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YEAH, THIS'LL WORK

Funnyman Barry Kaufman says some nutjob's idea of an all-white basketball league would be funny if it wasn't so pathetic. **INSIDE**

Volume 5, Number 286 • **COMING TOMORROW:** Annelore Harrell took a tour of her hometown, Savannah. Guess who wound up really giving the tour.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS? SPOONED AND DELICIOUS!



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Kenny B's French Quarter Cafe owner and chef Ken Ballard, left, sous chef Rick Ingersoll and young assistant Zach Ballard served up jalapeno-and-cheese cornbread and two forms of the restaurant's Gumbo Ya Ya: Tex-Mex and traditional.

NEWS

'All the blood has been dwindling'

Regional Red Cross blood collections reach 'emergency' levels.

BY ROB DEWIG
BLUFFTON TODAY

The Red Cross' catchphrase — "The blood you donate today may be needed for you tomorrow" — certainly holds true right now.

Of the eight blood types, the Red Cross lists its supplies of seven as either critical or emergency.

Critical "just" means it's bad. Maybe we'd have enough for a couple days if the Low-

VIM dishes up a soup-er fundraiser. **PAGES 10-11**

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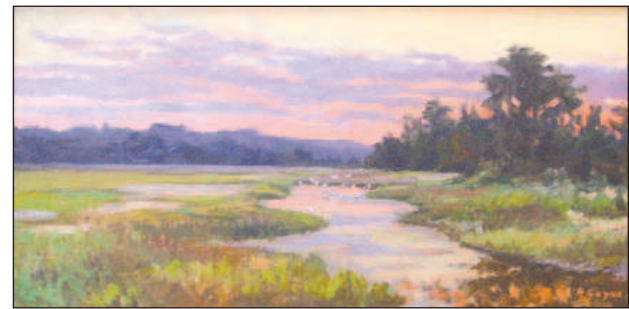
New commissioners, same goals

The Bluffton Township Fire District Commission swore in a new chairman and as other officers at its monthly commission meeting at Fire District Headquarters last Tuesday.

Mike Raymond replaced Charlie Wetmore for the seat designated for a Bluffton Town Council member.

The new Bluffton Township Fire District Commissioners include: Ed Olsen, chairman; Jack Bennett, vice chairman; Terry Reynolds, treasurer; Bob Rogers, secretary; and commissioners Patricia Fennell, Rainie Steedley, Terrence Reynolds and Mike Raymond.

Olsen said as he took over the chairman's position: "Bob Rogers has set a high standard to live up to over the past two years as chairman; we will make sure to uphold that standard."



Special to Bluffton Today

Richard Coyne's "A Bluffton Sunrise"

Art takes center stage at Coastal States Bank

Two Bluffton artists, Richard Coyne and Jim Simon, are displaying their work in the lobby of Coastal States Bank, next to the Bluffton post office on S.C. 46. The exhibit will run through February.

Richard Coyne is a plein air painter who specializes in Lowcountry scenes. He's showing oil paintings such as "A Bluffton Sunrise" and "Sunset on the May," a high-quality giclée print. He paints exclusively outside and captures the Sun's fleeting light on the May River and Lowcountry landscape.

Jim Simon's "Recent

Paintings" showcases his artistic vision and refreshing colors. In bright pastel tones he renders seascapes with lavender water, as in South Port, N.C., acrylic, or sunlight crisply reflecting in foliage of changing seasons. He finds his motifs along the East coast from New England to Florida.

Both artists are members of the Art League of Hilton Head and the Society of Bluffton Artists.

All artwork is for sale and viewing is free to the public. Coastal States Bank hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.



'Semper fi' isn't just a cool slogan; Marines live it daily

Marines from the Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 40 deployed overseas happily display the boxes of goodies sent them by the Moss Creek Marines, retired Marines and Navy Corpsman who live in the Greater Bluffton gated community. The "adopted" unit is the group's 17th and many more are planned. In all, the overseas Marines received 31 boxes from the Moss Creek Marines.

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