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### Governor Nikki Haley News:

**Charleston Business Journal:** 3 companies in S.C. cited for investment, community impact

<http://www.charlestonbusiness.com/news/50924-3-companies-in-s-c-cited-for-investment-community-impact?rss=0>

Trade & Industry Development magazine has named Boeing Co., Google Inc. and Colgate-Palmolive Co. as winners of the publication's 9th annual Corporate Investment & Community Impact Awards.

**Note:** "We see companies across the state making a real difference in their communities each day, so it's great that three big names in South Carolina's business community are being recognized for their impact," Gov. Nikki Haley said.

**Index-Journal:** Senate decision on John de la Howe School held over

<http://www.indexjournal.com/Content/News/News/Article/Senate-decision-on-John-de-la-Howe-School-held-over/4/40/24556>

Kate Hruby

The John de la Howe School may hold on to hope for autonomy. In a state Senate K-12 Education subcommittee budget hearing Thursday morning, the subcommittee decided to carry over, or table for further discussion, proviso 7.5 of Gov. Nikki Haley's proposed executive budget for Fiscal Year 2014-15.

### Henry McMaster To Run For Lt. Governor:

**The State:** Henry McMaster, another Nikki Haley ally, running for SC lieutenant governor

[http://www.thestate.com/2014/03/27/3351729/henry-mcmaster-antoher-nikki-haley.html?utm\\_source=dlvr.it&utm\\_medium=twitter&utm\\_destination=buzzatthestate#storylink=cpy](http://www.thestate.com/2014/03/27/3351729/henry-mcmaster-antoher-nikki-haley.html?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter&utm_destination=buzzatthestate#storylink=cpy)

Andrew Shain

Former S.C. Attorney General Henry McMaster filed to run for lieutenant governor on Thursday, joining a crowded field of Republicans vying for the state's No. 2 office. He also would be the third GOP candidate -- in addition to Charleston developer Pat McKinney and Columbia businessman Mike Campbell -- with ties to Republican first-term Gov. Nikki Haley.

**Note:** "Gov. Haley has always encouraged good people to get involved in their government, and with so many good candidates running for lieutenant governor, it's a win for the people of our state," he campaign spokesman Rob Godfrey said.

**Greenville News:** McMaster running for Lt. governor

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20140327/news03/303270060/mcmaster-running-lt-governor>

Tim Smith

Former state Attorney General Henry McMaster is adding himself to a crowded race for lieutenant governor. McMaster, 66, who ran unsuccessfully for governor in 2010, told GreenvilleOnline.com that he is running because he thinks the next four years will be critical in the state.

**Associated Press:** McMaster files for lieutenant governor

[http://m.apnews.com/ap/db\\_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=prFEISHi](http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=prFEISHi)

Seanna Adcox

Former Attorney General Henry McMaster is running for lieutenant governor, four years after his unsuccessful bid for governor. McMaster filed his candidacy Thursday with the state Election Commission. His entrance sets up a GOP primary race for the state's No. 2 post featuring two well-known political names and a retired developer who's already loaned his campaign \$250,000.

### S.C. Political News:

**The State:** State GOP takes on Richland Senator Lourie over county election mess

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/03/27/3351498/state-gop-takes-on-richland-senator.html#storylink=cpy>

Dawn Hinshaw

State GOP chairman Matt Moore said he has embarked on a campaign to get records about possible nepotism and political interference in the operations of the Richland County elections office. Next to him were placards of oversized photos of Lourie and his brother-in-law, Garry Baum.

### **Legislative Session News:**

**Associated Press:** Lt. Gov. McConnell: I will not hold 2 jobs

[http://m.apnews.com/ap/db\\_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=FLWdxWz4](http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=FLWdxWz4)

Seanna Adcox

Lt. Gov. Glenn McConnell says he will vacate the office whenever the College of Charleston's board of trustees needs him full-time. McConnell ruled out Thursday the possibility of remaining lieutenant governor after taking the college's helm, saying he's committed to his alma mater.

**Associated Press:** More time to submit briefs in Harrell ethics case

[http://m.apnews.com/ap/db\\_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=9SBV9dZU](http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=9SBV9dZU)

Meg Kinnard

Attorneys are getting a bit more time to submit briefs to a judge mulling a request to remove South Carolina's attorney general from the ethics case of House Speaker Bobby Harrell. Last week, Circuit Judge Casey Manning originally said he'd give attorneys for Harrell and Attorney General Alan Wilson until March 26 to submit briefs over the request.

**Greenville News:** Woodruff Road, Hampton Avenue bridge on road projects list

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20140327/NEWS09/303270034/Woodruff-Road-Hampton-Avenue-bridge-road-projects-list>

Rudolph Bell

A plan to reduce congestion on Woodruff Road and a pedestrian bridge for Hampton Avenue are among the projects on a new list of what might be funded with a possible 1 percent sales tax hike in Greenville County. Commission members wrapped up their work late Wednesday after presiding over seven public hearings around the county.

### **South Carolina News:**

**Associated Press:** SC population now almost 4.8 million

[http://m.apnews.com/ap/db\\_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=aLmXNTVT](http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=aLmXNTVT)

Bruce Smith

South Carolina's population grew by almost 150,000 people from 2012 to 2013 and the state's northeast coast is among the fastest growing areas in the United States, according to new population estimates released Thursday by the U.S. Census Bureau.

**Greenville News:** Activists, local civil rights leaders, call for immigration reform

[http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20140327/NEWS03/303270053/Activists-local-civil-rights-leaders-call-immigration-reform?nclck\\_check=1](http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20140327/NEWS03/303270053/Activists-local-civil-rights-leaders-call-immigration-reform?nclck_check=1)

Ron Barnett

The president of the Greenville NAACP, a member of Greenville County Council and other local civil rights advocates stood in solidarity with a national activist group today in calling for U.S. Rep. Trey Gowdy to push for comprehensive immigration reform this year.

### **Local News:**

**Associated Press:** SC official to serve on national tourism board

[http://m.apnews.com/ap/db\\_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=MU9uZbCS](http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=MU9uZbCS)

The head of the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce will serve on a board advising the nation's secretary of commerce. The chamber said Thursday that Brad Dean is one of 32 members appointed by Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker to the national Travel and Tourism Advisory Board.

**Island Packet:** Beaufort City Council seeks to implement master plan, but worries about community support  
<http://www.islandpacket.com/2014/03/26/3025433/beaufort-city-council-seeks-to.html?sp=/99/257/266/#storylink=cpy>

Erin Moody

Now that the Beaufort Civic Master plan has been approved, City Council is focusing on how to implement it, including getting full support from city boards and residents. "We've gone from a city that is stuck and doesn't get stuff done, to a city that's starting to get stuff done," Mayor Billy Keyserling said.

#### **National News:**

**Associated Press:** Obama, Francis find common ground among divisions

[http://m.apnews.com/ap/db\\_268798/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=TrWYVqSQ](http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268798/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=TrWYVqSQ)

Jim Kuhnhenn, Nicole Winfield

President Barack Obama and the Vatican gave distinctly different accounts of the president's audience with Pope Francis on Thursday, with Obama stressing their common ground on poverty and inequality but Vatican officials emphasizing concerns over Obama's health care law, which mandates contraception coverage.

**Associated Press:** GOP hopefuls betting on mega donor in Vegas

[http://m.apnews.com/ap/db\\_268798/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=I5mtSZ8T](http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268798/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=I5mtSZ8T)

Steve Peoples

A slate of potential Republican presidential candidates is descending upon Las Vegas to court one of the GOP's most powerful patrons. Republican super donor Sheldon Adelson is the main attraction for White House hopefuls as the Republican Jewish Coalition begins its annual "spring leadership meeting" Thursday along the city's storied strip, the site of Adelson's Venetian resort hotel and casino.

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