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This is the second in a series of information pieces about Glendale including projects and programs planned or already in place.

GLENDALE SHOALS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND ESTABLISHED!
Many friends of Glendale have asked how they can give financial support to the renaissance projects planned and underway at Glendale. In response to that interest, a fund has been established under the management of The Spartanburg County Foundation entitled The Glendale Shoals Community Development Fund. This Fund is devoted to improving and preserving the environment for the protection and restoration of the Glendale Village and its surrounding natural habitats through environmental and sustainability work, and new initiatives. The inaugural Fund team includes George Fields, John Lane, and B.G. Stephens, individuals deeply involved in Glendale improvements. They desire to build upon the resources in this Fund to continue and strengthen the environmental and sustainability work already being carried out and to develop new initiatives for Village enhancements. Awards from the Fund will be made only with the approval of the above named team constituted as an Awards Committee and those who follow whose service is subject to election by a seven person advisory committee soon to be selected. Checks can be made out to

The Spartanburg County Foundation
For: The Glendale Shoals Community Improvement Fund
Attention: John H. Dargan, President & CEO
424 E. Kennedy Street
Spartanburg, SC 29302

Contributions may also be made by visiting the Foundation's website, www.spcf.org, or by contacting the Foundation at (864) 582-0138. For any way you give, you will receive a receipt letter acknowledging your charitable contribution to the Fund. The Spartanburg County Foundation is a Charitable Organization under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), and its Tax I.D. # is 57-0351398. Many thanks for your thoughtful consideration!

INTRODUCTION TO GEOCACHING OFFERED AT THE GOODALL CENTER
The event is coming up THIS SATURDAY, the 16th, from 10 am to noon. For those who don't know, geocaching is essentially an international GPS treasure hunt, fun

for kids and adults alike! Geocaches are usually boxes of trinkets or other surprises hidden around the world and in many places in Spartanburg County! They can be found using a smartphone app or a GPS unit. We will have GPS units available for anyone who wants to attend, and admission is free! Meet at the Goodall Center at the Glendale Shoals. SATURDAY IS TOMORROW! Come on down!

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING
The second annual Christmas tree lighting at Glendale will be on Saturday, December 7 at 7:00 pm on the GOLS lawn. GOLS (Glendale Outdoor Leadership School) is at the top of the hill next to the Fire Department. There will be Christmas goodies, choral groups from District 3, and, of course, SANTA! The event is free and open to the community. Special thanks go to Dee Dee Mitchell, Catherine Baehr, Haley Briel, School District 3 schools, and the Glendale firemen!

GLENDALE CHRISTMAS STORY
"Hub for the Holidays," a new book about Christmases in Spartanburg County, has a story about Glendale at the turn of the 20th century. A hundred years ago the families of Glendale gathered every Christmas Eve for the arrival of Santa and the lighting of a big tree. Charles Lindsay (1891-1963) tells about the tradition in "Christmas at Glendale," which he wrote for his grandchildren, who had asked him for stories about "Christmas when you were a little boy." Charles Lindsay's father, Wilton Lindsay, was president of Glendale Mills. The book, which includes stories form 30 local writers, is available at local bookstores, or online at http://hubcity.org/press/catalog/other/hub-for-the-holidays/hub-for-the-holidays/.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB MEMBERS GROWING GREENER IN GLENDALE
Members of Boys & Girls Clubs of the Upstate are having a great time in Glendale thanks to the generous support of Women Giving for Spartanburg in funding the Clubs' collaborations with Glendale Outdoor Leadership School (GOLS) and Wofford's Goodall Environmental Studies Center. At GOLS, Club members study environmental science while rock climbing and hiking. At the Goodall Center, children learn about local Native American and Textile Mill history and they plan and cultivate the Three Sisters Garden. These programs are designed to teach our future leaders the importance of taking care of the environment; improve academic performance and increase interest in science;   to teach leadership and teamwork skills; and to inspire a love of the outdoors and active, healthy living. Five-hundred 3rd-8th graders will participate in these programs in Glendale this school year. Greg Tolbert is president.

COWPENS MIDDLE SCHOOL RECEIVES WHOLE CHILD AWARD

South Carolina ASCD (formerly the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development), has announced District 3's Cowpens Middle School (CMS) as a Whole Child Award recipient, one of five in the state. The program seeks to identify schools in South Carolina that have created a school culture with programs that exemplify one or more of five Whole Child categories: Safe, Supported, Healthy, Challenged, or Engaged. CMS was recognized in the area of Safe. A non-partisan, educational organization with more than 1000 members, South Carolina ASCD is a state affiliate of ASCD Worldwide, the world's leader in supervision and curriculum development with 150,000 members in more than 145 countries. The Cowpens Middle School principal is Cynthia James.

NEW CHALLENGE COURSE NEARLY COMPLETE AT GOLS   With construction of the new high challenge course at the Glendale Outdoor Leadership School (GOLS) nearly complete, staff there are excited to announce the grand opening of the Treetop Adventure Trail on Thursday, November 21. Set high above the ground and linked together tree by tree, the appropriately named "high challenge course" presents a series of cabling/rope obstacles and physical challenges as the course is traversed. The experience is designed to challenge participants to reach higher, push through fears, step out of conditioned roles, and learn new ways of working well as a team. The course at GOLS is also intended to give participants the chance to enjoy the natural beauty of Spartanburg County from a new perspective, all while pushing themselves to new heights and making lasting memories. GOLS sends out a big thanks to Spartanburg County, Spartanburg County Parks Department, and the Mary Black Foundation for their generous support of the Treetop Adventure Trail. After the grand opening, reservations for groups will be available by calling the GOLS office at (864) 529-0259 or by going on line at www.setgols.org.

WILDERNESS FIRST AID COURSE TAUGHT AT GOLS

This course will be offered at the Glendale Outdoor Leadership School (GOLS) Saturday and Sunday, November 23-24. The 16-hour Wilderness First Aid (WFA) course provides entry-level training for outdoor enthusiasts to prepare themselves for outdoor trips.

Learn more & register here!

GLENDALE TOURS

Through a grant from a private foundation, a golf cart has been obtained for the purpose of general use and giving tours of the Glendale Village including GOLS, the Goodall Center gardens, and the Lawson's Fork trails. It is a quite powerful electric cart which has been dubbed the "popemobile!" A tour takes about one hour, and one to three persons can be accommodated. Interest can be indicated by sending an email to bgsphd@bellsouth.net so that dates/times for touring can be arranged.

GLENDALE and GLENDALE- RELATED WEB ADDRESSES
Glendale Village: www.glendalesc.com.
Lawson's Fork: http://www.wofford.edu/environmentalstudies/damcam.aspx.
Glendale Outdoor Leadership School (GOLS): www.setgols.org.
Spartanburg School District 3: www.spartanburg3.org.
SPACE: www.spartanburgconservation.org.
Wofford College: www.wofford.edu
Boys and Girls Clubs of the Upstate: www.bgcusc.org
The Spartanburg County Foundation: www.spcf.org.
Mary Black Foundation: www.maryblackfoundation.org.
Spartanburg County Parks Department: www.spartanburgparks.org.