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## New orders boosting Proterra

Battery-powered  
bus maker based  
in Greenville

By Mike Foley

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With its workforce doubled in the last nine months, a second production line installed, new sales and a host of new leadership, Proterra — the Greenville-based maker of battery-powered transit buses — is booming.

"It has taken a while for the early adopters to embrace this technology," said Heidi McNary, Proterra's vice president of marketing and one of the recent hires at the company. "They want to try it, to see that it works the way we say it does. It's all brand-new."

McNary said the company's last three sales to transit systems are repeat customers.

"We love that," she said, adding that current customers are the best salesmen as they can demonstrate actual transit routes that effectively use the 35-foot buses, and show they are quiet, clean and cost-effective.

On July 16, StarMetro of Tallahassee announced it bought a \$950,000 Proterra bus and three Proterra FastFill charging stations. Previously, Worcester (Mass.) Regional Transit Authority (WRTA) used a \$4.4 million Federal Transit Authority Clean Fuels grant to buy three of the zero-emission buses.

But the best is yet to come, McNary said.

"We can't announce it yet," she said. "But we've completed what is the biggest electric bus order in the history of the U.S. It's exciting."

Proterra has steadily increased its workforce and now has more than 200 full-time employees, McNary said. It also has 50 contract workers. And it's still hiring as it ramps up production.

In the August issue of *Bus Ride* — a trade magazine for the bus industry — CEO Garrett E. Mikita said Proterra built eight buses in 2012, is on target for 40 this year, and projects production of 100 buses in 2014. Mikita, a former Honeywell Aerospace executive, has only been at the helm of Proterra since May.

The U.S. bus fleet is aging,

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## MIDEAST TURMOIL



Egyptian army soldiers take out barbed wire that was surrounding the Supreme Constitutional Court in Cairo before planned demonstrations Sunday. The country's military chief vowed to face down violent protests following Egypt's bloodiest week in decades. GETTY IMAGES

# TENSIONS IN EGYPT CONTINUE TO RISE



A son of the late Ammar Badie prays Sunday at his father's funeral in Cairo. Badie, son of the Muslim Brotherhood's spiritual leader, Mohammed Badie, was killed by Egyptian security forces Friday. AP

## 36 dead after Brotherhood prison truck escape attempt

By Maggie Michael  
Associated Press

CAIRO — Egyptian police fired tear gas Sunday in an attempt to free a guard from riot-

the military-backed government says fuel the violent unrest.

The suspects killed were part of a prison truck convoy of some 600 detainees heading to

## Send a message to Egypt and cut aid, says Graham

By Clark Brooks

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Declaring that the Egyptian military is making martyrs of demonstrators supporting the Muslim Brotherhood, Sen. Lindsey Graham said Sunday that the U.S. should suspend aid to the embattled country and pressure both sides to move the fight from the streets to the voting booth.

"The best way to solve this problem is to write a new constitution where everybody has a say and have new elections. If you had new elections, the Brotherhood would get creamed at the ballot box, but they're going to be a very formidable force on the streets," Graham said Sunday on CBS' "Face the Na-



U.S. Sen. Lindsey Graham is calling for new elections and constitution in Egypt. AMR NABIL/AP

ting off aid also would put an end to Western investment and tourism, he said.

"I would be firm with the military and the Brotherhood," Graham said. "We do have a lot of influence. If American business stoms in-







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## Back to their roots

Former Dorchester 2 students return to district classrooms as first-year teachers



PHOTOGRAPH BY PAUL ZOLLER STAFF  
New teacher Carolyn McNair walks to a meeting Thursday as she prepares for the first day of school at Ashley Ridge High School. McNair graduated from Summerville High School in 2002.

BY BRENDA RINDGE  
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When the doors open at Dorchester and Berkeley county schools Monday, several teachers will be on the other side of the desk for the first time.

Some, like Allison Zobel and Mary-Kate Ward, will still understand when their students talk about videos on Vine or "Blurred Lines" or any other hot teenage trend. They aren't that far removed from them themselves.

The pair, both 27, are products of Dorchester 2 schools. Both graduated from college in 2013 and will be teaching at the district's Ashley Ridge High School this fall.

"The new (district-wide) teacher orientation was like a reunion of my high school teacher cadet class," said Zobel, a 2009 graduate of Summerville High

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First-year science teacher Mary-Kate Ward organizes her work space last week at Ashley Ridge High School.



New theater education teacher Allison Zobel prepares the prep room at Ashley Ridge High.



### READ MORE

To read more about what you need to know for the first day of school, go to [postandcourier.com/education](http://postandcourier.com/education). Are your kids ready for school? Go to [postandcourier.com](http://postandcourier.com) to vote.



PHOTOGRAPH BY PAUL ZOLLER STAFF  
Wouter Sijtsma, a captain in the Royal Netherlands Air Force, is taking flying lessons at the Charleston Aero Club, which is closing.

## Budget cuts prompt closing of Aero Club

Charleston AFB says program is too costly

BY SCHUYLER KROPP  
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In a far corner of the Charleston Air Force Base, pilots have been learning to fly recreationally for decades.

Their hangar was easy to spot, marked by a weathered plane mounted on high poles at the entrance.

But now the mission is coming to an end.

The Charleston Air Force Base's leadership has decided its Aero Club — one of multiple Pentagon-sanctioned clubs created to teach propeller flying after the Air Force was founded — will be disbanded at the end of this month.

Base commander Col. Richard McComb said the club has become too costly to operate in a period of shrinking budgets, losing more than \$100,000 in the last two years. The red ink shows that the group isn't in a position to generate "the flying hours necessary to overcome this deficit," he said.

"I cannot in good conscience continue an activity that serves such a niche population at so great a loss, without absolute assurance of its future profitability," McComb also said in a letter this summer.

One of the club's 100-plus members said the move is short-sighted.

"It's real sad for me to see this. It's like not having a sailing club on a Navy base."

Mike Stittler, club member

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## Big-gator hunts spur worries about breeding stock

BY BO PETERSEN  
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Big gators are starting to disappear — the really big ones, 10 feet or longer. The reason why is simple: Hunting.

That reduces the state of some of the animals that have caused the biggest problems for people, but it also takes away mature animals that are the breeding population.

Concern is gathering that the loss of "brood stock" alligators could again threaten an iconic Lowcountry animal that was hunted and poached for generations to the point of extinction in the Southeast, before the animal's placement on the federal Endangered

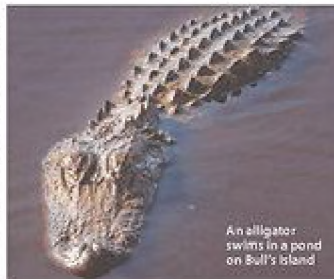
Species list in the 1960s.

The animals don't reproduce until they reach about 6 feet, or about 10 to 12 years old.

The state's one-month public hunt season opens Sept. 14 for the fifth year. Private land management hunts start about the same time and last until spring. "Nuisance" alligators that show up too close to people are removed and killed regularly during spring and summer months.

That adds up to more than 2,000 recorded kills per year, most of them the larger, breeding animals — females and males. And illegal killing and poaching continue.

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An alligator swims in a pond on Bull's Island.

### S.C. alligator harvest

2012

- Public hunt: 982 tags, 465 alligators taken, including 150 10 feet long or larger.
- Private land management: 608 tags, 296 alligators, including 36 10 feet long or larger.

2011

- Public hunt: 1,060 tags, 472 alligators taken, including 172 10 feet long or larger.
- Private land management: 574 tags, 220 alligators, including 27 10 feet long or larger.

2010

- Public hunt: 1,047 tags, 473 alligators taken, including 167 10 feet long or larger.
- Private land: 542 tags, 228 alligators, including 35 10 feet long or larger.



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# The State

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**FAREWELL TO GABBIIE**

## 'No light has ever shined as bright'

More than 1,000 people attend services  
for teen who was kidnapped and slain

By JOHN MONK  
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More than 1,000 on Sunday  
bid a last goodbye to Gabbiie  
Swainson, the long-missing  
murdered teen whose disap-  
pearance a year ago and tragic  
discovery of her body earlier

this month has long riveted the  
Midlands' attention.

"I'm not going to tell you  
God needed another flower in  
heaven - He created all the  
flowers, and this wasn't His  
way of getting flowers," the

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Elvia  
Swainson  
raises her  
hand in  
prayer  
Sunday  
before a  
photo of her  
daughter,  
Gabrielle  
Swainson.

## Doubts are dampening S.C.'s nuclear industry

By RODDIE BURRIS  
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The hallmark of the future of nucle-  
ar power right now is uncertainty.

Utilities largely have backed off any  
rush to forge ahead in constructing the  
next generation of expensive, new nucle-  
ar reactor plants - even though they  
seemed plausible just a few years ago.

Santee Cooper, the state-owned  
utility in Moneys Corner, continues to  
try to divest itself of some portion of its  
45 percent stake in two new reactors  
under construction at the VC. Sum-

mer Nuclear Station in Jenkinsville, a  
\$10 billion project.

SCE&G, the state's largest utility  
and principal owner of the Summer  
plant, maintains the 55 percent con-  
trolling interest.

Santee Cooper has been seeking a  
buyer for its stake in the plant for three  
to four years, without success. Talks  
continue with one suitor, Charlotte en-  
ergy giant Duke Energy.

The doubts are hard to miss.

A report from Georgia utility regu-

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**RIVER BLUFF HIGH**

## At Lexington school, the future is now



GERRY MULLENDEZ/GERMULLENDEZ@THESTATE.COM

The cafeteria at River Bluff High School, a state-of-the-art new school near  
Lexington. Some complain that the school is a Taj Mahal.

No lockers, no books, but there's a  
coffee bar and a school store - and  
the cafeteria looks like a food court

By TIM FLACH  
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The 1,500 students who  
start classes Monday at the  
new River Bluff High School  
near Lexington will  
learn in ways much differ-  
ent from their parents.

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about viewing a photo  
gallery of the new River  
Bluff High School. Also,  
check out what's new in  
Midlands area school  
districts at

**RETURNING  
THIS WEEK**

Following are return  
dates for Midlands-  
area districts. For a  
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and faces at these  
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# School starts today

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### WEATHER

# Blessed backpacks

## St. John's United hosts backpack blessing



Triplets Maddy, left, Jessica and Abigail Smith brought their backpacks to St. John's United Methodist Church on Sunday morning to be blessed. The girls are 9 years old.

BY DEDE BILES

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Maddy, Jessica and Abigail Smith, who are 9-year-old triplets, brought their backpacks to St. John's United Methodist Church on Sunday to be blessed. Maddy's book bag was purple with polka dots; Jessica's was pink with polka dots; and Abigail's was blue.

All three girls attend Mead Hall Episcopal School, and they were looking forward to today's opening of the 2013-2014 school year because "we're going to meet our new teachers, and we're going to have fun," Jessica said.

Having a blessed book bag to take to classes is important, according to Jessica.

"It means God will be with us at school," she said. "When I have a test, I kind of get nervous, and it helps me."

The blessing of the backpacks ritual was part of the 9:02 a.m. and 11 a.m. services at St. John's, which is located on Newberry Street. Each child with a book bag received a tag with the words "My Backpack Is Blessed" printed on it.

"We need all the blessings we can get," said Linda Taylor, who brought her 10-year-old granddaughter, Alexis Hooper, to the 9:02 service. "She came last year and enjoyed it, so we're back again this year."

They have the most important job in the whole world. They get the good; they get the bad. The fabric of society is in their hands.

**The Rev. Dr. George Howle,**  
St. John's United Methodist Church

John's gymnasium. The congregation sang "Jesus Loves Me," listened to the participants in the church's 2013 music camp perform and watched a skit that featured youngsters playing the roles of Jesus and some of his disciples.

The Rev. Dr. George Howle, who is St. John's minister, praised teachers.

"They have the most important job in the whole world," he said. "They get the good; they get the bad. The fabric of society is in their hands. The fate of the future of the United States of America is in their hands. They are awesome."

Howle also spoke about mothers and fathers, telling the children in the congregation: "Your parents are great because they put you first. Your parents are great because they want the very best for you. They want you to be safe, and they want to protect you. They want God in your life, that's the reason they bring you to church."



Anna O'Flaherty performs during a service at St. John's United Methodist Church on Sunday morning when a blessing of the backpacks was held.



Alexis Hooper got her backpack blessed at St. John's United Methodist Church on Sunday morning.



The Rev. Dr. George Howle, center, blesses children's backpacks on Sunday morning at St. John's United Methodist Church.



The Rev. Dr. George Howle, touching a blue book bag, blesses children's backpacks on Sunday morning at St. John's United Methodist Church.





## NASCAR RACE TO THE CHASE

Joey Logano takes the pole, wins at Michigan B1

### Weather



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## Slow down at school crossings

Officers to motorists: Drive with care or face ticket

By LEE G. HEALY  
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It's back to school for Spartanburg County students, and law enforcement officials are warning drivers to be alert.

Officials caution drivers to be observant around school buses, crosswalks and near school zones, especially during early morning arrival and afternoon dismissal times.

"Traffic will be greatly increased," said Lt. Bill Michels with the Spartanburg Public Safety Department. "Watch out for buses and vehicles as parents are dropping their kids off at school."

Michels said officers will be extra vigilant next week and watching for safety violations around the county's schools.

"Law enforcement will be out in force, writing citations for those who do not follow the school speed zone law of 25 miles per hour," he said.

Lt. Chris Leso with the Spartanburg County Sheriff's Office said the department's 29 school resource officers will spread out across all seven Spartanburg school districts, and the S.C. School for the Deaf and the Blind to help ensure a smooth transition to the new school year.

Leso added that the adjustment won't just be felt with parents and students, but also with many drivers on the roads in the mornings and afternoons. Commutes might take

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MICHAEL JUSTUS/FILE  
Janit Davis, second-grade teacher at Jesse Boyd Elementary School, welcomes Tania Gill to her classroom during last year's first day of school.

## Egypt: Cairo a battle zone

Residents attack each other in the warring streets

By AYA BATRAWY  
The Associated Press

CAIRO — Soldiers fired their rifles in the air to keep a crowd from attacking supporters of ousted President Mohammed Morsi as they were being taken, one by one, out of the Al-Fath mosque in Cairo where they had been besieged by security forces overnight.

One man in the crowd, however, was able to reach over the soldiers and strike a detained protester with a stick. Others chanted against Morsi's Muslim Brotherhood group.

The scene encapsulated the venomous mood in Cairo.

The streets of Egypt's capital have become a deadly battleground between Morsi's supporters and backers of the military that overthrew him. The crisis has severed friendships and, in some cases, turned neighbor against neighbor in the city of more than 18 million people.

More than 450 people have been killed in Cairo over the past four days, just over half the country's nationwide death toll during the week of violence. Hundreds of those victims died when Egyptian security forces attacked two pro-

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## HOW HIGH WILL THIS THING GO?



ALEX C. HICKS JR./ALEX.HICKS@SHJ.COM

Sheriah Boozer, 5, of Boiling Springs looks up as she rides the Ferris wheel in downtown Spartanburg. The last day for the Wheel of Lights and Inspirations (Ferris wheel), or WOLI for short, is Sunday.

## Police arrest suspect in fatal assault

By JENNY ARNOLD  
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After days of searching, a Spar-

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# Political fight continues

## DHEC chief, state senator spar about TB outbreak

By SCOTT J. BRYAN  
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The political gamesmanship between the state Department of Health and Environmental Control

(DHEC) and a Democratic state senator continues.

State Sen. Joel Laurie (D-Richland County) was one of three state senators who voted against DHEC director Catherine Templeton in Febru-

ary 2012, and he visited Greenwood on Friday for business and offered thoughts about DHEC's handling of a tuberculosis (TB) outbreak in Ninety Six.

Laurie, who grilled Templeton and

one of her top lieutenants, Jamie Shuster, during a Senate Medical Affairs committee meeting Aug. 8, said he's still unhappy with how

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JOEL LAURIE



CATHERINE TEMPLETON

### INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT

# BACK ON TOP

## Wall's temporary exit from retirement gives her a chance to help Abbeville School District



SHARON WALL  
Abbeville interim superintendent

### The Wall file

- **Name:** Sharon Wall.
- **Hometown:** Edgefield.
- **Occupation:** New interim superintendent of Abbeville County school district.
- **Family:** She and her three brothers grew up with their parents in Edgefield on a family farm. Her father is deceased, and she still takes care of her mother. She's close to her seven nieces and nephews, and nine great-nieces and nephews. She also has her horse, Claire and dog, Lucy.
- **Hobbies and activities:** Dancing, heading to the beach or mountains, Clemson football and all forms of sports, reading, walking, yoga, social and church activities with McKendree United Methodist in Edgefield. She's also a member of Edgefield County Hospital Board.
- **Favorite genre to read:** Beach novels.

By MICHELLE LAXER  
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### ABBEVILLE

Sharon Wall called herself the new kid on the block in Abbeville County school district, but with 40 years of experience, she's no stranger to public education.

Wall, who retired as Edgefield County superintendent in 2007, joined the Abbeville district in May. The school board selected her as interim superintendent until trustees could find a permanent replacement for the now-retired Ivan Randolph.

And she seems to be having a good time back at the top.

"I just can't get over how nice

everybody is," she said. "You walk in a restaurant and they treat you like you've lived here your whole life."

Wall officially started July 1, although she started the transition with Randolph's help days before.

Born in Augusta, Ga., her entire career was spent in her native Edgefield County. She started out teaching for nine years and ended with an eight-year stretch as superintendent. Along the way, she served as a school administrator, assistant superintendent and associate superintendent. After she retired, Wall started consulting for school districts across the state.

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### RELOCATION

## Bash on the move

### Halloween party heading to Oregon Avenue

By CHRIS TRAINOR  
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For years, the annual Boo Bash in Uptown Greenwood has been an enormously popular event for youngsters and families looking to score candy and have some fun just before Halloween.

While that event is set to once again provide thrills and fun for young Halloween season revelers, the City of Greenwood is set to make some changes to the Boo Bash this year, including the central location of the event.

City officials confirmed this year's Boo Bash, which is Oct. 29, will not take place along Main Street near the fountain, as has been customary. Instead, the city is set to close Oregon Avenue that evening and have a large portion of the Boo Bash take place there.

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CHARLIE BARRINEAU



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**TODAY'S WEATHER**

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## Coming Events

**Registration for Florence County Library Fall Programs:** Through Friday. The library has planned a variety of programs for children of all ages. Registration is required for all programs, and some programs are limited on the amount

of children. Day care centers may call for a separate appointment for Preschool Storytime. For more information and to register, call the Greenberg Children's Library at 843-292-7382.

**Vino's Palette Wine and Paint Workshop:** Today, 7-9 p.m. at Art Trail Gallery in Downtown Florence. Artist/instructor Jenny Altman guides guests through a social painting class with easy step-by-step instructions for completing a painting in one session. Cost is \$35 and includes materials. For more information or to register, call 843-667-0428.

**Adult Internet Basics Workshop:** Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Lake City Public Library, 221 E. Main St. At this workshop, participants learn to use the Internet, improve browsing skills, learn how to do Google searches, create email accounts and much more. Space is limited. To reserve a spot, sign up at the Computer Technology Center Desk. For more information, call 843-394-8071.

**Florence County Democratic Party Meeting:** Tuesday, 6 p.m. at Poyner Adult Education Center, 319 S. Dargan St., Florence. Meeting takes place in room 2A. Isaiah Nelson, field director, South Carolina Democratic Party, will speak. For information, call Sheila Gallagher at 843-669-5495.

**Auditions for Carolina Master Chorus:** Tuesday and Thursday, 6-8 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 901 N. Kings Highway in Myrtle Beach. The Carolina Master Chorus is seeking singers for its 2013-14 season, "Stories of Passion." The chorus welcomes all interested singers to attend an audition in August. Tenors and basses are especially needed. Participants may bring a prepared piece, but it isn't necessary. For information and to schedule an audition, call 843-444-5774.

**GED and HS Diploma Workshop:** Tuesday, 7-8 p.m. at Dr. John M. Thomson Public Library in Ocala. This is a free workshop for adults who want to earn their GED or S.C. high school diploma. To sign up, call 843-396-4287 or stop by the library.

**Children's Eye Health & Safety Month Program:** Wednesday, 4 p.m. at Lake City Public Library. Speaker will be Dr. Edward C. Johnson, an optometrist from Kings-tree. For more information, call 843-394-8071.

## Patriot Day ride to remember all who serve

Twelve years after 9/11, Pee Dee still honoring the sacrifices made by so many

BY TRACI BRIDGES  
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FLORENCE — The Florence County Sheriff's Office is gearing up to pay tribute in a very special way to those who have sacrificed the most since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

On Sept. 7, the Sheriff's Office will hold a benefit motorcycle ride culminating in a special ceremony at Florence's Veterans Park, which will com-

memorate the sacrifice and service of America's military and first responders. The service will also serve as a memorial for those who lost their lives in the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

"Anyone who's a true, red-blooded American remembers that day like it was yesterday," Florence County Sheriff Kenney Boone said.

"I think about those firefighters and law enforcement officers and those EMS workers who went running into those buildings with no second thoughts about their own safety, just wanting to help others. That's what this ceremony's about," Boone said. "This

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### WANT TO GO?

**WHAT:** 8th Annual Florence County Benefit Ride/Patriotic Celebration

**WHEN:** Sept. 7. Registration for ride begins at 9 a.m. Ceremony at Veterans Park is slated to begin about 1 p.m.

**WHERE:** Ride starts at Darlington County Raceway and ends at Creek Ratz in Florence, with a stop at the Veterans Park (behind Florence Civic Center) for a 9/11 Memorial Ceremony

**COST:** \$20 per bike; \$10 per rider. Admission to ceremony at Veterans Park and Creek Ratz after-party is free. Donations are encouraged.

**INFO:** All proceeds will benefit Florence County Sheriff's Office Special Projects, including Camp Pee Dee Pride and youth hunts, and the Wounded Warrior Project. For more information, call Florence County Sheriff's Lt. Wayne Howard at 843-665-2121, ext. 339, or Lt. Scott Brown at 843-665-2121, ext. 332.

## BACK TO SCHOOL



PHOTOS BY ILLIN MEDIA/MORNING NEWS

Florediza Hudson slides a tray of wheat breadsticks onto a cart in the Lucy T. Davis Elementary School kitchen Thursday. She and her fellow cafeteria workers spent last week unloading food shipments, organizing pantries and doing prep for the first day's meals: pancakes for breakfast and spaghetti for lunch.



Lynn Moore, a 4K assistant at Dewey L. Carter Elementary School, helps her granddaughter Harper Jones, 3, put away some toys in her freshly cleaned classroom while teacher Lisa Blakely chats with Jessica Jones in the background Friday. In between meetings last week, teachers organized their rooms, sometimes soliciting help from friends and family members.



Stanley Burgess fits a school bus seat with upholstery at the Florence School District 1 transportation lot off National Cemetery Road on Thursday. In addition to driving routes for Carver Elementary, Lucy T. Davis Elementary and Sneed Middle, the 28-year veteran bus driver is responsible for reupholstering the bus fleet's damaged seats.

## Paddling trail mapped along 800 miles in Southeast

The Associated Press

CHARLESTON — You might never be inclined to paddle a canoe or kayak from Virginia to Florida. But if the urge hits, an unbroken saltwater trail along 800 miles of the Southeastern coastline has been mapped out for you.

The Southeast Coast Saltwater Paddling Trail maps a route, along with scenic spur routes, along the coast between the Chesapeake Bay and St. Mary's, Ga.

It also provides the location of water access points and places one can find food, supplies, lodging or camping. The trail, five years in the making and unveiled in April, also connects with other paddling trails to the north and south.

The information is provided on one interactive website. In the past, paddlers would have to find the information on numerous sites, publications and brochures.

The trail is a joint project of state, federal and local governments that consulted with private groups and paddling enthusiasts in mapping the routes.

The project started when the Coastal Georgia Regional Commission, working with the Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program of the National Park Service, began mapping a trail in Georgia to connect with the existing Florida Circumnavigational Saltwater Paddling Trail. The Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail also had been mapped to the north.

So it made sense to connect Florida and Virginia trails through the Carolinas and Georgia, said Charlotte Gillis, who works with the Park Service assistance program in Atlanta.

"Before this, you were on your own. You had to look at North Carolina for their stuff and look at three or four dif-

## NEW YEAR, NEW LOOK



Christopher Hudson with Working It Out Barber and Beauty gives Arron Williams a free haircut at LuShaun's Barber and Beauty in Florence on Sunday before he heads back to school Monday. Shop owner LuShaun Moses said she was inspired to offer a day of free haircuts to kids going







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## 12 BROTHERS

AP  
In this Aug. 6 photo, the 12 Schwandt brothers pose for a photo in their home in Rockford, Mich. Clockwise from bottom right are, Tyler, 21, holding Tucker, 2 days, Vinny, 10, Drew, 16, Zach, 17, Charlie, 3, Calvin, 8, Brandon, 14, Luke, 19 months, Gabe, 6, Wesley, 5 and Tommy, 11. Jay and Kateri Schwandt welcomed their 12th child last week — and they're all boys.

## YOU'VE GOT TO READ THESE

Wire Reports

## ■ No small kindness

No more paying it forward for the driver behind you at the Georgia 400 toll plaza. A new rule from the State Road and Tollway Authority bans drivers from paying the toll for the person behind them in line. That became something of a local tradition over the last 20 years. But some drivers had recently complained that cashiers were pocketing the extra 50 cents when they didn't see their money being tossed into the coin basket for the driver behind them. Officials say a driver might not see the extra money being thrown into the change basket because the next motorist sometimes declined the money, allowing it to be passed to another driver.

## ■ American graffiti

A renowned illustrator says it was inevitable a mural he designed as part of a project to reduce vandalism on Rhode Island highways was covered with graffiti. The mural, completed in June in Providence, gives the illusion of a row of arches in front of a series of statues, as well as other elements. It was covered with red graffiti, which the state is trying to clean up, but the artist said getting rid of it might invite an endless fight with vandals. He instead suggests an "edit" to remove graffiti from the space between the arches, leaving just the arches vandalized. He said it might actually add to his idea.

## ■ Up to no good

A 19-year-old western Pennsylvania man who dressed up as a ninja and lurked near homes says he meant no harm and was just trying to help police catch bad guys. But neighbors who saw him sneaking around called police. The man was in court Wednesday, and waived his right to a preliminary hearing on charges of loitering, prowling at night and disorderly conduct. Police in Johnstown say they don't condone such behavior and that the teen frightened some elderly residents who saw him sneaking around. One neighbor said, "It looked more like he was trying to break into homes, not like he was gonna be a ninja and save the world."

## ■ Greased lightning

As many as 3,500 people and 1,100 cars crowded around the Krusty Kreme store in Burbank, Calif.'s Empire Center last week. Despite the throngs of custom car lovers, there were no arrests. The event was promoted through social media.

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# LEARNING TO HEAL



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Dr. Charles Kilgore, left, and medical student Syed Hasan, right, examine newborn Hunter Lebednik as proud dad Daniel Lebednik watches Thursday afternoon in the nursery at the Regional Medical Center.

## RMC begins education program for aspiring osteopathic physicians

T&amp;D Staff Report

The Regional Medical Center has become a clinical teaching site for students of osteopathic medicine, which proponents say offers a holistic approach to medical consultation, diagnosis and practice.

The Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine, or VCOM, is a private, four-year osteopathic medical school which offers the degree of Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, or D.O. Its two campuses are located in Blacksburg, Va., and Spartanburg, S.C., where the Carolinas Campus was established in 2011.

RMC has welcomed 16 third- and fourth-year medical students from the VCOM Carolinas Campus. Each will be provided an opportunity to see a wide range of medical disorders in both physicians' practices and area nursing homes during the year.

The students' rotations will include: family medicine, psychiatry, general surgery, geriatrics, obstetrics/gynecology, pediatrics, internal medicine and underserved care.

## RMC hosting Mabry Center celebration

Special to The T&amp;D

The Regional Medical Center will host a celebration ceremony highlighting completion of the expansion of the H. Filmore Mabry Center for Cancer Care at the Regional Medical Center on Tuesday.

The event begins at 5:30 p.m., and the community is invited to attend. Following the programs, there will be refreshments, tours and door prizes.

Located at 1161 Cook Road, Orangeburg, the Mabry Center was built in 1992 to treat and accommodate 400 patients a year. Last year, more than 1,000 patients were treated, and more than 5,000 radiation treatments were performed.

"Students will be with us applying what they have learned in the classroom to real-world medical experiences," said Dr. Terry Mac Math, RMC's director of student medical education.

Jana Brunken, a medical education

specialist at VCOM, said RMC will be receiving the college's first set of students to go out on rotation.

"The students will be working in the hospital and in clinics along with the MD physicians. They're going to bring their knowledge from health

Groundbreaking for the \$8 million expansion was held in June 2012. The 9,696-square-foot addition to the Mabry Center for Cancer Care at RMC has allowed for additional medical oncology space, exam rooms and patient, family and support areas, as well as a second linear accelerator to handle increasing patient volumes for radiation.

"Our Mabry Center has undergone a major expansion and has almost doubled in size to better accommodate patients' needs," noted Mabry Center Director Theresa Chandler, FNP-BC.

For more information about the Mabry Center for Cancer Care at RMC, call 803-395-4600, toll free in S.C. at 800-476-3377, ext. 4600 or visit [www.trmchealth.org](http://www.trmchealth.org).

care and their knowledge about holistic health. That's our focus. I know the students will be pleased to work in the area," Brunken said.

She said there is a difference be-

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## Egypt's descent







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UNREST IN EGYPT

## Military chief defends government's actions

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Staff reports

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### AAA RANKINGS

AAA Carolinas analyzed 2012 traffic accident statistics in South Carolina's 46 counties, factoring in estimates for the number of miles driven in each county. AAA then ranked the counties. In two categories — total wrecks and motorcycle crashes — Beaufort County was in the top quarter of counties with the most accidents.

Here are the county's rankings:

- 11 — Total wrecks (2,663 wrecks)
- 8 — Motorcycle crashes (48 injuries, three fatalities)
- 16 — Wrecks causing fatalities

## SETTLING IN

USC Beaufort students move in on campus for start of new year



SARAH WELLIVER • Staff photo

Elizabeth Stone, left, looks for daughter Liz Stone's bedding while Liz, center, and sister Maribeth Stone continue unpacking her belongings Sunday afternoon during move-in day at the University of South Carolina Beaufort's Grace White Student House on Carteret Street.

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University of South Carolina Beaufort students  
GET SETTLED IN

SARAH WELLIVER • Staff photo

Tanesha Rice, second from left, gets help moving into her dorm from brother Anthony Campbell, niece Dynaisha Washington and sister Asia Campbell on Sunday afternoon during move-in day at the University of South Carolina's Hilton Head Gateway campus in Bluffton.

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Another 10 or 12 students moved into the Grace White House across the street from the Historic Beaufort campus Sunday, said vice chancellor of student development Doug Oblander.

The majority of students moving in during the morning and early afternoon were freshmen like Brett Berlin.

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Slightly worse was the county's No. 8 ranking for the 62 motorcycle accidents that occurred in 2012.

In other categories, Beaufort County fared better but was still in the top half of the county-by-county rankings.

## It ranked:

- 16th in wrecks causing fatalities (23 deaths).
- 14th for wrecks causing injuries (1,215 people injured).

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