



NEWCASTLE NEWS

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"Neighbors Working Together to Improve the Quality of Life in Our Neighborhood"

BIRTHDAY

Annie	Green	1-Jun
Brenda	Martin	5-Jun
Paul	Joyner	13-Jun
Comilla	Sampson	19-Jun
Clinton	Davis	20-Jun
Darryl	Bryant	24-Jun
Willodene	Blanding	26-Jun
Ethel	Collins	27-Jun
Cornelius	Eubanks	28-Jun

ANNIVERSARY

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Washington 20-Jun

SICK AND SHUT IN

Mrs. Jessie Alford., 212 Devoe Drive
Sammie Allen., 165 Coolstream Drive

OUR SYMPATHY AND LOVE TO:

Mrs. Christine C. Eubanks, 154 Weldwood Court, in the death of her sister, Mrs. Evelyn

We are sorry for your loss. Know that you are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

You may Email your information to:

info@newcastleconcernedcitizens.com

or Jmoble2@aol.com

or send a Text Message to 803-500-6507



If you are experiencing feelings of loneliness, distress, or require someone to provide prayer support or engage in conversation, please be aware that the Benevolence Committee is available to assist you. It is important to remember that you are not alone within this community.

Our office hours are Monday through Friday, from 8:00 AM to 11:00 PM. 803-933-5128

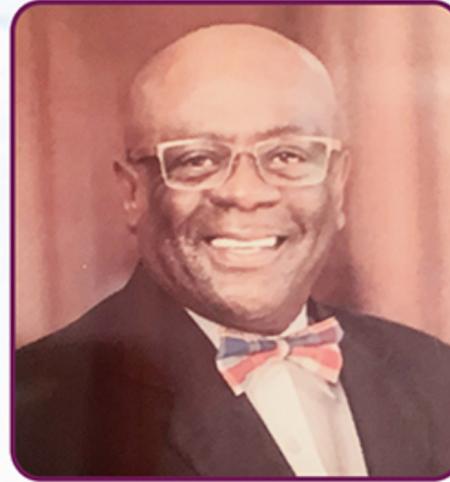
Congratulations



YARD OF THE MONTH

Mrs. Evelyn Bookhart

6621 Catalina Court



President's

Deacon James B. Rhett

Message From Our President

The month of June in Columbia, South Carolina, presents a diverse array of events for families, friends, and visitors to enjoy. This includes family expos, reunions, musical festivals, and Juneteenth celebrations. Notably, the Midlands Family Expo will take place, featuring a variety of activities held in both outdoor and indoor settings. We encourage all community members to take advantage of these events. Additionally, we invite you to review the upcoming activities available within our community.

We are also excited to announce the revitalization of our community youth program. This initiative aims to engage our youth in various activities, including educational games and events designed to keep them active and involved in a safe environment.

We extend an invitation to individuals who have not yet participated in our meetings to share their insights, perspectives, and concerns. Your contributions are invaluable as we collaborate to enhance and fortify our community.

Mark your calendars for our next meeting on July 24, where we will celebrate our volunteer Block Captain appreciation under the leadership of Mrs. Mary W. McCants. We look forward to seeing you there!

Deacon James B. Rhett

James B. Rhett



The Social Activities Committee conducted a raffle ticket sale in April 2025. The committee is pleased to announce the recipients of this exciting initiative.

Congratulations to all winners:

1st Place: Patricia Smith

2nd Place: Ella Gladney

3rd Place: Stiles E. Parker

Clean Sweep!

8 a.m. Monday, June 9



Items must be placed curbside by Sunday, June 8. Place tires, white goods, yard waste and bulk items in separate piles. Prohibited items include hazardous waste, batteries, electronics and liquid waste.

Special Services Officers will patrol your neighborhood to offer assistance the day of the clean sweep.

A WEEK OF EMPOWERMENT:

THE SCJFF TRADITION OF CELEBRATING JUNETEENTH MORE THAN A HOLIDAY

The South Carolina Juneteenth Freedom Fest (SCJFF) has become more than just an event; it's an institution deeply committed to educating and empowering our community. Throughout the week leading up to the annual festival, SCJFF hosts a series of unique, educational, and engaging events that honor the rich heritage and contributions of African Americans. These events include powerful workshops, enlightening talks, and fun community gatherings designed to uplift and inspire. By extending the celebration across multiple days, SCJFF ensures that the spirit of Juneteenth is not only remembered on the holiday itself but is embodied in our community's actions and knowledge throughout the year. Join us in this week-long journey of learning, celebration, and community empowerment.

**9th ANNUAL JUNE
TEENTH FREEDOM FEST & PARADE**
June teenth Freedom Fest and Parade:

Date: Saturday, June 21st.

Location: Columbia, SC.

Focus: A day of celebration, unity, and freedom.

Other events and news:

Black Eats Week:

The 3rd Annual Black Eats Week 803 will be held from June 23-29, according to theminorityeye.com

.In Columbia, South Carolina, Black news and information are available through a variety of sources. The Carolina Panorama Newspaper is a long-standing newspaper focused on the Black community, offering community information and local news. BIN (Black Information Network) provides 24/7 audio news coverage, while The MinorityEye is a state-wide Black, Latino, and minority news source. Additionally, SC Black News on Facebook provides news and updates, and the Black Pages South offers access to a legacy of Black-owned businesses.

Upcoming EVENTS

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Benevolence Committee Meeting 3:00 PM-5:00 PM
New Castle-Trenholm Acres Community Center
5819 Shakespeare Road Columbia, SC 29223

Monday, June 9, 2025

NCCI Executive Committee Meeting 5:30 PM
New Castle-Trenholm Acres Community Center
5819 Shakespeare Road Columbia, SC 29223

Friday, June 13, 2025,

Benevolence Fish Fry
The entranceway into Newcastle is located off Shakespeare Road, situated conveniently behind the barbershop.

Thursday, June 19, 2025

Social Activities Committee Meeting
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
New Castle-Trenholm Acres Community Center
5819 Shakespeare Road Columbia, SC 29223

Tuesday August 5th, 2025

National Night Out/ Back to school Bash
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
New Castle-Trenholm Acres Community Center
5819 Shakespeare Road Columbia, SC 29223

Saturday December 20, 2025

Holiday Luncheon
11:30 am -2:30 pm
Richland County Adult Activity Center
7494 Parklane Road Columbia, SC 29223

We are excited to announce a community block party for youth aged 5 to 18 years and their parents! Join us on ****Friday, June 6, 2025****, from ****5:00 PM to 7:00 PM**** on "The entranceway into Newcastle is located off Shakespeare Road, situated conveniently behind the barbershop".

This fun-filled event will include a bounce house, games, food, and a variety of enjoyable activities for families. We encourage all youth and parents in the Newcastle Community to come out and celebrate this wonderful occasion together!ties for families. We encourage all youth and parents in the Newcastle Community to join us for this wonderful occasion.



WARNING

Date: June 1, 2025

Subject: **Community Standards and Compliance Notice.**

Dear, Residents of Newcastle Concerned Citizens,

We would like to remind all residents of the importance of maintaining property standards in accordance with local regulations. It is essential that all **unlicensed vehicles, abandoned cars**, and vehicles undergoing repairs have the appropriate business licenses. Additionally, we ask that **grass and vegetation** exceeding six inches in height be addressed promptly.

Non-compliance with these standards will be reported to **Richland County Code Enforcement**. As a unified community, we are committed to ensuring adherence to local laws and maintaining the aesthetic integrity of our neighborhood. To this end, we kindly request that you take action within the **next 30 days** to rectify any issues on your property. Our goal is to foster a welcoming environment for all residents.

Please be advised that failure to address **unlicensed or damaged vehicles** may result in such vehicles being towed from the community. **Effective June 1, 2025**, we will work alongside **Richland County Code Enforcement** and the **County Business License Agent** to verify the possession of proper business licenses.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the main office number **803.500.6507**. Monday-Friday 9:00 am – 4:30 pm.

Thank you for your cooperation in making our community a better place to live.

Sincerely,

NCCI Executive Officers/ Committees

2025 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

President

Deacon James Rhett
(803) 513-7675

Vice President

Mrs. Gene Blakely Parks
(803) 240-9183

Secretary

Ms. Latifah 'LT' Muhammed
(803) 369-9348

Corresponding Secretary

Mrs. Kimberley B. Coward
(803) 360-9279

Treasurer

Vacant

Chaplain

Deacon Charles Washington
(803) 210-5963

Co-Chaplain

Deacon Albert Wright
(803) 223-1554

HANDY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Richland County Sheriff CAT Team

Officer Deputy Jeong
(803) 673-9785

Richland County Sheriff's Department

Non Emergency Number
(803) 576-3000

Richland County District 3

Councilwoman Tyra Little
(803) 929-6000

East Richland County Public Service

District Business Office
(803) 788-1570

24-Hour Service Department
(803) 788-6351

Richland County Ombudsman

(803) 929-6000

Rep. Leon Howard, SC House

District 76
(803) 734-3046

Sen. Darrell Jackson, SC Senate

District 21
(803) 212-6048

www.newcastleconcernedcitizens.com

Committees Chairsperson

Adopt-a-Highway

Mr. Sammy Parks
(803) 754-7431

Neighborhood Association Welcome

Mrs. Jessie Alford
(803) 463-1788

NCCI Office

(803) 500-6507

Benevolence Committee

Dr. Anthony Mack
(803) 500-6507

Yard & Beautification

Mrs. Mary Ann Bookert
(803) 319-3038

Bulk Items Collection

(803) 576-2450

Block Captain Coordinator

Mrs. Mary W. McCants
(803) 238-7788

Social Activities

Dr. Anthony Mack
(803) 500-6507

Community Liaison

Deacon James Rhett
(803) 513-7675

Webmaster

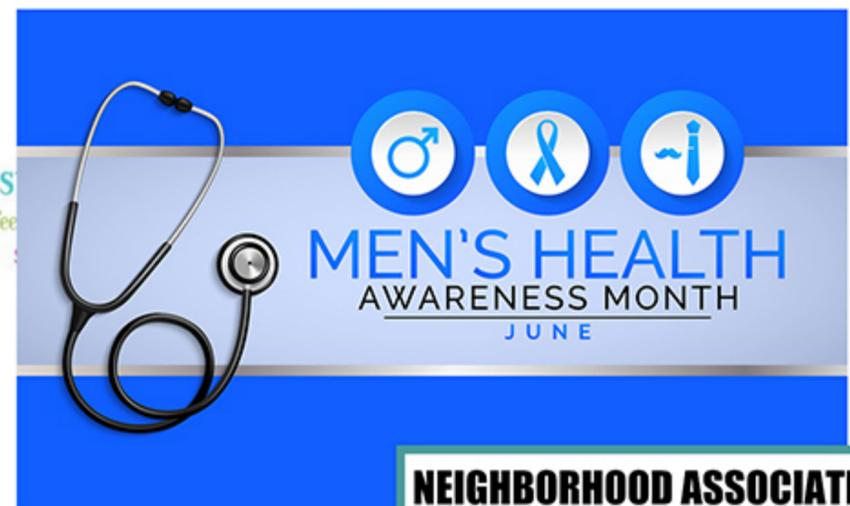
Dr. Anthony Mack
(803) 500-6507

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Deacon Therin McCants
(803) 261-0738

Newsletter Editor

Dr. Anthony Mack
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Newcastle Concerned Citizens, Inc.
Community

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION DUES

\$30.00 per calendar year per household. Make check or money order payable to NCCI
Mail to
NCCI
Post Office Box 2024
Columbia, SC 29202
www.newcastleconcernedcitizens.com

 Cash App

\$NCCICommunity2020

Scan this QR code with your smartphone to pay your Dues.



IF DUES ARE NOT RECEIVED BY THE 10TH, THEY WILL BE LISTED IN NEXT MONTH'S NEWSLETTER.

Neighborhood Dues Paid



Yair Perez	304 Carlton Drive	Lillywood Dillard	317 Nevamar Drive
Deborah Wilson	305 Carlton Drive	Sherman (Charlyce) Goodwin	304 Nevamar Drive
Dea. James (Jennifer) Rhett	308 Carlton Drive	Betty Barr	188 Newcastle Drive
Patricia Greene	309 Carlton Drive	Dea. Therin (Mary) McCants	194 Newcastle Drive
Antwuan Dupree	312 Carlton Drive	Romie (Gertrude) Creech	206 Newcastle Drive
Jennifer McCullo	313 Carlton Drive	Mattie J. Smith	305 Newcastle Drive
Leatha Jefferson	317 Carlton Drive	Kasietta Montgomery	313 Newcastle Drive
Annie L. Helper	320 Carlton Drive	Nathaniel (Gail) Wilson	35 Oakley Circle
Robert J Toatley	321 Carlton Drive	Margaret Glover	39 Oakley Circle
Wardell (Shirley) Brown	324 Carlton Drive	Michael (Grace) Adams	104 Oakley Drive
Drew Phillip	325 Carlton Drive	Verlinda Burris	116 Oakley Drive
Dorothy Richards	6 Carnaby Court	Lydia Floyd	129 Oakley Drive
Donald (Deniece) Singleton	10 Carnaby Court	Cynthia D. Privette'	208 Oakley Drive
John Johnson, Jr.	22 Carnaby Court	Leon (Annie) Green	135 Redwood Court
Solomon (Ella) Burwick	6612 Catalina Court	John H. (Dorothy E.) Richardson	139 Redwood Court
Dorothy M Felton	6616 Catalina Court	Dec. James (Henrietta) Taylor	147 Redwood Court
Evelyn Bookhart	6621 Catalina Court	Sammy (Gene) Parks	150 Redwood Court
Sandra Davis	6629 Cartwright Drive	Mattie Moses	158 Redwood Court
Agieaury J. Smith	337 Charwood Drive	Ethel L. Bingham	162 Redwood Court
Dorothy Flanders	112 Coolstream Drive	Rebecca J. McKiver	205 Redwood Court
Keniki Mack	113 Coolstream Drive	Florida M. Williams	213 Redwood Court
Kevin Cummings	117 Coolstream Drive	Mary Anderson	232 Redwood Court
Patricia Anthony	120 Coolstream Drive	Julius Barry	237 Redwood Court
Daa'iyah (LT) Muhammad	124 Coolstream Drive	Janice Diane Lewis	241 Redwood Court
Gina Cox	125 Coolstream Drive	Charles (Shirley) Washington	244 Redwood Court
Albert (Betty) Wright	128 Coolstream Drive	Margaret Bell	245 Redwood Court
Kenny Robinson	129 Coolstream Drive	Brenda Jackson	248 Redwood Court
Alva T. Brown	132 Coolstream Drive	CSM Othel (Marva "Pat" L.)	256 Redwood Court
Barbara Chapman	136 Coolstream Drive	Terrell	
Sean Jones	137 Coolstream Drive	Peggy Rush	300 Redwood Court
Jerry (Clemmie) Bright	140 Coolstream Drive	Clinton & Lottie Davis	305 Redwood Court
Benjamin Jackson	144 Coolstream Drive	Rev. Lawrence (Edith) Burwell	120 Saxonbury Drive
Odessa Hawkins	145 Coolstream Drive	Jesse W. Jr. (Cora H.) Nichols	
Tommy Green	148 Coolstream Drive	om	6508 Scarlet Court
Brenda Martin	149 Coolstream Drive	Charles B. (Thelma) Benson	6509 Scarlet Court
William (Kimberley) Coward	152 Coolstream Drive	Rev. Dennis (Wilhelmina B)	6512 Scarlet Court
Mary Ann Bookert	153 Coolstream Drive	Broughton	
Dr. Anthony Mack	157 Coolstream Drive	Berta Walker	8 Sherry Court
Opheli Davis	160 Coolstream Drive	Gerturude Young	104 Sunglow Court
Dea. Frank (Eartha) Jones	161 Coolstream Drive	George Lake	109 Sunglow Court
Harold (Crystal) Jackson	164 Coolstream Drive	Isaac (Loretta) Romey	10 Sunnydale Court
Sammie (Oneida J.) Allen	165 Coolstream Drive	Cheryl Burgess-Lindsey	216 Sunnydale Drive
James (Geraldine) Parker	200 Devoe Drive	Gloria Johnson	220 Sunnydale Drive
Joe (Jessie S.) Alford	212 Devoe Drive	Jim (Gloria) Coples	227 Sunnydale Drive
Mildred L. Gunn	225 Devoe Drive	Ronnie McCall	231 Sunnydale Drive
Elwillie Simmons	229 Devoe Drive	George (Pearlestine) Jones	235 Sunnydale Drive
Joan B. Mobley	237 Devoe Drive	Jermaine (Chenoa) Burgess-	247 Sunnydale Drive
Mae R. Golston	251 Devoe Drive	Lindsey	
Vernell Spann	108 Hyer Court	Gwendolyn B. White	112 Sunglow Court
Maggie Davis	109 Hyer Court	Cornelius (Christine) Eubanks	154 Weldwood Court

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Freddie (Shirley) Free
Gwendolyn D. Boykin
Delores Antoine/Diane McRae
Betty Forney
Eugene (Dorothy) Johnson
Mary Young
Susie W. Leonard
John Brown

155 Weldwood Court
201 Weldwood Court
205 Weldwood Court
217 Weldwood Court
224 Weldwood Court
240 Weldwood Court
229 Weldwood Court
300 Weldwood Court

Sean Mosley
Joe W. (Ella S.) Gladney
Willie Mae Bowman
Wilodean Blanding
Stacy Manning
Renee D. Martin
Judy Keith

304 Weldwood Court
312 Weldwood Court
313 Weldwood Court
316 Weldwood Court
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100% Paid-Up Block Friendly Competition April – June 30, 2025

Congratulations and hats off to Carlton Drive!

Deacon James Rhett, block captain and Carlton Drive residents are the first 100% paid-up block in our friendly competition. Our NCCI president, Deacon James Rhett and his block members are leading the way! They are a "first time" winner of the annual competition!

Block captain & members challenge from NCCI president James Rhett

**The block captain of a 100% paid-up block by
June 30, 2025 will receive a \$50 gift card.**

~ ~ Names of the block members will be in a drawing for a \$50 gift card. Your block needs your help to be a winner. Make your check payable & mail to: NCCI, Post Office Box 2024, Columbia, SC 29202. Thanking you in advance.

~ ~ Each month (April, May, and June) the block captain with the highest percentage (%) of paid members will receive a \$50 gift card for that month. You can only win the percentage (%) challenge once.

**EVERY HOUSEHOLD PAYING YOUR \$30 ANNUAL DUES
WILL RECEIVE TWO (2) FREE TICKETS TO OUR DECEMBER
20TH CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON.**

NCCI GARDENING AND LANDSCAPE



Deacon James E. Parker



Deacon Therin McCants

On Thursday, May 1, 2025, the NCCI conducted its first gardening seminar at the residence of Deacon Therin and Mary McCants on Newcastle Drive. The event successfully attracted ten community members identified as prospective gardening leaders from the Newcastle Future Garden group. Strong attendance and favorable weather conditions characterized the seminar.



We were grateful for the contributions received from Deacon James Rhett and Lowe's located on Two Notch Road. During the seminar, participants engaged in the practical planting of various starter plants, including tomatoes, squash, and zucchini, which many attendees were able to take home to initiate their own gardening projects.

The seminar's objective was to enhance the participants' comprehension of contemporary gardening techniques. Attendees benefited from the insights provided by two seasoned instructors, Deacon Therin McCants and Deacon James E. Parker, who possess significant expertise in the field. Overall, the event offered valuable knowledge regarding modern gardening practices and fostered a collaborative and enjoyable learning atmosphere. Participants acquired essential information about current gardening methodologies, resulting in a truly enriching experience enhanced by the involvement of knowledgeable instructors.

Kudos

I am genuinely excited to take this moment to honor the remarkable individuals in our community. Each of them has faced challenges and shown incredible strength and resilience. Today, I come to recognize not just their achievements, but the compassion and dedication that have shaped our community into a nurturing one.

Deacon
Therin McCants



Deacon
James E. Parker.



The current state of the world raises concerns about the impact of chemical treatments in food production, which can result in various health issues. Fortunately, our community benefits from the efforts of two dedicated gardeners, Deacon Therin McCants and Deacon James E. Parker. These individuals focus on planting and nurturing crops using organic methods, free from chemicals. Their work provides us with access to healthier food options, contributing positively to our overall well-being.

Both Deacon McCants and Deacon Parker are family men with strong faith. During the day, they work diligently in the garden, sowing seeds to share blessings with their families, friends, and Community. They ensure that everyone can enjoy fresh, healthy vegetables free from harmful chemicals.

It is truly a blessing to have individuals with such generous hearts who are willing to share with the community at no cost. They invest their time, love, patience, and money into acquiring the necessary equipment to make their efforts successful. We should all express our gratitude to them.

I want to highlight the significant work that Deacon McCants and Deacon Parker have done by providing us with organic vegetables.

To further understand their gardening efforts, it's helpful to consider the tools they utilize, which may include trowels, wheelbarrows, spades, garden gloves, shovels, secateurs, hoes, hand forks, and hoses.

It's essential to recognize their contributions. We are truly fortunate as a community to have such dedicated individuals working to improve our health and well-being. Thank you, Deacon McCants and Deacon Parker, for your hard work and commitment to our community!

Dr. Anthony Mack
Newsletter Editor



JOAN'S TOURS LLC

5/19/2025

COVID-19 Vaccination Proof Required. Temperature Checked Prior to Boarding Bus. MASKS worn on the BUS, TOUR SITES, AND IN CASINO. Minimum of 30 Participants Required for Each Trip to Go, Unless Otherwise Noted. If Minimum of 30 Have Not Paid By Due Date, Trip Will Be Cancelled, All Payments Will Be Refunded.

SERIOUS INQUIRIES ONLY, PLEASE

Bus Leaves from & Returns near Lowe's/Honey Baked Ham parking lot, 7441 Two Notch Rd.

PERSONAL BEVERAGES MUST BE IN A CONTAINER WITH A SECURE SCREW-ON LID

FEEL FREE TO SHARE FLYER/INFORMATION WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS

ALL SALES FINAL FOR DAY TRIPS/NO EXCHANGE. NO REFUND UNLESS TRIP IS CANCELLED. IF TRIP IS CANCELLED, REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED IMMEDIATELY.

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2025: Catawba Two Kings Casino, \$75 in advance. CALL OR TEXT IF INTERESTED.

CHARTER BUS TRANSPORTATION, WATER & SNACKS INCLUDED ON THE FOLLOWING:

JULY 18-27, 2025: MONTREAL, QUEBEC CITY & OTTAWA: Local guide each day in Canada, Guided Tours of Montreal, Quebec City & Ottawa. Visit Notre Dame Basilica, Montreal's Underground City & Ottawa's Parliament Hill, Narrated Cruise on the St. Lawrence River, Visit to St. Joseph's Oratory of Mount Royal, and more. **PASSPORT REQUIRED.** 10 Days, 9 Nights lodging, including 5 Consecutive Nights in Canada. 16 meals: 9 Breakfasts & 7 Dinners. **\$1,685** per person Double, **\$1,665** Triple, **\$2064** Single. **DUE NOW. SPACE IS AVAILABLE.** Double and Triple rooms have 2 double or queen beds.

NOV. 3-6, 2025: BILOXI, MS & NEW ORLEANS: 3 Nights @ Beau Rivage Hotel & Casino, luggage handling, \$30 Free Slot Play, Two (2) \$20 Food Vouchers redeemable at any restaurant in Beau Rivage, Free time in New Orleans, Basic Driver Gratuity. Single room **\$795**, Double room (2 per room) **\$590** each, Triple room (3 per room) **\$535** each, Quad room (4 per room) **\$500** each. **\$75** non-refundable deposit by **May 20th**, **\$100** by **June 20th**, **\$150** by **July 20th**, **\$150** by **August 20th**, **Balance by September 20th**. **SPACE IS AVAILABLE. FOR THIS TRIP, Double, Triple and Quad rooms have 2 double or queen beds. Trip Minimum 20 travelers. Deposit will be refunded if trip is cancelled.**

**Cash, Check, Money Order, Zelle: 8036223955 or CashApp: \$JoansTours
Joan Mobley (803) 622-3955 Jmobley2@aol.com OR Peggy Long (803) 960-9094**

Mail payment to: Joan's Tours LLC, 237 Devoe Dr., Columbia, SC 29223-4642
CUT ON DOTTED LINE AND MAIL VOUCHER WITH CHECK OR MONEY ORDER

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ APT/UNIT _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____
PHONE _____ CELL _____ E-MAIL _____
DOB (Month/Date/Year) _____ ALL COVID-19 VACCINATIONS COMPLETED: YES _____ NO _____
NAME YOU PREFER TO BE CALLED _____
Emergency Contact Name _____ Relationship _____ Phone _____
Emergency Contact Name _____ Relationship _____ Phone _____
AMOUNT ENCLOSED: TRIP _____ BINGO _____ Trip Date: _____

New Castle Community Annual

Clean Sweep!

Richland County Councilwoman
Tyra Little and
Richland County Public Works are
teaming up to clean up District 3!



Special Services, a division of Public Works, will be in your neighborhood to pick up items not normally accepted at curbside collection. Now is the time to spruce up the yard, clean out the garage and declutter the closet! The clean sweep begins at

8:00 a.m.

Monday, June 9

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Meeting Place:
157 Coolstream Drive

For more information, contact:
Joan Mobley 803-622-3955 (neighborhood)
Dr. Anthony Mack 803-500-6507 (neighborhood)
Cynthia Faust 803-576-2442 (Richland County, available Mon-Fri)

