

A Change In Walterboro

The Sheriff of Colleton County for the past 10 years had been Cutter Ackerman. January 1, a new face took over the position as sheriff, and that was Eddie Chasteen. At age 30, Chasteen was one of the youngest sheriffs ever to be elected in the state of South Carolina.

Chasteen, a native of Marion, North Carolina, graduated from Dow High School and

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Wofford College. While attending Wofford, Chasteen worked full-time at Spartanburg Hospital as a security guard. He is married to the former Julie Crosby of Walterboro, and they have two sons, Lee and Robert.

The job of sheriff is being the "administrator of the department, investigating the crimes that occur, getting enough evidence to prove that is true, and getting the case ready to go to court," Chasteen remarked.

Chasteen has many ideas about making changes in Walterboro. "Making Walterboro, in law enforcement, a professionally-run department, crime watch, and prevention, and anything I can do to get the public involved with law enforcement will be a move in the right direction," he stated.

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Eddie Chasteen and his wife, Julie, discuss the election returns from each precinct.

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