



Town of McClellanville
March/April 2025

VILLAGE NEWS

Upcoming Meetings: 405 Pinckney Street *dates subject to change

Town Council Regular Meeting

Mon, Apr 7 at 7 PM; Deadline for agenda is Apr 4 at noon
 Mon, May 5 at 7 PM; Deadline for agenda is May 2 at noon

Town Council Budget Workshop Meeting

Mon, Apr 21 at 7 PM

ARB/DRB Regular Meeting

Tues, Mar 18 at 7 PM; Deadline for agenda is Feb 18 at 5 PM
 Tues, Apr 15 at 7 PM; Deadline for agenda is Mar 18 at 5 PM

Planning Commission— Mon, Mar 24 at 6 PM

Tree Committee – Tues, Apr 8 at 5 PM

McClellanville Magistrates Court (843) 887-3334

10009 Hwy 17 N

Office Hours: Mon, Thur 9 AM—4 PM

Court: Thur, Mar 13 at 10:00 AM

Thur, Apr 10 at 10:00 AM

McClellanville Town Hall (843) 887-3712

405 Pinckney Street

Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Wed 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Tree Removal Permits

As a reminder, the Town Zoning Ordinance (Section 6.5) requires that residents obtain a tree removal permit prior to removing any Significant tree (trees having a circumference equal to or greater than 25 inches (CBH) or 8 inches (DBH) as measured at 4.5 feet from ground level), **regardless of species**. Where sites are cleared of significant trees without first obtaining a permit, trees shall be replaced in accordance with a replacement schedule approved by the Board of Zoning Appeals, which shall recommend the number, species, size and location of replacement trees, according to the following criteria:

- (1) A combined circumference which equals or exceeds, 200 inches per acre shall be provided, and
- (2) One-half of individual replacement trees shall be at least 2" caliper, or six inches (6") or greater in circumference.

Applications for tree removal can be picked up at Town Hall, or on our website at mcclellanvillesc.org/town-forms/tree-removal-land-disturbance/. There is a \$25 application fee.

Trash Pickup Reminder

The Town collects ONLY residential trash. Please have cans out and accessible by the side of the road early on Monday and Thursday mornings of non-holiday weeks. Remember to have only household trash in regular size trash bags. The trash bags need to be tied in a tight knot, and not overly heavy. Do not place loose trash in trash cans. When Charleston County Convenience Centers are closed, no trash will be picked up.

Spring Events in McClellanville!

Sat, March 22 at 10:30AM—Wisteria Parade

Gather at the New Wappetaw Presbyterian Church on Pinckney St. Dress in your best spring colors while draped in wisteria and azalea blossoms. Come one and all to celebrate our wonderful children and the coming of Spring. A drawing will be held for the 2025 Wisteria King and Queen at the church, and we will parade down Pinckney St. to the Town bandstand. At Town Hall, kids can enjoy the children's playground, with



swings, slides, hot dogs, and other refreshments.

Please no motorized vehicles for the children.

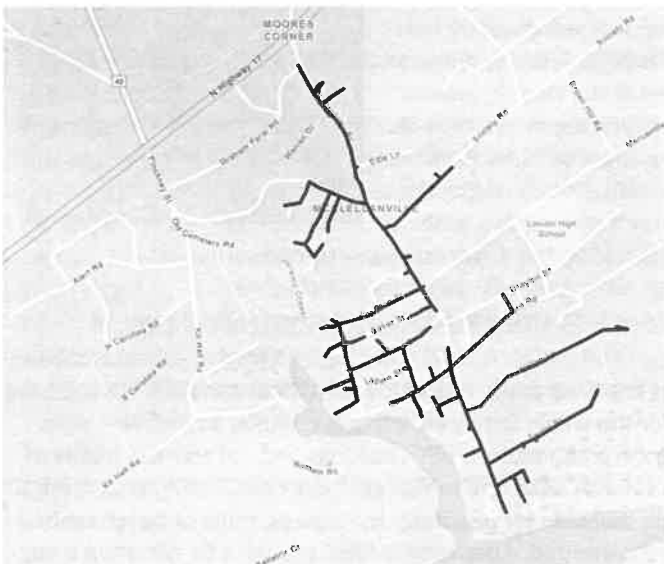
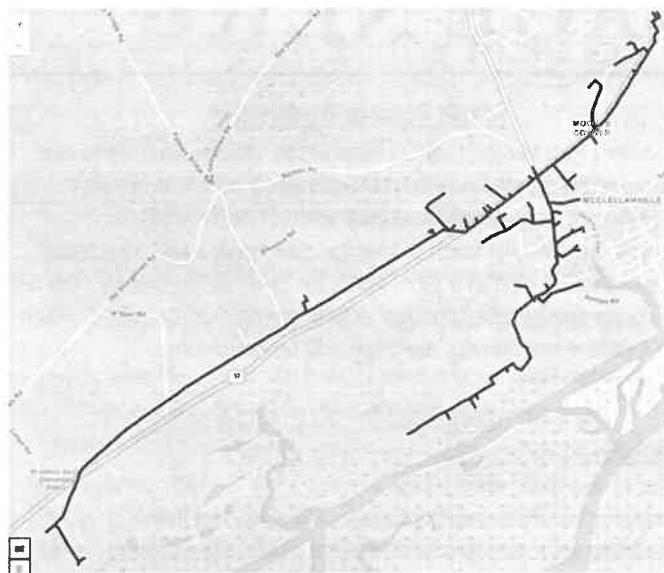
Sat, May 3, 11AM to 5PM— 47th Annual Shrimp Festival

Join us for the 47th Annual Lowcountry Shrimp Festival and Blessing of the Fleet at the Robert E Ashley Boat Landing! We will have fun for the whole family including live music, a children's area, 50+ local craft vendors, BBQ, hotdogs and - of course - plenty of local shrimp! Food and beverages (soft drinks, beer, water, etc.) will be available for purchase. No coolers, tents or beach umbrellas are permitted. Admission is FREE though a \$1 donation is suggested. All proceeds benefit Cape Romain Environmental Education Charter School (CREECS). Blessing of the Fleet will be held at 3:30PM.

Reminder: Boat Landing will be closed all day Saturday, May 3rd, and parking will be limited on Friday, May 2nd and Sunday, May 4th. Cars parked after 5:00 AM on Saturday, May 3rd, will be towed at the owner's expense.

Tree Trimming—Dominion Energy

As part of Dominion Energy's five-year cycle to maintain the safety, resiliency and reliability of the electric system, crews will begin work in McClellanville to safeguard power lines from overgrown trees and vegetation. Beginning in April 2025, Dominion will work along our rights of way to ensure safe clearances by removing potential hazards such as dead or damaged trees, overgrown limbs and other forms of vegetation. Trees that have grown too close to overhead powerlines are a safety hazard and the leading cause of power outages. Crews will remove debris as soon as possible, and some cleanup work may be scheduled after trimming is complete. Tree trimming routes for McClellanville are shown below:



Questions? Email SCContactUs@DominionEnergySC.com
Phone 1-800-251-7234



Scan code to view answers to **FAQs** at:
[DominionEnergy.com/Trees](https://www.dominionenergy.com/trees)

McClellanville Library News and Events

March Events

- **Reptiles with Friends of Coastal SC** – Fri., Mar. 14, 10 a.m. Hands-on class with live reptiles.
- **SC Paranormal Research & Investigations** – Sat., Mar. 22, 10:30 a.m. Learn about paranormal research and investigative tools.
- **Movie Monday** – Mon., Mar. 17, 3:30 p.m. Family-friendly movie with St. Patrick's Day treats and a themed craft.
- **Music for Toddlers** – Wed., Mar. 26, 10 a.m. Interactive music program with songs and instruments.

April Events

- **Clay Art for Adults** – Mon., Apr. 8, 1 p.m. Get creative with hands-on clay art.
- **Music for Kiddos** – Tue., Apr. 16, 10 a.m. Fun music program for young children.
- **Easter Egg Hunt** – Thu., Apr. 18, starting at 9:30 a.m. Join the hunt for Easter fun!
- **Movie Monday** – Mon., Apr. 21, 3:30 p.m. Family-friendly movie and themed craft.
- **BINGO** – Wed., Apr. 23, 11 a.m. Play and win fun prizes!

Family Storytime is every Tuesday at 10am.

Join us for stories, songs, rhymes, movement, & making! Please call 843-887-3699 with any questions or check out our branch calendar at ccpl.org.

Bicycle Rodeo at McClellanville School

The Town of McClellanville and Charleston County Sheriff's Office will host a Bicycle Rodeo at the McClellanville School, 711 Pinckney Street on Saturday, May 10th at 1:00 pm. The bike rodeo is an event that provides elementary and middle school children with the opportunity to learn, practice, and demonstrate bike handling skills in a fun, safe, and encouraging atmosphere. Numerous obstacle courses are set up with chalk and traffic cones. Students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Bring your bike and helmet to join the fun and learn the rules of the road.

Bicycle Safety Reminders:

- Ride in the same direction as traffic and obey all traffic signs
- Signal when turning or stopping
- Wear reflective clothing and a helmet
- Use a white front light visible from 500 feet and a red rear reflector visible from 300 feet if riding after dark
- Make eye contact with motorists to let them know you are there
- Yield the right of way to pedestrians on sidewalks



Community Events

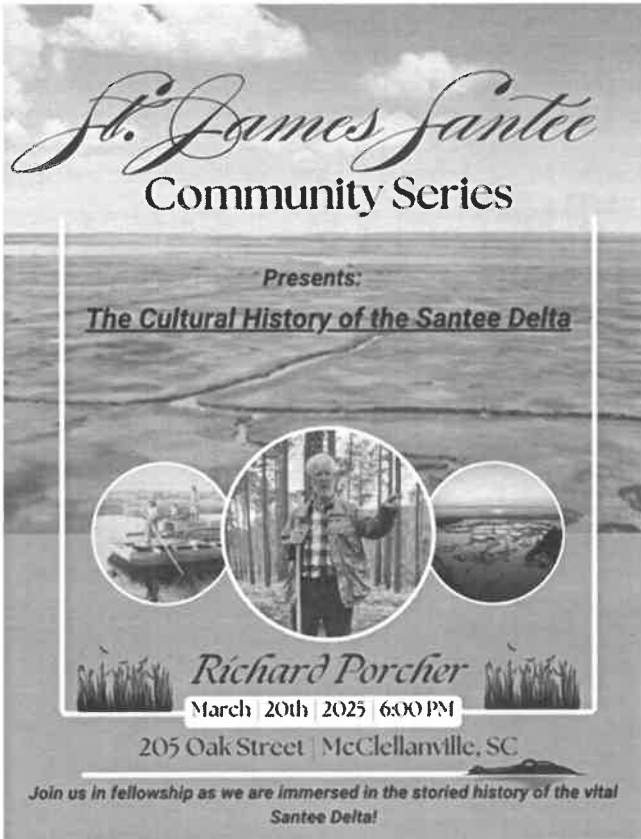
Sat, May 17, 8AM to 5PM—10th Annual Bulls Bay Nature Festival
 Visit the Sewee Center (and other locations) for a family fun day of kids activities, food, live music, art exhibits, wolf, reptile and raptor programs, workshops, and other free activities. For more information visit BullsBayNatureFestival.com, Facebook.com/BullsBayFestival, or call 843-928-3368.

Thur, March 20 at 6:00 PM—St. James Santee Community Series—Richard Porcher

St. James Santee Episcopal Church will host Dr. Richard Porcher who will discuss “The Cultural History of the Santee Delta.”

Sat, May 17 at 10:00 AM— St. James Santee Walking Tour

Bud Hill will lead a walking tour of the village beginning at the museum and ending at the Chapel of Ease, with a lunch provided by the members of St. James. Stay tuned for more information and cost. This is a fund raiser for the Chapel.



**2025 Annual Launch Permits
 Resident - \$75 Non-resident—\$150**

Don't get caught without your 2025 boat launch permit! Permits can be purchased in person at Town Hall, or use this QR code can below to purchase a permit online on our website and Town staff will mail it to you.



McClellanville Community Information

Charleston Co. McClellanville Staffed Convenience Center
 1775 River Rd, McClellanville

Mon - Sat. 9:30 a.m.—6 p.m.
 Sunday Closed

McClellanville Arts Council 843-887-3157
<https://mcclellanvilleartscouncil.com/>

733 Pinckney St, McClellanville
 Wed- Sat. 11:00 a.m.—3 p.m.

McClellanville Village Museum 843-887-3030
<https://www.villagemuseum.com/>

401 Pinckney St, McClellanville
 Thurs., Fri., and Sat. 10:00 a.m.—5 p.m.

McClellanville Post Office
 959 Pinckney St, McClellanville

Mon-Fri. 9:00 a.m.—1 p.m.
 Mon-Fri. 2:00 p.m.—4 p.m.
 Sat. 9:00 a.m.—10 a.m.
 Sunday Closed

McClellanville Library 843-887-3699
 22 Baker St, McClellanville

2025 Town of McClellanville Meeting Schedule

Town Council—Meets at 7:00PM

January 6	July 7
February 3	August 4
March 3	September 2
April 7	October 6
May 5	November 3
June 2	December 1

Planning Commission— Meets at 6:00PM

March 24	September 22
June 23	December 8

Architectural Review/Design Review Board—Meets at 7:00PM

January 21	July 15
February 18	August 19
March 18	September 16
April 15	October 21
May 20	December 9
June 17	

Tree Committee—Meets at 5:00PM

January 14	July 8
April 8	October 14

Board of Zoning Appeals

Meets at the call of the chairman. Meeting dates will be published on the Town website.

Meetings will take place at the Rutledge B. Leland III Municipal Services Building, 405 Pinckney St. All meetings will be open to the public and will be publicized on the website <https://www.mcclellanvillesc.org/> and displayed in Town Hall 24 hours in advance. For further information, contact Town Hall at (843) 887-3712.

The Village Wisteria Parade

A Grand, Annual, Village Spring Tradition



Saturday March 22th at 10:30 a.m.

Gather at New Wappetaw Presbyterian Church on Pinckney Street

Bring the Kids of All Ages . . .

Dressed in Their Spring Colors & Draped with Wisteria Vine & Azalea Blossoms.

A drawing will be held to select this years

King & Queen of Wisteria

Afterwards, everyone will march or ride down

Pinckney Street to the Bandstand to enjoy

Tasty Refreshments & the nearby Playground.

(Please . . . no motorized vehicles for the children)

Come . . . One and All & Join Together to Celebrate Our Wonderful Children & the Coming of Spring

The Town Newsletter is produced every other month—
Newsletter dates for 2025:

May/Jun – mailed 5/9; content deadline 5/2

Jul/Aug – mailed 7/11; content deadline 7/3

Sep/Oct – mailed 9/5; content deadline 8/29

Nov/Dec – mailed 11/7; content deadline 10/31

We will attempt to have the newsletter mailed by the Friday following the Council meeting. Material to be included in the newsletter should be sent to mcclellanville2@outlook.com

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

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Town Website: www.mcclellanvillesc.org

Charleston Co Sheriff's Office

Report all suspicious Activity by calling 911 or 843-743-7200

Your community matters! Help us, Help you.

Do you know who did the crime? Call or text CrimeStoppers

Phone: 843-554-1111 or www.5541111.com

Head Start & Early Head Start Programs



WHO Should Apply for Early Head Start & Head Start?

To be eligible for Early Head Start or Head Start:

- The family meets low-income guidelines
- The child must meet the age requirement (birth through three years old for Early Head Start; will turn three by September 1 for Head Start) OR the woman is currently pregnant (for Early Head Start)
- Families with children with special needs

WHY Should My Family Apply?

Children who are enrolled in the Early Head Start and Head Start Programs attend at no cost! Participants receive:

- A full-day center-based program focusing on literacy with a research-based curriculum or a home-based EIS option which provides weekly visits
- On-going monitoring of the child's progress
- Services that include dental, health, vision, hearing, nutrition, mental health, disability and family support
- Family engagement and Fatherhood/Male Involvement services that include program activities, career development, volunteer opportunities

HOW Do I Apply?

To apply, please call your closest center (as listed on the back), apply online at ccstschools.com or use the QR Code below. Please provide the following:

- Proof of gross income (the total money earned or received before deductions) for the past twelve months
- Proof of TANF, SSI, SNAP (if applicable)
- Proof of child's age
- Proof of residency
- Documentation of child's IEP/IFSP (if applicable)
- Up to date South Carolina Immunization Certificate
- Medicaid Card or Private Insurance (if applicable)
- Current Physical (incl. blood lead level, hemoglobin)
- Current Dental Exam (according to age)
- Proof of Pregnancy (Women applying for EIS)



Register Here

Charleston County School District

FOR MORE INFORMATION: To learn more, please call your local center or (843) 901-3973 or (843) 937-7914



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