run by Citadel EHS, but this did little to reassure parents and homeowners in the area, some even going as far as pulling their children from the district completely.

According to comments to the press by a Silfab official, the March 5 leak was confirmed to actually start Feb. 27, Silfab officials knew the leak started a week ago, but claimed it was not large enough that it required any notification to county or state regulatory or emergency officials.

Plant Manager Greg Basden says they've "got nothing to hide, a drip of that magnitude far from qualifies for notification."

Silfab reached out to parents of students affected by the leak to apologize. Most parents agree the knowledge of the leak

alone should have been reason enough to raise concerns from employees.



Source: Queen City News

Silfab has agreed to continue to halt all production and operations while pending U.S. EPA and SCDES assessments on March 9.

Fort Mill School

District administrators were

still outraged and called for the immediate shutdown of the facility.

Representative David Martin has been advocating for the facilities stoppage for years, claiming "I don't really trust what I'm being told from Silfab."

Martin has been to Columbia to advocate for a bill made directly in response to Silfab's operation. House Bill 4293 allows local governments to have the authority to cease industrial projects that are violating zoning regulations.

The Roaring Eagle will continue to rigorously look into and follow this situation.

# DECA members might have a head start in job market

BY SAVANNAH ADAMS, CHS JUNIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - The Clover High School DECA competitors, which consist of 25 state qualifiers, alongside 1,700 students from across South Carolina, head to the 78th Annual South Carolina DECA State Career Development Conference this week, lasting from February 26th to 28th.

This highly anticipated event represents months of preparation, dedication, and commitment from students who have worked diligently to earn their place at the state level of competition. As the conference dates draw closer, excitement continues to grow among competitors, advisors, and the Clover High School community, all of whom are eager to see the results of the hard work and persistence demonstrated throughout the school year.

From the heart of the Embassy Suites Convention Center in North Charleston, SC, communities anticipate the undetermined winners of the 78th DECA championship. The convention center will serve as an energetic environment filled with professionally dressed students, focused discussions,

and moments of both anticipation and determination.

The atmosphere reflects a blend of friendly competition and shared ambition, as students interact with peers from across the state who share similar interests in business, marketing, finance, and entrepreneurship. Throughout the multi-day conference, participants will follow structured schedules that include competitive events, networking experiences, and opportunities to reflect while awaiting official results.

Students, while potentially feeling the satisfaction of a well-deserved win, get to be provided with real-world business experience, along with the opportunity to qualify for the International Career Development Conference (ICDC) in Atlanta this

April. Beyond the possibility of medals or trophies, the conference offers meaningful learning experiences that

strengthen confidence, professionalism, and communication skills.

Competitors must think critically, adapt quickly, and demonstrate their understanding of business concepts in realistic scenarios that mirror

real workplace challenges.

The chance to advance to the international level further motivates students to remain focused and perform at their highest level during each event.

To reach this achievement point, students compete by presenting projects or solving business “case studies” in front of volunteer industry judges. These events require participants to apply classroom knowledge in practical

situations, often within limited preparation time, testing both their analytical thinking and presentation abilities. Judges carefully evaluate students on professionalism, clarity, creativity, and problem-solving skills, making each interaction an important opportunity to demonstrate both knowledge and composure under pressure.

Preparation typically includes practice sessions for the team, being held at Clover High School, and attending “SuperFans” seminars to refine presentation techniques. During these sessions, students rehearse repeatedly, receive constructive feedback, and work to build confidence before stepping into the competitive setting.

The combination of teamwork, consistent preparation, and skill development contributes to a strong sense of readiness as competitors prepare to represent Clover High School.

As the conference approaches, students carry not only their preparation but also pride in representing their school and community on the state stage.



The CHS DECA team get a group photo before competition.



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# Clover High Historic Society hosts 250th anniversary exhibit

BY TYLER ALLEN, CHS JUNIOR

CLOVER, S.C. - Clover High School's Historic Society brought history to life with a museum-style exhibit honoring the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution. It welcomed community members and fellow students to explore local connections to the nation's founding.

Club members created tri-fold displays featuring information about the Revolution and invited community members to add exhibits, including a representative from the Daughters of the American Revolution, a park ranger from Kings Mountain National Military Park and a representative from the York County Museum.

Several students staffed stations throughout the exhibit, answering questions and walking visitors through displays. During the final class period of the day, ninth-grade students from the

freshman campus visited the exhibit and answered questions based on what they had learned from the displays.

The 11th graders who built the project worked hard to make the exhibit visually appealing and informative for all visitors. They had carefully crafted their displays to be informative and interactive. They also gave out paper tri-cornered hats to the visitors.

Community members who came to be exhibitors also brought interactive items. Lamar Tate, a park ranger from Kings Mountain, brought a breech load Ferguson Ordinance Rifle to showcase. The



Lamar Tate and the Ferguson Rifle.

rifle, extremely rare because only about 100 were made, is one of few on public display and can be seen at Kings Mountain National Military Park.

The event was open to the public from 5 to 6 p.m., giving community members a chance to engage with student work after school hours.

For Josh Horton, the president of CHHS, the exhibit represented more than a history project — it was a lesson in collaboration and local impact.

Horton explained that they wanted this event to let



CHHS members and advisor gather at the welcome table.

people “know about the local heroes in the area...the people who had major impacts and ultimately changed our area for good.”

Horton shared the guiding philosophy behind the organization and this event.

“Our society focuses on making history a hobby, not a textbook activity.”

## KINDNESS CORNER

# CAAC supports stability in homes

BY CLOEY HARRIS, CHS SENIOR

CLOVER, S.C. — As Easter approaches, the Clover Area Assistance Center (CAAC) is reaching out to the community with a heartfelt appeal for pantry donations to help local families in need celebrate the holiday season.

The organization has released its March needs list, highlighting essential items that are running low — and naming a few special additions that would make an especially meaningful difference for Easter.

### **Easter Wishlist**

CAAC coordinator Cameron Hurst shared the appeal on March 4, 2026, noting that

the center would particularly love to receive fresh or frozen hams, brownie mix, biscuit mix, and canned fruit in time for Easter — items that could help families enjoy a festive holiday meal that might otherwise be out of reach.

### **Full March Pantry Needs**

In addition to the Easter-specific items, CAAC is accepting donations of the following:

- Adult Pull-Ups – Sizes Large, XL, XXL, and 3XL
- Brownie mix
- Canned beans – Kidney, Pinto, Navy, and other varieties
- Canned fruit
- Canned tomatoes – diced,

stewed, whole

- Egg
- Fresh or frozen hams
- Jelly Manwich, Milk
- Oil – vegetable, olive, or other cooking oils
- Pork & beans / baked beans
- Spaghetti sauce
- Women's sanitary pads & bladder pads.

### **How you can help**

Whether you're able to donate one item or a cartful, every contribution makes a difference for individuals and families who depend on the CAAC pantry. Community members are encouraged to drop off donated items at

the Clover Area Assistance Center.

Donations of Easter-specific items — hams, brownie mix, biscuit mix, and canned fruit — are especially encouraged this month so that CAAC can distribute them to families before the holiday.

The Clover Area Assistance Center serves residents throughout the Clover, South Carolina area, providing food, clothing, and other essential resources to those facing hardship. To learn more about donating, volunteering, or receiving services, contact the CAAC directly.

## GOVERNMENT

# County Council hears update on Animal Services facility

BY VIRGINIA GILOMAN, CHS JUNIOR

YORK COUNTY, S.C. - On January 5 and 20 York County Council discussed decisions impacting districts two and three, including land rezoning, additional funding for Woodend Park, River Hills EMS, and committee members for county boards.

## Woodend Park funding

Woodend Park funding for park programming has been approved for \$174,025.00. The park plans to use this money to design a 2 mile trail for pedestrian use and a gravel lot for park parking.

## Rezoning actions

A 0.14 acre of land off of highway 55 is being rezoned from professional development to general commercial. This is part of the new Westlake Shopping Plaza under construction. A 0.32 acre is being rezoned from urban development to residential mixed development at Ridge Reserve Dr., Clover, for residential construction.

## QTS Data Center

Kris Thompson addressed her concerns with York County Council about the QTS

Data Center. The data center is under construction near the intersection of Hands Mill Highway (SC-274) and Campbell Road near Rock Hill.

## Animal Services Facility

Jim Britton presented an update on the Animal Services Facility. He reported that the project requirements are to renovate and expand the existing animal services facility or potentially develop on a new county owned site.

Next steps for the project are to allow staff to conduct interviews and negotiations with already existing firms.

This facility is one part of the capital improvement plan. **Catawba Regional Workforce Housing Study**

The study partnered with regional stockholders to analyze housing affordability for those in the work force. Council approved funding with the Catawba Regional Council of \$91,765 to help with the study.

## Clover School District Impact Fees

The council clarified the existing intergovernmental agreements regarding the

collection of school impact fees, to align with the recently passed Impact Fee Ordinance for the Clover School District. **Urban Area Security Initiative Grant**

Council approved and accepted the Department of Urban Area Security Initiative Grant. That awarded \$40,500 to improve and upgrade hazardous materials response resources, community preparedness, and election security.

## Duke Energy Substation

Duke Energy has been approved to build a substation located at 1507 Cannonball Run, York.

## Road Improvements on Highway 274

The intersection of Pinnacle Way and Handsmill Highway (274) will undergo construction, to alleviate increased traffic caused by development within a single family residential neighborhood. The home owners association will share their proportionate share of the probable cost at approximately \$92,240.

## River Hills EMS

The council has held the second reading of the purchase of River Hills EMS by Piedmont Medical Center. The second reading was approved and the third reading will be held in February.

## Boards and Commissions

Council approved nominated applicants for several boards including; Rob Mason, Rock Hill/York County Convention and Visitor's Bureau (At Large), George Tolson, Rock Hill/York County Convention and Visitors Bureau (At Large), Michael Peak, Catawba Regional Workforce Investment Board, Sandra Goodman, Catawba Regional Workforce Investment Board, and Ashley Hamilton, Catawba Regional Workforce Investment Board. John Segura, Planning and Commission Board (District Two), was also up for approval, however Litten's initial motion was to approve with an amendment to replace John Segura with Jason Amentler. After some discussion and more motions, the approval of John Segura was tabled for a future meeting.

# YCSO Earns Re-Accreditation

BY TRENT FARRIS, YORK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

YORK COUNTY, S.C. - The York County Sheriff's Office has once again earned re-accreditation through South Carolina Law Enforcement Accreditation (SCLEA). This achievement reaffirms the YCSO's commitment to the highest standards in law enforcement operations. The voluntary accreditation program recognizes agencies

that meet a comprehensive set of professional standards designed to strengthen policies, procedures, and overall service to the community.

On March 6, 2026, Lt. Kim Morehouse, Accreditation Manager, attended a ceremony in Columbia, SC, to receive the accreditation award. The sheriff's office accreditation process is coordinated by

Lt. Morehouse, the agency's accreditation manager. As accreditation manager, Lt. Morehouse is responsible for ensuring the agency's policies, training, and operational procedures meet the stringent requirements established by the accrediting council.

"This reflects our ongoing commitment to upholding the highest standards of profes-

sionalism in law enforcement, both in South Carolina and across the nation," stated Sheriff Tony Breeden. "Lt. Morehouse has put in significant effort to successfully navigate the accreditation process, not only for SCLEA, but also for our CALEA accreditation."

# Peach Cobbler with a Crumb Topping

BY SCOTT MICHAW, CHS CULINARY ARTS TEACHER

CLOVER, S.C. - There is nothing better than a warm, homemade peach cobbler fresh out of the oven. This classic dessert combines sweet, juicy peaches with a golden, buttery crumb topping that bakes to the perfect crisp. Simple to make and full of comforting flavor, it's the kind of recipe that brings nostalgia and is a fan-favorite. Whether served with whipped cream or a scoop of vanilla ice cream, this peach cobbler recipe is a delicious treat that everyone will love.

## Peach (Fruit) Cobbler Recipe

### Ingredients:

- 4 cups of fresh fruit/cut
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1 cup self-rising flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup milk
- 1 Recipe of Crumb Top-

- ping
- Homemade whipped cream (2 cups whipping cream and 4 Tbsp of powdered sugar)

### Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 350° F. (If using fresh fruit, cut it ahead of time, and melt butter ahead of time.)
2. Mix flour, sugar, and milk into a bowl.
3. Pour melted butter into a 9 by 12 inch glass dish.
4. Pour batter over butter and arrange fruit in the batter.
5. Top with pre-prepared crumb topping.
6. Put in the oven, and cook until golden on top and thick around the fruit.
7. Serve warm with whipped cream or ice cream

### Notes:

If you don't have self-rising flour, substitute 1 cup

all-purpose flour mixed with 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder and 1/8 teaspoon salt. You can use just about any fruit. Peaches, apples, pears, cherries, and strawberries are all good options. In our area we have Black's Peaches and Bush-n-Vine for some great strawberries. I always love to support local.

## Crumb Topping

### Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup light brown sugar
- 1/3 cup granulated sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 1/2 sticks chilled unsalted butter, cut into pieces

### Instructions:

1. In a bowl, mix together flour, light brown sugar, granulated sugar, salt and cinnamon.

2. Cut 1 1/2 sticks of chilled unsalted butter into pieces. With your hands, work in butter pieces until large clumps form.
3. Divide mixture in half; freeze in plastic storage bags.



## DOG OF THE MONTH

# Gander: Not a Present, a Promise

BY PIPER HAYCOCK, CHS SOPHOMORE

YORK COUNTY, S.C. - Loving, loyal, and always ready for adventure, Gander checks all of the boxes. This boy is a medium-sized terrier with an estimated birth date in January, 2021.

He began his life as an unwanted Christmas present. Like thousands of other pets during the holiday season, after the excitement of having a puppy under the tree, he was forgotten in a crate in the garage and eventually surrendered to the shelter. Gander's story is a reminder that pets are living creatures, not presents. If you are thinking of gifting a dog, make sure

its new home is ready and adequate for the commitment it takes.



Gander

Three years later, Gander is still awaiting a new forever home. The Humane workers

have done an exceptional job of taming and training this wild pup, making it a well-behaved gentleman. He has proven he can be an amazing family dog when shelter volunteers bring him home for the weekend, away from the stress of the shelter. He can listen to commands, like sit, down, and stay, and he practices loose-leash walking. Best of all, he can get along with people and other dogs.

His personality is nothing short of incredible. He is a goofball with those who gain his trust. Despite his age, he loves a day full of activity and enrichment. At the end, he

will cuddle close, just hang out, maybe even take a nap. Above all, he is looking for stability in his life. Waiting for over three years has taken a toll on Gander, but he has never lost hope that one day it'll be his turn to have a home.

If you think Gander might be the one for you, go visit the Humane Society of York County at 8177 Regent Parkway, Suite 103, Fort Mill, SC 29715. For more information, call (803) 802-0902 or email [contact@humanesociety-ofyorkcounty.org](mailto:contact@humanesociety-ofyorkcounty.org).



### Wednesday, March 18.

- Avoid A Mix Up Art Exhibition: 9:00 AM; Runs through April 9; Gallery 120, 120 Bethel Street, Clover.
- Lake Wylie Library Storytime: 10:30 AM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.

### Thursday, March 19.

- Tulip U-Pick at Five Blossoms Farm; 10:00 AM-2:30 PM; 1121 Crossland Rd., Clover, Tickets required: <https://fiveblossomsfarm.simpletix.com/>.
- United Bank - Lake Wylie and Lake Wylie Liquors Business After Hours: 5:30 PM-7:30 PM; United Bank - Lake Wylie, 5196 Charlotte Hwy, Lake Wylie.

### Friday, March 20.

#### CSD E-Learning Day and Professional Development Day

- Lake Wylie Library Sewing Group: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.

### Saturday, March 21.

- Tulip U-Pick at Five Blossoms Farm; 10:00 AM-2:30 PM; 1121 Crossland Rd., Clover, Tickets required: <https://fiveblossomsfarm.simpletix.com/>.
- It's a Space Station!: 10:00 AM-1:00 PM; Museum of York County, 4621 Mt. Gallant Rd. Rock Hill, SC.
- Jump into Spring: 11:00 AM-2:00 PM; Museum of York County, 4621 Mt. Gallant Rd., Rock Hill, SC.

### Sunday, March 22.

- Tulip U-Pick at Five Blossoms Farm; 10:00 AM-2:30 PM; 1121 Crossland Rd., Clover, Tickets required: <https://fiveblossomsfarm.simpletix.com/>.

### Monday, March 23.

- Lake Wylie Library Macrame Crafting(Adults): 10:30 A12:00 PM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.
- Clover Library Magical Butterfly Party (Babies & Toddlers, Preschoolers): 2:00 PM-3:00 PM; Clover Public Library, 107 Knox St., Clover.

### Tuesday, March 24.

- Lake Wylie Library Paws 4 Reading (Children/Elementary) 4:00 PM-4:45 PM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie
- Clover Library Cozy Mystery Puzzle Night (Adult): 5:00 PM-6:30 PM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.

### Wednesday, March 25.

- Clover Library Itty Bitty Storytime (Babies & Toddlers): 10:30 AM-11:30 AM; Clover Public Library, 107 Knox St., Clover.
- Lake Wylie Library Chair Yoga: 11:00 AM-12:00 PM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.
- Clover Library Miniature Painting Night (Adults): 5:00 PM-6:30 PM; Clover Public Library, 107 Knox St., Clover.
- The Highwaymen: A Musical Tribute: 7:00 PM-9:00 PM; CSDA, 1625 Hwy. 55 E, Clover.

### Thursday, March 26.

- Clover Library Teen Clover Crafters: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM; Clover Public Library, 107 Knox St., Clover.
- Lake Wylie Library Teen Make Your Own Pizza Bagel Night: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.

### Friday, March 27.

- Lake Wylie Library Puzzle Club (Adult): 10:00 AM-11:30 AM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.

### Saturday, March 28.

- Living History Saturday - Sheep Shearing Day: 10:00 AM- 4:00 PM; Historic Brattonsville; 1444 Brattonsville Road McConnells, SC.
- Lake Wylie Library LEGO Club (Children/Elementary): 2:00 PM-3:00 PM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.
- Come Plant with Me: 2026 Ozone Garden: 2:00 PM- 4:00 PM; Museum of York County, 4621 Mt. Gallant Rd. Rock Hill, SC.

### Monday, March 30.

- Lake Wylie Library Law Talk: School System IEPs and Special Education Rights (Adult): 5:30 PM- 6:30 PM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.
- Clover Library YA Clover Culture Club: Jamaica (Children and Teen): 5:30 PM-6:30 PM; Clover Public Library, 107 Knox St., Clover.
- Food Drive Pickleball Tournament at Field Day Park: 6:30 PM-9:00 PM; Field Day Park; 1101 Field Day Lane Clover, SC; SIGN UPS HERE: <https://app.courtreserve.com/Online/Portal/Index/6501> go to Events ---> Categories ---> Tournaments

### Tuesday, March 31.

- Cemetery Clean-Up Day: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM; Town of Clover, Woodside and Clover Community Cemeteries. Contact Clover Town Hall for more information.
- Clover Library Preschool Storytime: 10:30 AM-11:15 AM; Clover Public Library, 107 Knox St., Clover.
- Food Drive Pickleball Tournament at Field Day Park: 6:30 PM-9:00 PM; Field Day Park; 1101 Field Day Lane Clover, SC; SIGN UPS HERE: <https://app.courtreserve.com/Online/Portal/Index/6501> go to Events ---> Categories ---> Tournaments

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**Wednesday, April 1.**

- Lake Wylie Library Storytime: 10:30 AM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.

**Thursday, April 2.**

- Easter Egg Hunt: 6:00 PM-7:30 PM; New Centre Park Amphitheater, 501 Memorial Dr, Clover.

**Friday, April 3.****CSD Early Release Day: All Day; All Clover School District Schools.**

- Avoid A Mix Up Art Exhibition: 9:00 AM; Gallery 120, 120 Bethel Street, Clover.
- Quests and Quills: Adult D&D: 6:00 PM; Clover Public Library, 107 Knox Street, Clover.
- Flash Light Easter Egg Hunt: 7:00 PM; Imagine Church, 5501 Highway 55 East, Clover.

**Saturday, April 4.**

- Funtown Easter Event: 9:30 AM; Funtown Play Cafe, 4555 Charlotte Highway, Clover.
- Easter Egg Hunt at Field Day Park: 10:00 AM; Field Day Park, 1101 Field Day Lane, Lake Wylie.
- Tirzah ARP Easter EGGstravaganza: 12:00 PM; Tirzah ARP Church, 6161 Mount Gallant Road, York.
- The Stupendous Space Shuttle: 10:00 AM-1:00 PM; Museum of York County, 4621 Mt. Gallant Rd. Rock Hill, SC.

**Sunday, April 5.****Easter Sunday**

- Lunch with the Easter Bunny: 12:00 PM; Papa Doc's Shore Club, 3990 Charlotte Highway, Lake Wylie.

**Monday, April 6.****Easter Monday****CSD Spring Break (Day 1): All Day; All Clover School District Schools.**

- York City Council Meeting: 6:00 PM; York City Hall, 10 N. Roosevelt St., York.

**Tuesday, April 7.****CSD Spring Break (Day 2): All Day; All Clover School District Schools.**

- York Library Stitchers Group: 10:00 AM; York Public Library, 21 East Liberty Street, York.
- Clover Library Preschool Storytime: 10:30 AM; Clover Public Library, 107 Knox Street, Clover.

**Wednesday, April 8.****CSD Spring Break (Day 3): All Day; All Clover School District Schools.**

- Lake Wylie Library Storytime: 10:30 AM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.
- Ribbon Cutting: The Learning Experience: 11:00 AM; 429 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.



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**Thursday, April 9.****CSD Spring Break (Day 4): All Day; All Clover School District Schools.**

- Avoid A Mix Up Exhibition Final Day: 9:00 AM; Gallery 120, 120 Bethel Street, Clover.
- Baby & Toddler Storytime: 10:30 AM; Clover Public Library, 107 Knox Street, Clover.

**Friday, April 10.****CSD Spring Break (Day 5): All Day; All Clover School District Schools.**

- Teen Game On!: 4:00 PM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.

**Saturday, April 11.**

- York Library Stitchers Group: 10:00 AM; York Public Library, 21 East Liberty Street, York.
- Preschool Storytime: 10:30 AM; Clover Public Library, 107 Knox Street, Clover.
- Gnome Sweet Gnome: 11:00 AM-2:00 PM; Museum of York County, 4621 Mt. Gallant Rd. Rock Hill, SC.
- York Library Lego Club: 11:00 AM; York Public Library, 21 East Liberty Street, York.

**Monday, April 13.**

- Artist Pick-up Window (Day 1): 9:00 AM; Clover Gallery, 120 Bethel Street, Clover.
- Lake Wylie Crochet Group: 12:00 PM; Lake Wylie Public Library, 185 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie.
- CSD Board of Trustees Work Session: 6:00 PM; District Office, 604 Bethel Street, Clover.
- Clover Town Council Meeting: 6:30 PM; Clover Town Hall, 116 Bethel Street, Clover.

**Tuesday, April 14.**

- Tournament of Many Colors: 8:00 AM; Chester Golf Club (York Area Fundraiser).
- Artist Pick-up Window (Day 2): 9:00 AM; Clover Gallery, 120 Bethel Street, Clover.
- York Library Stitchers Group: 10:00 AM; York Public Library, 21 East Liberty Street, York.
- Preschool Storytime: 10:30 AM; Clover Public Library, 107 Knox Street, Clover.

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