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Kim Verdin is one of the many smiling faces of Laurens County. The Verdin family owns Verdin's Farm & Garden and Verdin's Too in Laurens. What was once a dilapidated building in downtown has been brought back to life through this small business.
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864-984-5484

Emergency Preparedness
864-984-4731

Laurens County Non-Emergency
Sheriff's Department
864-984-4967
Fire Service
864-984-3624

Laurens County Animal
Control
864-984-6812

Laurens County Assessor
864-984-6546

Laurens County Auditor
864-984-2535

Laurens County Building
Codes
864-984-6659

Laurens County Clerk of
Court
864-984-3538

Laurens County
Development Corporation
864-939-0580

Laurens County Magistrate's
Office
864-984-4022

Laurens County Parks and
Recreation
864-984-5484

Laurens County Public
Works
864-984-6812

CITY OF CLINTON

864-833-7500

City of Clinton Non-Emergency
Police/Fire
864-833-7512

City of Clinton Department
of Public Works
864-833-7520

City of Clinton Inspections
and Planning
864-833-7517

City of Clinton Post Office
864-833-2433

City of Clinton Utility Billing
864-833-7500

CITY OF LAURENS

864-984-0144

City of Laurens Non-Emergency
Police
864-984-3532

City of Laurens Non-Emergency
Fire
864-984-3312

City of Laurens Building and
Zoning
864-984-2613

City of Laurens Streets and
Sanitation
864-984-3621

Laurens Post Office
864-984-3518

TOWN OF CROSS HILL

864-998-4453

Cross Hill Post Office
864-998-3439

TOWN OF GRAY COURT

864-876-2581

Gray Court Post Office
864-876-3276

TOWN OF WARE SHOALS

864-456-7478

Ware Shoals Police Non-Emergency
864-456-7444

Ware Shoals Fire Non-Emergency
864-456-2689

Ware Shoals Post Office
864-456-7521

TOWN OF WATERLOO

864-677-4646

Waterloo Post Office
864-677-3155

COMMUNITY SERVICES

American Red Cross
864-938-6306 or 864-271-8222

Department of Social
Services
864-833-0100

GLEAMNS
864-984-5123

Good Shepherd Free Medical
Clinic
864-833-0017

Laurens County Cancer
Association
864-833-3976

Laurens County Disabilities
and Special Needs
864-682-2314

Laurens County Health
Department
864-833-0000

Laurens County Mental
Health Association
864-984-0635

Laurens County Safe Home
864-681-7233

Laurens County Veterans
Affairs
864-984-4041

Piedmont Agency on Aging
864-938-0572

SC DOT- Laurens County
Maintenance
864-984-7632

SC Regional Housing
Authority
864-984-0578

SC Vocational Rehabilitation
864-984-6563

Social Security
Administration
866-526-9854

United Ministries
864-938-9070

United Way of Laurens
County
864-833-3623

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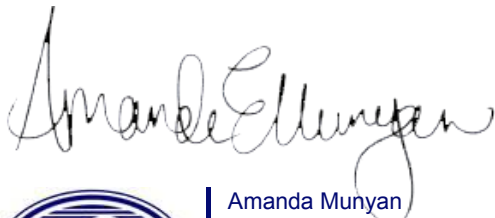


Welcome TO LAURENS COUNTY, SC

On behalf of the directors, members and staff of the Laurens County Chamber of Commerce, welcome to Laurens County, South Carolina. At the Chamber of Commerce, we know that Laurens County is the gateway to Upstate South Carolina and our members and staff strive to make Laurens County a better place to live and work through innovative and community-wide programs and policies that improve the appearance of our county and develop cultural, educational and environmental resources.

As a Laurens County local, born and raised, I take pride in this County, the teamwork evident here, and the opportunity to serve as the President and Chief Executive Officer of our Chamber. I get excited each time a festival or community event rolls around, but I understand the importance of the Chamber's position, and strive to fulfill our mission: to serve as the unified voice to promote, strengthen and develop Laurens County by connecting organizations, supporting businesses, and building community.

If you are a current resident, thank you for your support of Laurens County and the smiling faces you offer to each other and visitors. If you are a visitor, we hope you're smiling back—We like happy people and we hope you enjoy your time here. And if you are considering relocating, to call this home, we can't wait to welcome you into our community. We have a great place here to grow your business, your family and your future. Laurens County is a place of unparalleled natural beauty with potential for growth unrivaled anywhere in the country.



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Volunteering helps our communities and residents. Photograph by Judith Brown – The Laurens County Advertiser



Farming is growing, in many ways, and an important piece of community success.



Happy, fulfilled children make the County's future bright. Photograph by John Clayton – The Laurens County Advertiser

LAURENS COUNTY

South Carolina

There's a different kind of lifestyle just outside of the hustle and bustle of the city. It's a lifestyle with casual lunches and meaningful conversation. It's strolls on small town sidewalks and the comfort of familiar faces; the tranquility found in rolling green hills and the peacefulness of forest-lined rivers and lakes. It's a lifestyle that slows you down and allows you to take a breath of fresh air, literally; and that connects you in a significant way with family and friends. It's "Friday night lights" and Sunday dinner at Grandma's. It's a lifestyle that calls you back home. It's a better lifestyle. It's a Laurens County Lifestyle.



Downtown Laurens is filled with history and unique businesses.



Downtown Clinton offers shops you will not want to leave and festivals you will not want to miss.



The Owings Depot represents a small part of the abundant history found in Gray Court/Owings.

30 percent of Laurens County residents live in the two main cities of Clinton and Laurens. The remainder reside in the smaller communities of Joanna, Mountville, Cross Hill, Waterloo, Ware Shoals, Hickory Tavern, Gray Court, Fountain Inn, or in rural areas.

LAURENS

The historic city of Laurens serves as the county seat of Laurens County. Formerly called Laurensville, the first record of the town being called Laurens appears on a charter issued in 1873. Today, residents and guests experience a unique mix of history and modern development. One of the city's most notable features is the "Laurens Historic District," a site comprised of the area of the public square and most of the surrounding streets. The district has been placed in the National Register of Historic Places. The city of Laurens has 8,887 residents and is governed by a Mayor/Council form of government.

CLINTON

Clinton's past is traced to the

arrival of Scottish-Irish immigrants two decades before the American Revolution. The town itself was officially incorporated in 1852, taking its name in honor of Henry Clinton Young, a lawyer from Laurensville, who helped lay out the first streets. Today, Clinton is the second-largest city in Laurens County, with 8,503 residents. A City Manager/Council form of government governs the city.

JOANNA

Joanna is the largest non-incorporated community in the county, with 1,609 residents. For many years the community was known as Goldville until its name was officially changed on August 1, 1948. During the War Between the States, the community around the railroad

was known as Martin's Depot. On the night of April 30, 1865, Confederate President Jefferson Davis and his entourage spent the night at the nearby Lafayette Young House during their escape from Richmond at the close of the war.

CROSS HILL

The town of Cross Hill is located in southeastern Laurens County, bordered on the east by Newberry County, and on the southwest by Lake Greenwood. The area was a north-south Native American path across the fish dams on the Broad River and leading to the fish dams on the Savannah River. Many years ago, someone crossed the first path on a hill and gave Cross Hill its name. Rosemont, the family plantation of Ann Pamela Cuning-

ham, leader in the effort to save President George Washington's home in Mount Vernon, Va., was located near the community. Today the town of Cross Hill is a modest community of 502 residents, and is governed by a Mayor/Council form of government.

WATERLOO

The town of Waterloo is located 12 miles south of Laurens on the shores of beautiful Lake Greenwood and covers 1.4 square miles of Laurens County. The town was incorporated on December 4, 1885. The small community of 147 residents offers many outdoor sporting and recreational activities. Waterloo is governed by a Mayor/Council form of government.

WARE SHOALS

The town of Ware Shoals is shared between Abbeville, Greenwood, and Laurens counties. Situated along the Saluda River, with a population of 2,155 residents, the Town of Ware Shoals provides an easy-going way of life. It's home to the Irvin Pitts Park, also known as "The Shoals," where many enjoy the large rocks, swimming holes, & fishing. The Saluda River was the natural resource that spawned the town of Ware Shoals. The dam, the mill and the town were born in the same year - 1902 - and the Ware Shoals Manufacturing Company (later renamed Riegel Textile Corporation) shaped the community and its citizens for more than 80 years until it closed in 1985.

HICKORY TAVERN

The Hickory Tavern Community is located on Highway 76, a few miles north and west of the City of Laurens. The community, originally known as New Market,



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is believed to have been named for a tavern operated by Henry Burrows in 1800. The tavern was located in a grove of hickory trees. Today, Hickory Tavern is a thriving community with several businesses, churches, and a school located there. Hickory Tavern is a center of growth for northern Laurens County, as newcomers and residents of the more populous counties to the north relocate in that area.

MOUNTVILLE

The Community of Mountville, located on Highway 72 between the City of Clinton and the Town of Cross Hill, has the distinction of occupying two locations in its history. In its early days, a star mail route running from Laurens to Chappells resulted in the establishment of a post office in the Beaverdam community. The post office was given the name of Mountville, perhaps because of a steep, mountain-like hill rising from nearby Ginger Creek. In 1892, the Seaboard Railroad was completed through that section of Laurens County in a location about two miles from the original post office. Over time, a new railroad town developed that eventually supplanted the original location of Mountville. That location continues today as a quiet, well-established community in southern Laurens County.

GRAY COURT

Nestled in the northwest corner of Laurens County is the town of Gray Court, originally named Dorroh or Dorrohville in honor of a local family. On October 17, 1899, the name was changed to Gray Court and the town was chartered three days later. The town has a Mayor/Council form of government. Gray Court is a small community, vibrant with history and well worth a visit. The Gray Court-Owings Historical Society was organized in February, 2001, to preserve the history and historic structures of this small rural area. Interesting information about Gray Court can be found at www.gcohistoricalsociety.org.

FOUNTAIN INN

Fountain Inn takes its name from the old inn with a fountain that attracted travelers seeking rest from the tiresome stagecoach journeys between Greenville and the Low Country. It is a charming small town highlighted by landmarks, interesting anecdotes and historic figures. "Peg Leg" Bates, the famous dancer and entertainer, was a native son. Fountain Inn has a population of 8,688 residents, and has a Mayor/Council form of government. While it is part of Laurens County, a large portion of the town is also located in Greenville County. Visit the Fountain Inn Chamber site for information <https://fountaininnchamber.carrd.co/>.

A Blast From the Past

A Community Profile: Dr. William P. Jacobs

WRITTEN BY ERNIE SEGARS

The City of Clinton is an attractive, progressive community in eastern Laurens County, complete with broad, tree-lined streets and quiet, safe residential neighborhoods. Two institutions- the Thornwell Home for Children and Presbyterian College- have, for generations, played key roles in the city's development as a cultural and educational center in Laurens County. Many of Clinton's citizens have worked through the years to insure that Thornwell and PC continue and thrive as touchstones of child

care and educational opportunity for the city, county, state and region. Both institutions were founded in the late 1800s as the result of the hard work and vision of one of City of Clinton's and Laurens County's most influential citizens, The Reverend William P. Jacobs.

The Reverend Jacobs was born in Yorkville, SC in 1842 and he graduated from the Columbia Theological Seminary in 1864. He came to Clinton and wrote that the community at that time was "a mud hole surrounded by bars." He served as the minis-



Home of Peace with the Nellie Scott Library, Thornwell campus.
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ter of the First Presbyterian Church in Clinton for 47 years and, during that service, he brought about profound and positive change to his community. The membership of the church grew from 40 to more than 300 and he increased his church's services from twice monthly to two services every Sunday.

He began a Sunday School and founded a library and also served as minister at two additional churches from 1864 to 1873. Given the rather stark conditions that he found in Clinton upon his move, he extended his efforts beyond the church to improve the lives of residents in the city that he loved so well. He worked to get the railroads back in operation and he played a crucial role in the reopening of public schools following the Civil War and the very difficult years of Reconstruction.

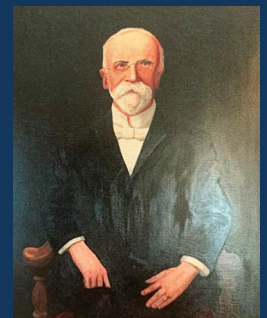
The Reverend Jacobs' lifelong dedication to education and his concern for the young people in the area were instrumental in the founding of Thornwell Orphanage and Presbyterian College. In 1872, he developed plans for construction of an orphanage in Clinton called Thornwell. He named the institution in honor of one of his professors at seminary, Dr. James Henry Thornwell. Construction of the first building began in 1874 and completed in 1875. That building, known as the

"Home of Peace" still stands on the Thornwell campus.

He established a print shop at Thornwell and he trained his sons and Thornwell residents in the craft and business of printing. That printing business later developed into Jacobs Press, a thriving business that operated in Clinton for many years.

His vision and dedication to public education led to the founding of the Clinton High School Association in 1872 and the opening of Clinton High School in 1873. Clinton High School became Clinton College in 1880. That institution was the foundation of Presbyterian College which opened in 1882.

The Reverend Jacobs' vision and dream for quality child care and excellent higher education are evident as the Thornwell Home for Children continues to provide care for children today, more than 140 years after its founding. And Presbyterian College, with its innovative pharmacy schools, is one of the finest liberal arts colleges in the region.



William P. Jacobs, 1842-1917
Photo from Discovering Laurens County Vol. III



First Presbyterian Church, Clinton founded in 1855.

Years of Worship...

More than 261 local religious institutions provide worship and fellowship for the citizens of Laurens County. The spiritual community is composed of a variety of congregations, both new and old. In fact, some of the most beautiful and richly historic buildings in the county are its churches, which have been standing for hundreds of years.

First Presbyterian Church, Clinton was founded in 1855 by a group of Scotch-Irish settlers in the upstate of South Carolina, with a congregation of 500 today. In 1864 the Rev. William Plumer Jacobs was called to become the first pastor of the church in Clinton where he lived the remainder of his days (read more in the “Blast from the Past” article). The original church burned in 1929 and the stone Gothic-style structure was rebuilt on the church grounds.

The First Baptist Church of Laurens, originally known as Laurensville Baptist Church, was organized in 1834 with Rev. Nicholas W. Hodges as pastor. The charter membership consisted of just 16 people. In the early years, the church struggled to exist and was reorganized in both 1851 and 1876. Today, the church has an active resident membership of more than 800 people and continues to be active in ministering to our community, and supporting missions around the world.

18th-century churches include Duncan Creek Presbyterian Church, organized in 1764, Old King’s Chapel Methodist Church, organized in 1789, and Liberty Springs Presbyterian Church, organized in 1767. The Baptist denomination has 101 churches in the county, while the Presbyterians have 19 churches and Methodists 21. Laurens County is also home to a number of other denominations, including AME, Catholic, Episcopal, Jehovah’s Witnesses, Latter-day Saints, Lutheran, Pentecostal, Wesleyan and others. Although Laurens County holds tight to traditions and the rich history here, many local churches offer contemporary services weekly.



First Presbyterian Church, Laurens celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation.

Why they came, WHY THEY STAYED

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With a footprint spanning 724 mi², Laurens County has more than 40 distinct subdivisions, with a wide price range to accommodate the lifestyles and budgets of all potential homebuyers. A multitude of knowledgeable real estate agents are members of the Laurens County Chamber of Commerce and are eager to help you find the property you are looking for. Contact the Chamber for a list of referred realtors at 864-833-2716, or visit the online membership directory at www.laurenscounty.org.

Lives lead people in many different directions, but there are typically specific reasons behind the choices we make to call a place “home.” These are some Laurens County residents and their stories of how they came to choose Laurens as the place they hang their hats.



MERCEDES “MAC” CURRY

Director, Educator of Non-Profit PAWS Animal Wildlife Sanctuary

“After nearly 20 years of rehabbing wildlife as an individual, I felt it was time to set up an organization. We hold more state and federal permits than any other facility in South Carolina to serve as many animals as possible, so we were looking for a property that had signs of wildlife and was large enough to support wildlife releases. We looked at other places but the 180 acres outside Laurens was perfect, and within a little while we were able to develop a great community of volunteers.”

LACRESHA BYRD

Principal, Sanders Middle School

“Being a product of Laurens County, I consider it a blessing to be able to reside in the community which raised me. I returned to Laurens in 2007 to work for Laurens County School District 55, although I continued to reside in Greenville County. After 8 years of commuting back and forth each day of the week, including weekends for work, church, and family and social events, I made the decision to completely return home to live in Laurens in 2015. My family is in Laurens, my church is in Laurens, and I work in Laurens. The greatest reason I chose to return is to be a role model for my students and to reaffirm for them that “good things and people” do come from Laurens County. Laurens has always been home. I currently reside here and love it. I wouldn’t trade it for the world.”



BETHANY & MIKE COLLINS

House Parents for Laurens Academy’s International House

“Twelve years ago, with a packed car and a 3-month-old, we moved to Thornwell in Clinton, S.C. for what we thought would be two years. Quickly, co-workers became family, people in the community became friends, and Clinton became home. People make a town. Love makes a community. And we fell in love with the community of Clinton because of the people we met behind the counter at the grocery stores, the pastor who knew our names before we even stepped foot in his church, people who were in need but gave their time to serve others, business owners who cared enough to stop and talk, high school guidance counselors who coached soccer at the YMCA because there was a need, and people who were proud of their community. That’s a place I have loved to call home for 12 years.”

GARRETT MCDANIEL

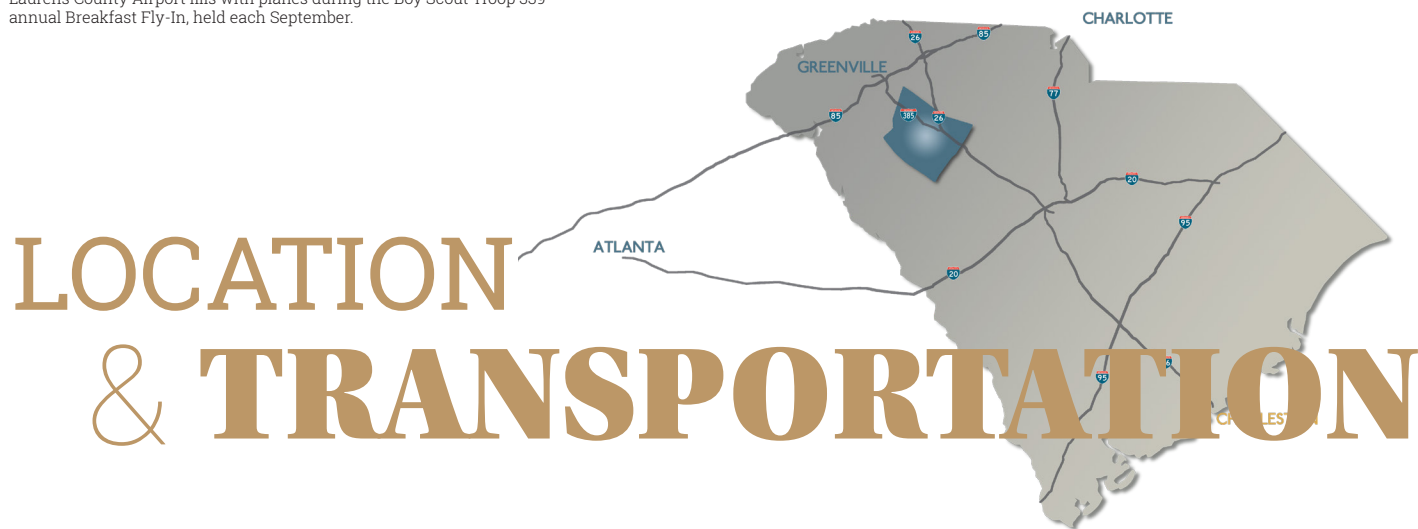
Laurens County Council

“I’ve lived all over this country in cities and towns of various sizes and I can truly say there is no place like home. Growing up I dreamed of escaping the mundane life of living in Laurens. After spending time away, it became apparent that I was a country boy at heart. I also began to realize that the culture of Small Town, USA is the true culture of America. There is something special about being part of a community I’ve known as both a child and an adult and seeing how I can personally create meaningful change in our little corner of the world.”





Laurens County Airport fills with planes during the Boy Scout Troop 339 annual Breakfast Fly-In, held each September.



LOCATION & TRANSPORTATION

Laurens County features many attractive, friendly neighborhoods, bursting with character, where pride in ownership is explicitly evident. Situated in the upstate region of South Carolina, geographically centered between Greenville, Spartanburg and Columbia, Interstates 26 and 385 offer a convenient link to these outlying communities, along with Charlotte, N.C. (100 miles), Atlanta, G.A. (165 miles) and Charleston, S.C. (175 miles). Laurens County is filled with hometown charm and only miles away from the benefits of major cities.

One of South Carolina's largest airports, Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport, GSP, is less than 45 minutes from the center of Laurens County. GSP serves the upstate with 100 total daily nonstop destinations and one-stop connections to over 200 cities. GSP is located 12 miles northwest of the city of Greenville and has connections to major airports such as Chicago O'Hare, Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson, Philadelphia, Newark, as well as Dulles and Reagan National airports in Washington, D.C.

As a primarily rural County, we take pride in the success of our general aviation airport. The Laurens County Airport offers service to turbo props and business jets. The 4,000-foot paved runway welcomes private and corporate aircraft, hangar rental spots are available, maintenance and fuel service are offered, and a courtesy car is available during business hours. Each September, South Carolina Breakfast Club members fly into Laurens County to enjoy breakfast with local Boy Scout Troop 339. Many unique private planes, pilots, and friends are enjoyed by all.

Rail service to Laurens County is provided by CSX Transportation, with the company's main line passing directly through the City of Clinton. Taking full advantage of the character of the many trains hauling through town, the City hosts events at their downtown depot and presents a Spring Festival, Rhythm on the Rails, each year. If you visit the quaint City, you can enjoy the Train Ticket walking tour filled with history. The Carolina Piedmont division of South Carolina Central Railroad operates a 34.4-mile rail system between Laurens and Greenville that runs parallel to I-385.

Map provided by Laurens County Development Corporation

LAURENS COUNTY'S IN BUSINESS

You can't walk into a business in Laurens County that doesn't greet shoppers with a smile. We take pride in the locally, family-owned, businesses that line our streets and downtowns. Filled with unique eateries and services from groceries to tailoring, or hardware to jewelers, patrons will find many gift shops and establishments to enjoy. "We have an amazing business in downtown Laurens named Square Roots (pun intended), that carries these adorable, tiny clay cardinals which are handcrafted by a local artisan and sure to bring a smile to your face," says Amanda Munyan, Laurens County Chamber of Commerce President & CEO.

Multiple amenities contribute to the positive business atmosphere discovered in Laurens County. Its location in upstate South Carolina places it near major markets in and around the state, along with major roadways, rail lines, airports and ports. This location, joined by a large pool of educated workers, outstanding incentives for new and existing businesses, local training and educational opportunities, and a diversified base of businesses come together to create an attractive environment. "We are grateful for the many organizations and resources we have to help our businesses and communities be successful," says Munyan. "We often work with the Small Business Development Center in Greenwood, the local Main Street organizations, and the County, to mention a few, for our many successes. We are proud of our teamwork."

Laurens County is home to a wide variety of business services—from large national retail chains and corporate banking headquarters, to the small mom-and-pop operations. Many local businesses have been owned and operated by the same family for generations. "L&L Office Supply, family owned for 60 years, was recently recognized as a quarterly Business of Excellence winner, and has two locations in Laurens County one in downtown Clinton and one in Laurens" says Munyan. "Many businesses, like this one, are staples in our communities and we are lucky to have them."

"As we continue to highlight and promote the local businesses and opportunities in our County, we have created a Think Local Laurens County campaign combined with a Hey Look Laurens County campaign with much success," says Munyan. "These are both based on community involvement and encourage locals and visitors to support and love our communities."

For more information, contact the Laurens County Chamber at 864-833-2716 or visit online at www.laurenscounty.org.



This sign often sits outside Square Roots/Holmes Photography in Downtown Laurens—small business charm at its best.

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Big D Butcher: Your Local Butcher Shop

JACKSON DEAN, PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE STUDENT - FOR THE CLINTON CHRONICLE



Trevor Dendy, Big "D" Butcher owner, helps a customer.

Big 'D' Butcher has been open since March of 2017 and is nestled quietly behind the Square in Clinton, across from the Presbyterian College Pharmacy School.

On the outside the store is unassuming, but the inside is jam-packed full of the finest meats in the area. Looking for high quality ribeyes, sirloins, or prime rib? Want fresh seafood but don't want to drive to the beach? Want to place an order for a special occasion? Big 'D' Butcher is the place for you.

On the wall behind the counter is the menu. On it are a handful of single-serving items that are reasonably priced and ready for purchase. Should you want a larger order? Not a problem. Several "specialty bundles" that could feed the whole family are listed on the counter. There is a "pick 5 meats for \$30" bundle or a larger "family pack" that will leave you full and satisfied. All meats from Big 'D' Butcher are of premium quality and come from right here in South Carolina—as do the "surf and turf" deals, which include hefty portions of fresh seafood paired with excellent cuts of meat and a bag of potatoes.

Big 'D' Butcher is owned and operated by Trevor and Farrah Dendy. Together, they manage all aspects of the business. The couple met at Clinton High school not too long ago, and still live in Clinton to this

day. Trevor is the grandson of Mrs. Martha Dendy, and renovated her old property into the place of business it is today. "Oh, it took us five or six years to renovate this place," Farrah said as she stood behind the counter. "We worked elsewhere, but when we had time we would come by here and do a little bit at a time. About the only thing we didn't replace was the front door," she said with a chuckle. The couple's hard work paid off, and the shop is in excellent condition now. Bright lights, freshly-painted walls, and friendly smiles welcome you as soon as you step in the door. It is not uncommon to find their daughter, Trevoria, in the store working after a day of classes at the Pharmacy School, or Solomon, the Dendy's son, who will greet you with his charming smile.

Business is steady and fluctuates some with the seasons for Big 'D' Butcher shop. "We get a lot of orders around the holidays," Farrah says. "People love to grill out on the Fourth of July or Memorial Day, but sometimes they just want a good family dinner." In fact, seeing the need for a premium butchery in town is what drove the Dendy's to open the business. "We saw an opportunity and ran with it," Farrah says. The butcher's slogan is "Eat Good" and that is exactly what customers do. So, the next time you're in need of modestly-priced, high-quality meats, stop on by and see what the Dendys can do for you.



L&L Office Supply, established in 1959, is family-owned and has two locations in Laurens County. Pictured: Steve Brouillette, Co-Owner



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The Coffee Roast, established in 2017, is located inside the Artist Coop in Downtown Laurens. Pictured: Peg Cwiakala, Owner.

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WRITTEN BY AMANDA MUNYAN

The proud owners of Eastglen Farm, Marilyn Easter and her hard-working husband (of 54 years), Glenn Easter, are a staple in the Laurens County community. “Farming here over 40 years has brought us much happiness and a feeling of accomplishment,” says Marilyn. When the Easters moved to Laurens County from Vermont, they quickly absorbed into the community and made a home—now with 300 Jersey Dairy Cows covering 360 acres of farm land, located just outside of the Laurens City limits. In 2018, the Easter’s farm produced 6 million pounds of milk—we did the math, and that’s 720,000 gallons!

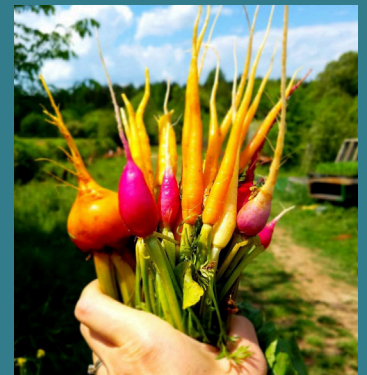
Milk from Eastglen Farm is just one example of the many commodities produced in Laurens County, SC. With over 120,000 acres of farm land in a County of land spanning 713.80 sq. miles, the agriculture community is making a huge impact. According to the most recent Census, Laurens County has 826 farms, with the average size covering 148 acres. Obviously loving our chickens, the County houses 5,888,947 in the 17 farms documented. The egg production sits (no pun intended) around 24,200,000 eggs and Laurens County celebrates the 8,155 beef cattle, 653 dairy cattle, 855 goats, and 1,477 horses and ponies, to mention a few highlights in animal agriculture. Intent on covering all of the many areas of agriculture success in the County, it is necessary to also mention the 123 beehives, 25,089 acres of hay, 916 acres of wheat, 143 acres of vegetables, and 257 acres of nursery stock. With these brag-worthy numbers, Laurens County has much to be proud of. Many of our youth are growing up on these farms, learning family traditions and planting deep roots for a successful future.

The Agriculture community is strong in Laurens County. The Clemson Extension office and Farm Bureau are both very active, and the 4-H programs are developing daily. The annual Spotlight on Agriculture hosted by Clemson Extension is an event worth attending, as the agriculture community is celebrated for the many accomplishments throughout the year.

Laurens County takes pride in the Agritourism opportunities offered and the locals look forward to the seasons to participate. Stewart Farms presents various seasonal activities, including a corn maze and hayrides in the fall, poinsettias during the holidays, and strawberry picking in the Spring. Crescent Farm offers a Commu-



Marilyn Easter enjoying a beautiful day with Donna, one of her 300 friends at Eastglen Farm.



Crescent Farm obviously grows cute kids and amazing produce. Photographs courtesy of Crescent Farm Instagram.

nity Supported Agriculture (CSA) program which “allows members to enjoy their favorite vegetables and encourages them to try new ones that aren’t available in their local store,” according to Margie Levine, Crescent Farms. “They also benefit from the additional nutrients and flavor that fresh produce has to offer.” Red Fern Farm has educational seminars, garden tours, and herb walks. And don’t forget how beautiful an event or wedding could be at any of the many event venues offered. Here in Laurens County, we have several farms to tour, spend the day, u-pick, and plan holiday fun.

More information can be found at www.laurenscountyagriculture.com

Sources: SC Department of Agriculture, 2012 Census of Agriculture, US Census Bureau

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“Farming here over 40 years has brought us much happiness and a feeling of accomplishment.”

Don Jackson Ware Shoals

WRITTEN BY ERNIE SEGARS

Laurens County is a large rural county with two medium-size cities, several distinct and unique small communities, and huge expanses of rural countryside dotted with forests, lakes and vistas of uncommon natural beauty unrivaled in the Upstate. In large counties with all this diversity and opportunity such as ours, some say it can be difficult to adopt and enact one vision or one plan, for growth and positive development.

But this assessment is easily combatted by at least one resident and long-time civic leader in western Laurens County. Meet Mr. Don Jackson. As he sits across the table, we share lunch and conversation over a homemade pimento cheese burger, fresh off the grill, at historic Martin's Store. Mr. Jackson is a life-long resident of this area of Laurens County lying west of the Reedy River, known generally as Ware Shoals—more specifically as the historic Martin's Store community.

Mr. Jackson would be considered a local Beef Farmer and his is one of the many agriculture businesses blanketing the County. You won't find many that do not know him personally or remember an encounter with the big personality he carries. Mr. Jackson was elected to Laurens County Council in 1988 as a part of the first group of Council members to represent single-member districts. He served two terms as a member of County Council and chaired the county's governing body during his last two years of service. Mr. Jackson played a pivotal role in many positive changes made by Laurens County Council, such as creating the Unified Tax District for fire protection and created the Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission in the early 1990's.

"I believe western Laurens County is ready for more development," Mr. Jackson said. "Highway 25 is four-laned from Greenwood to Greenville, through the heart of this area. We have a thriving industry in this area, such as the O'Dell Corporation, and there is plenty of property available for development. Western Laurens County is my home and I think so much of it that I take the opportunity to invite community leadership and friends to our neck of the woods every chance I get."

Ware Shoals is known for many unique characteristics, loads of history, and fond memories. Many enjoyable days are spent by locals and visitors at Pitts Park in Ware Shoals, a beautiful, natural location along the Saluda River where fishing lines are abundant, and children can jump the rocks and wade in the water. In the Spring of each year, Ware Shoals celebrates their Annual Catfish Festival (this is not a typo, this is a true "feast"), welcoming over 25,000 to the community.

"I believe we are on the right path now for the development and growth of all of Laurens County," he said. "And I believe a unified and dedicated Laurens County Chamber of Commerce will play a key role in that effort."



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Economic Development in Laurens County:

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LOCATION

Laurens County is a well-positioned location for economic development—less than 40 miles from Greenville, an hour from Columbia, just two hours from Charlotte, and three hours from Atlanta. With more than 58% of the US population, 42 Automotive original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) and 53 Aerospace OEMs within a one-day drive, Upstate South Carolina is one of the most sought-after regions in the Southeast US. Along with its ideal location, Laurens County provides superior infrastructure and a progressive business climate, making it the chosen location for prominent manufacturing industries and distribution centers. Laurens County businesses, including potential and existing businesses, take advantage of a variety of economic incentives when it comes to relocation and expansion.

Laurens County has prime industrial sites ready for investment, development, and growth. Our area boasts seven quality industrial parks, with available shovel-ready sites and speculative buildings: Hunter Industrial Park, Clinton Corporate Park, Laurens County Professional Park, Owings Industrial Park, Woodfield Industrial Park, Clinton 26 Commerce Park, and most recently, the Connexial Center.

LOCAL INDUSTRY

Top companies in industries such as automotive, biosciences, advanced materials, research and development, and distribution tremendously impact the local Laurens County economy. In fact, looking at real GDP growth for all industries between 2012 and 2015, Laurens County had the second highest growth rate in the nation—which recently caught the attention of the Wall Street Journal. In 2018, over \$59 million in capital investment and 74 new jobs were announced in Laurens County, and many product development initiatives are underway going into 2019.

Among the major industries that maintain facilities in Laurens County are CCL Label, Continental, GE, Michelin, Milliken, Sterilite, Walmart Distribution, and ZF Transmissions—just to name a few.

LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TEAM

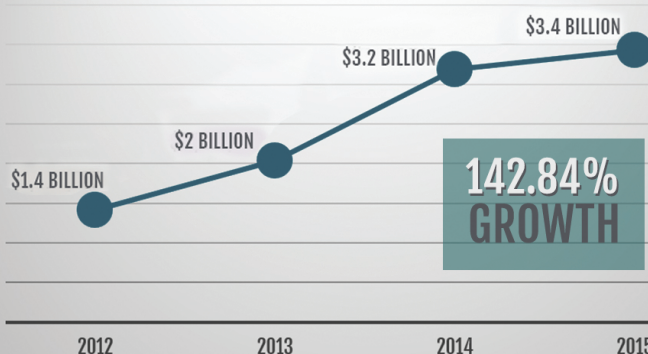
The Laurens County Development Corporation (LCDC) is dedicated to ensuring thoughtful economic development throughout the area. LCDC's mission and plan ensures that Laurens County continues to be a "business-centered" community which focuses on economic opportunities that result in a viable future for all County citizens. The LCDC staff is here to help build the best Laurens County possible, retaining and expanding the local business community with investments in lucrative development plans and marketing strategies.

WORKFORCE & EDUCATION

A key focus area of the LCDC is workforce. The current Laurens County workforce consists of over 556,000 people within a 45-minute drive time radius, with a projected population growth rate of 5.7%. One of the most important resources existing businesses and new businesses need in order to grow is a larger pool of talented workers. LCDC continues to change the way of developing our workforce of the future and keeps Laurens County at the innovative forefront of workforce develop-

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REAL GDP GROWTH FOR LAURENS COUNTY



pment in the State of South Carolina. LCDC strives to be an innovator in their efforts to look to the future and to provide the best environment possible for today's advanced manufacturing and businesses to succeed in our County.

In 2017, LCDC partnered with both School Districts 55 and 56, as well as the City of Laurens and the City of Clinton, to create a video showcasing the many career opportunities for students in the manufacturing industry. Because of such positive response and high interest in the video, LCDC decided to keep the momentum going by turning it into an entire initiative titled, "Laurens County: A Higher Opportunity". The initiative aims to raise the perception of manufacturing jobs and to recruit the next generation of our county's manufacturing workforce. Brochures and flyers were created, and a website for the initiative was created, which includes education resources, job listings specific to Laurens County, as well as multiple testimonial videos. The LCDC team also presents the Higher Opportunity initiative to various groups, in hopes that it will resonate with middle and high school students, as well as the parents of those students. For several months throughout the year, the video is shown before every movie playing at The Capitol Theater. Visit www.higheropportunity.com for more information on this workforce initiative.

Local Laurens County high schools have also just begun offering the South Carolina Manufacturing Certification (SCMC). SCMC is an entry level Advanced Manufacturing Certification, which consists of 200 hours of state-funded training, comprised of three core certificate programs, plus 40 hours of hands-on training in the lab. In partnership with the SC Technical College System, Piedmont Technical College launched SCMC to grow the skilled workforce in our region.

A tremendous asset to our County's education and workforce efforts is the Center for Advanced Manufacturing (CAM). The CAM in Laurens County, one of Piedmont Technical College's eight locations, is situated along the I-385 corridor and is within easy driving distance of industrial and business sites. The CAM was established thanks to a partnership between Piedmont Technical College, the PTC Foundation, county and city governments, LCDC and local industry to support the manufacturing sector's growing training needs in the region. The 28,000-square-foot training space, which opened in 2012, houses CNC, CMM, Welding and Mechatronics labs and classrooms, along with flexible training space that local industry can use to collaborate with PTC. In addition to these training options, the college offers apprenticeship opportunities through local businesses and dual enrollment courses in collaboration with Laurens County high schools. The variety of training options at the CAM provide the Laurens County workforce with a means for upgrading their work skills with relevant technology-based training.

For more information on economic development in Laurens County, visit the LCDC website at www.growlaurenscounty.com.



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The privately-funded Laurens County Future Scholarship (LCFS) program was established in the Fall of 2015, to provide recent high school graduates with a tuition-free path to complete two years of technical training, or the first half of a bachelor's degree. Modeled on successful programs from around the United States, the LCFS is a last-pay scholarship, covering only the remainder of tuition and required fees after all State and Federal financial aid is applied. This program was created to ensure all Laurens County residents have the opportunity for the bright future they deserve, as the County continues to strengthen the available workforce.

Piedmont Technical College

Founded in 1966 and accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Piedmont Technical College (PTC) is a comprehensive two-year college offering university-level education and hands-on career training. Faculty and staff at PTC believe that all students deserve an education that's driven by their goals—an education designed from the ground up to prepare them for success. Serving Laurens and six other counties in the region, the college offers a wide variety of career studies programs that prepare individuals directly for the workforce, continuing education courses for personal and professional development, and a university transfer curriculum designed to fulfill the first two years of a bachelor's degree at four-year colleges and universities. Learn more at www.ptc.edu/laurens

University of South Carolina Laurens Location

The University of South Carolina Laurens Location satellite operations began in 1983 with classes offered at the local junior high school. Since that time, the school has relocated to the Oaks Shopping Center at 507 N. Harper Street in Laurens—a state of the art facility. USC Union Laurens Location is especially attractive to high school graduates who are residents of Laurens County, able to attend tuition free through the Laurens County Future Scholarship Program. Adult students are excited to return to complete their degree, take classes their careers require, or to enhance their knowledge of various academic subjects. Dual enrollment classes for high school juniors and seniors give these students the opportunity to begin their college coursework at a reduced fee before graduation. A variety of classes are offered which can be applied to their associate or baccalaureate degree programs.

Because this campus is supported by the entire university system and provides USC quality throughout, students are able to take advantage of resources and facilities at all of the other USC campuses. The Laurens campus offers two associate degrees and approximately 15 other bachelor's degrees, including a newly-established partnership to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing with USC Aiken. The bachelor's degrees are through Palmetto College where the student is able to take classes locally, face to face, through beaming from one campus to another, and on-line.

The advantages of attending USC Union Laurens Location are: small class sizes; classes to suit every schedule and lifestyle; scholarships and financial aid available; courses transfer to any college in South Carolina; one of the most affordable universities in the upstate. For more information, call 864-681-1456.

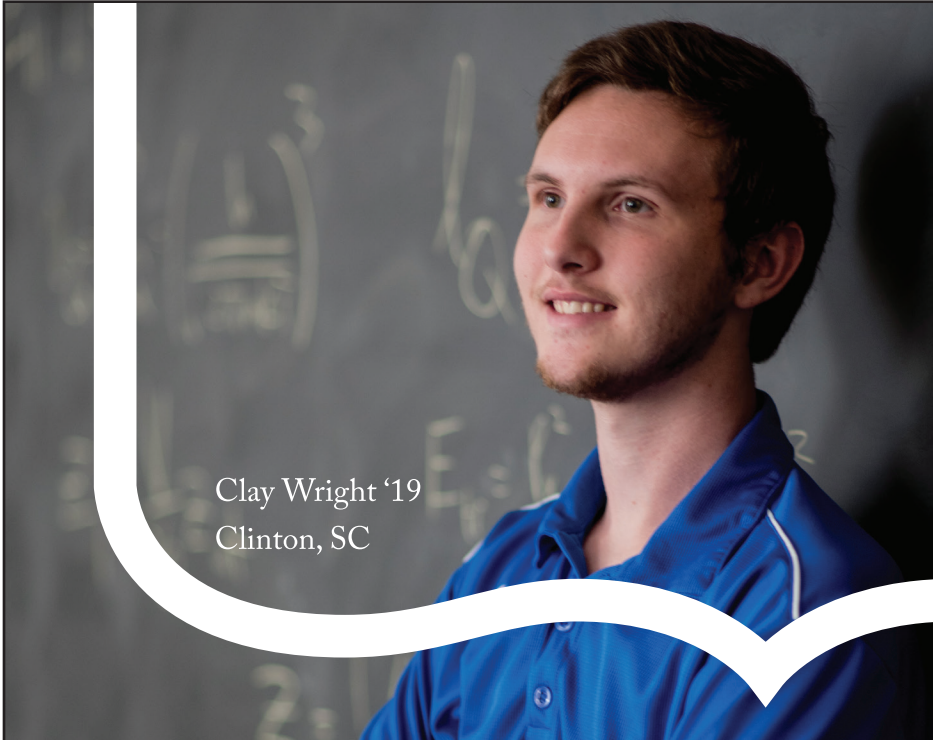
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Presbyterian College (PC) is a four-year, private, co-educational college accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. A highly selective national liberal arts college, PC is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (USA) and has been recognized in national publications and in the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll as a college that "gets it right" based on students' and graduates' contributions to society.

Founded in 1880 as Clinton College, PC is located on 240 acres in Clinton. In addition to winning prestigious national and international scholarships—including a Rhodes Scholar, Rotary Scholars, Pew Fellows and a National Science Foundation Fellowship—PC graduates are servant leaders in their careers, their communities, and their churches. Small classes are taught by a dedicated faculty—the vast majority of whom hold their terminal degrees. Six faculty members have been honored as South Carolina's Professor of the Year—the most of any college or university in the state.


The Blue Hose athletics program is a member of the Big South Conference and competes in NCAA Division I with 19 varsity sports for men and women.

The Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy opened on August 16, 2010 with its inaugural class of nearly 80 students. The school offers Pharm.D. Degrees. For more information, visit www.presby.edu.



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The Laurens County Library System operates two libraries for the County. The headquarters facility is located at 1017 W. Main St—a main road through Laurens where many historic houses stand, and residents can be found daily walking their dogs or pushing their strollers. This 23,000-square-foot library, opened in 1989, houses a large public meeting room that accommodates 80, a smaller conference room and several study and tutoring rooms, and is the proud home of an extensive local history and genealogy collection. The Stuffed Animal Sleepover is an annual big hit for the local children. The Library partners with Laurens County First Steps on this event to which they invite children to drop off a favorite stuffed animal to spend the night with trained library staff getting them ready for bed, hosting story time, and being tucked in. The next morning the children are invited back for a special story time with their stuffed animals. Participants enjoy breakfast snacks and a presentation of pictures of the previous night's mischief.

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The bookmobile is one of the library’s prize possessions and can often be seen riding the streets of Laurens County, visiting nearly 50 homes and communities and providing mobile library services to several hundred patrons. For more information about the Laurens County Library System visit www.lcpl.org.



Presbyterian College Campus - Neville Hall

Private Schools

Laurens Academy is a beautiful 40-acre school located on Highway 49, one mile off of I-385. The location makes it convenient to the families that are served from Laurens, Clinton, and surrounding counties. The school began in the fall of 1994, with a mission to educate the whole child in a Christian environment. Laurens Academy offers a K4-12th grade college preparatory curriculum in a nondenominational Christian environment and is accredited by the South Carolina Independent School Association (SCISA) and AdvancEd/SACS, a worldwide accrediting agency. Visual and choral arts, foreign language, a computer lab, physical education, dual enrollment (high school/college credit) courses through the University of South Carolina, and a competitive and successful athletic program are just a few of the things offered at Laurens Academy. Many of the Laurens Academy alumni have returned to or remained in Laurens County after college graduation to become business owners and leaders in our community. More information can be found on their website, www.laurensacademy.com.



Laurens Academy Campus

Faith Christian School and Lighthouse Christian Academy are also located in Laurens County.

Public Schools

Laurens County School District (LCSD) 56 serves the City of Clinton and southern Laurens County, under the leadership of Superintendent Dr. David O’Shields. Dr. O’Shields, with his much-loved, humorous personality, is a Laurens County native, graduating from Clinton High School in 1976. He has a long history of caring about LCSD 56 and the people impacted daily. This district serves approximately 3,069 students in three elementary schools and two secondary schools, as well as a Child



Development Center for grades preK-4K. All of the district's schools are located in Clinton, with the exception of Joanna-Woodson Elementary in the Joanna community, and are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Approximately 400 employees work in the district, and more than half of the teachers proudly hold advanced degrees.

LCSD 56 strives to embrace the principles on which they stand as they relate to the students, staff, and community. They envision an environment where students become ethical and productive citizens-achieving excellence, embracing innovations, and forging new traditions.

Clinton High School, newly built in 2010, offers advanced placement courses in which students may earn college credit through a cooperative agreement with Presbyterian College. Computer-assisted instruction is offered in all schools, and a full complement of extracurricular activities is provided in a variety of award-winning programs. LCSD 56 has both a nationally recognized JROTC program and National Beta Club. They offer strong programs for the academically gifted, services for students with disabilities, outdoor environmental labs, National Wildlife Federation Schoolyard Habitats®, a National Honor Society, state-recognized service learning labs, and a strong band program.

The district's Wilder Stadium will undergo a \$1.7 million renovation in 2019. This stadium has celebrated Friday night football for many years and is the proud home of the Red Devils.

Laurens County School District (LCSD) 55 serves approximately 6,000 students of diverse backgrounds from preschool through twelfth grade. The staff of 875 teachers and support personnel at LCSD 55 is devoted to developing the full potential of every child. Dr. Stephen Peters, Superintendent, comments, "Believing that good is not good enough, we strive to be a great school district," and this is apparent with recent accomplishments. LCSD 55 was recently named a District of Distinction and is one of only 45 districts in the nation to be selected for the designation. Districts of Distinction is a national recognition program created to honor school districts that demonstrate the true meaning of excellence in education. Districts selected to receive the award have developed exemplary programs to support students in their education and well beyond the classroom. District Administration magazine selected LCSD 55 as a District of Distinction for promoting and developing soft skills through their Ladies and Gentlemen's Clubs. In addition, the National PTA selected Laurens Middle School (LMS) as a National PTA School of Excellence (one of only two schools in South Carolina to receive the honor) and LMS was one of three finalists nationwide for the prestigious Phoebe Apperson Hearst award from the National PTA.

LCSD 55 is recognized for its recent improvements in innovative instructional practices and movement towards ensuring that each student receives personalized instruction according to his or her needs. The small size and rural setting of the district allow for close relationships and a sense of belonging for students and staff. The district includes six unique community-based elementary schools, four middle schools, and one high school where all students come together as a community for their capstone experiences. The district strives to maintain small class sizes that favor optimal participation, personal development, and belonging. Each child builds a core body of knowledge, develops key skills, and receives support in their social emotional development.

The two local school districts continue a strong rivalry between the Clinton Red Devils and the Laurens Raiders. Each time these schools share a field, they aim for victory. However, for all other games of the year, they wish their small town rivalry team success.

Left: Clinton Red Devils and Laurens Raiders annual rivalry game. Photograph by Billy Dunlap.



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The campus is part of the largest not-for-profit health organization in South Carolina, Prisma Health, which serves more than 1.2 million patients annually. It is comprised of two affiliates — Prisma Health—Midlands (formerly Palmetto Health) and Prisma Health—Upstate (formerly Greenville Health System).

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Prisma Health Laurens County Hospital

Prisma Health Laurens County Hospital has provided the local community with exceptional care and a hometown blend of professionalism and courtesy since 1989. The 90 bed hospital provides care to individuals who need an inpatient stay. In addition, the emergency department provides high-quality acute care around the clock in an environment designed to maximize patient comfort.

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Having a baby? In addition to superb medical care, Prisma Health Women's Life Center at Prisma Health Laurens County Hospital provides the expertise and technology to give the newest member of your family the best start in life.

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The center features private rooms for your labor and delivery that are equipped with everything necessary for the birth of your baby. After you give birth, you and your newborn will go to one of the center's spacious postpartum rooms with a shower, television, vanity and bureau for personal belongings, and a convertible sofa for your support person. There's ample seating and comfort for up to four individuals.

SC BlueCross honored the hospital as a Blue Distinction Center for Maternity Care, which recognizes hospitals that demonstrate expertise in patient safety and positive health outcomes.

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The specialist will complete an assessment of the newborn with the help of Delivery Buddy and on-site nurses and doctors. This program lets the specialist take part in the baby's care right away by making recommendations as if at the bedside. Medical teams on each side of the screen can hear and see the newborn and interact with the family.

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Managing diabetes starts with education. Whether you are newly diagnosed with diabetes or have lived with diabetes for years, the Diabetes Self-Management Program at Prisma Health Laurens County Medical Campus can give you help and ongoing support.

The program provides in-depth instruction through group classes and individual appointments for patients who have type 1, type 2 or gestational diabetes. It is led by trained diabetes educators who are either registered nurses (RN) or registered dietitians (RD).

Prisma Health Cancer Institute

With multiple locations around the Upstate, including at Prisma Health Laurens County Hospital, Prisma Health Cancer Institute provides residents with the most effective, most targeted cancer care available in the world. Cancer care is about comfort, compassion and enhanced access to care. The Cancer Institute focuses on treating the whole person, not just the disease, through clinical excellence and research.

With locations and services in Greenville, Easley, Greer, Seneca and Spartanburg, patients can access the highest-level of care and clinical trial research without having to leave the Upstate. In fact, the National Cancer Institute proclaimed Prisma Health Cancer Institute among the nation's best in research with a recent award of \$6.7 million to conduct clinical trials and research studies aimed at improving patient outcomes and reducing health disparities.

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Self Regional Healthcare (SRH) is a major referral and medical center providing advanced healthcare services to a population of more than a quarter of a million people in the Lakelands region of upstate South Carolina.

Their family physicians and specialists, nurses and specially-trained staff provide care at locations throughout the area, so there is always quality healthcare close by. It's healthcare the way it should be—a complete network of care for you and your family.

Self Medical Center Laurens

Self Medical Center Laurens (SMCL) conveniently located at 22580 Highway 76, is SRH's flagship medical facility in Laurens County. This 28,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art facility houses three medical practices: Family Healthcare Clinton, Internal Medicine Laurens and Express Medical Care Laurens (for extended-hours, urgent care service.)

The medical center brings many much-needed services to Laurens county. From a cold to cardiac care, the board-certified physicians and clinical support staff at SMCL work to provide Clinton, Laurens and surrounding communities with comprehensive healthcare. And, as affiliates of Self Regional Healthcare – just down the road in Greenwood - they have access to resources, diagnostics and technology of a nationally recognized regional referral center serving the entire Lakelands of South Carolina. The Laurens facility boasts spacious and modern waiting areas, exam, treatment and procedure rooms, onsite labs and X-rays, and even a community room for meetings and public events.

Additionally, Laurens patients benefit from a rotation of skilled specialists. At SMCL, Spine and Orthopedics physicians regularly see patients, and just down the road at The Laurens Specialty Medical Office (23013 Hwy 76 East) Cardiology, Vascular and General Surgery specialists from Self Regional are on site every week to meet the many healthcare needs of you and your loved ones. For employers, Self Regional staffs the SMCL with Occupational Health providers who offer injury management, wellness programs, drug testing, and many other services to improve the health of your team and your business.

The facility recently added several new amenities for the convenience of patients including a dedicated Physical Therapy room, a SRH lab draw station and regular visits from the organization's new, cutting-edge Mobile Mammography Unit.



Self Medical Center Laurens.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Self Regional Healthcare is an integral part of the Laurens community and takes great pride in sponsoring numerous organizations and events that improve our quality of life.

- Onsite clinic at Presbyterian College every day for students and athletes
- Annual PC athletics sponsorship
- Rhythm on the Rails sponsorship
- Laurens Chamber sponsorships
- Physical Therapy partnership with Laurens YMCA



Self Regional Healthcare Mobile Mammography Unit.

NURSING FOR LIFE



Ms. Nell sporting her United Way of Laurens County Campaign shirt.

Laurens County has many special people setting the tone for the generosity clearly seen throughout our community. Ms. Nell Haggart is one of these special people; a trailblazer who began her volunteer work many years ago, making time alongside her job working as a nurse for the Clinton Mill. The Clinton Mill, an integral part of the city's history, was established in 1896 by Mercer Silas Bailey as the place of employment by much of the Clinton community. Clinton's history is rich with stories and memories from the mill that have been shared and will continue to be told for generations. Ms. Nell is a part of that history. She not only cared for ill or injured employees, but neighborhood children could also count on a Band-Aid and a kind word from the long-time medical nurse. After retiring, she didn't slow down contributing to Laurens County—she had only just begun. Ms. Nell began working with the Eldercare programs through her church, where she visited with shut-ins, delivered food for families, provided transportation for senior adult friends, and continued nursing at the local free clinic. Still today, at the spry age of 91, Ms. Nell can be found volunteering at the Good Shepherd Free Medical Clinic, where clients receive free medical care without private insurance, government assistance or the financial resources to afford such services. The clinic is staffed by volunteers and funded by several other sources, including private donations. Ms. Nell is a familiar, friendly face to many in Laurens County and especially the Clinton community. She continues to live as a sincere example of service to others.

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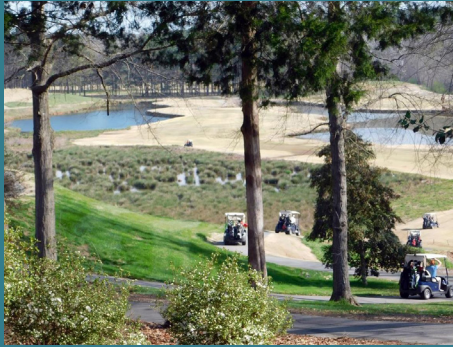
Parks & Recreation

Laurens County is brimming with opportunities for recreation. With rivers, lakes, hiking trails, golf courses, hunting areas and more, there is never a shortage of activities to enjoy.

Well-maintained park sites dot the map of Laurens County, offering a combination of baseball/softball fields, basketball courts, playground equipment, picnic areas, swimming pools and tennis courts. The area also features a host of private and public lakes, including Lake Greenwood, with more than 200 miles of shoreline. Lake Rabon, as well as the Enoree and Saluda rivers, provide excellent fishing and boating as well.



Irving Pitts Memorial Park, also known as "The Shoals."



Musgrove Mill Golf Course.

golf courses: Musgrove Mill in Clinton, an Arnold Palmer World Class Championship Course that was chosen as one of the top modern courses in the U.S. by Golfweek magazine and that hosted the ACC Men's Golf Championship in 2017; Lake-side Country Club in Laurens, also a great neighborhood to call home; and Rolling S Golf Club, a public course located in Waterloo.

Hunters utilize private and leased lands in the county, as well as in Sumter National Forest. Skeet shooting and turkey, deer, quail and other hunting packages, as well as lodging and meeting facilities are available at Harris Springs Sportsman's

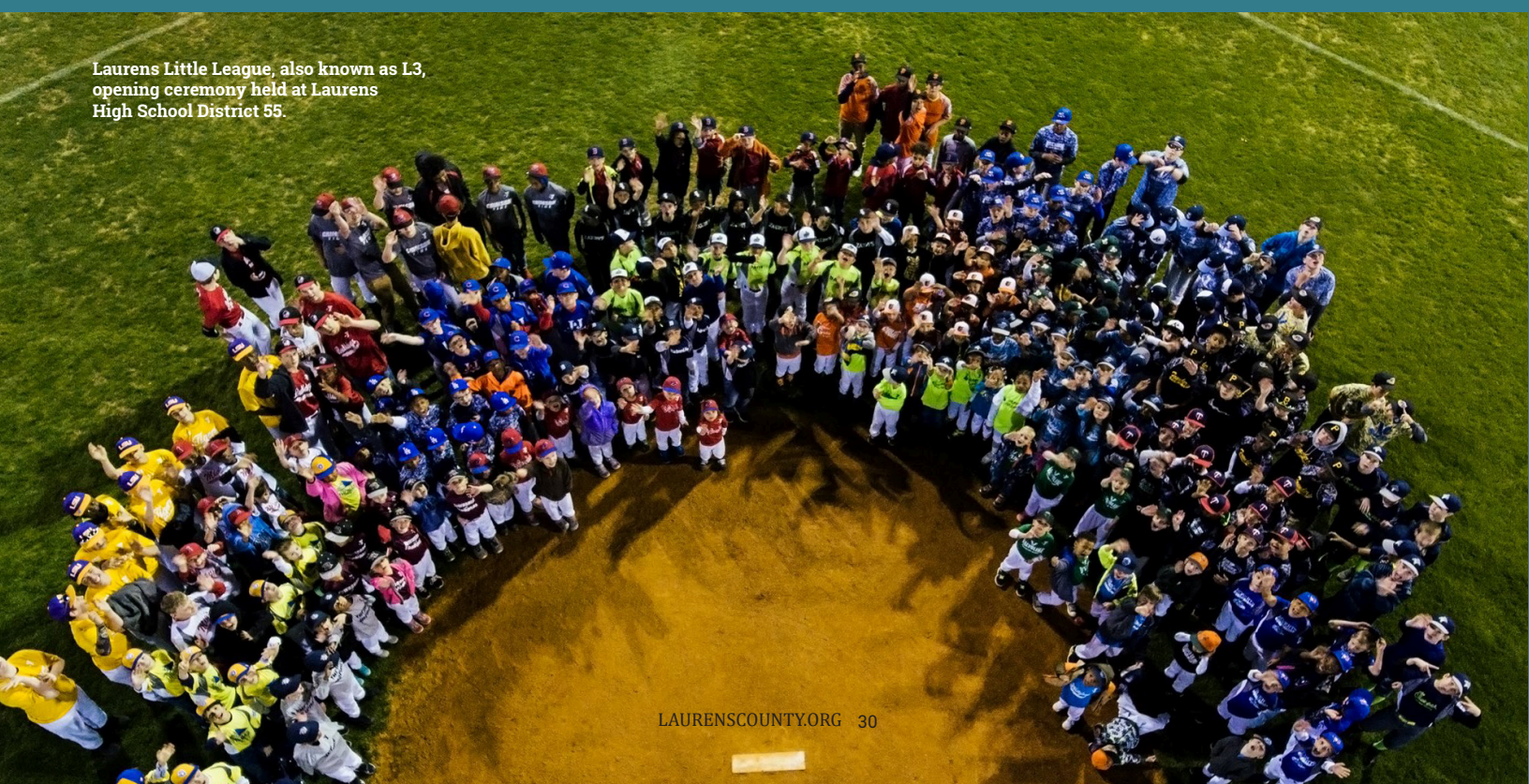
Walkers, hikers, and kayakers enjoying the abundant nature here, have the perfect guide through the Laurens County Trails Association (LCTA) www.lctrails.org. The LCTA formed in the spring of 2013, and has since presented a Master Plan, documented existing natural and historic resources, proposed segments of the GHS Swamp Rabbit Trail, defined on-road bicycle routes, defined opportunities for blueways (water routes), and has formed a team to develop an equestrian plan.

Golfers revel in the selection of beautiful, challenging courses in our Upstate South Carolina region. Laurens County has two private and one public 18-hole



Kayaking is a popular activity on the many waterways of Laurens County.

Laurens Little League, also known as L3, opening ceremony held at Laurens High School District 55.



Preserve between Cross Hill and Waterloo. The Clinton House Plantation, located just north of Clinton, offers bird and duck hunting, deer and turkey hunts, sporting clays, and corporate meetings, and conference facilities. Visit www.clintonhouse.com.

For racing enthusiasts, the Laurens County Speedway, also known as “The Darlington of Dirt”, offers race track fun from April through September. Find out more by visiting laurenspeedway.com.

For the off-roaders, the Gulches Off Road Vehicles Park is a family friendly dream come true. Ages 4-94 are welcome and camping is available. Sometimes referred to as the “Disneyland” for 4x4s, trails range from easy to “absolutely stupid.” Visit gulchesrvpark.com for more information.

Thanks to the Laurens Parks and Recreation Department’s (LPRD) continually growing programs and services, local residents enjoy a variety of sports programs such as Little League baseball, basketball, football, volleyball and cheerleading. The LRPD is located at “The Ridge” a new state of the art civic center for Laurens County.

The local YMCAs are staples in the communities they serve. The Clinton Family YMCA works with the City of Clinton, School District #56, Presbyterian College, Thornwell Home for Children, churches, business and civic organizations to help serve greater Clinton and Laurens County as the recreational provider for the greater Clinton community. The Family YMCA of Greater Laurens, recently approving a merger with the Greenwood Family YMCA in 2019, offers programs and services like diabetes prevention, afterschool tutoring, volunteering, vocational training and more. Through these services, the Y provides people with endless opportunities to achieve more.



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Winters at the lake are comfortable, with very little precipitation or snow. Year-round outdoor activities are common and include fishing, boating and a host of other water sports. You will find an abundance of information on the Connect Lake Greenwood website at www.connectlakegreenwood.org but nothing compares to visiting in person. One visit and we are certain you will fall in love with this special lake!



Wakeboarding on Lake Greenwood.

Music History with Hunter Holmes

WRITTEN BY ERNIE SEGARS



Pink Anderson
1900-1974

Reverend Gary Davis
1896-1972

Hunter Holmes

Photograph provided by Holmes Photography

Hunter Holmes knows that the Reverend Gary Davis and Pinckney “Pink” Anderson are legends in the world of southern and American blues and folk music. And the fact that both these musical giants were born in Laurens County puts the county on the “cutting edge” of Piedmont musical tradition, research and, potentially, serving as a lucrative tourism attraction.

Hunter, 31, grew up near Enoree in southern Spartanburg County. But, as a graduate of Laurens District 55 High School and as an associate with a family business located on the Public Square in Laurens, Hunter is very much part of economic and cultural activity in Laurens County. He is a graduate of Brevard College and he and his wife, Brie have two sons. Hunter works with his mother, Sue Ellen Holmes, in the operation of Holmes Photography.

Hunter is largely a self-taught musician and folk music aficionado who became a big fan of the southern rock music that swept the nation in the 1970s and 80s. “I was in my early teens and I loved the music of bands like the Allman Brothers and Lynyrd Skynyrd. I became interested in the origins of that and other music. I conducted some research, largely at the Spartanburg

County Library, and I discovered that the origin of a lot of this music can be traced to Laurens County.”

Hunter began playing the guitar at age 14 and he currently performs and speaks at civic clubs and community gatherings. He has also performed at folk and blues music festivals in Massachusetts and New York.

He is particularly interested in and knowledgeable of the work of Reverend Gary Davis and Pink Anderson. Davis, a blind African-American preacher, was born “somewhere between Laurens and Clinton.” He was sent to the South Carolina School for the Deaf and Blind as a child. “He stayed for about a week and he promptly ran away,” Hunter said.

He spent some time in Greenville, SC and in Durham, NC before eventually settling in Harlem in New York City. Davis was in New York during the folk music revival of the 1960’s and he influenced a generation of folk and rock artists including Bob Dylan, Peter Paul and Mary and Jefferson Airplane.

“Reverend Davis was a master of the acoustic guitar, maybe the greatest of all times,” Hunter said. Pink Anderson was a more obscure artist than Rev. Da-

vis but his name was an inspiration for the band Pink Floyd, one of the most famous rock bands ever. Hunter said that one of the band's founders was reading some liner notes and ran across the names of an old musician named Pink and an old musician named Floyd. Rock history was made and an African American artist from Laurens County was, and is, part of it.

Like many of his generation, Pink Anderson was born in poverty in 1900. He scratched out a living locally, performing at white and black social events and with the many minstrel shows that flourished in those days. He eventually moved to Spartanburg and recorded four songs in 1928. In 1962; a folk music researcher rediscovered Anderson in Spartanburg and helped bring him back into prominence as a performer and pioneer of the blues movement.

Hunter Holmes believes that the musical heritage of Laurens County is a substantial and somewhat untapped resource that can provide beneficial distinction and real tourism dollars to Laurens County. "I know that people from all over the world have come to Laurens County in search of information about Rev. Gary Davis and Pink Anderson," he said. "When I was in college, I knew Russian exchange students who know about these great artists."

As an example of the benefits that can come from musical heritage and history, Hunter points to the Mississippi delta. "From Memphis, Tennessee, to Clarksdale, Mississippi, to New Orleans, Louisiana, that area of the country is filled with museums, clubs and venues where these great artists flourished," he said. "Clarksdale is a small-town with one row of stores but it has the reputation as the place where the blues was born."

It is apparent that Hunter Holmes loves Laurens County and he loves his avocation as a performer and music historian. His goal now is to promote the real contributions that natives of Laurens County have made to the heritage and culture of the region and the nation. A noble and manageable task that will bring pride to all who live here.



There is awesome history all over Laurens County. Do some exploring to see what you can find, then post a picture to social media using the hashtag #HeyLookLaurensCounty to share what you find with others!



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A Labor of Love...

Discovering Laurens County Vol. 3
A Labor of Love
BY: ERNIE SEGARS

The members of the Discovering Laurens County Committee determined that the best way to address the tumultuous, sometimes violent, yet more often inspirational history of Laurens County from 1840 to 1900 was in smaller, more manageable bites. One member of the Committee dealt with industrial development, and a couple of members dealt with the coming of the Civil War and the war itself from a Laurens County perspective. Others, including this writer, addressed the turbulent years following the war, including Reconstruction and the often violent and historic election of 1876 that resulted in the election of Wade Hampton as governor. (Laurens County played a key role in that controversial election).

It started out as a labor of love. Two and a half years later, it turned into a 475-page labor and those involved dearly love it.

“Discovering Laurens County, South Carolina, Volume III, Dramatic Changes, 1840-1900” hit the streets in early December 2018. Like the first two volumes, this edition is a heavy, handsome publication—complete with old pictures, maps, charts and, I believe, some very accurate historic research compiled by some very serious and competent local historians.



The Discovering Laurens County Book tells the historical story of an amazing County.

The “Discovering Laurens County” series began several years ago, largely through the efforts of a Committee of the Dedicated (my description), including two valued local historians, Russell Burns and Elaine Martin, now deceased.

Elaine Martin served as a beacon and an oracle to literally thousands of people from around the country seeking to trace their lineage back to this place called Laurens County. Following her graduation from Laurens High School, Anderson College and East Tennessee State University, Elaine worked for 57 years as a librarian in the Laurens County Library System. She began her service as the Bookmobile operator and she later became the caretaker of the Local History Room at the library. Upon her retirement, that room was named the Elaine Martin Local History Room in her honor, a fitting tribute to a service and a county she loved so well.

It would be inaccurate to characterize this volume as a dry recitation of historic facts. The volume contains dozens of photographs of historic homes, portraits and biographies of famous and influential people and entertaining vignettes of life the way it was, and will never be again. Harold Ligon, a Committee member from Waterloo, provided an insightful and poignant chapter entitled “First Hand Accounts; Memories of Ex-Slaves.”

The “Committee of the Dedicated” was made up of local residents with a love for their home County: Gene Brooks, Linda Armstrong Finley, Harold Ligon, Jack Marler, Gene Ott, Elizabeth Horton “Bootsie” Rasor, Robert H. Roper III, Nelle Knight Lollis Rowland, myself, Ernie Segars, and Kathryn Weathers.

Volume III is history now. There will be a Volume IV and I hope to be invited back as a participant. There is truly nothing as joyful as a loved collaborative effort that actually works.

The book is available for purchase at the Laurens County Museum or at the Laurens County Advertiser.

Must See...

COMMUNITY FUN THROUGH FESTIVALS & EVENTS

BY: JUDITH BROWN - THE LAURENS COUNTY ADVERTISER

Whether it's bagpipes and bratwurst, barbecue, ice cream socials, wine tastings or a 5K of reindeer-costumed runners, events and festivals bring the people of Laurens County together and offer plenty of fun.

Many of these events are fundraisers, such as Squealin' on the Square—Main Street Laurens' KCBS-sanctioned barbecue festival in early October, and the Run Like A Mann 5K which raises funds benefiting Laurens County cancer patients. Revenue is raised for homeless families with a Family Promise Bed Race in downtown Laurens and for Hospice of Laurens County at their annual Flight of the Dove, which brings to Clinton about 400 cyclists for a variety of rides, including a metric century. Other events are provided for the sheer enjoyment of the county's residents, such as Main Street Clinton's Rhythm on the Rails in mid-May, Main Street Laurens' Sip and Stroll wine tasting in late April, numerous oldies and beach music bands during Finally Friday! summer concerts in Laurens and the newest festival, Clinton's Scots and Brats, blending Presbyterian College's Scottish heritage with an Oktoberfest theme at Vance Park.

Visit the community calendar on the Laurens County Chamber of Commerce website for 2019-2020 dates:

SPRING

- Sip and Stroll, Main Street Laurens (MSL)
- Joanna Town Music Festival
- Rhythm on the Rails BBQ Festival, Main Street Clinton (MSC)

SUMMER

- Finally Friday! Concerts & Events, MSL
- Flight of the Dove Cycle Race
- Laurens Idol, MSL
- Lights on the Lake, Connect Lake Greenwood
- Riverfront Freedom Festival, MSL
- Ware Shoals Catfish Festival

FALL

- Coming Home to Cross Hill Festival
- Music on Main, MSC
- PAIA Lower Easter Cherokee Nation POW WOW, Gray Court
- Squealin' on the Square BBQ Festival, MSL
- Scots and Brats - MSC

WINTER

- Christmas Parades
- Tree Lightings
- Trolley Tours & Carriage Rides



Rhythm on the Rails, Clinton.
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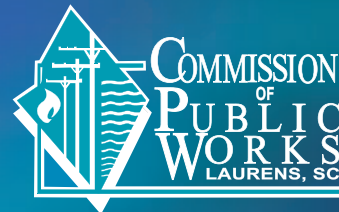


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Firmin Ford, Inc.
Automotive

First Baptist Church of Clinton
Churches

First Baptist Church of Laurens
Churches

First Citizens Bank
Financial Services

First Presbyterian Church of Clinton
Churches

First Presbyterian Church of Laurens
Churches

First United Methodist Church Laurens
Churches

Fleetwood Pharmacy of Laurens
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Founders Federal Credit Union - Clinton
Financial Services

Founders Federal Credit Union - Laurens
Financial Services

Fountain Inn Center for Visual & Performing Arts
Arts, Culture & Entertainment

Fountain Inn Museum
Arts, Culture & Entertainment

Ft. Inn Chamber of Commerce
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

G

Gateway Counseling Center
Health Facilities, Products & Services

George A. Reid, Inc.
Construction Products & Services

Gilchrist Consultation & Counseling
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Girl Scouts of SC
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

GLEAMNS Human Resources Commision, Inc.
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

GoClinton.com
Advertising & Media

GoLaurens.com
Advertising & Media

Good Shepherd Free Medical Clinic of LC
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Good Times Entertainment, LLC
Event Supplies

Gray Court-Owings Historical Society
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Gray Funeral Home of Clinton
Funeral Homes/Mortuaries

Gray Funeral Home of Laurens
Funeral Homes/Mortuaries

Greater Greenville Assoc. of Realtors
Real Estate

Greenville Hospital System
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Greenwood Area Chamber of Commerce
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

GS Construction and Special Interest LLC
Construction Products & Services

Gwinn's Siding & Window Co. #2, Inc.
Construction Products & Services

H

H & R Block of Laurens Co Inc.
Financial Services

Hall Insurance Agency
Insurance

Hampton Inn & Suites Clinton
Lodging, Travel & Tourism

Hanson Aggregates
Industrial & Manufacturing

Harbin Lumber
Construction Products & Services

Hart Insurance Agency, Allstate
Insurance

Health Related Home Care
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Hillmann & Elmore Structural Eng. LLC
Construction Products & Services

Holmes Enterprises, Inc
Real Estate

Holmes Photography and Square Roots Store
Shopping & Specialty Retail

Holmes Veterinary Hospital
Pets & Veterinary

Home Helpers
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Home Sweet Home Interiors LLC
Shopping & Specialty Retail

Hospice Care Of South Carolina
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Hospice Care of the Piedmont
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Hospice of Laurens County
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Howe and Rice, LLC
Legal Services

Hoyt Hanvey Jewelers
Shopping & Specialty Retail

HTI Employment Solutions
Employment & Staffing Services

I

Impact 2 Purpose, Inc
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Ingles Market Incorporated
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

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Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

International Paper
Industrial & Manufacturing

ISO Poly Films, Inc.
Industrial & Manufacturing

J

Jitters Café
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

Junior Leadership
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

K

Kellett and Kids Child Care and Learning Facility LLC
Education

Kennedy Mortuary, Inc.
Funeral Homes/Mortuaries

Kimura, Inc.
Industrial & Manufacturing

L

L & L Office Supply - Clinton
Business & Professional Services

L & L Office Supply - Laurens
Business & Professional Services

Lakeside Country Club
Sports & Recreation

Lanford Industrial Services
Construction Products & Services

Langston Place
Retirement Communities

Laurens Speedway
Sports & Recreation

Laurens Academy
Education

Laurens County Administration
Government Offices & Agencies

Laurens County Advertiser
Advertising & Media

Laurens County Branch NAACP
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Laurens County Cancer Association
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Laurens County Community Foundation
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Laurens County Community Theatre, Inc.
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Laurens County Depart. of Social Services
Government Offices & Agencies

Laurens County Development Corporation
Industrial & Manufacturing

Laurens County Disabilities & Special Needs Board
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Laurens County EMS
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Laurens County Fair Association
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Laurens County First Steps
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Laurens County Future Scholarship
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Laurens County Health Care Foundation
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Laurens County Humane Society
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Laurens County Library
Education

Laurens County Library-Clinton
Education

Laurens County Literacy Council
Education

Laurens County Memorial Hospital
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Laurens County Museum
Arts, Culture & Entertainment

Laurens County SAFE Home
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Laurens County School District # 55
Education

Laurens County School District # 56
Education

Laurens County Sheriff's Office
Government Offices & Agencies

Laurens County SHRP
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Laurens County Soil & Water Conservation District
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Laurens County Trails Association
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Laurens County Water & Sewer Commision
Utility Companies & Communications

Laurens Dentistry, LLC
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Laurens District High School
Education

Laurens Electric Co-op
Utility Companies & Communications

Laurens Family Medicine
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Laurens Financial Services, Inc.
Financial Services

Laurens Main Street USA
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

LC Touchdown Club
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Leadership Laurens County
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Lee's Barbeque
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

Liberty Mutual Insurance
Insurance

Lifetime Family Dentistry
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Lighthouse RV Park & Marina
Lodging, Travel & Tourism

Lohman Hills Creative, LLC
Computers, IT & Technology

Love Bailey & Associates
Financial Services

Lowe's Home Centers, Inc.
Construction Products & Services

Lowry Mechanical, Inc.
Construction Products & Services

M

M & M Scrap Metal Inc.
Other

Magnolia Bloom Clothier
Shopping & Specialty Retail

Magnolia RV Park and Campground
Lodging, Travel & Tourism

Main Street City of Clinton
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Manley Garvin, LLC
Financial Services

Mansfield Park Campground, LLC
Lodging, Travel & Tourism

March of Dimes
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Marcus Cook Farm and Garden Center
Home & Garden

Marion R. Cook and Associates, Inc.
Real Estate

Martha Franks Retirement Community
Retirement Communities

Martin Brothers Construction Co., Inc.
Construction Products & Services

Mayberry Diner
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

McClary & McCartha Orthodontist
Health Facilities, Products & Services

McCrary Newlon and Sturkie Law Firm
Legal Services

McGriff Insurance Services
Insurance

McKinley, Cooper & Co., LLP
Financial Services

McNair Law Firm, P.A.
Legal Services

Medlin Law Firm, LLC
Legal Services

Michael E. Fortune, CPA
Financial Services

Michelin Americas Research and Development
Other

Mig's Pizza Castle
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

Mi-Li Angus Farms
Agriculture, Fishing & Forestry

Milliken & Company - Gilliland
Industrial & Manufacturing

Montgomery & Riddle Eyecare PA
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Moon Landing RV Park & Marina
Lodging, Travel & Tourism

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Individuals

Mr. Don Jackson
Individuals

Mr. Edgar C. Taylor
Individuals

Mr. George Cornelison
Individuals

Mr. Greg Alexander
Individuals

Mr. Herbert and Gwen Adams
Individuals

Mr. James E Barton
Individuals

Mr. Russell Emerson
Individuals

Mrs. Debbie Vaughn
Individuals

Mrs. Dixie Prickett
Individuals

Mrs. Reese Young
Individuals

Ms. Barbara Creel
Individuals

Ms. Connie Daniels
Individuals

Ms. Cynthia M Burke
Individuals

Ms. Emily Bailey
Individuals

Ms. Ethel S. Jones
Individuals

Ms. Joyce Dennis
Individuals

Ms. Melissa Patton
Individuals

Ms. Patty Craine
Individuals

Ms. Shirley's Mission
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Musgrove Mill Golf Club, Inc.
Sports & Recreation

N

Nationwide - Office of Casey Robinson
Insurance

Nationwide Insurance - Scott Taylor
Insurance

Nationwide Insurance - Steve Wall & Associates LLC
Insurance

Nationwide Insurance Renea S Rowland Agency
Insurance

New Horizon Electric Co-op, Inc.
Utility Companies & Communications

Newberry Opera House Performing Arts Center
Arts, Culture & Entertainment

NHC Healthcare, Clinton
Health Facilities, Products & Services

NHC Healthcare, Laurens
Health Facilities, Products & Services

NHC Homecare
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Nichols Automotive Services
Automotive

Norbord South Carolina, Inc.
Industrial & Manufacturing

O

O'Dell Corporation
Industrial & Manufacturing

Old 96 District Tourism Commission
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

On-Site Builders, LLC
Construction Products & Services

Open Door
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

P

PAIA Lower Eastern Cherokee Nation SC
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Palmetto Bone and Joint
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Palmetto Clipping Lawncare and Landscape
Home & Garden

Palmetto Equestrian
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Palmetto Heritage Real Estate
Real Estate

Peacocks Flowers and Gifts
Shopping & Specialty Retail

Peay & Associates, LLC
Financial Services

Pelican's Snoballs
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

Pet Commander Kennels
Pets & Veterinary

Pete's Building & Supply
Construction Products & Services

Piedmont Agency on Aging
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Piedmont Municipal Power Agency
Utility Companies & Communications

Piedmont Pest Control
Home Maintenance & Improvements

Piedmont Pulp, Inc.
Agriculture, Fishing & Forestry

Piedmont Technical College
Education

Piedmont Technical College Center for Advanced Manufacturing
Education

Piedmont Technical College Laurens County Campus
Education

Plumfield Farm
Agriculture, Fishing & Forestry

Post 25 American Legion
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Potts Forestry & Real Estate
Agriculture, Fishing & Forestry

Precept Staffing, Inc
Employment & Staffing Services

Presbyterian College
Education; Catering & Venues

Presbyterian Community
Retirement Communities

Preserving Lake Greenwood
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Print-A-Matic
Printers

Printers Associates, Inc.
Printers

ProTec Security of Laurens Electric
Utility Companies & Communications

Proverbs 31 Winery LC
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

PRTC
Utility Companies & Communications

Q

Quality Inn
Lodging, Travel & Tourism

Quillen Manor, LLC
Retirement Communities

R

Raymond James Financial Services Christopher B. Benson
Financial Services

Reinicke Athens, Inc.
Industrial & Manufacturing

Renewable Water Resources
Utility Companies & Communications

Renwick Screen Printing
Printers

Rep. Mark Willis
Individuals

Republic Services
Utility Companies & Communications

Reynolds Family Dentistry, PA
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Richloom Fabrics Group
Industrial & Manufacturing

Riverside Garage and Tire
Automotive

Robertson's ACE Hardware
Home & Garden

Robin's Nest on Main
Shopping & Specialty Retail

Robinson Grading & Construction LLC
Construction Products & Services

Roebuck Building Co., Inc.
Construction Products & Services

Rolling S Golf Club
Sports & Recreation

Roma Restaurant
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

Roper Staffing
Employment & Staffing Services

Rotary Club of Clinton
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Rotary Club of Laurens
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Roto Rooter Plumbing & Drain
Construction Products & Services

Rykard Land Surveying, LLC
Real Estate

S

Sadler Hughes Apothecary
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Sandy Springs Electrical, Inc.
Industrial & Manufacturing

SC Academy of Family Physicians
Health Facilities, Products & Services

SC Army National Guard
Government Offices & Agencies

SC Empowerment Centre
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

SC Rural Water Association, Inc.
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

SC Vocational Rehabilitation
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Self Medical Center Laurens
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Self Regional Physical Therapy Laurens
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Senator Danny Verdin
Individuals

ServPro of Newberry & Laurens County
Home Maintenance & Improvements

Set Free to be Ministry, Inc
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Shaw Industries Group, Inc.
Industrial & Manufacturing

Sherer Body Shop, Inc.
Automotive

Sherman Construction
Construction Products & Services

Sherwin Williams Company
Shopping & Specialty Retail

Small Business Development Center
Business & Professional Services

Smith Chevrolet, Inc.
Automotive

Smith Dray Line
Logistics

Smith Investment Company
Financial Services

Softlight Corporation
Computers, IT & Technology

Sonic Drive-In - Laurens
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

South State Bank - Clinton
Financial Services

South State Bank - Laurens
Financial Services

Spartan Logistics
Logistics

SPB and Associates Staffing
Employment & Staffing Services

Sport Clips
Personal Services & Care

State Farm Insurance Joe Kirby
Insurance

State Farm Insurance Matt Davis
Insurance

Steamers Café
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

Stoddard Catering
Catering & Venues

Stoddard Plastering Co., Inc.
Construction Products & Services

Straight Street Laurens, Inc.
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Sunnyside Family Dentistry
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Superior Auto Center of Laurens
Automotive

Sweet Deb's Catering
Catering & Venues

T

Tapestry, Inc.
Shopping & Specialty Retail

TCC Verizon
Utility Companies & Communications

TD Bank - Clinton
Financial Services

TD Bank - Laurens
Financial Services

Teknor Apex Carolina Company
Industrial & Manufacturing

The 50's Diner & Capitol Theatre
Arts, Culture & Entertainment; Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

The Artist's Coop
Shopping & Specialty Retail

The Blood Connection, Inc.
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

The Clinton Chronicle
Advertising & Media

The Clinton House
Sports & Recreation

The Coffee Roost LLC
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

The Jay Company
Real Estate

The Joe Adair Outdoor Ed. Center
Education

The Law Offices of N. B. Senn, LLC
Legal Services

The Links at Stoney Point and Bermuda's
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage; Sports & Recreation

The Surgery & Laser Center
Health Facilities, Products & Services

The Tech Store
Shopping & Specialty Retail

The United Agency, Inc.
Insurance

The Vestibule Coffee & Tea
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

Thomas Mechanical
Construction Products & Services

Thompson's Nursery & Garden Center
Home & Garden

Thornwell Home for Children
Education

TM Properties, LLC
Real Estate

TNB Financial Services
Financial Services

Tokyo
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

Town of Cross Hill
Government Offices & Agencies

Town of Gray Court
Government Offices & Agencies

Townsend & Thompson, Attorneys
Legal Services

Transit Leasing
Logistics

Trotter's Restaurant
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

U

Unique 4 You, LLC
Shopping & Specialty Retail

United Community Bank, Inc.
Financial Services

United Way of Laurens County
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

University of South Carolina Union at Laurens
Education

Upper Savannah Council of Governments
Government Offices & Agencies

Upstate Insurance Consultants LLC
Insurance

Upstate Podiatry Group, PA
Health Facilities, Products & Services

Upstate SC Alliance
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

V

Valvoline Express Care
Automotive

Verdin's Farm and Garden Center
Home & Garden

Victory Insurance Agency LLC
Insurance

Vulcan Materials Company
Construction Products & Services

W

Wal-Mart Distribution Center
Distributors

Wal-Mart Super Center
Shopping & Specialty Retail

Wayne Hefney Insurance
Insurance

Wells Fargo
Financial Services

Whitaker Floor Coverings, Inc.
Construction Products & Services

Whiteford's Drive-In
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

Whiteford's Giant Burger
Restaurants, Food Items & Beverage

Whitten Center - SCDDSN
Government Offices & Agencies

Williams Barber Shop
Personal Services & Care

Window World of the Upstate
Shopping & Specialty Retail

WLBG Radio
Advertising & Media

Woodbridge Clinton
Retirement Communities

Woodforest National Bank
Financial Services
Workforce Unlimited
Employment & Staffing Services

Worley Chiropractic
Health Facilities, Products & Services

WPCC 1410 AM and 96.5 FM The Large Time Radio
Advertising & Media

Wynn Enterprises, LLC
Shopping & Specialty Retail

Y

Yanfeng
Industrial & Manufacturing

YMCA of Greater Clinton, Inc.
Sports & Recreation

Youngs Community Association
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Youth and Equine Ministries of the Upstate
Family, Community & Non-Profit Organizations

Z

ZF Transmissions Gray Court, LLC
Industrial & Manufacturing

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CATEGORICAL

Advertising & Media

Covenant Media of South Carolina
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Laurens, SC 29360
864-681-6397
www.golaurens.com

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864-681-6397
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Laurens County Advertiser
226 W. Laurens Street
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-2586
www.laurenscountyadvertiser.net

The Clinton Chronicle
513 N. Broad Street
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-1900
myclintonnews.com

WLBG Radio
104 Hillcrest Drive
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-3544
www.wlb主.com

WPCC 1410 AM and 96.5 FM The Large Time Radio
1766 Hwy 72 W.
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-1410
www.largetime.net

Agriculture, Fishing & Forestry

AgSouth Farm Credit
306 Hillcrest Drive
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-3379
www.agsouthfc.com

Alexander Family Farms

447 Mart Teague Street
Mountville, SC 29370
864-923-5389

AMICK Farms, LLC

2079 Batesburg Hwy.
Batesburg, SC 29006
803-532-1400
www.amickfarms.com

Bar W Ranch

2146 Harris Bridge Rd
Woodruff, SC 29338
864-313-0656
www.pickyourown.farm/farm/bar-w-ranch-12199/

Dogwood Ridge Farm, LLC

425 Roper Road
Laurens, SC 29360
864-923-2952

Eastglen Farm

900 Eastglen Road
Laurens, SC 29360
864-715-0240

Mi-Li Angus Farms

4368 Indian Creek Road
Kinards, SC 29355
864-923-0750

Piedmont Pulp, Inc.

1466 Curry Road
Laurens, SC 29360
864-682-9663
www.piedmontpulp.com

Plumfield Farm

Neil S. Crisp
Cross Hill, SC 29332
864-994-3823

Potts Forestry & Real Estate

210 York Street
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-3834

Apartments

Arbors at Fairview

1000 Arbor Keats Drive
Simpsonville, SC 29680
864-228-3892
www.thearborsatfairview.com

Boyd Management - Clinton Properties

113 Tallwood Drive
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-3496
www.boydmanagement.com

Arts, Culture & Entertainment

Fountain Inn Center for Visual & Performing Arts

315 N. Main Street
Fountain Inn, SC 29644
864-409-1050
www.fountaininn.org

Fountain Inn Museum

102 Depot Street
Fountain Inn, SC 29644
864-862-2586
www.fountaininnmuseum.org

Laurens County Museum

205 W. Laurens Street
Laurens, SC 29360
864-681-0670
www.laurenscountymuseum.us

Newberry Opera House Performing Arts Center

1201 McKibben Street
Newberry, SC 29108
803-276-5179
www.newberryoperahouse.com

The 50's Diner & Capitol Theatre

104 South Public Square
Laurens, SC 29360
864-681-1099
www.capitoltheatreandcafe.com

Automotive

Affordable Car Rentals of Laurens

630 North Harper Street
Laurens, SC 29360
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Baldwin Automotive

630 North Harper Street
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-3576
www.baldwinautomotive.com

Ballentine Toyota

1305 Highway 72 Bypass
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www.ballentinetoyota.com

Bishop Tire/Oil Depot

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Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-4780
www.bishoptire.net

Bryant's Body Shop

223 By-Pass 127
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-4077
www.bryantsbodyshop.net

Buck's Auto Sales of Hickory Tavern

13070 Hwy. 76 W.
Gray Court, SC 29345
864-575-2116
www.bucksautosales.com

Carolina Automotive Repair

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Clinton, SC 29325
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Clinton Tire Service, Inc.

614 Musgrove Street
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-4977
www.clintontireservice.net

Cooper Motor Company

305 East Main Street
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-1741
www.coopermotorcompany.com

Dale Byers Detailing & Auto Accessories

2485 Hwy 221 South
Laurens, SC 29360
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Enterprise Rent-A-Car

305 East Main Street
Clinton, SC 29325
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www.enterprise.com

Firmin Ford, Inc.

921 East Main Street - Hwy 76
Laurens, SC 29360
864-682-3111
www.firminford.com

Nichols Automotive Services

1305 S. Broad Street
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-6209

Riverside Garage and Tire

1521 W. Main Street
Laurens, SC 29360
864-681-0082

Sherer Body Shop, Inc.

1206 E. Farley Ave.
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-4311
www.laurensautobodyrepair.com

Smith Chevrolet, Inc.

200 North Harper Street
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-6581
www.smithautos.com

Superior Auto Center of Laurens

102 Hillcrest Drive
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-2015

Valvoline Express Care

202 Hillcrest Drive
Laurens, SC 29360
864-681-1888
www.valvoline.com

Business & Professional Services

Davis Business Systems, Inc.

659 N. Harper Street
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-4958
www.davisbusinesssystems.com

L & L Office Supply

114 N Broad Street
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-2521
www.l-officesupply.com

L & L Office Supply

123 Fleming Street Bypass
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-2521
www.l-officesupply.com

Small Business Development Center

430 Helix Road
Greenwood, SC 29646
864-941-8092
www.scsbdc.com

Catering & Venues

Presbyterian College

503 S. Broad Street
Clinton, SC 29325
800-476-7272
www.presby.edu

Stoddard Catering

215 Speedway Dr
Gray Court, SC 29645
864-876-3913

Sweet Deb's Catering

1955 Trinity Church Road
Gray Court, SC 29645
864-908-0722
www.sweetdebcatering.com

Churches

"All Saints" Episcopal Church

505 Calvert Avenue
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-1388
www.allsaintsclinton.org

Church of the Epiphany

225 W Main St
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-7000
www.epiphanyoflaurens.org

Faith Baptist Church

1607 Greenwood Road
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-4277
thefaithbaptistchurch.com

First Baptist Church of Clinton

301 South Broad Street
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-2578
www.clintonfbc.us

First Baptist Church of Laurens

300 West Main St.
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-0182
www.fbclaurens.org

First Presbyterian Church of Clinton

410 East Carolina Avenue
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-1062
www.fpcclinton.org

First Presbyterian Church of Laurens

400 W. Main Street
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-6561
www.firstpreslaurens.org

First United Methodist Church Laurens

244 W Main Street
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-7696
www.firstmethodistlaurens.com

Computers, IT & Technology

DevSoft Solutions

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PO Box 105552
Jefferson City, MO 65110
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www.lohmanhills.com

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Clinton, SC 29325
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Construction Products & Services

All-Dry of the Carolinas, Inc.

432 Church Street
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-2308
www.all-dry.com

Bagwell Contractors, Inc

13233 Hwy 56 N
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-6764

Carolina Concrete Company, Inc.

54 Burts Rd
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-0572
www.carolinaconcrete.net

Elmore Land & Site Developing, Inc.

300 Cox Road
Enoree, SC 29335
864-969-2200

George A. Reid, Inc.

18791 Highway 72 East
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-2445

GS Construction and Special Interest LLC

2701 Beaverdam Church Rd
Woodruff, SC 29388
864-505-5244

Gwinn's Siding & Window Co. #2, Inc.

2785 Highway 221 South
Laurens, SC 29360
864-682-3824
www.gwinssiding.com

Harbin Lumber

405 West Carolina Avenue
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-3303

Hillmann & Elmore Structural Eng. LLC

1487 Lakeview Drive
Laurens, SC 29360
864-363-2477

Lanford Industrial Services

2901 Hwy 72 W
Clinton, SC 29325
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www.lanfordindustrial.com

Lowe's Home Centers, Inc.

3958 Grandview Drive
Simpsonville, SC 29681
864-962-0671
www.lowes.com

Lowry Mechanical, Inc.

111 Rosemary Lane
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-2589
www.lowrymechanical.com

Martin Brothers Construction Co., Inc.

5497 S. Frontage Road
Gray Court, SC 29645
864-876-2634
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On-Site Builders, LLC

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Chappells, SC 29037
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Pete's Building & Supply

215 Exchange Drive
Laurens, SC 29360
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Robinson Grading & Construction LLC

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Laurens, SC 29360
864-871-2647

Roebuck Building Co., Inc.

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Roebuck, SC 29376
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Sherman Construction

1330 Piedmont Highway
Piedmont, SC 29673
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www.shermanconstruction.com

Stoddard Plastering Co., Inc.

303 W. Carolina Avenue
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-2626
www.stoddardplastering.com

Thomas Mechanical

309 Hillcrest Drive
Laurens, SC 29360
864-681-4247
www.thomasmechanical.com

Vulcan Materials Company

1654 Quarry Rd.
Gray Court, SC 29645
864-876-2101
www.vulcanmaterials.com

Whitaker Floor Coverings, Inc.

2625 Winnsboro Road
Newberry, SC 29108
803-276-2884
www.whitakerfloorcovering.com

Distributors

Budweiser of Spartanburg, Inc.

6645 Pottery Road
Spartanburg, SC 29301
800-273-6720
www.budweiser.com

Coca Cola Bottling Co.

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Savannah, GA 31408
912-748-0033
www.cocacolaunited.com

Wal-Mart Distribution Center

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Laurens, SC 29360
864-682-1500
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Education

Clinton High School

18132 Hwy. 72 East
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-0817
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Kellett and Kids Child Care and Learning Facility LLC

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Gray Court, SC 29645
864-876-5879
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Laurens, SC 29360
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864-681-7323
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Laurens County Library-Clinton

107 Jacobs Hwy. Suite A
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-1853
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Laurens County Literacy Council

221 West Laurens St.
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-0466

Laurens County School District # 55

301 Hillcrest Dr
Laurens, SC 29360
864-984-3568
www.laurens55.org

Laurens County School District # 56

211 North Broad Street
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-0800
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Laurens District High School

5058 Highway 76 West
Laurens, SC 29360
864-682-3151
www.ldhsraiders.org

Piedmont Technical College

620 Emerald Road N
Greenwood, SC 29648
864-941-8412
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Piedmont Technical College Center for Advanced Manufacturing

109 Innovation Drive
Laurens, SC 29360
864-682-3702
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Piedmont Technical College Laurens County Campus

663 Medical Ridge Road
Clinton, SC 29325
864-833-1925
www.piedmont.tec.sc.us

Presbyterian College

503 S. Broad Street
Clinton, SC 29325
800-476-7272
www.presby.edu

The Joe Adair Outdoor Ed. Center

110 Scout Creek Court
Laurens, SC 29360
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Thornwell Home for Children

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864-938-2100
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864-681-1668
www.crshireright.com

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Precept Staffing, Inc

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864-984-1908
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Roper Staffing

1222 N. Harper Street
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864-983-2500
www.ropersaffing.com

SPB and Associates Staffing

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Workforce Unlimited

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864-547-2244
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408 North Church Street, Suite C
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864-939-8127

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864-770-1400
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864-876-2667
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Laurens County Fair Association

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Laurens County Future Scholarship

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864-681-5223
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864-833-9060
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www.straightstreetlaurens.org

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864-833-0340
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Woodforest National Bank

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864-657-3034
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www.grayfuneralhome.com

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1304 Springdale Drive
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Laurens County Cancer Association
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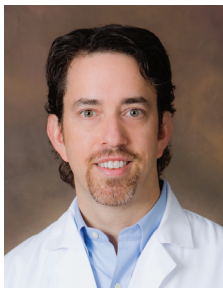
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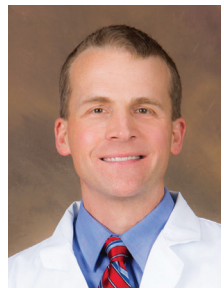
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