

News and Views

SOUTH CAROLINA FAMILY AND COMMUNITY LEADERS

“Improving the quality of life through fellowship, education and service”



Fall

SCFCL Website: <http://www.scfcl.com>

2022

2022 SCFCL Annual Meeting

“Together We Build”



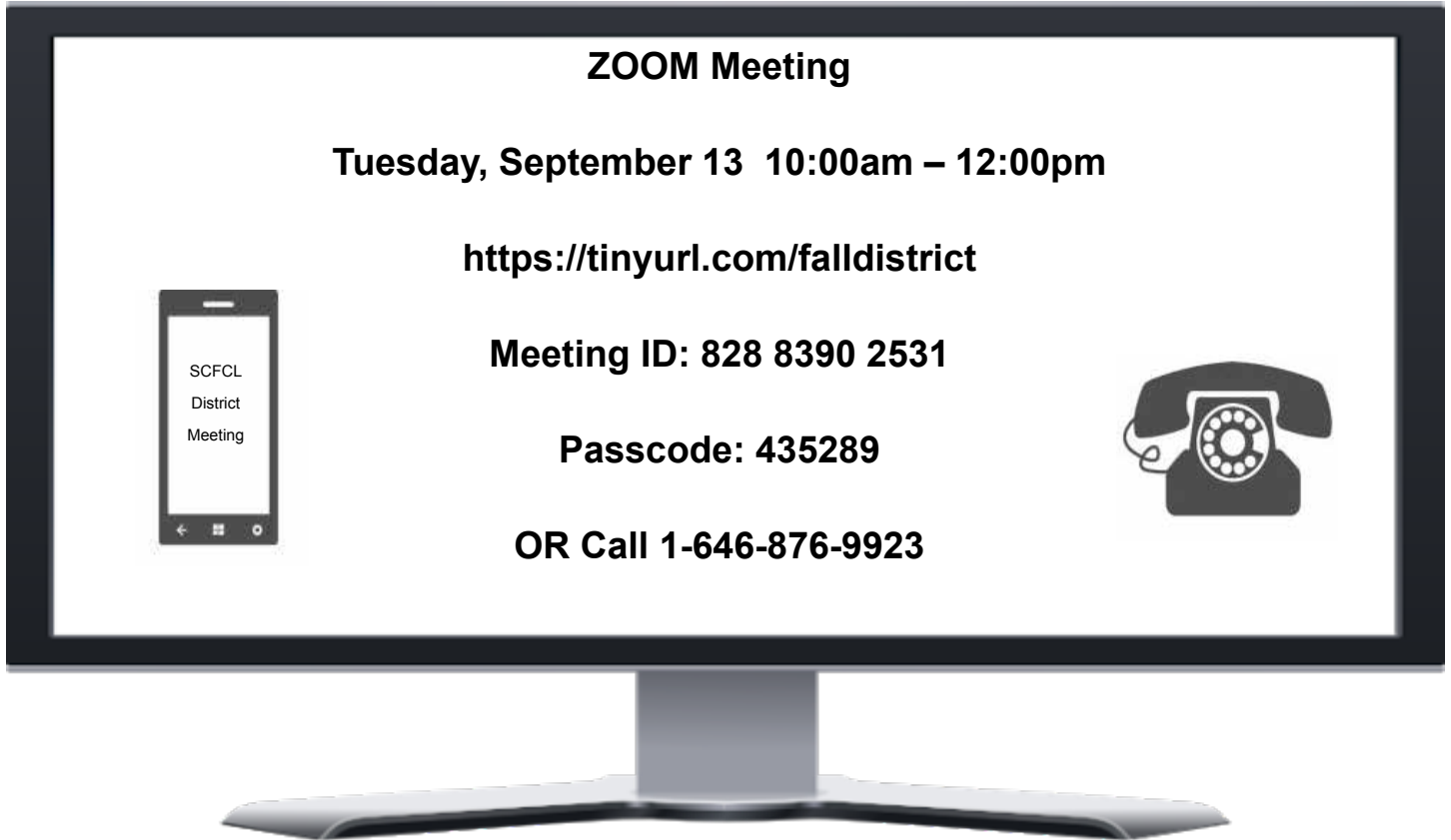
**Stallville United Methodist Church
255 Stallville Loop
Summerville, SC 29485**

October 21, 2022

9:30am Register * 10:00am Meeting * 3:00pm Adjourn

SCFCL is affiliated with Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW), Country Women's Council USA (CWC), National Volunteer Outreach Network (NVON) and in partnership with Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service

2022 Fall District Meetings (THREE-IN-ONE ZOOM)
(Central, Coastal, Foothills)



2022 Fall District Meeting Agenda

Appoint Meeting Recorder	Volunteer_____
Welcome	Pat Breznay, State President
Devotion	Barbara Lupo
Salute American and South Carolina Flags	Alick Lewis
SCFCL Creed	Bobbie Earle
Roll Call	Pat Breznay
Program: Pollinators	Chanda Cooper, Richland Soil and Water Conservation District
State Project: Bee-Casue Pollinators Feed the World	Dale Morrow, State Project Chair
Present 2023 Education Lessons	Eather Evans, State Vice President
Election of Foothills District Director	Bobbie Earle, Foothills District Director
County Sharing-Each county has 3 minutes to share events, activities and interests	
Individual Membership Certificate announcements	Pat Breznay
2022 Annual Meeting	Betty Osgood (Chair) and Heather Kennedy (Registrar)
State President Remarks	Pat Breznay
State Advisor Remarks	Connie Lake
Adjourn	Pat Breznay



South Carolina Family and Community Leaders

Officer Nomination Form

District _____ County _____

Club _____ Date _____

Procedure:

1. The Nomination form may only have one nomination office per person per form.
2. Nominations shall be submitted to the Nomination Chair at least 120 days prior to the Annual Meeting with a copy sent to the SCFCL President.

Name of Nominee	Address	Phone Number
_____	_____	_____
Office for which Nominated	Age Range of Nominee (check one)	20-35 () 51-65 () 36-50 () 66 + ()

Offices and/or Committees Held	Local	County	State

Community and Church Organizations in which nominee has served as an officer

The nominee should attach a statement of her/his qualifications and why she/he would like to serve in this position.

(Signature of Nominee)

(Signature of Club President needed for County Nomination)

(Signature of County President needed for State Nomination)

SCFCL NEEDS YOUR HELP

At this time of publishing, there has been no nominations submitted for the state officers (**President-elect, Treasurer or Foothills District Director**). I'm hoping after this newsletter is read by all members, there will be volunteers to step forward to fill these leadership roles.

Our organization is 101 years old. We have been a major volunteer organization in South Carolina and many organizations depend on us for activities and events in our communities, donate time to those in need, supply food to family, church and community members, and keep our members educated on topics of interest and up to date on the needs of people we meet.

We need for others to STEP UP and be a part of our FUTURE!

In this issue there is an officer nomination form. Our organization cannot survive without officers. Please give any member of the board a call if you have questions and mail your form to me.

Pat Breznay, 2022-2023 President
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State Officers to be elected for 2023

President-elect (1 year as President-elect and 3 year term as President)

Treasurer (3 year term)

Foothills District Director (3 year term) Only one county representative per county in the Foothills District can vote for Foothills District Director. Vote will be October 21, 2022 by internet vote. (refer to page 10 "Voting" for more info)

If you are interested in serving this organization, fill out the Officer Nomination Form on a previous page or download from the SCFCL web site then mail completed form to SCFCL President who will forward to the Nomination Committee Chair, Bobbie Earle. Please respond as soon as possible.

QUALIFICATIONS AND ELIGIBILITY FOR STATE OFFICERS

- A nominee for any elective state office must have previously served as a county officer or a member of the SCFCL Board.
- Each candidate for office must have agreed in writing to his/her nomination and have the written endorsement of his/her county association.
- A candidate shall be nominated for only one position in a given year.
- An elected officer may not resign from a presently held position in order to run for a full term position. An elected officer may resign to be appointed to fill a vacancy that has occurred during a midterm resignation or death.
- A candidate for Secretary should understand the importance of preserving the official records of SCFCL, have the ability to write accurate minutes, and provide a safe repository for official records.
- A candidate for Treasurer shall be eligible for bonding, knowledgeable in bookkeeping, and familiar with long and short term investments.
- A candidate for any elected state office shall have access to electronic communication.

Duties of the President-elect (complete list of duties are in SCFCL Handbook and at: scfcl.com)

- Attend all SCFCL board meetings, district meetings and Annual Meeting and serve with vote.
- Study and become familiar with SCFCL Bylaws and Policies/Standing Rules.
- Have access to electronic communication.
- Serve as understudy to and receive training and guidance from the President, performing such duties as shall be assigned by the President.
- Serve as ex-officio member of all committees on which the President is serving.
- Perform all President's duties in the President's absence or inability to serve.
- Perform the duties of the President in case of resignation or death until the next meeting of The Board when the President-Elect is confirmed by The Board as President.
- Appoint a Parliamentarian, News and Views Editor, E-Membership List Coordinator, News and Views Mailer, Webmaster, and Project Chairs to serve concurrent to President's term beginning January 1.
- Work with the board to receive donations of approximately \$100 at the August board meeting to purchase a gift for the outgoing President.
- Keep a record of expenses and submit a signed voucher with receipts within sixty days; complete expense voucher in triplicate, attaching receipt(s) to the original; original with receipt(s) and one copy is sent to the President for approval for payment. President approves and sends the original with receipts to the Treasurer for payment. The third copy is kept in the officer's/chair's files.

Duties of the Treasurer (complete list of duties are in SCFCL Handbook and at: scfcl.com)

- Attend all SCFCL board meetings and Annual Meeting.
- Serve with vote.
- Study and become familiar with SCFCL Bylaws and Policies/Standing Rules.
- Have access to electronic communication.
- Receive and keep records of all funds of SCFCL and deposit as directed by The Board.
- Pay authorized expenses of SCFCL upon receipt of a signed voucher with receipts from the President.
- Present a statement of accounts at all meetings of The Board, and at such other times as the President may request.
- Receive membership lists, dues and any other contributions from each county and keep the E-Membership list accurate and up-to-date on Google Sheets.
- Make a full report at the Annual Meeting.



Duties of the District Directors (complete list of duties are in SCFCL Handbook and at: scfcl.com)

- Attend all SCFCL board meetings, district meetings and Annual Meeting.
- Serve with vote.
- Study and become familiar with SCFCL Bylaws and Policies/Standing Rules.
- Have access to electronic communication.
- Serve as a representative of District on The Board and coordinate activities in District.
- Serve as a member of the State Education Committee.
- Hold at least one meeting annually of each district. When possible hold a Spring and Fall Meeting to include agenda items with input from SCFCL Board, coordinated by SCFCL President.
- Preside at District Meetings





SOUTH CAROLINA FAMILY COMMUNITY LEADERS

2022 Annual Meeting

Stallville United Methodist Church, 255 Stallville Loop, Summerville, SC

"Together We Build"

Friday, October 21, 2022

9:30 - 10:00	Registration Refreshments Gift Basket Ticket Sales Procession of Flags	Heather Kennedy Charleston County Members Alick Lewis County Representatives with Pat Breznay Announcing
10:00 - 10:05	Welcome Devotion Flag Salute SCFCL Creed SCFCL Song	Betty Osgood Daisy Johnson & Betty Osgood Elma Harris Elma Harris Elma Harris
10:05 - 10:15	Skit	Charleston Garrett Club
10:15 - 11:45	Annual Business Meeting Voting Delegates Roll Call Treasurer's Report Proposed Budget Vice President Report State Project and Committee Reports NVON and CWC/ACWW Conference Report Nominating Committee Report Tellers Committee Report Election of Officers Installation of Officers	Pat Breznay Alice Williams Linda Westbrook Linda Westbrook Eather Evans Dale Morrow Pat Breznay/Pam Hanfland Bobbie Earle Silverteen Mitchum Silverteen Mitchum Connie Lake
11:45 - 12:00	Recognition of 4-H Scholarship Award Recipients	Betty Osgood
12:00 - 12:10	BREAK	
12:10 - 12:35	Blessing LUNCH	Betty Osgood Catered by Music Man
12:35 - 1:35	Speaker-Annette Lanham, Florida "Is Death Inevitable?" From civic to service to volunteer organizations, membership numbers are declining. Organizations are struggling to attract and/or keep new members. How did we get to this point and can we survive or is death inevitable? We'll examine what factors led to this decline and explore possible options for renewal and recovery.	Pat Breznay
1:35 - 1:50	BREAK	
1:50 - 2:30	Arts & Crafts Lab	Betty Osgood
2:30 - 3:00	Door Prizes and Gift Basket Drawing Flag Recession Closing Remarks Invitation to 2023 Annual Meeting Announcements	District Directors County Representatives Connie Lake Sumter County Pat Breznay

Each county should bring:



Small County Flag
\$10.00 Giftcard
Door prize





REGISTRATION FORM
 South Carolina Family and Community Leaders
 2022 Annual Meeting
"Together We Build"
October 21, 2022
 Stallville United Methodist Church
 255 Stallville Loop, Summerville, SC 29485

******Please fill out a separate form for each person attending******

Name _____ Phone/Cell _____

Address _____ County _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Email Confirmation _____ Y _____ N

Email _____

Please check all that apply:

Member ___ Guest ___ Advisor ___ Voting Delegate ___ First time attending a SCFCL Annual Meeting

Board Member ___ State Office held _____

List Special Dietary or Health Needs _____

Registration includes Lunch

\$35 for members \$ _____
 \$40 for non-members \$ _____

Late Fee after **October 1, 2022**

\$10 Late fee for postmarks after Oct. 1, 2022 \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Emergency Contact _____
Name _____
Relationship _____
Phone # _____

Make check payable to: **South Carolina Family and Community Leaders (SCFCL)**

Mail form and check to: **Heather Kennedy, 2163 Poinsettia Ave, Summerville, SC 20483**

ALL FEES ARE TRANSFERABLE - NOT REFUNDABLE

Directions to Stallville United Methodist Church, 255 Stallville Loop, Summerville, SC 29485

From Rock Hill: Merge onto 1-77 S toward Columbia. Keep left to take 1-77 S toward 1-20 E/Florence/Charleston. Merge onto 1-26 E via the exit on the left toward Charleston. Merge onto N Main St/US-17 Alt S via Exit 199A toward Summerville. Turn left onto Berlin G. Myers Pkwy. Turn left onto E Carolina Ave/SC-165. Continue to follow SC-165. Turn left onto Stallville RD. The church is on the right.

From Greenville: I-385 S to I-26. Merge I-26 toward Charleston. Merge onto N Main St/US-17 Alt S via Exit 199A toward Summerville. Turn left onto Berlin G. Myers Pkwy. Turn left onto E Carolina Ave/SC-165. Continue to follow SC-165. Turn left onto Stallville RD. The church is on the right.

From Columbia: 1-26 toward Charleston. Merge onto N Main St/US-17 Alt S via EXIT 199A toward Summerville. Turn left onto Berlin G Myers Pkwy. Turn left onto E Carolina Ave/SC165. Continue to follow SC 165. Turn left onto Stallville RD, 255 Stallville RD. The church is on the right.

Laurens County

Our club, like so many other clubs, have just started back having our meetings. Our first meeting, since the pandemic started, was held in March 2022. Our members have tried to stay in contact by phone, emails, or cards. In February 2022 we lost one of our faithful members, Virginia Coleman.

We are still saving used postal stamps which are sold to collectors by a used stamp company and the money given to the Veterans Home in Columbia, SC We also collect pull tabs for the Ronald McDonalds House in Greenville, SC Our memers have been faithful and hopefully next year will be better.

Williamsburg County

In May 2022, the Williamsburg County FCL started monthly meetings via conference call. We have had three successful meetings, with up to eighteen people in attendance per meeting.

We have been on task with our educational lessons, and members are excited about the information that we've been receiving.

We're anticipating a speaker from Moore Farms to join our conference call and speak on bee pollination.

Williamsburg County FCL members have plans to continue club meetings via conference call for the remainder of the summer months in hopes of meeting face to face soon, but our focus is for everyone to remain safe and healthy.



2022-2023 State Project “BEE-Cause Pollinators Feed the World” Project in Common with NVON

“BEE-Cause Pollinators Feed the World” is an international project in Common with the National Volunteer Outreach Network. Its objective is to educate and inform members about the importance of pollinators and how we can be better stewards of the pollinators' role in the world's food supply chain. SCFCL can make a major impact with education and implementation of workshops, home gardens, flower beds and LOTS of other areas to help make members and others aware of the crisis with pollinators.

SCFCL members may not **Bee** pollinators but can **Bee** a voice on their **Bee**half.

What is pollination?

- Pollination occurs when pollen grains are moved between two flowers of the same species, or within a single flower, by wind or animals that are pollinators. Successful pollination, which may require visits by multiple pollinators to a single flower, results in healthy fruit and fertile seeds, allowing plants to reproduce. Without pollinators, we simply wouldn't have many crops!
- About 75% of all flowering plants rely on animal pollinators and over 200,000 species of animals act as pollinators. Of those, about 1,000 are hummingbirds, bats, and small mammals. The rest are insects such as beetles, bees, ants, wasps, butterflies, and moths.

Why are pollinators important to us?

- Worldwide, approximately 1,000 plants grown for food, beverages, fibers, spices, and medicines need to be pollinated by animals in order to produce the goods on which we depend.
- Foods and beverages produced with the help of pollinators include blueberries, chocolate, coffee, melons, peaches, pumpkins, vanilla, and almonds. Plants that depend on a single pollinator species, and likewise, pollinators that depend on a single type of plant for food are interdependent. If one disappears, so will the other.

Lexington County

Lexington County FCL currently has five clubs and eleven Associate Members giving us about fifty seven members. Since the COVID pandemic necessitated the cancellation of our Fall County Meeting in both 2020 and 2021 we decided not to wait another whole year, but instead we held the Lexington County Meeting in March 2022. Erika Hwang, Lexington's 4-H & Youth Development Agent gave a very informative talk about the 4-H Program, which offers hands-on learning to everyone ages 5-19. She is implementing many new programs including a program for performing and visual arts. Erika is doing a great job of developing and promoting all the 4-H programs! Dale Morrow, Vice President for Programs and the SCFCL Project Chair, shared information about our State Project In Common With NVON, "BEE-CAUSE Pollinators Feed the World.

The Herb Bunch's 10th Annual Herb Festival held on March 26, was a notable success! There were over 100 varieties of plants and herbs for sale along with a Bake Sale. There was also a container gardening booth. There were several vendors present representing the Lexington Soil & Water Conservation District, and the Herb Bunch Education booth with our Lexington Master Gardener Molly. Proceeds from this Festival will contribute to scholarships for students in our County who plan to major in college in the areas of agriculture, agribusiness, horticulture, nutrition or culinary science.

We continue to collect money and goods to support the children in Foster Care in Lexington County. Lexington County hosted the 2021 SCFCL Annual Meeting and 100th Anniversary Celebration. A special 100th Anniversary Suncatcher Souvenir was given to all attendees.

Dale Morrow has accepted the position to be the Chair of our State Project in Common with NVON and Barbara Lupo has accepted the position of Central District Director.

Our Ways and Means Chairman, Judee Shelley, has coordinated another successful pecan sale. We sold a quantity of pecans sufficient to net a profit of \$440 which will be allocated to help support Lexington County Family and Community Leaders' goals.

Lexington County is looking forward to a very successful year in 2022!



(l) Dale Morrow shares information about State Project In Common With NVON, "BEE-CAUSE Pollinators Feed the World" with county members as (r) Pam Hanfland helps hold beautiful poster of pollinators.

*Thank
you*

I would like to thank my FCL family for all the care and support you provided me during Tommy's illness and your continued thoughts, prayers and loving messages upon his passing.

It fills my heart to belong to such a loving and caring organization.

With love to each of you.

Linda Westbrook, SCFCL Treasurer and Chester County member.

Richland County

Richland County clubs are still meeting and making a difference in communities where there are members. Members collect canned goods for the Wm. Jennings Bryan Dorn VA Medical Center for when veterans leave after having had an extended stay. They may not have much food at home and may not be able to go to the store so donations help them get on their feet.

Members collect pop tops and donate to the local Ronald McDonalds House to help them use the aluminum tops making it possible for families to be with their children while in the hospital.

Toiletries are collected, organized, placed in bags and given to those domestic violence people who have to leave their home with little to nothing. Due to the pandemic many centers were unable to accept these items but Richland County Sheriff's Department helps deliver these bags to those in need.

Even with the social distancing, one club has been recruiting and has 3 new members so far this year.

Our Fall county meeting is upcoming in September and will present a program from a local Woman's Shelter. Everyone is asked to bring laundry soap, paper products and a delicious covered dish. It's great to be able to see friends in person even as we keep our distance. I'm glad we can still make a difference in our communities as we are very fortunate to share what we have with those in need.



This display was assembled by Pat and Jim Breznay using some photos from Richland County member's activities and taken to the 2022 NVON National Conference in Evansville, IN representing SCFCL. Alice Williams, Horrell Hill Club, made a pollinator garden with the help of her granddaughter. "Bee-Cause Pollinators Feed the World" is the 2022-2023 State Project which brings awareness to the benefits pollinators make on our food supply. Other members across the state are contributors as well.



In loving Memory

Laurens County- Virginia Coleman



If you have someone in your county that has passed away, please send me an email or give me a call.

A note from SCFCL Advisor

Let's have a "Tea Party". With our numbers being down to just a little over 500, this would be a great time to have a tea party and invite a friend. Socialization is what everyone needs since the pandemic. So, invite a friend to your next meeting. Everyone loves a party and they will enjoy getting out. Look for neighbors and friends that are alone and in need of something to do. We all know of someone like that. It may be the quiet one that is looking for a friend. So, invite them.



Connie Lake

The upcoming State Meeting is being hosted by Charleston. It will be a great time to get-a-way to the coast. Summerville is a beautiful town, and I know the Charleston FCL will have everything delightful. Come join us at this wonderful event. Mark your calendar now for Friday, October 21st!

I wish each of you a happy fall. Enjoy it with family and friends.

a message from the President

I know you are as excited as I am to know clubs are meetings once again and others are starting back in September after a HOT summer break. The board will be meeting in early August and determine our course of action as we now have less than 600 members. The pandemic has taken a toll on our membership and meeting places. With 101 years under our belt, I hoped we would bounce back refreshed and rearing to start the next 100 years with enthusiasm and vigor that has sustained us over the years. I heard from several clubs that they have increased their membership and hope to hear positive news from county presidents at the upcoming three-in-one district ZOOM meeting September 13. Listed on page 2 is the agenda for the meeting as well as the contact information for both computer and conference call link/numbers. At our spring district ZOOM meeting, there was 35 in attendance which was up from the previous meeting of 12 attendees, mostly board and officers. I'm looking forward to seeing your friendly faces at this meeting. We'll have a special person at the district meeting to speak on pollinators and I know you will really enjoy her presentation. Pretty sure she'll bring great ideas and beautiful photos you'll not want to miss. Please contact me or Pam Hanfland if you have any questions (our contact information is on the back cover of this newsletter.)



Don't forget to send your State Project Report to Dale Morrow for the "BEE-Cause Pollinators Feed the World." You may not plant a pollinator garden but sharing awareness about pollinators is just as important.

Charleston County has been working hard to prepare for the Annual Meeting at Stallville United Methodist Church in Summerville, October 21. They have a special gift for those members who register before the deadline, so register for the meeting early. There's a copy of the registration form on SCFCL's website and also in this newsletter issue on page 7. We hope to have a special guest from out-of-state to give us a program that will motivate us and help us see what we can do to reinvent, rethink and refresh us into that organization of the 2020's so we can still make a difference in communities where we live and raise our families and extended families.

I'm very concerned about our membership and if/when members will step up to help fill state officer positions for our organization. I've been dedicated to SCFCL for about three terms and hope there are others that might volunteer as my final term expires December 2023. Please volunteer and help.

Please feel free to contact me about an issues you have with membership, education lessons, projects or about whatever's on your mind. I'm never too busy to take a moment to open my ear to your concerns. See you soon.

Pat Breznay, 2021-2023 President

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Be sure to invite your friends!

Upcoming 2022 dates to remember

September 13	District Meeting on ZOOM or Conference Call (10:00 am)
September 19-21	CWC, USA Area Meeting, North Little Rock, AR
October 1	State Project Reports due to Project Chair
	Education Lesson Report Form due to State President
	County President's Award Form due to State President
	County Officer's Form due to Webmaster
	Voting Delegates Form due to Teller's Chair
October 21, 2022	Annual Meeting, Stallville Untied Methodist Church, Summerville

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