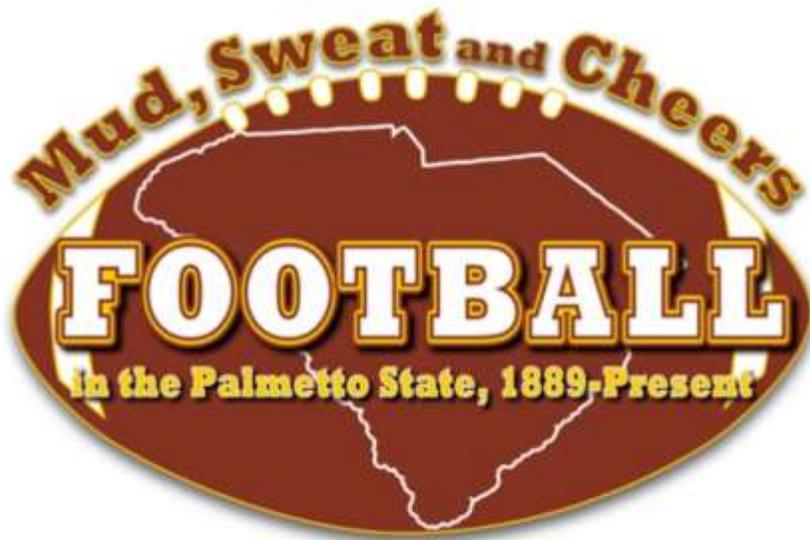


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In partnership with the City of Gaffney's presentation of
Hometown Teams: How Sports Shape America

Photos attached of Earl Clary's Spectacular Dive over the L.S.U. Line for Carolina's Lone Touchdown during the 1931 Carolina vs. L.S.U. football game and the Limestone College Football Display

Community Invited to Learn More About Our Sports Heritage on May 2

The Cherokee County History & Arts Museum at 301 College Drive in Gaffney invites the community to come learn more about our local and regional sports history during "Hometown Teams Day at the Museum," this Saturday, May 2, from 10:00am to 7:00pm. Free admission and a free gift for the first fifty kids will be offered, with donations accepted and appreciated.

A day of special activities to celebrate *Hometown Teams* in Gaffney, guests will have the opportunity to tour the *Mud, Sweat, and Cheers* exhibit, as well as the many additional artifacts related to Cherokee County sports that are a part of the Museum's permanent collection. Docent tours will highlight local sports stories and figures and guests will have rare access to the Coach Bob Prevatte scrapbook. The day will conclude with a Kentucky Derby cocktail party and viewing in the Event Hall in celebration of our local racing history.

Mud, Sweat, and Cheers: Football in the Palmetto State, is a temporary exhibit on the history of football in South Carolina that highlights the connections that Cherokee County teams and players had and continue to have throughout the state. Don't miss this opportunity to experience the fascinating stories behind legends such as Lou Sossamon, Willie Jeffries, and Bob Prevatte and rediscover the excitement that grid-iron greats like Earl Clary brought to South Carolina football. From the first days of our favorite

leatherheads to our most recent champions and NFL professionals this exhibit covers the entire field.

Mud, Sweat, and Cheers also includes topics on the origins of college and high school football, changes through the years, segregated schools, and its development since desegregation. The exhibit is open 10:00am to 4:00pm Mondays through Fridays now through May 14 and 10:00am to 7:00pm on Saturday May 2. Visit www.cherokeecountyhistory.org or call 864-489-3988 for more information.

