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Trump's tax exposé

Debt, tax avoidance and failure to pay federal income tax for 10 years

By Eleanor Flannery

Opinion Editor

A bombshell exposé published by the New York Times on Sunday revealed over two decades' worth of President Donald Trump's tax history. The report showed major tax avoidance from the president, extensive write-offs and a staggering amount of debt. During Trump's winning election year, he paid only \$750 in federal income taxes and another \$750 the following year in 2017.

From the New York Times, "Over the past two decades, Mr. Trump has paid about \$400 million less in combined federal income taxes than a very wealthy person who paid the average for that group each year." Trump paid "no income taxes at all in 10 of the previous 15 years —

largely because he reported losing much more money than he made," according to the New York Times. The piece revealed that Trump's administration is struggling to keep afloat. "As the president wages a re-election campaign that polls say he is in danger of losing, his finances are under stress, beset by losses and hundreds of millions of dollars in debt coming due that he has personally guaranteed."

Trump reported several instances of substantial loss in order to make a \$72.9 million tax refund claim, which fueled his ongoing audit battle with the IRS over the legitimacy of his claim. "An adverse ruling could cost him more than \$100 million."

Since the NYT exposé broke, Trump has since denied the validity of the reports and has blasted

the Times as "totally fake news." During a White House briefing on Sunday, Trump claimed he has always paid "a lot" in taxes. "I pay a lot, and I pay a lot in state income taxes," he said. The president also took to Twitter to vent. "The Fake News Media, just like Election time 2016, is bringing up my Taxes & all sorts of other nonsense with illegally obtained information & only bad intent. I paid many millions of dollars in taxes..."

Alan Garten, a lawyer for the Trump Organization, has also repudiated the Time's reports. "[Trump] has paid tens of millions of dollars in personal taxes to the federal government, including paying millions in personal taxes since announcing his candidacy in 2015," Garten said in a statement obtained by Fox News.

Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden has since released his 2019 tax returns on Tuesday. The release showed he and his wife, Jill Biden, reported paying about \$300,000 in federal income taxes after reporting \$945,000 of taxable income.

Kate Bedingfield, Joe Biden's deputy campaign manager, made comments to CNN's Anderson Cooper on "AC360" Sunday on Trump's tax avoidance. "You have in Donald Trump, a President who spends his time thinking about how he can work his way out of paying taxes, of meeting the obligation that every other working person in this country meets every year," she said. CNN commentator and former Ohio Republican Governor John Kasich made similar comments, saying "...there are people out there -- and I know, I come from blue collar, hardworking -- these folks are scrapping to make a living and they're going to wake up and find out this incredible mogul paid \$750... I don't care what his excuses are," Kasich said. "It doesn't pass the smell test."

The New York Times has stated that this story is still breaking and there will be more information and development to come in the next few weeks.



President Trump at a press briefing on Sunday, Sept. 27.

Photo from the LA Times

Trump's pick for SCOTUS

President Donald Trump announced on Saturday, Sept. 26, 2020 that he is nominating Judge Amy Coney Barrett to fill the late Ruth Bader Ginsburg's seat on the United States Supreme Court. Barrett is a federal appellate judge and Notre Dame law professor who has outward conservative ideals.

Barrett has been on Trump's list of nominees for some time, she was a finalist in the running for the late Antonin Scalia's seat, which went to Brett Kavanaugh in 2018. Barrett has been widely accepted by conservatives as an appropriate candidate for the seat, while liberals have been against the idea of her nomination.

Many of those against her are worried about her stance on controversial topics: Supreme Court case Roe v. Wade which ruled in favor of women and made abortion legal in the United States, the Affordable Care Act, immigration and the 2nd Amendment. This is concerning to many who oppose her, with two judges on the

Supreme Court who were placed by Trump this would make number three, greatly increasing the conservative ideals on the court.

The Senate Judiciary Committee will begin confirmation hearings for Barrett on Oct. 12.

— Margaret Correll



Judge Amy Coney Barrett in the White House Rose Garden.

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New York small businesses on the decline

With the current global pandemic COVID-19, there has been a lot of businesses closing both temporally and permanently. Tons of household name companies have filed for bankruptcy this year; companies like J.C. Penney, Chuck E. Cheese, Lucky Brand, Ann Taylor and Menswearhouse.

For New York, it is different; few places have been hit as hard as New York City by COVID-19. Barnes and Nobles's most iconic location in Manhattan closed temporarily in March, Bloomingdales closed their Manhattan store and the fancy McDonald's off of Times Square has closed their doors as well. They have all fallen victim to economic destruction due to the global pandemic.

New York has taken a very large financial hit while facing COVID and for some businesses, their guidelines are to close early and take extra precautions while many other businesses that the local people have grown to love have closed or are facing closure. New York Governor Andrew Cuomo has explained that businesses will have to close at 8 p.m., but others are not able to afford to keep their doors open altogether.

The coronavirus crisis has caused over 100,000 small businesses to permanently shut down in New York, and many have been sad to

see their favorite local businesses go. Locally run stores like Bodegas, a small corner/grocery store, and second-hand stores have been closing rapidly in areas like Manhattan, the Bronx and Brooklyn.

Small businesses are said to have run out of local and federal assistance and have nowhere else to turn, and when the pandemic does subside, only one-third of the city's 240,000 small businesses may ever reopen. It is important to remember to help small businesses at this time, be a little more understanding and a little more giving.

— Kym Caldwell



A man walks through a near-empty Times Square in New York City.

Photo by Mark Lennihan

Brevard College faculty pens poetic biography

Alyse Bensel, Assistant Professor of English at Brevard College and Director of the Looking Glass Rock Writers' Conference, has written a new book titled *Rare Wondrous Things: A Poetic Biography of Maria Sibylla Merian*. While the genres of biography and poetry aren't typically applied to the same book, the author is excited to offer something unique that doesn't fit neatly into one category. Bensel says "I'm a poet, not a biographer or historian in any official sense, so a 'traditional' biography was not the best course of action for me." She goes on to state "Poetry gave me the opportunity to include several different approaches to Merian's life through persona poems, ekphrastic poems, more narrative-driven poems, and poems that recount my own research and writing process constructing the collection."

The subject of the new book, Maria Sibylla Merian, is enigmatic – making her the perfect character for Bensel to explore through

Poetry. Though Bensel admits "Researching Merian was slightly infuriating—her work is very scattered . . . She led this fascinating life of being a fairly successful artist during her lifetime, making groundbreaking discoveries in metamorphosis, and then divorcing her husband and running her own business (unheard of and quite scandalous in the late 1700s)." Bensel goes on to say Merian ". . . was a remarkable illustrator and naturalist whose contributions to the sciences have long been ignored. I wanted to bring her story back to life . . ."

Rare Wondrous Things will be published July 21, 2020 by Green Writers Press. The collection will be available for purchase at local bookstores and online. Bensel is also offering pre-ordered, signed copies through her website, alysebensel.com. Bensel currently teaches at Brevard College, where she directs the Looking Glass Rock Writers' Conference.



Food for thought

By Aia Andonovska
Copy Editor

This year, the Brevard College faculty is inviting the student body to attend "Food for Thought," where various professors will be presenting on topics relating to racism, social injustice, prejudice, and discrimination. These presentations will take place over the course of the school year.

Past events have included presentations done by Dr. Lisa Busche, Dr. Allison O'Leary, Dr. Brandon Smith, and Dr. Jordan Kuck. Dr. Busche did a presentation called, "The Biased

Brain: Psychological Mechanisms of Prejudice and Discrimination." Dr. O'Leary did one that was called, "Black and Blue: The Psychology of Racial Bias in Policing." Dr. Smith and Dr. Kuck presented on, "What Do We Mean When We Say Equality and Social Justice? A Look at Two United Nations Documents."

Coming up soon, Dr. Laura Vance is presenting on "Exploding the Canon: Bringing Curriculum into the Twenty-First Century" on Sept. 30. at 3:15 p.m. in the IT lab in the lower level of the library. On Oct. 12. at 11:00 a.m. Dr. Joshua Wilkey and Dr. Kuck are presenting, "Monuments, Early Capitalism, and the Problems of Historical Memory" which will also be in the IT lab.

Past presentations have been recorded. Links to these recordings can be accessed on Canvas. Simply go to this link to be added to "Food for Thought" for more information. <https://brevardcollege.instructure.com/enroll/6M9GNR>

Presidential debate devolves into chaos

The first of four presidential debates—three between Donald Trump and Joe Biden, and one for Vice Presidential candidates Mike Pence and Kamala Harris—fell into chaos and cacophony Tuesday night, mainly because of the president's repeated interruptions, according to numerous media responses after the debate.

The Clarion will have more about the first debate in next week's issue.

The next debate will be Wednesday, Oct. 7 between the vice presidential candidates.

Senior Profile

Andonovska to graduate with honors

By Kym Caldwell
Arts & Life Editor

Aia Andonovska is from Fort Mill, South Carolina. She chose Brevard College as her undergrad because she knew she wanted to go to a smaller school. Aia also knew she wanted to go to a college in the mountains. After her tour at Brevard College, she was impressed with Brevard College's commitment to experiential education. She also loved that it was close to Pisgah National Forest, the Blue Ridge Parkway and DuPont State Forest. During her time here, she double majored in history and English with an emphasis in literary studies and a minor in art history. She is also in the honors program and will graduate with honors.

Brevard College has given her so many opportunities and relationships that she is very grateful for. During her sophomore year, she began working in the library. She thoroughly enjoyed working there and the librarians have become great colleagues of hers. Aia highly recommends it to other students; to reach out to the library staff for their research needs. They're extremely helpful. Many thanks to Chilly Heinz and Nancy Williard who made her feel right at home and who made working there very enjoyable.

During her junior year, she was a teacher assistant for FYE for Nancy Williard, which was also an experience that she enjoyed because it gave her an idea of what it's like to be in the classroom from a teaching perspective. This is something that Aia is interested in doing in the future. She also interned with the American Association of University Women Brevard Branch, or AAUW, and helped set up their events, along with working on their website and posting for their Facebook page. Aia also assisted with their voting process for the leaders of their organization. Her boss, Roberta Carver, is a very kind and knowledgeable woman, who she had the pleasure of working with closely during this internship.

Some faculty members at the college that have contributed to her education greatly are Margaret Brown, Joshua Wilkey, Anne Chapin, and John Padgett. She has really

enjoyed being in their classes during her time at Brevard College. She thanks them for educating her over the past four years in her interests in history and English.

She was also the president of the Pastimes History Club during her junior year. Aia is very proud to have had that leadership position, along with her role as vice president under now president, Eleanor Flannery. She has written for The Clarion for three semesters and have enjoyed writing for the school newsletter immensely. Aia is currently the Copy Editor for the student newspaper.

Aia has received an award for writing for The Clarion from Padgett and an award for leading Pastimes from Brown and she is honored to have received them. She also was really humbled to have received the President's Choice Award in the student art show last year for her photography. It was a picture taken in Macedonia, which holds a special place in her heart as she has family there, so it really meant something. Aia was nominated for homecoming princess her junior year, and

even though she did not win, she was still very appreciative to have been nominated for the role.

Her plans after graduation are to attend graduate school and study ancient history. Aia is really looking forward to studying history further and to get her master's degree. She hopes to teach higher education in the future.

Her advice to freshmen is to make the most of your time at Brevard College, enjoy the natural beauty of the mountains, and go to class. Work hard, keep your head up, and believe in yourself.

Aia is looking forward to presenting her senior project in the spring and graduating. It has been a long road and she never expected to be graduating amidst a pandemic but it is what it is.

Aia is very grateful for the connections and relationships she has made at Brevard College. She feels confident going forward into her professional career because of her education at Brevard.



Aia sitting in front of Cove Creek waterfall in Pisgah National Forest.

Courtesy of Aia Andonovska

FB group reunites cat with BC student

By Aia Andonovska

Copy Editor

Last week, Brevard College student Salena Malmin was scrolling on Facebook one morning when she noticed something familiar. She is a part of a group called WAX, or West Asheville Exchange, which is a community group for the city of Asheville. While looking at her phone, she came across a lady who had posted a picture of a lost pet. Salena was hesitant, but commented anyway, pretty sure that she recognized her long lost kitty, Blue.

Two years ago, in 2018, Malmin lost her home and her beloved pet in a house fire. In 2018, Blue the cat had just had kittens. After she had her babies, she was down in the dumps, and tried to escape the house. One day, she got out, and then a week later on Christmas morning, Malmin's house tragically burned to the ground. Heartbroken, Malmin set up flyers at local animal shelters for her lost fur baby and posted in several Facebook community groups but to no avail.

"We had to pack up what we could that night

[the house burned] and find a hotel where I lived for a whole month. Distraught, I would go back to Brevard every day pretty much, sifting through rubble, packing belongings, and trying to find my cat. I walked up and down Parkview Drive, searching for her, but I never saw her. Eventually we found a home in Asheville, and began a new life. A year passed by and I still didn't find my Blue. Since I still attend school here in Brevard I would go back and drive my old street trying to find her. It always resulted in tears." Malmin said.

Salena had been through a lot with Blue. In 2013, she was homeless, and staying at her sister's boyfriend's place. One day he brought home two kittens, one of them being Blue. After finding a better living situation, and upon finding out that her sister's boyfriend had been abusing his animals by beating them and not feeding them, Malmin rescued Blue and took her in as her own. She also got her some new things, including a hand knitted blanket, trying to make sure Blue was comfortable and settled.

So when Salena saw the Facebook post in WAX, she was pretty sure she recognized

her kitty but was not entirely sure, so she commented on the post. The woman who made the post graciously let Salena come over and see if it was her Blue, and it was! Based on the scars on her tail and ear, Salena was able to identify her long lost pet. The craziest part of this story is that the woman had found Blue about 1.4 miles from where Salena is living now in Asheville.

"I cried all the way home, and immediately went out and got her everything I could. Litter, food, toys, and a bed. All of it. That night she slept, and slept, and slept, and slept. She snuggled with my dogs who she has known since forever. She snuggled with me. She snuggled with that knitted blanket I made for her. I still get teary over it thinking about the fact that my cat is home. It took me a whole day to get over the shell shock. It's a statistical improbability. She should not be here, but she is and I don't care if I understand how she did it. I'm just so happy I have her."

Nothing can keep these two apart! They share a bond that cannot be broken.

Review

'The Devil All the Time'

By Margaret Correll

Editor in Chief

Among Netflix's many releases, an interestingly dark movie was released on Sept. 16, 2020. The Devil All the Time is a Southern Gothic novel based off of the book of the same name, written by Donald Ray Pollock.

The movie is based primarily in three specific small American towns and the areas in between: Meade, Ohio, Knockemstiff, Ohio and Coal Creek, West Virginia, which is the only town of the three that does not actually exist. The movie is told in an interesting way, with there not being an individual main character per se, many different characters throughout the movie do not have their stories told until the very end.

Much of the focus of the movie is on the Russell family, most importantly, Arvin who is played by Tom Holland. He is as close to a main character as this movie gets.

The Devil All the Time relies heavily on its many themes in a simple and almost depressing small town setting. The themes that it tackles are religion, corruption, murder, death and depression, among many others.

With a star-studded cast including Holland,

Robert Pattinson, Bill Skarsgård, Mia Wasikowska and Sebastian Stan, I think the movie depicted it's dark southern story very well. I think there could have been a bit more of a central focus to the movie, however, with all of the different timelines and stories it was a bit hard to follow. I liked how the stories intertwined at the end but it was difficult in the beginning to piece together who was who.

The other grievances I have with The Devil All the Time were the things that happened to the characters as well. I understand it is Southern Gothic and it is likely going to be sad, but everything that is bad seems to happen to every character. I felt like none of the characters could catch a break.

Overall, I enjoyed the movie and what it had to offer. I liked the narration by Donald Ray Pollock and it felt like he had quite a bit of involvement in the movie since he wrote it's source material.

I would recommend this movie to people who like dark and gritty settings. I would give this movie a 3 out 5 stars.



New temperature scanners causing problems on campus

By Kellen McGeorge

Staff Writer

As the pandemic continues, Brevard College has been looking for ways to continue ensuring that all students are safe to go to class. Recently, new facial scanners have been implemented to scan the temperature of students and print off a pass for them to go to class. How it affects student's lives for the rest of the semester is still up in the air as of right now.

The scanners were installed at the beginning of last week, on Monday, Sept. 21, 2020 in an attempt to help streamline the process of

temperature checking of students. While they have been working rather well the past few days, they did not start out on such a good note. Many of the major complaints about the scanners is that they are too sensitive of the position of the person in its camera, sometimes being unable to scan them if they are too far away or too close to the scanner. Some other complaints about the scanners is that they freak out if someone is wearing glasses, this would cause the scanners to not get an accurate reading of a person's temperature and will not give them a pass.

There are also problems with the printers running out of paper to print some passes for students, causing students to have to go to a different scanner at a different part of the campus to get a pass. This can cause students to run out of time to get a pass and have to scramble to get a pass so that they can get into a building with public needs, like the dining hall or the library.

Hopefully, these problems can be solved sometime in the near future and worked out to help the scanners to a better job and help students continue their studies for the rest of the semester.

It's okay to not be okay

By Isaac Ford

Staff Writer

Woah there – Positive Vibes Only!

A common axiom of modern society is that if life has got you down, if your goals and plans have fallen flat, or if things have gone terribly amiss, you should look on the bright side. It suggests and encourages that you must stay positive and reject whatever is "negative." Only then you can face, and do, anything life presents to you; this is the Way; this is the Truth; this is how you live The Good Life. There simply is no room for negativity – or negative vibes – on your Bright Side.

The Bright Side, however, can be a dangerous place. It is the side of life that most social media desires to convey. It is a happy side. People post pictures of their vacations, trips, outings, or events they attended at glamorous venues and stunning locations. Others post about their daily lives, their accomplishments, their celebrations, or upload their selfies. Life is grand, and so, so good.

It is also this side of social media that gets the most publicity, and for good reason. The Bright Side is bright because it's filtered. It is not life; it is artificial, as well as carefully chosen and planned to present a person's Bright Side of it, and because of this, the media loves to bash it for its inauthenticity. For those who use social media, though, envy and the Fear Of Missing Out that come with the endless scrolling and stimuli are all too common feelings – we can feel, profoundly so, that we are missing out on the Bright Side.

The Bright Side is not "life," but it is certainly where the good stuff happens. But serious stuff also happens. A couple experiences divorce, a family member dies, a friend commits suicide, a pet falls ill, or our relationship with our significant other may be in peril. We lose our job, or our home, and don't have enough money. We feel that the world is crashing down on us, and feel alone. Our plans are upended, and our lives did not go the way we wanted it to.

We are told "it could be worse," or "stay positive." But it doesn't change the fact that things still suck. Positivity becomes toxic when our feelings are invalidated or minimalized, or even worse – when we invalidate or minimize our own negative feelings by pushing, locking them away in the basement of our minds. There is nothing healthy about solely focusing on the good and grand and happy things if we deny, invalidate, and minimize our feelings in negative situations (which will happen).

To be human is to feel. It's to experience all the goodness that existence can bring – and its pain. We are emotional creatures; our emotions are not inseparable from our minds, no matter how rational we think we are. We are often sad, depressed, angry, upset, outraged, anxious, obsessive, lustful, heartbroken, and hurting.

But it is through our toils on the Dark Side that give the Bright Side its meaning, and its wonderfulness. When we have experienced pain, we can then understand what it means to be free of it. It is like Yin and Yang; one cannot exist without the other. Without the "bad stuff," we cannot truly appreciate or know the "good stuff."

While positivity is important, it must not become a lie. Everything is not always okay. We must realize that it is okay to not be okay. After all, we rarely are.

While we certainly should focus on the good things in life, there is a better solution – and one that doesn't involve downplaying our emotions or the feelings of others:

Authenticity and warmth.

It's being honest with yourself, and with others. It's not suppressing your feelings. It's being real and feeling your emotions, good and bad. It's comforting others in their times of trouble. It's recognizing their humanity. It's validating their feelings, but supporting them to challenge and break free of them. It's making room for the uncomfortable feelings in life, and taking the time to feel them. More importantly, it's letting someone know that they are not alone, and that you are there for them.

And it will make all the difference.



Photo from The Psychology Group Fort Lauderdale

Shearin named BC head softball coach

By Phil de Montmollin
Sports Information Director

BREVARD, N.C. – Breanne Shearin has been named Head Softball Coach at Brevard College, announced Director of Athletics Myranda Nash.

Shearin, who arrives at Brevard College from Columbia College in South Carolina, will begin her duties on October 7.

"We can't wait to get started with this new era of Brevard College softball with the arrival of Coach Shearin," said Nash. "Her understanding of the overall student-athlete experience, a keen attention to detail, and her expertise in the sport of softball makes her an ideal leader for the Tornados."

Since 2017, Shearin has served as Head Softball Coach at Columbia College where she most recently helped mentor four softball student-athletes to the Appalachian Athletic Conference All-Academic team in 2020.

"I am so excited for the opportunity to lead the Brevard College softball program," said Shearin. "I can't thank Myranda Nash and the athletic staff enough for trusting me through this process. The atmosphere on campus made becoming a Tornado an easy decision for me and I am excited to get started with the team very shortly. Go Tornados!"

A native of Jupiter, Florida, Shearin began her coaching career in January of 2017 as Associate Head Coach at Columbia College. She rapidly was elevated to Head Coach in June, 2017 where she went on to improve both the overall and conference record of the Koalas each season. Moreover, Shearin was able to bring in large classes as a recruiter totaling 50 student-athletes over three seasons.

Prior to her coaching career, Shearin was an accomplished softball student-athlete beginning her collegiate career at South Florida State College in Avon Park, Florida. At South Florida, she was a First-Team All-Conference performer as a third baseman, leading her squad in virtually every offensive category en route to being named the team's Most Valuable Player. Shearin then played at Palm Beach State College where she was named the school's Female Athlete of the Year, First-Team All-Conference honors, Team MVP and Offensive Player of the Year. She concluded her college career at Columbia College where she

was a team captain and named Second-Team All-Conference.

Active in the community, Shearin has been involved in the Miracle League which provides children and adults with severe disabilities the opportunity to play team sports. She also has worked with the Palmetto Animal Assisted Life Services where she assisted in training and placing service dogs to autistic children.

Shearin holds a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Behavioral Science from Columbia College and

currently is pursuing a Master's of Arts degree in Athletic Coaching.

To follow the latest news and updates surrounding Brevard College Athletics, follow the Tornados on Twitter and Instagram @ bctornados, subscribe to 'Brevard College Tornados' on YouTube, follow 'Brevard College Tornados' on SoundCloud, and 'Brevard College Athletics' on Facebook. In addition, follow 'brevardcollege' on Flickr for photos from Brevard College events.



BC soccer alumnus selected as USA South Decade Athlete of the Week

By Joseph Marvin
Assistant Sports Information Director

BREVARD, N.C. - Brevard College Women's Soccer alumna Ashley Hughes '19 has been selected as the USA South Decade Athlete of the Week honoree for the week of September 22-28. She becomes the first honoree from Brevard College to garner the award.

In the absence of competition for the Fall semester and its postponement to the Spring, the USA South Conference has decided to honor decade athletes of the week. Selections are based on student-athletes who were named Athlete of the Week within the current week over the past decade.

Hughes, a native of Charlotte, North Carolina, surged for five goals and two assists in an undefeated week for the Tornados in the Fall of 2018 to earn Women's Soccer Player of the Week honors from the conference.

First against Salem College, Hughes scored

the game's first goal in the first minute of action, helping the Tornados to a 2-1 victory. She followed that performance up with a hat-trick of goals and one assist versus Berea College in a record-breaking 7-0 victory for the Tornados at Ives-Lemel Family Field. Hughes wrapped up her impressive week in a 2-0 victory against Averett with a goal and an assist.

Hughes helped the Tornados to their first-ever postseason appearance during her record-breaking senior campaign, as BC earned a spot in the 2018 ECAC Women's Soccer Championships.

Hughes wrapped up her 2018 regular season at the top of many statistical records at Brevard. Her 19 goals in 2018 are a BC NCAA-era school record for single-season goals. She finished 2018 with 41 points, also a BC NCAA-era single-season record.

Hughes finish tied atop the BC record books for NCAA-era career goals scored with 25 and finished second in career points with 55.

The 2018 edition of BC Women's Soccer finished the regular season with 11 wins, matching a program-best set in 2017. Brevard's 11-7 regular season record in 2018 is second best in BC NCAA-era history, trailing only the 2017 Tornados who finished 11-6-1.

Following graduation, Hughes served as an Assistant Coach on Juan Mascaro's staff through the 2019 season. She is currently attending the MUSC James B. Edwards College of Dental Medicine in Charleston, South Carolina.

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