

EMPLOYEE NEWS



Bamberg County Newsletter

January — May 2019

Bamberg County Detention Center Officer Earns Class 2 Certification

On March 22, 2019, Officer Keshell E. Deloach graduated from the SC Criminal Justice Academy's Basic Detention Training Program. Officer Deloach received certification as a Class 2 Law Enforcement Officer upon successful completion of the three week, 120 hour training course. "This training is critical for our Detention Center Officers in their sometimes stressful positions. Officers learn self-defense, how to handle inmates, and other skills that allow them to be successful Detention Officers," stated Corporal Latonya Broxton.

Bamberg County is committed to providing its employees with training that allows them to perform their job at the highest levels, thus providing quality services to Bamberg County residents. "We are proud of all of our Bamberg County employees who take time away from their homes and families to obtain training at the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy," said Joey Preston, Bamberg County Administrator. "Bamberg County is committed to supporting our employees to earn certifications that will benefit the employee, their colleagues, and Bamberg County citizens."

Officer Keshell E. Deloach started working at the Bamberg County Detention Center on October 11, 2017. "Officer Deloach is a valuable officer to the Bamberg County Detention Center," remarked Captain Latarcha Wilson, Detention Center Director. "We appreciate her dedication to completing this rigorous training and congratulate her on a job well done!"



Bamberg County Detention Center's Captain Latarcha Wilson and Officer Keshell Deloach

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Employees Certified as Emergency Managers

On February 20, 2019, Brittany Barnwell and Tiffany Kemmerlin of the Bamberg County Emergency Services Department were presented with certificates in recognition of their successful completion of the SC Certified Emergency Manager Program. Barnwell is the Bamberg County Emergency Services Director and Kemmerlin is the Administrative Assistant in the same department.

The SC Certified Emergency Manager Program is a joint program between the SC Emergency Management Division and the SC Emergency Management Association. The intent of the SC Certified Emergency Manager (SC CEM) certification is to improve South Carolina's ability to respond to emergencies by ensuring professionals in the field have extensive training and experience. There are multiple criteria that must be met to become a SC CEM; applicants must work in emergency management for at least three years, must complete at least 100 contact hours in the different fields of emergency management, successfully complete 35 classes, and have demonstrated experience in emergency operations centers. Applications for the certification are peer reviewed.

"Bamberg County is proud of Brittany and Tiffany for completing the requirements to earn recognition as SC Certified Emergency Managers. The certification is not easy to earn and demonstrates their dedication to excelling in their field," said Joey Preston, Bamberg County Administrator. "As a result of their efforts, Bamberg County has a well prepared and capable Emergency Management staff."

Brittany Barnwell is a Bamberg County native and has been the Director of Bamberg County Emergency Management since 2016. She is a graduate of South Carolina State University and is currently enrolled in master's degree program at Lander University. Tiffany Kemmerlin is a Bamberg County native and has worked for Bamberg County Emergency Services since 2016. She is a graduate of Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School and is currently studying Business Administration at Orangeburg Technical College.



Peace Officers Memorial Week

Bamberg County will recognize National Peace Officers Memorial Day on May 14, 2019 with an 11 a.m. ceremony at the Bamberg County gazebo at 1234 North St, Bamberg. The event is free and open to the public.

In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15th as National Peace Officers Memorial Day, and the week of May 15th as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week gives tribute to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty while serving and protecting others locally statewide and nationally.

In 1994, President Bill Clinton, through Public Law 103-322, directed that the flag of the United States be flown at half-staff on May 15. According to a proclamation by President George W. Bush in 2002, "Peace Officers Memorial Day and Police Week pay tribute to the local, state, and federal law enforcement officers who serve and protect us with courage and dedication. These observances also remind us of the ongoing need to be vigilant against all forms of crime, especially to acts of extreme violence and terrorism."



Employee of the Quarter

Nominations Requested

Bamberg County HR Committee is accepting nominations for Employee of the Quarter.

Nominations are reviewed by a subcommittee and the winner is submitted for approval by the entire committee.

Please consider nominating a worthy Bamberg County colleague for this award. Winners will be recognized by Bamberg County Council and receive a certificate and Visa gift card.

Nomination forms are available on SharePoint, in the employee breakroom (Courthouse Annex) or can be emailed upon request.



Rose R. Shepherd, Clerk to Council

Rose R. Shepherd Employee of the Quarter

Rose R. Shepherd, Bamberg County Clerk to Council, was selected as this quarter's Bamberg County Employee of the Quarter! Mrs. Shepherds was nominated by Joey Preston, Bamberg County Administrator. Tiffany Kemmerlin, HR Committee Chair, said of Mrs. Shepherd, "Ambitious, dependable, passionate, and humble are just a few qualities our newest Employee of the Quarter possess. Her skills do not end with her office work. She also projects a warm, cheerful attitude to everyone she comes in contact with."

Mrs. Shepherd has worked for Bamberg County for 30 years as Clerk to Council.

Congratulations to Mrs. Shepherd! She received a plaque and gift card at the February 2019 Bamberg County Council Meeting. Bamberg County thanks you for making Bamberg County a better place to live and work!

The next Employee of the Quarter will be announced at the June 2019 County Council meeting.

National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

April 14-20, 2019

Join us in thanking Bamberg County dispatchers who work tirelessly to serve the public and ensure Bamberg County is a safe place!

Thank you for your outstanding contribution to our community!

Upcoming Dates

May 6: County Council meeting at 6:30 p.m.

May 7: HR Committee Meeting

May 8 and 15: Defensive Driving Training

May 14: Peace Officers Memorial

May 23: Financial Planning Seminar

May 27: Bamberg County Offices closed for Memorial Day

June 3: County Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m.



Bamberg County Dispatchers (L-R): Tyjah Deputy, Lucas Napier, Misty Cook, Mandy Jeffers, Theressa Laurey, Amber Collins, Lauren Threatt. Missing from picture: Ashia Bryant, Jessica Ellis and KC Ray

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We are here to serve you!*

FINANCIAL Planning Done Right

Bringing Life + Personal Finance Into Focus



Financial Planning SEMINAR THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2019

(PROTECT YOURSELF & YOUR FAMILY)

To sign-up, email:
brownrf@bambergcounty.sc.gov
or call 803. 245.5191

ext. 2101

(Space is Limited)

Instructor:

Gina R. Smith, CPA
Controller, Bamberg County

Session I—10:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon

(Box Lunch will be Provided)

Session II—1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Come Join Us!

Human Resources/Payroll Office
Courthouse Annex Building—(Room 102)
1234 North Street, Bamberg, SC 29003

Bamberg County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

**Bamberg County HR Committee members: Tiffany Kemmerlin (Chair), Mary Tilton (Secretary), Misty Cook, Doretta Elliott, Melissa Waltz, Sue Sunday, Eddie Williams, Jr., Brenda Daniels, Latarcha Wilson
Ex-Officio: Thomas Thomas, Rose Shepherd, and Ruthie Brown**

Congratulations to Misty and Allen Cook!

Misty and Allen Cook welcomed a new grandson on December 26, 2018. Grayson Luke Sheppard was 8 lbs. 8 oz, and was welcomed by his big brother Carson.



Grayson and Carson Sheppard



Bill Johnson and Roo Jansons

Johnson Recognized by SC Litter Control Association

On February 21, 2019, the South Carolina Litter Control Association recognized Bamberg County Director of Operations Bill Johnson with the Lower Region Individual Leadership Award during the SCLCA's annual conference in Myrtle Beach. The award recognizes outstanding leadership to the cause of litter awareness, enforcement, and pickup programs in South Carolina.

Employee Birthdays: January— May

January Birthdays

Jan 4 —Trent Kinard
Jan 15—Paul Eubanks
Jan 17 —Eddie Williams

February Birthdays

Feb 4—Alonzo Jenkins
Feb 15—Kimberly Branham
Feb 16 – Vincent Morris
Feb 24—Wanda Johnson
Feb 25—Brenda Bazzle

March Birthdays

Mar 11—Mary Tilton
Mar 15—Ashia Bryant
Mar 16—April Campbell
Mar 27—John Perry
Mar 29—Candace Fralix

April Birthdays

Apr 6—Norris Williams
Apr 8—TyJah Deputy
Apr 16—Amber Collins
Apr 18—Doretta Elliott
Apr 28—Joey Preston

May Birthdays

May 16—Theressa Laurey
May 23—Bill Johnson
May 30—Ben Hay





Bamberg County Telephone Directory

Administration Office

Rose Shepherd extension 2103

Assessor's Office

Terra Brown extension 2120

April Campbell extension 2122

Jordan Osborne extension 2121

Doretta Elliott extension 2119

Norman Bozard extension 2127

Auditor's Office

Hope McMillan extension 2129

Nancy Hiers extension 2118

Margaret Meyer extension 2117

Building/Code Enforcement

Bill Johnson extension 2601

Delinquent Tax

Gale Black extension 2113

Sharon Williams extension 2112

Finance/Accounting

Gina Smith extension 2102

Thomas Thomas extension 2131

Human Resources

Ruthie Brown extension 2101

Magistrate

Brenda Daniels extension 2401

Ed Freeman extension 2404

Wanda Johnson extension 2402

Craig Threatt extension 2403

Rural Fire

Paul Eubanks extension 2602

Treasurer

Brenda Bazzle extension 2160

Candace Fralix extension 2115

Alice Johnson extension 2114

Sue Sunday extension 2116

Voter Registration/Elections

Melinda Johnson extension 2104

Amber Davis extension 2133

Hooten Black House

Brandi Napier extension 2709

Wilson House

Mary Tilton extension 2701

Farrell Pulaski extension 2710

Courthouse

Lynda Roberts extension 2015

Kim Branham extension 2106

Shenequa Smith -Morris extension 2107

Joyce Dwight extension 2108

Pedie Hiers extension 2109

Michelle Kinsey extension 2111

Sarah Noel extension 2110

Emergency Services

Tiffany Kemmerlin extension 2502

Taurean Washington extension 2503

Brittany Barnwell extension 2501

Detention Center

extension 2301

Landfill Melissa Waltz 245-3090

Dispatch Misty Cook 245-3000