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Governor Nikki Haley News:

Palmetto Business Daily: South Carolina fund established to help flooding victims

<http://palmettobusinessdaily.com/stories/510648658-south-carolina-fund-established-to-help-flooding-victims>

The One SC Fund, an initiative to raise funds to assist individuals and families negatively impacted by the torrential rains and subsequent flooding that hit the Palmetto State in early October, was announced earlier this week by South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley.

Note: “When government is done, we have to keep going, and so we started a One South Carolina fund ... to allow us to complete the work the government can’t do,” Haley said. “We are asking the people of South Carolina to step up today. We’re asking the people of the country to step up today. We’re saying if you were blessed and did not have damage with your home, if you were blessed and you had insurance, if you were blessed and you’re able to get back into a safe place, pay it forward.”

Rubber and Plastic News: Silcotech to invest \$2.5 million more in S.C.

<http://www.rubbernews.com/article/20151119/NEWS/151119948/silcotech-to-invest-2-5-million-more-in-s-c>

Silcotech Group celebrated the grand opening of its York County, South Carolina, operations, announcing another \$2.5 million investment in the facility. The investment is in addition to an initial \$3.5 million investment, which the company announced in August 2013.

Note: “We were thrilled when Silcotech announced its decision to establish operations in South Carolina back in 2013, and we couldn’t be more excited to see that they have already decided to invest an additional \$2.5 million in York County,” South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley said in a statement.

S.C. Political News:

Post and Courier: Bernie Sanders at Burke High on Friday night

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151119/PC1603/151119199>

Schuyler Kropf

Democratic presidential hopeful Bernie Sanders will speak at Burke High School in Charleston on Friday night. Space is limited. The appearance begins at 7 p.m. Seating is limited to 800 people. Sanders, the independent U.S. senator from Vermont, is the guest of state Sen. Marlon Kimpson, D-Charleston, the Charleston Democratic Party, and the state House Democratic delegation.

South Carolina News:

Associated Press: Slight rise in South Carolinians traveling for Thanksgiving

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=2nTos4RD

The number of South Carolinians hitting the road for the long Thanksgiving weekend is expected to be up slightly this year. AAA Carolinas said Thursday that an estimated 660,000 South Carolinians are expected to travel 50 miles or more from home during the weekend. The motor club based in Charlotte, North Carolina, says that’s just under a 1 percent increase from a year ago.

Associated Press: Deadline approaching to register with FEMA for storm aid

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=3etggAto

South Carolinians who suffered losses during last month’s rains and flooding have only two weeks left to register for government grants or loans. The deadline for registering with the Federal Emergency Management Agency or submitting loan applications with the U.S. Small Business Administration is Friday, Dec. 4.

Associated Press: More than a dozen more SC roads to reopen by Thanksgiving

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=kfeRvp3L

The state Department of Transportation reports that 73 state roads remain closed after last month's rains and flooding, but that figure is expected to drop to 60 by Thanksgiving. The latest report from the department says that 13 additional roads are expected to reopen during the next week.

The State: Charleston Mayor Joe Riley to speak at USC's December graduation

<http://www.thestate.com/news/local/article45458466.html>

Harrison Cahill

University of South Carolina officials have announced that Charleston Mayor Joe Riley will speak at the winter commencement exercises on Dec. 14. Riley, who will retire from his 40 year post at the end of this year, will speak to a crowd of 2,100 students from the Columbia campus, as well as 768 graduates of USC Aiken, USC Beaufort, USC Salkehatchie, USC Sumter, USC Union and USC Upstate.

Post and Courier: High-tech aerospace exhibit featuring Boeing coming to Charleston

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151119/PC05/151119213>

John McDermott

An interactive aerospace exhibit developed by Boeing Co., NASA and the Smithsonian Institution is coming to the Charleston Gaillard Center next year. It is part of Boeing's 100-year anniversary celebration next year "and is designed to inspire the next generation to imagine future careers in aerospace, and support educators" in area of science, technology engineering an math, or STEM, the company said Thursday.

Local News:

Post and Courier: A&E shines a light on race relations in Charleston, nation

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151119/PC16/151119207>

Adam Parker

The domains of church, Charleston and Hollywood entertainment intersected on Nov. 1 when superstar singer Pharrell Williams came to town to sing at Emanuel AME Church, a move meant to be part of a two-hour A&E broadcast called "Shining a Light: A Concert for Progress on Race in America."

National News:

USA Today: House passes bill to block Syrian refugees, require more vetting

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/2015/11/19/house-passes-bill-bar-syrian-refugees-us-without-more-vetting/76041668/>

Erin Kelly

The legislation, passed by a vote of 289-137, was rushed through in response to last week's terrorist attacks in Paris. One of the terrorists is believed to have entered Europe through Greece with a group of Syrian refugees, sparking calls by congressional leaders to "pause" the flow of refugees into the U.S. from Syria and Iraq.

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