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There is No Place Like (a foster) Home.

Imagine answering the telephone late on Friday night and the voice on the other end asks, "We have an eight-month old boy that needs a home for a couple weeks. Can you help us?"

Gail Blankenship and her husband, Michael, answer calls like that most often with, "Yes."

Though every situation is different, the scenario is similar when calls come from the Department of Social Services. They are seeking temporary homes for children until a more permanent solution can be arranged.

Gail says they met an adorable little girl named Tori through the Greenville County foster child program in 2006.

"Since Tori has been living with us, her mother was diagnosed with terminal cancer. There was only one thing left to do — adopt her."



Gail Blankenship treasures the opportunity the local foster child program provides to offer comfort, support, and love to little children who need it most.

The Blankenships did not plan on fostering any other children. However, upon getting involved with the program, they saw the great need for foster families in the county.

Gail is manager of the Roe Center Court Office in Travelers Rest.

For information about the Foster Parent Association, visit www.gcfpa.org.

WE STOP FRAUD!

To protect you against fraud, Bank of Travelers Rest's Check Card has initiated a fraud protection service. If you are making an unusual transaction or traveling to a different state or country, our fraud protection service will call you to verify your check card purchase.

30% of fraud occurs during the first swipe of the card. If we can cut down on the amount of fraud occurring during this first transaction, we can save you time and the hassle of completing dispute forms. By having your contact telephone numbers on file at Bank of Travelers Rest, we can help prevent fraud.

Call us at (864) 834-9031 or toll free (888) 557-2265 to make sure we have your contact numbers. Together we can fight fraud.

Planning to travel? Call us first! Comments can be placed on your account to be on alert for unusual activity and notify us that your card is safe in YOUR hands and not in the hands of a fraudster.

How is your RETIREMENT PLANNING Stacking Up?

A Bank of Travelers Rest IRA puts you on the road to saving.

Saturday Banking 9-1:00

Roe Center Ct.
N. Pleasantburg
Pelham Rd.
Wade Hampton
White Horse Rd.

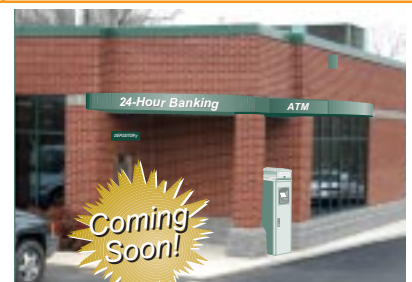
Be a part of Relay for Life!

Enjoy... SAME DAY CREDIT!

Beginning April 1, 2008, Bank of Travelers Rest accepts your deposits at all NINE locations Monday through Friday **until 6:00 p.m.** for Same Day Credit.*

Deposits made *after 6:00 p.m., weekends, and holidays* will be credited to the following business day.

*Deposits may be subject to bank's hold policy.



New ATM Drive-Thru Planned for Marietta Office.

In this artist's rendition, a newly designed double canopy will illuminate and shield the proposed ATM slated for the Marietta Office in early summer.

Bob Cashion, architect for the original building and the new addition, says the design features of the canopy will "update the look" of the office and, of course, provide a new service for banking customers.

Announcing...



John Paylor

John Paylor has joined Bank of Travelers Rest as Loan Review Officer at the Main Office in Travelers Rest.

A graduate of Presbyterian College, John brings three years experience in consumer and commercial lending.

He can be reached at (864) 834-9031.



Bank of Travelers Rest is pleased to sponsor the American Cancer Society's local signature event in Travelers Rest.

Relay for Life represents the hope that those lost to cancer will never be forgotten, that those who face cancer will be supported, and that one day cancer will be eliminated.

For more information or to make a donation, logon to

www.screlayforlife.org

When: Fri. - Sat., April 18-19th
7 p.m. - 7 a.m.

Where: 301 N. Main St.
Travelers Rest High School

Distance: 2.88 miles

in the
COMMUNITY

Bank of Travelers Rest proudly sponsors the following events:

Fri. / Sat., April 18 - 19th
7 p.m. - 7 a.m.

Relay for Life® Travelers Rest
(See adjacent panel)

Fri. / Sat., May 9 - 10th 8 p.m.

Slater Marietta Fire Department and H&W Rodeo will hold their Fourth Annual High School Rodeo at 205 Bates Bridge Rd., Marietta.

Sat., May 17th 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

6th Annual Strawberry Festival!
Admission is free. The festival is a fund-raising event for Foothills Family Resources, a non-profit agency dedicated to serving residents of Greenville County.

Thurs., May 29th 7:30 p.m.

Season opener...
Music By the Lake at Furman
Admission is free.
Concerts held every Thursday at the lakeside amphitheater.

Fri. / Sat., June 6 - 7th

Greenville Scottish Games & Highland Festival
Furman University - Athletics / Bagpipes / Dance / Children's Activities
Logon to www.greenvillegames.org for more information and schedule.

Sat., June 14th

TRAM - Travelers Rest Arts Mission Children's Art in the Park
Gateway Park, Travelers Rest

Sat., June 14th 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Make A Wish Foundation
Fund Raiser
The Cazbah 8th Annual International Wine Festival
Trade Street, Downtown Greer

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