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I did an article on "CAREGIVING" in a previous newsletter, however, I have received additional information that may be beneficial to you as caregivers and I wanted to share it with you our citizens.

"In the U.S., family members provide 80% of the long term care given. Demands of care giving may include physical and psychological stress, lack of privacy, and impacts on social life, financial security and career. Most family caregivers don't even identify themselves as *caregivers*, but just a son, daughter, a spouse or friends".

"Anyone responsible for coordinating care for someone close is considered a "family caregiver". We recognize their contributions and applaud caregivers for their love and devotion."

"We at the Lower Savannah Council of Governments, Aging, Disability & Transportation Resource Center are very enthusiastic about this program and our opportunity to help family members caring for loved ones."

"The Lower Savannah Council of Governments' Family Caregiver Support Program assists family caregivers in the six county region by providing:

- Information to caregivers about available services in their area
- Assistance to caregivers in gaining access to the services in their area
- Counseling
- Organization of support groups
- Training
- Limited short-term financial help for:
 - Respite Care
 - Supplemental Services
- A monthly newsletter for caregivers.

This is not an emergency assistance program."

"The Family Caregiver Support Program Helps the Following Caregivers:

- Family Caregivers responsible for individuals age 60 and older who are unable to perform at least two activities of daily living without significant assistance from the caregiver.
- Family Caregivers responsible for the care of any age with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder.
- Grandparent or relative caregivers (age 55 and older) of adult children (between age 19 and 59) with a disability. *Please note, this does not include spouses or parents caring for adults with a disability status.*
- Grandparents or relative caregivers (age 55 and older) raising a child (up to 18) related through blood, marriage or adoption."

The program serves Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Calhoun and Orangeburg Counties.

The South Carolina Alzheimer's Association (SCAA) came to an agreement with the Lt. Governor's Office on Aging that the Family Caregiver Advocates in the 10 regions of S.C. would administer the Respite grants for the SCAA. If you are caring for a loved one with most any kind of dementia or Parkinson's disease, please contact me for an application for the \$500 grant from the SCAA. Age is not a condition of the grant. One of the main differences in this grant as opposed to the Family Caregiver grant is that you must use an agency for Respite Services. It can be any agency you choose but it must be a licensed agency. You may actually be eligible for a grant from the S.C. Family Caregiver program and the S.C. Alzheimer's Association which would mean you may be eligible for up to \$1100 per year.

For additional information contact:

FAMILY CAREGIVER ADVOCATE - CATHIE LINDLER

803 508-7033, 866 845-1550

Fax 803 649-2248

E-mail clindler@lscog.org

This information furnished in a pamphlet from LSCG and Ms. Lindler

VTA

PART-TIME OFFICE ASSISTANT

Town of Blackville

Some computer skills necessary

Applications available at Town Hall

MEETINGS

- ▲ **March 3**, Blackville Civic Club, Edwards Heating and Cooling, 7:00pm
- ▲ **March 6**, Blackville Community Development Corporation, Town Hall, 6:30pm
- ▲ **March 10**, Blackville-Hilda Board of Education, District #19 Office, 7:00pm
- ▲ **March 11**, Neighborhood Watch, Tabernacle Baptist Church, 6:00pm
- ▲ **March 11**, Barnwell County Council, agriculture Building, 6:00pm
- ▲ **March 17**, Town Council Meeting, Community Center, 6:30pm
- ▲ **March 24**, Barnwell-Blackville NAACP, Masonic Hall, Barnwell, 7:00pm
- ▲ **March 27**, Blackville Downtown Development Corporation, Russell's Pizza, 6:00pm

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- ▲ **March 2**, Clary Ella Odom
- ▲ **March 5**, Steve McCormack
- ▲ **March 5**, Sa'Nya Smalls
- ▲ **March 6**, Dr. Teresa Pope
- ▲ **March 7**, Rev. Dr. Herman L. Wallace
- ▲ **March 7**, Lou Ella Donaldson
- ▲ **March 10**, Kierra Fordham
- ▲ **March 11**, Shaawne Barnes
- ▲ **March 14**, Helen Patterson
- ▲ **March 15**, Neveah Jackson
- ▲ **March 15**, Raven Woods
- ▲ **March 15**, Daron William
- ▲ **March 16**, Jack Johnson
- ▲ **March 18**, Marion Clark
- ▲ **March 18**, Felicia Matheney
- ▲ **March 19**, Solomon J. (Joe) Hagood
- ▲ **March 20**, Earthel Walker
- ▲ **March 20**, Tyreek Brown
- ▲ **March 20**, Amonya Smalls
- ▲ **March 22**, Harold Mayes
- ▲ **March 22**, Rodney Williams
- ▲ **March 27**, Barbara Black
- ▲ **March 29**, Willie J. Gloster

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

MARCH 9, 2014 - 2:00AM

CLOCKS SPRING FORWARD

SCHOOL NEWS

MES

CAREER FAIR - March 14th, 9:00am - 1:00pm
PTSO/SIC - March 20th - 5:30pm
FAMILY FITNESS NIGHT-March 20th - 6:00pm

BHJH

PTSO/SIC - March 17th - 6:00pm

BHHS

BLOOD DRIVE - March 6th
STEP SHOW - March 15th - 6:00pm
PTSO/SIC - March 17th - 6:30pm

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

March 22, Phillip and Mattie Phillip Felder
March 25, Mark and Everdell Daniels
March 31, Dwayne and Barbara Black

LIBRARY NEWS

Pre-School Story Time – 10:30AM
March 11 and 25, 2014

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME

The Town of Blackville Recreation Department is currently taking applications for volunteer coaches for baseball and tee-ball. Please visit the Town Hall to apply for a position. Registration for ages 7-13 will be held until March 7, 2014 at Blackville Town Hall. The registration fee is \$20.00.

FREE TO ATTEND

“LE BON JOYE’S BASEBALL CAMP”

MARCH 8 - 9:00AM – 4:00PM

MARCH 9 – 1:00PM – 5:00PM

AGES 7 and UP

REGISTRATION BARNWELL CITY HALL

(MUST REGISTER BY March 6, 2014)

Additional details call **803 259-3317**

Bring glove and bat (bat not necessary)

Bring lunch or money for concession stand

Camp held at Lemon Park, Barnwell

“NEWSLETTER” CONTACT INFORMATION

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