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Vets: Shelters hurt business

Bill would limit services offered by nonprofits



Rose Murray fills out paperwork at the Charleston Animal Society on Thursday, as her daughter Corinne, 3, pets their yellow Lab, Mason. Murray brought Mason there to have him neutered.

BY DIANE KINCH
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Rose Murray called a local veterinarian a and the Charleston Animal Society checking on prices to have her 8-month-old puppy, Mason, neutered.

The choice was a no-brainer when Murray, a North Charleston homeowner, found out she was eligible for an special program at the Animal Society and the procedure would cost only \$10. The private practice veterinarian would have charged about \$100, she said.

"We would have had to do it eventually," Murray said of the surgery. But paying full price "would have made it harder."

Not everybody is as thrilled about low-cost spay and neuter services as Murray. Some South Carolina veterinarians have become so concerned in recent years about animal shelters and nonprofit rescue groups offering a growing number of free and reduced-cost veterinary services that they have pushed legislation to file a bill in the General Assembly to limit the practice. The nonprofit groups often receive public money and grants so they can offer cheaper services.

The veterinarians say that gives those groups a competitive advantage, which is beginning to harm their private businesses. But local shelter group leaders say they aren't competing with private practices because most of their clients simply wouldn't take their pets to a veterinarian if free or low-cost services weren't available. The bill, which

By the numbers

Cost to spay or neuter a large dog

	Spay	Neuter
Shelters and rescue groups		
Charleston Animal Society	\$95	\$80
Pet Helpers	\$115-\$180	\$105-\$160
Doc Williams SPCA	\$85-\$105	\$65-\$85

Private veterinarians

Oakbrook Veterinary Clinic/Summerville	\$240-\$265	\$223-\$248
Patrick Veterinary Clinic/Charleston	\$252	\$242
Barfield Pet Hospital/West Ashley	\$300	\$200

*Further reduced-cost or free services available for some people who meet income or residency qualifications
*Estimate for dogs older than six months

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From left, Sean Brock of Husk and McCrady's, Mike Lata of The Ordinary and cookbook co-author Nathalie Dupree.

3 make Beard Awards short list

Chef, oyster bar, writer named

BY TERESA TAYLOR
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The home field advantage lived up to its reputation Monday as cheers erupted when three of Charleston's own received nominations for James Beard Foundation Awards, the "Oscars" of the food world.

Advancing to the foundation's 2013 short list, or finalists, were Sean Brock of McCrady's and Husk for Outstanding Chef and The Ordinary oyster bar and seafood home for Best New Restaurant. "Mastering the Art of Southern Cooking," by Nathalie Dupree and Cynthia Graubart was nominated in the American Cookbook awards. Dupree lives in Charleston, Graubart in Atlanta.

The New York-based foundation, which counts more than 4,000 members, held the annual announcement in Charleston for the first time. The luncheon took place under a large tent at Lowndes Grove Plantation, where even the no-seemings got in the spirit, munching on those in attendance.

"Well, why are we here?" asked Susan Ungaro, the foundation's president. "You are one of America's favorite food cities."

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Trimming the field in 1st District

Voters to winnow candidates to 2 or 3

BY ROBERT BEHRE
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South Carolina's fastest-paced and most-crowded congressional primary in memory will unfold today, as voters go to the polls from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and pick among 16 Republicans and two Democrats.

And the U.S. Justice Department will be watching.

On the GOP side, the 1st District field includes a former governor, five current or former state lawmakers, a school board member, a former sheriff, a former Charleston County councilman and a host

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Coverage today

Follow our 1st District election coverage today at postandcourier.com and on Twitter at 1stSC. For candidate profiles and more, go to postandcourier.com/first-district.

Erosion cuts away at Beachwalker Park

BY BO PETERSEN
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KIAWAH ISLAND — The eroding bank of the Kiawah River tore a small chunk from the Beachwalker Park parking lot over the weekend — a sign of the fragility of the land over millions of years of Capt. Sam's Spit.

Meanwhile, the S.C. Environmental Law Project has petitioned the state Supreme Court to rehear the case over a proposed seawall for a road planned from that parking lot to a proposed 50-home development on the spit. The court rarely rehears cases, and rehearing this one would be even less likely, but it has some chance, a law professor says.

Eleven parking spots at the popular Beachwalker Park adjacent to the spit have been fenced off as a precaution after erosion began undermining the most vulnerable point of the lot.

"That part of the river is eating into the bank," said Phil Macchia, operations director for the Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission. The commission is looking into how to can shore



A group of parking spaces is blocked off at Beachwalker County Park by fences and caution tape Monday due to erosion.

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INTO THE WEST

NCAA WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT

Who: No. 4 seed USC (24-7) vs. No. 13 seed South Dakota State (25-7)

When: Saturday, 4:10 p.m.

Where: Boulder, Colo.

TV: ESPN2

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USC women, fans react, **B1**

NCAA Women's Bracket, **B4**

USC teammates Aleighsa Welch, left, Tiffany Davis, Tiffany Mitchell and Iesha Walker react Monday during an NCAA tournament selection and fan appreciation party at the Colonial Life Arena McGuire room.

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1ST DISTRICT CONGRESSIONAL SEAT

Turnout will decide today's election

Race seems to be who challenges Sanford in GOP runoff in 2 weeks; Colbert Busch expected to win for Democrats

By GINA SMITH
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BEAUFORT — In special elections like today's 1st Congressional District primaries, turnout is almost certain to be light — about 30,000 voters, campaign officials speculate.

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Sanford



Colbert Busch

campaigns.

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campaign adviser to GOP candidate John Kuhn, an attorney and former state senator. Whetsell consulted on Texas Gov. Rick Perry's 2012 presidential campaign and led U.S. Rep. Tom Rice's team to victory for his new seat in Congress in November.

"It's all about turning out every one of your supporters," he said.

Sanford is expected to take about a third of the Republican vote and slide into a first-place finish. But he is not expected to take a

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U.S. Chamber, trade groups back smelly mega dump in Lee County

S.C. Supreme Court to decide whether to throw out previous verdict

By SAMMY FRETWELL
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The U.S. Chamber of Commerce and national trade associations are backing South Carolina's towering Lee County mega dump in its fight against people who say the landfill is ruining their quality of life.

Six neighbors of the Lee County landfill won a stunning \$2.3 million court verdict last year, when a federal jury agreed that powerful odors from the dump had escaped the site and affected nearby residents.

The verdict was a major victory for people fighting the waste industry in South Carolina, but the landfill's operator challenged the decision — and the potential precedent caught the attention of big businesses worried about a flood of lawsuits if the verdict is not overturned.

A REPORTER LOOKS BACK ON INVASION OF IRAQ



FILE PHOTOGRAPH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Soldiers with A Company 3rd Battalion 7th Infantry Regiment are given packets of meals ready to eat after being resupplied in the desert near Karbala in central Iraq on March 27, 2003.



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WINNING PICK

Experts offer tips on choosing No. 1

BUSINESS

State jobless rate ticks up in January

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FINAL EDITION

DUKE WANTS TO HIKE RATES

Utility says third increase since 2010 would help offset cost of more efficient power plants

By Rudolph Bell

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Duke Energy, which has been allowed to hike its rates twice since 2010, the last time barely more than a year ago, is asking South Carolina regulators for permission to raise prices again.

This time the Charlotte-based power company is seeking 17.75 percent more from most of its residential customers in South Carolina, saying it needs the extra money to recoup what it has spent on cleaner and more-efficient power plants and equip-

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\$17.83

Additional cost of a monthly bill for 1,000 kilowatt hours, according to Duke. Including some residential customers with lower rate schedules, the average increase for households would be 16.3 percent.

Duke officials say the increase would generate \$220 million more each year from \$40,000 retail customers in S.C.
NELL REDMOND/AP

PARIS MOUNTAIN CONDO PLANS DRAW IRE



Residents, cyclists, park lovers turn out to voice their concerns

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One by one, citizens stood or sat in line to speak before Greenville County Council on Monday night, their voices filling the room as they voiced their concerns.



Greenville County residents wait to speak in opposition of the proposed Paris Mountain community, Alterra, during a public hearing at Greenville County Council.

State opposes Sterling parole

Ex-HomeGold chair went to jail last year

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Saying that victims in the case have "suffered enormously," the state Attorney General's Office said it will oppose parole for the former chairman of HomeGold, the parent company of Carolina Investors.



Sterling

Jack Sterling of Greenville, who turned 75 Saturday, last April began serving a five-year prison sentence on a securities fraud conviction. His first parole hearing is Wednesday in Columbia.

In a statement, Sterling's attorney, Jon Ozmint said, "On behalf of Jack Sterling, we have great respect for the (state) parole board and the statutes and regulations governing their important and difficult work."

"We also appreciate and respect the roles and input of all involved in that process. We are grateful for the privilege of appearing before the parole board."

Sterling was the last of six company officials convicted on criminal charges in the financial collapse of Pickens-based

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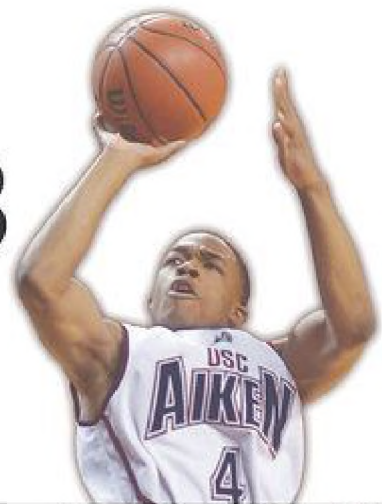
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Pacer men making play for history | 1B

Tonight's championship game has the potential to be the most important game in USC Aiken program history

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While we do not know the intent of the unauthorized disclosure ... DOE has encouraged Site employees to be vigilant in monitoring financial transactions and emails or phone calls relating to such personal transactions ...

Document released to SRS employees

SRS workers' data might have been compromised

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The personal information of 12,000 Savannah River Site employees may have been compromised, according to the Department of Energy. The DOE is reporting there has

been no classified information taken from the top secret, nuclear weapons complex site. However, DOE officials said they remain in the dark over who perpetrated the leak and why the information was taken. DOE officials would not yet release details on when the breach happened.

"Based on preliminary reviews, it is estimated that PII (Personal Identifying Information) for over 12,000 individuals may have been affected," a document released last week to employees reads. "The Savannah River Site's Cyber Security Team identified this unauthorized disclosure of PII.

Initial indications are that this disclosure was not the result of a cyber-intrusion and no classified data was compromised." The response and the data breach is reminiscent of that which is currently

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Mary C. Harrison, Warrenville
Spencer Strong, Williston
Thomas Houston Kelley, Aiken
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WEATHER

Steeplechase boasts elaborate tailgates



M.L. Sharp, Susan Kremer, Donna Ritter and Kaki Lyons enjoyed a lavish tailgate at Spring Steeplechase last year. Rain or shine, tailgaters have fun eating and drinking their way through the races.

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One fine reason that Aiken's Triple Crown has first footing to the Spring Steeplechase is the fun—the festive atmosphere that can only be found when using fine china when eating out of the back of a pickup. Tailgating for the races is like that of college football games, but with a lot more hats, dresses and colorful preparations.

"Some people do go all out," said Derrick McLane of Aiken. "Half of the fun of the Steeplechase is the preparation. Most people come with

before it starts." While some enjoy the simple hot dogs, beer and a tray of chicken fingers, there is a big upswing of sophistication—or at least relative opulence—dealing with the Sport of Kings.

While many of the most spectacular decorations are seen in the exclusive Guernsey's Tent, many others like to play high society at the Steeplechase as well.

Last weekend at the Aiken Trials, Stacey Wright, who is wintering in Blythe, Ga., turned heads with her party area, set with antique wooden fencing, equine memorabilia and a large horse statue decked out with a feeding bag and a chef's hat.

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Derrick McLane, Aiken

SUV hatches is all likely to be seen again Saturday.

"In the past years, we have done it all: Linens, flowers, chafing dishes and our signature cocktails," McLane said. "We have things

Compass Academy hit with civil suit

Woman claims name was forged on documents

BY MIKE GELLATLY
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A civil lawsuit has now been added to the pile of recent issues surrounding Compass Academy and its founder, Jonathan "Jay" Brooks.

Sandra Fadelley of Aiken has filed a civil suit in Circuit Court claiming that Brooks forged her signature, badly, when he sold all of her stocks and invested the money in Brooks' own Compass Academy project.

The lawsuit, which Fadelley is hoping will become a class action suit, has been filed against Compass Academy, Brooks, J. Brooks Financial LLC and Brooks Real Estate Holdings.

Individually, Fadelley claims she became a client of Brooks and his companies on Jan. 24, Brooks took control of her funds and soon after, "without Plaintiff's knowledge or consent, sold all stocks owned by" Fadelley, according to court documents. This allegedly unrequested sale cost the defendant capital gains tax and broker fees, the complaint states.

Then, on Feb. 19, again without the consent of Fadelley, Brooks is alleged to have forged the signature of his client and transferred the funds to an account of Compass Academy, according to the complaint.

"This is not the signature of the Plaintiff as Plaintiff does not sign her name this way and 'Sandy' is misspelled on the document," the complaint reads. Attached to the complaint are two exhibits of electronic funds transfers forms with the signatures "Sandy Lee Fadelley." According to records, Fadelley truncates her name to Sandi—not Sandy.

On Eds. 27, a very similar incident is described



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Man sentenced to 25 years for molestation



Selsey
Sentenced

Jimmy Selsey, 40, of Beaufort pleads guilty to abusing 10-year-old girl

By ERIN MOODY
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A Beaufort man pleaded guilty Monday to molesting a 10-year-old girl and was sentenced to 25 years in prison.

Just before jury selection began at the

Beaufort County Courthouse, Jimmy Selsey, 40, pleaded guilty to three counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct with a minor, according to a news release from the 14th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

Selsey is required by law to serve at least 85 percent of the sentence — 21 years and

three months — before he is eligible for parole, according to the release. The sentence was handed down by Circuit Court Judge Carmen Mullen.

Selsey was accused of touching and having intercourse with the girl on several occasions in October 2011.

Investigator George Erdel of the Beaufort Police Department said the child lived part-time with members of her extended family and part-time at a home on Lafayette Street, where Selsey also lived.

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1st CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

IN HOTLY CONTESTED RACE, EVERY VOTE COUNTS



Richard Orlage casts his absentee ballot at Hilton Head Island Town Hall.

File • Staff photo

With turnout likely to be light, primary hinges on who can get supporters to the polls

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

All voters will be asked to provide one of the following types of photo ID today at their polling places, which will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

- South Carolina driver's license. Out-of-state licenses will not be accepted.
- Another type of South Carolina identification card issued by the S.C. Department of Motor Vehicles
- South Carolina voter registration card
- A federal military ID
- U.S. passport.

FUTURE OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

GOP's analysis calls for change

An internal report said the GOP will struggle to win elections if it doesn't overcome the perception the party is narrow-minded.

By DAVID LIGHTMAN
 McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — The Republican Party's got a big image problem that won't easily be overcome, as a new GOP study found it's often viewed as the party of "stuffy old men" with a weak, ineffective message.

Without changes, the report warned, "it will be increasingly difficult for Republicans to win another presidential election in the near future."

The party remains plagued by a perception that minority voters are not welcome and that Republicans lack tolerance for those who back gay marriage, abortion rights, generous Medicare benefits and other flash points that dominate the American political debate.

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DEFENSE BUDGET CUTS

Hagel requests review

By CRAIG WHITLOCK
 The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel has ordered the

'WE BELONG'

Staley, USC women reach NAAs for second straight year



More hoops

Former SMC player reaches national tournament; Limestone's run ends.

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College attack foiled

A college student with two guns, hundreds of rounds of ammo and a backpack filled with explosives pulls a dorm fire alarm in an apparent attempt to force other students out into the open so that he could slaughter them, authorities say. But he instead puts a bullet in his head as police close in. **PAGE A4**

GOP laments image

The Republican Party is worried about its image, especially after a new GOP study found it's often viewed as the party of "stuffy old men" and the rich. **PAGE A3**

Wildfire in Tenn.

Heavy rains help firefighters contain a Tennessee wildfire after flames burned nearly 60 rental cabins in a resort area outside the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. The fire spreads across about 160 acres and forces up to 200 people who had been staying in cabins in the area to evacuate. **PAGE A7**

Tragic anniversary

Two years ago today, Spartanburg's Cleveland Park turned into a chaotic nightmare when its miniature train derailed, killing one boy and injuring others. Many of the families are still waiting for compensation for injuries. **PAGE C1**

Penalty challenged

A Johnson & Johnson subsidiary is going to the state Supreme Court to argue why it shouldn't have to pay the state hundreds of millions of dollars for deceptive drug marketing. **PAGE D1**

Weather

Duke asks for 15 percent raise

Energy utility says modernizing its plants has driven up costs

By TREVOR ANDERSON
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Duke Energy customers in South Carolina could soon see their power bills increase for a third time since 2009.

The Charlotte, N.C.-based utility announced Monday that it has filed a request with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina to raise its rates by 15.1 percent, or \$220 million.

Duke Energy, which serves 540,000 customers in South Carolina, said more

than half of the latest request is driven by capital investments it has made to modernize its system and comply with state and federal emissions regulations.

"Keeping the lights on is our number one job," said Duke Energy spokesman Ryan Mosier. "We've invested hundreds of millions of dollars in not only improving the efficiency of our plants, but making them cleaner, in addition to implementing a number of security upgrades."

The company said the proposed rate increases would increase residential customers' bills by 16.3 percent, commercial by 14 percent, industrial by 14.4 percent and lighting by 15.9 percent. For example, a residential customer who uses 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity per month and currently pays \$100.45 will see their bill increase by \$17.83.

Duke Energy said it is trying to

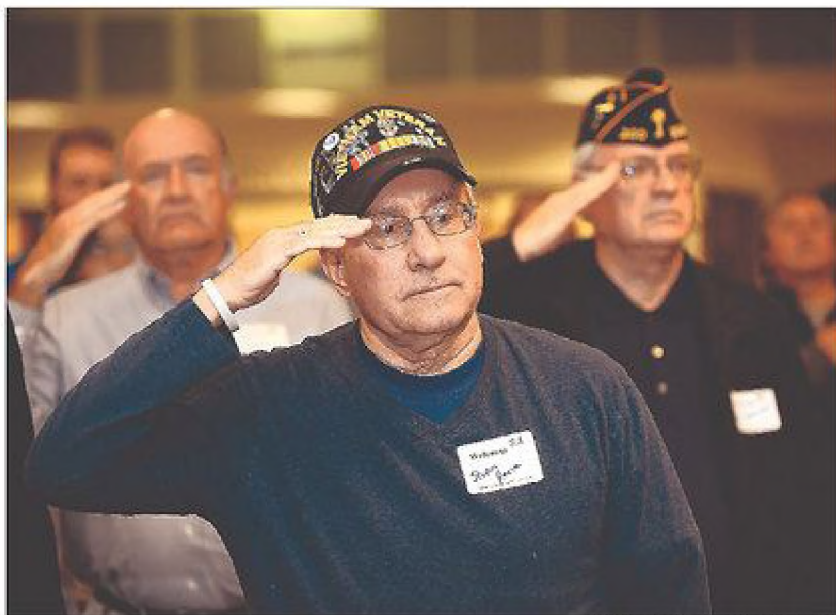
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How high could it go?

Proposed rate increase, by Duke Energy customer:

Residential: 16.3 percent
Commercial: 14 percent
Industrial: 14.4 percent
Lighting: 15.9 percent

High school honors those who served



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U.S. Navy veteran Steve Reese, center, salutes during Boiling Springs High School's "Recognition and Reception" program Monday night at the school. The program was part of students' Veteran Interview Project and honored servicemen from several conflicts throughout history.

KIDS AND TECHNOLOGY

Snapwhat? Instawho? Social media explosion befuddles many parents

By ANNE ELAHERTY

your location to friends in case they

Rate of jobless barely budges

SC unemployment trend mirrors US

From staff and wire reports

South Carolina's unemployment rate increased slightly in January.

The Department of Employment and Workforce said Monday the jobless rate in January was 8.7 percent. That's up from a revised rate of 8.6 percent in December.

In Spartanburg County, the unemployment rate rose six-tenths of a point to 8.9 percent in January, compared with 8.3 percent in December. Unemployment declined by more than 1,000 jobs, and the number of people filing for jobless benefits grew by about 7 percent.

Cherokee County's rate jumped nearly a full point to 12.1 percent during the month, compared with 11.3 percent the previous month. Even though the county's employment increased by 65 jobs, it added almost 300 people to its labor force, and unemployment grew by 8 percent.

Union County's jobless rate, the eighth highest in the state, increased nine-tenths of a point to 14.3 percent in January, compared with 13.4 per-



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Main Street to close

City Council passes measure to shutter road during annual BBQ bash

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Greenwood City Council passed a measure Monday night that will clear the way for the section of Main Street that runs through Uptown Greenwood to be closed off during this summer's South Carolina Festival of Discovery.

The annual barbecue and blues bash — one of the biggest such parties in the Southeast — will be July 11-13. Council passed a resolution Monday night that provides for the closure of the section of Main Street that cuts through Uptown to be closed at 6 p.m. July 11 and will remain closed until early July 14.

Traffic will be detoured around the

Uptown area during the barbecue festival.

City manager Charlie Barrineau said the next step will be to coordinate with the South Carolina Department of Transportation on the details of the proposed road closure.

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Greenwood City Councilmen Ronnie Ables, left, and Johnny Williams glance up at a presentation Monday during City Council's regular legislative session.

GREENWOOD

Council meets with delegation

County, state leaders discuss several topics

By CHRIS TRAINOR

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It appears the Greenwood area legislative delegation will soon have a designated meeting space and phone line on Greenwood County property.

The legislative delegation and Greenwood County Council had a — somewhat rare — joint meeting Monday afternoon at the Greenwood County Veterans Center.

The delegation and the county were in preliminary talks for some time about the possibility of the delegation getting some county office space and a phone line.

A section of state law says, "(C)ounty councils shall provide office space and appropriations for the operation of the county legislative delegation office, including compensation for staff personnel and necessary office supplies and equipment."

Members of the Greenwood legislative delegation said they don't want the county to hire any additional personnel to accommodate their requests.

"In conversations I've had with the delegation members, we don't feel like we need an office, per se, if we just had space that we could use when it's needed," state Rep. Anne Parks said. "The main thing we have to do, as far as correspondence, is making appointments. In our conversations, we also said, if we had a phone line (on county property), maybe somebody that is already employed (with the county) could answer that phone line for us, not that it's going to ring that often."

"I couldn't see myself doing anything else. You've got to have it in your heart, the care for your patients."

— Christi Norton, EMS worker

TAKING ACTION

Rapid response part of the job for Lakelands EMS crews

By MATT BRUCE

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Arlene Smith remembers the day vividly. Smith, a 14-year veteran of Abbeville County's emergency medical services, was coming off of a call near the end of her shift, and leaving the Long Cane Fire Department near the east side of town.

That's when the call came in: A train overturned near Hagler Street in Abbeville.

"It was like a shocker," Smith said of the day. She was one of several area EMS workers who provided first response to the CSX train derailment last March, which captured statewide headlines.

Smith worked tirelessly several hours past her shift to help clean up the mess that morning. Christi Norton was with her.

Norton, a fellow EMS worker, said her first concern was whether anyone was hurt. Then, her mind went to

what the train was carrying.

"On a moment's notice, we have to take action," said Norton, a 17-year EMS veteran. "I couldn't see myself doing anything else. You've got to have it in your heart, the care for your patients."

The Abbeville County paramedics are two of nearly 120 EMS workers in all four of the Lakelands-area counties. EMS is the first line of medical care in times of crisis, treating citizens many times as life and death hangs in the balance.

The critical nature of the job makes rapid response an integral factor, by which most EMS agencies grade themselves.

The Index-Journal looked at Lakelands EMS response times and some of the issues affecting it when the clock is ticking on an emergency call.

Greenwood County Emergency Services Director Derek Kinney understands the importance of public services such as EMS. And he knows their significance extends beyond the immediate safety matters

involved.

"Industries want to move to Greenwood, and one of their most important questions is 'What are the capabilities of emergency services,'" he said. "They look at all of that. They want to know what kind of response we've got, what kind of service we're providing, how long does it take for the services to get there? It's a vital economic component as far as growth because if you've got an emergency service — fire, EMS, law enforcement — you've got a safe community, which makes it more attractive for them to come in."

Greenwood County has seen its fair share of growth in recent years. Of the four counties in the Lakelands, it is by far the most populated with a shade less than 70,000 residents, according to U.S. Census numbers. That's a more than 5 percent uptick from the amount of residents in Greenwood County in 2000. The swell in population impacted

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SALUDA

Still no decision on chief

New solutions to end deadlock fail

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SALUDA — A desperate Saluda Town Council attempted two new solutions Monday night to end the town's seven-month police chief vacancy.

Saluda has been without a full-time police chief since the Aug. 16 resignation of former police chief Mike Clancey. Council has been deadlocked 2-2, between two of the three finalists: Pat Griffith and Lamaz Robinson.

Pat Griffith is the brother of Councilman John Griffith and led to the latter's recusal from any vote or discussion on filling the vacancy. That recusal led to three consecutive council meetings of deadlock. Mayor Frank Addy and councilwoman Anissa Turner supported Griffith, a former parole officer, while councilmen Obie Combs and Robert Butler supported Robinson, a sergeant with the Johnston Police Department.

The third finalist, Kes Holmes, a police officer with Saluda Police Department, has not been nominated.

At the special-called meeting Monday evening, Council heard two different questions to



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Harbour Town clubhouse to be replaced

Construction part of \$25 million in renovations for Sea Pines Resort

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Another round of major renovations is in store for Sea Pines Resort, including another new clubhouse.

The second new clubhouse will be at famed Pete Dye-designed Harbour

Town Golf Links, home to the PGA Tour's RBC Heritage Presented by Boeing.

Resort officials confirmed plans Monday for an estimated \$25 million in renovations, including tearing down the Harbour Town clubhouse and building a larger, modern

version, along with changes to the Ocean Course and upgrading the Beach Club. The renovations come on the heels of a \$15 million investment to replace the Plantation Club that overlooks the Ocean Course and Pete Dye-designed Heron Point golf course, which is scheduled for

completion February 2014.

The Harbour Town Golf Links clubhouse was built in 1969 — the same year the golf tournament began on Hilton Head — and has one of the smaller locker rooms on the PGA Tour.

During the first 31 years of the

tournament, players were separated by name into the men's and women's locker rooms in the lobby of the clubhouse. In 2000, the players moved into a new facility, which was built along with the new conference center, but the PGA Tour said it still was too small to accommodate the more than 130 players in the Heritage.

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In today's 1st District primaries, TURNOUT COUNTS



File • Staff photo

Richard Oriage casts his absentee ballot at Hilton Head Island Town Hall.

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By **GINA SMITH**

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In special elections like today's 1st Congressional District primaries, turnout is almost certain to be light — about 30,000 voters, campaign officials speculate.

With former Gov. Mark Sanford well in front of the GOP pack, according to most polls, the Republican able to join him in an expected runoff will have to turn out supporters at the polls en masse,

according to advisers for the various campaigns.

"There are some high schools in Texas where you have to get more votes to be student government president than what it will take to come in second place in this race," said Walt Whetsell, campaign adviser to GOP candidate John Kuhn, an attorney and former state senator. Whetsell consulted on Texas Gov. Rick Perry's 2012 presidential campaign and led U.S. Rep. Tom Rice's team to victory in November.

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REPUBLICANS' SELF-ANALYSIS

GOP: Time to fix our image

By **DAVID LIGHTMAN**
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — The Republican Party has a big image problem that won't easily be overcome, as a new GOP study found it's often viewed as the party of "stuffy old men" with a weak, ineffective message.

Without changes, the report warned, "it will be increasingly difficult for Republicans to win another presidential election in the near future."

The party remains plagued by a perception that minority voters are not welcome and that Republicans lack tolerance for those who back gay marriage, abortion rights, generous Medicare benefits and other flash points that dominate the American political debate.

"I didn't need a report to tell me that we have to make up ground with minority groups, with women and with young voters," said Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus.

Priebus released a 100-page report from a five-member study group he named shortly after Republicans lost the 2012 elections they thought they had a good shot at winning.

"Our message was weak, our ground

Budget cuts force Pentagon to review strategy

By **CRAIG WHITLOCK**

a decade of absorption in the Middle

"As I stand here today, I don't yet



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Sheheen running to promote his book

Camden senator
won't confirm
rematch with Haley

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FLORENCE — First, Gov. Nikki Haley formed various committees for a possible re-election campaign in 2014; then, her Democratic foe from two years ago, Sen. Vincent Sheheen, published



Sheheen

a free book outlining a plan to get South Carolina "back on track."

Can we just say the two will meet again next year in a gubernatorial rematch?

Asked that very question Monday in Florence, Sheheen's response was unequivocal.

"No," he said.

Can we quote you on that?

The state senator from Camden, who lost to Haley in 2010 by fewer than 60,000 votes, has been busy of late, pushing legislation through the General Assembly and touring the state promoting his new book, "The Right Way: Getting the Palmetto State Back on Track." The book's e-edition is available on his website www.vincentsheheen.com for free.

During his Florence stop, on the way to an event at Coastal Carolina University, Sheheen would not admit the 110-page manifesto — which, by the way, resounding senatorial "no" or otherwise, reads an awful lot like a campaign platform — is an indication of him wading back into the gubernatorial waters.

But his explanation sounded ... well, candid.

"I wrote about the ideas that any moderate Republican or reasonable Democrat would support," he said. "Regardless of whether I was a candidate or not, I think the book should stand alone and I wrote it like that."

From education to government restructuring, tax reform to infrastructure, "The Right Way" outlines

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TIGHT QUARTERS



PHOTO: BY GAVIN JACKSON MORNING NEWS

Case in point, Kendall Wall, general manager of the Florence Civic Center, gives his monthly report to the commission on Monday on the concourse of the civic center because there was no available meeting space at the center. The commission heard a presentation on the second phase of a three-part study about the 20-year-old civic center's economic impact. The study presented was on the market and financial feasibility of the center and what an expanded or renovated civic center would need to attract more business, such as conventions that require additional breakout rooms.

To expand or not to expand?

Proposed Florence Civic Center growth could bring both economic blessings, headaches in connectivity

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FLORENCE — In a makeshift meeting space set up in the middle of the Florence Civic Center concourse Monday members of its commission heard a presentation on what an enlarged and updated civic center would look like.

And it did not involve turning the concourse into a meeting space, a routine practice for large events.

In fact the second phase of a three-part economic impact study of the FCC gave members a look at what the center would need to help it compete for larger conventions that the surrounding hotels and restaurants can support, but the center itself cannot.



The 20-year-old Florence Civic Center is at a point where center leaders believe a new chapter needs to begin for the center to become a stronger contender in the convention market.

At the heart of the presentation by Charles Johnson IV, president of Johnson Consulting, was the center's need for exhibit rooms and meeting rooms that can provide open space and breakout space that the majority of conventions require.

"Big picture, we're recommending a 50,000 square foot exhibit hall being out into the parking lot, being appended very attractively to the current building," Johnson said. "You'll end up

with an integrated convention and arena complex that will be very consistent with what we've seen across the nation in other marketplaces and be very competitive."

Johnson indicated the exhibit hall and 10,000 square feet of flexible meeting space would create enough demand to support a 100 to 150 room hotel connected to the civic center which would provide additional revenue.

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Civic Growth

A consultant's study calls for a major expansion of the 20-year-old building, more than doubling its size to more than 108,000 square feet and improving other amenities at the civic center and the area surrounding it. The current building has slightly more than 50,000 square feet. Here's a quick look at the plans, which are still in the developmental stage:

- ▶ A new, 50,000-square-foot exhibit hall, connected to the existing building.
- ▶ A 12,000-square-foot meeting room addition.
- ▶ Refurbished interiors and exterior.
- ▶ Creation of a Hospitality District tax district in the area around the center.
- ▶ Development of a 2-acre hotel site adjacent to the arena, room enough for a 150-200 room hotel that would focus on serving civic center shows.

Source: Johnson Consulting

Pee Dee GOP shows little interested in 1st

Charleston race hasn't drawn much \$\$\$, or anything else, from Florence region

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In the Pee Dee?

Not so much.

Granted, the northeastern corner of the state isn't in South Car-



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Voters will determine if Sanford has a future

The Associated Press

CHARLESTON — Voters are about to whittle down the crowded field in South Carolina's 1st Congressional District and decide whether former Gov. Mark Sanford has a political future.

They go to the polls Tuesday in spe-

median Stephen Colbert and perennial candidate Ben Frasier.

It is Sanford's first run for office since a 2009 scandal in which he revealed an affair that derailed his political career. After disappearing and telling his staff he was out hiking the Appalachian Trail, he returned to the state to reveal



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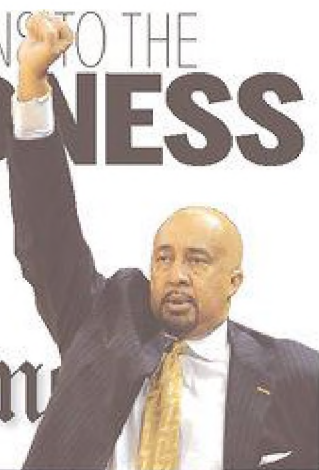
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Warrick to trustees: We're fixing S.C. State

Lloyd investigation sparked changes

More than a year after the former head of the State Law Enforcement Division began investigating South Carolina State University, the institution is formally addressing his concerns.

In a six-page letter sent to trustees Monday, interim President Dr. Cynthia Warrick outlines how her administration has addressed the concerns of attorney Reginald Lloyd. He was hired in December 2011 to look into possible ethical and criminal issues at the university.

His investigation led to the firing of eight employees, Lloyd has said, just because an employee was fired doesn't mean he was guilty of criminal activities.

In March 2012, university President Dr. George Cooper announced he was stepping down. The board then stopped Lloyd's work.

Since then, former S.C. State Board Chairman Jonathan Pinson and a friend, Greenville businessman Eric Robinson, have been indicted on federal corruption charges. They have pleaded not guilty. Former S.C. State police chief Michael Bertoy and developer Richard Zahn have pleaded guilty to federal charges.



Dr. Cynthia Warrick

Interim president's March 18 letter to board of trustees

Dear SC State Trustees:

I am writing you today to provide an update on how SC State University has addressed issues raised by Attorney Reggie Lloyd. The primary Divisions involved included Finance, Student Affairs, Administration, Research/1890 Extension and the Board of Trustees.

In Mr. Lloyd's investigation, concerns were raised regarding the inappropriate interference with administrative functions, misuse/conflict in delegation of authority and corruption. The FBI and US Attorney have effectively addressed corruption and misuse of authority by an individual board member, currently under investigation.

The University has and will continue to cooperate with any and all investigations of alleged misuse or conflict of the

Board's authority. Additionally, the administration has been briefed by SACS concerning inappropriate activities by this Board of Trustees in the past and this Administration will continue to remind the Board of its policy-making authority and the operating responsibilities of the Administration.

With respect to relationships and accountability between the University and its various foundations, there has been significant activity between the Finance organization and the General Counsel's office to ensure accountability. Specifically:

1) Policies and procedures have been revised to be in alignment with South Carolina state law dealing with the relationships of universities and their foundations.

2) SC State University and SCSU Foundation staffs have been instructed on which sources of fundraising are permissible in the foundations and those which should remain within the University. In addition, routing or structuring of payments through the foundations that originate out of State-funded activities is strictly forbidden.

3) Commingling has been and continues to be rooted out.

4) Accountability has been clarified (e.g., refer to the latest NCAA AUP report for FY 2012).

With respect to University Village (UV) and its associated Real Estate foundation, a number of changes and initiatives are under way to improve its operating pol-

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TORTOISE TIME



LARRY HANCO/T&D

Bill O'Cain, an Orangeburg area animal collector and caretaker, attempts to estimate the age of his African spurred tortoise by counting the rings on its shell. O'Cain has cared for the tortoise, the third largest species in the world, for well over 20 years. The species can weigh up to 200 pounds and live for 120 years.

Council discusses jail policy changes following deaths

By LEE HENDREN
T&D Government Writer

Orangeburg County Administrator Harold Young pledged Monday to investigate Shannon Eason's death in the county jail five days earlier.

Eason's suicide was the fourth death at the Orangeburg County Detention Center in six months.

"This is just getting too bad," Councilman Clyde Livingston said during County Council's meeting.

"Apparently somebody in upper management is going to have to review the corrections center and come forth with a proposal of what can be done and an evaluation of what it would cost. ... How do we compare with similar institutions?" he said.

Young said he has had face-to-face talks with Jail Director Willie Bamberg.

"We have begun the process of getting some numbers comparing (the county jail) with other facilities and coming up with some recommendations for what we have found and some other issues we need to look at. We will be giving you a report in due time of the information we have found," he said.



Eason

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Graham, Corps engineer discuss Charleston Harbor

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to handle the larger container ships that will routinely be calling when the bigger ves-

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