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Governor Nikki Haley News:

Florence Morning News: Coker College unveils new DeLoach Center

http://www.snow.com/sports/article_e9bf847e-2a4d-11e4-8892-0017a43b2370.html

Lou Bezjak

Dan Schmotzer, the longtime Coker Cobras men's basketball coach, has been at the school for many of its big achievements, but he said none compared to Friday's dedication of the 1,908-seat Harris E. and Louise H. DeLoach Center.

Note: More than 600 students, faculty and dignitaries attended Friday's ceremony, including South Carolina governor Nikki Haley. She presented Harris DeLoach with the Order of the Palmetto, the state's highest civilian honor. The award was given in recognition of the business leader's lifetime achievements and contributions to the state.

2014 Campaign Cycle News:

WACH: Third-party candidates crashing SC governor's race

http://www.wach.com/news/story.aspx?id=1087281#.U_ibr_ldV1Y

Brian McConchie

Voters don't head to the polls to vote for governor until November, but the battle for that office has been raging for quite some time. Governor Nikki Haley and state Senator Vincent Sheheen square off in rematch of the 2010 gubernatorial race.

Greenville News: Rand Paul to speak at Mulvaney fundraiser in Rock Hill

http://www.heraldonline.com/2014/08/23/6255589_rubio-paul-headline-monday-barbecues.html?rh=1

Mar Troyan

Potential Republican presidential candidate Rand Paul will speak Monday at a barbecue fundraiser with U. S. Rep. Mick Mulvaney in Rock Hill. Mulvaney, R-Indian Land, said Friday his barbecue, which is expected to draw 400 donors, is one of many he plans to have with potential presidential candidates over the next few months.

Aiken Standard: Superintendent hopeful Spearman spells out education's needs

<http://www.aikenstandard.com/article/20140823/AIK0101/140829779/1007/AIK0101/superintendent-hopeful-spearman-spells-out-education-s-needs>

Rob Novit

For many years, Molly Spearman taught music throughout the state, including Chapin Elementary School in wealthy Lexington County School District 5. She was assigned to a school that had everything, the Republican candidate for state superintendent of education told members of the Aiken County Republican Club earlier this week.

Times and Democrat: Sellers picks up endorsements from York, Rock Hill mayors

http://thetandd.com/news/local/sellers-picks-up-endorsements-from-york-rock-hill-mayors/article_dcec4086-2a91-11e4-9dfb-001a4bcf887a.html

Two South Carolina mayors have endorsed Bakari Sellers for lieutenant governor. Mayor Edward Lee of York and Mayor Doug Echols of Rock Hill announced their support for the Denmark native at a press conference Friday morning in York. "Bakari understands our state and that he will work for and be accountable to the taxpayers of South Carolina," Lee said.

Opinion / Editorial Roundup:

Post and Courier: Child refugees should get due process

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140823/PC1002/140829689>

Editorial

This long, hot summer has not brought out the best in our elected officials. Take for example the matter of the children and families fleeing violence and abuse in their home countries in Central America. Instead of looking out for these vulnerable kids, state officials in South Carolina have demanded to know details of their placement or whereabouts.

Post and Courier: Shine light on child deaths

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140823/PC1002/140829687>

Editorial

Children need to be protected. And those who suffer because the adults in their lives have failed them need extra care. But keeping secrets about how children died while under the care of the S.C. Department of Social Services - and whether changes need to be made to prevent another child's death - is not the way to protect them.

Island Packet: Major development must be good neighbor

<http://www.islandpacket.com/2014/08/21/3269634/major-development-must-be-good.html?sp=/99/342/1750/>

Editorial

The 5,000-acre RiverPort development in southern Jasper County would be a game-changer for the area if built as envisioned. The development group Stratford Land says it would be one of the largest logistics and industrial sites in the Southeast, bordering the Savannah River and Interstate 95.

South Carolina News:

Post and Courier: Boeing wins OK to use General Electric engines on new 787-9 Dreamliner

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140822/PC05/140829700>

Warren L. Wise

The new midsize Boeing 787 Dreamliners have been cleared to fly with General Electric engines. The Federal Aviation Administration certified the use of the GE power plants on Thursday for the bigger 787-9 passenger jet. The "Dash 9 is a stretch version of the original 787-8, which Boeing builds in both North Charleston and Everett, Wash.

The State: Home schooling numbers on the rise in South Carolina

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/08/22/3634512/home-schooling-numbers-on-the.html>

Sarah Ellis

Independent, unconventional and fun. That's how 14-year-old Josiah Washington describes his school days. One week into the start of ninth grade, Josiah poured over an Advanced Placement Human Geography textbook Friday morning, writing down important terms and topics in a spiral-bound notebook as he read.

Times and Democrat: Pinson attorneys continue effort to get charges tossed

http://thetandd.com/news/pinson-attorneys-continue-effort-to-get-charges-tossed/article_f178f4b8-2a82-11e4-8299-0019bb2963f4.html

Jonathan Pinson's lawyers say he may have had a financial interest in the deals he tried to arrange when he was chairman of the South Carolina State University board, but he wasn't acting as a public official.

The State: Political sign raises eyebrows in West Columbia

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/08/22/3634378/political-sign-raises-eyebrows.html>

Tim Flach

A political sign put up in yards Friday by foes of West Columbia Mayor Joe Owens is raising eyebrows. Owens is pictured between President Barack Obama and Columbia Mayor Steve Benjamin with a message saying, "Want to have ONE voice controlling our government? Me neither. Vote No! to strong mayor. Unite our city."

Rock Hill Herald: Winthrop board to faculty: Next president decision set for spring

<http://www.heraldonline.com/2014/08/22/6255250/winthrop-board-to-faculty-next.html>

Anna Douglas

Winthrop University could name its 11th president within the next eight months, and the search for

candidates will begin regardless of whether the former president sues the school, officials said on Friday. Discussion of the upcoming presidential search process could start as early as Monday, when the board is scheduled to meet.

Post and Courier: New focus on South Carolina's 'lost century'

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140822/PC1610/140829718>

Robert Behre

More than a century before English settlers founded Charles Towne on the banks of the Ashley River, both the Spanish and French created early fortified settlements on Parris Island near the entrance to Port Royal Sound.

Local News:

The State: Columbia police wearing body cameras in entertainment districts

http://www.thestate.com/2014/08/22/3634514_exclusive-columbia-police-wearing.html?rh=1

Clif LeBlanc

Columbia police are testing body-worn cameras as an attempt to win more public support and to show the embattled department is both transparent and is using innovative policing methods. Chief Skip Holbrook said Friday that eight officers on foot patrols in the city's entertainment districts wore small cameras for the first time Thursday night.

Sumter Item: Students' ACT scores up from 2013 results

<http://theitem.com/stories/082314-act,230562?>

Raytevia Evans

The S.C. Department of Education released the latest ACT results this past week, showing Sumter School District as one of 32 districts in the state having dramatic improvement in their scores.

Island Packet: Beaufort County to vote on school district tax rate Monday

<http://www.islandpacket.com/2014/08/22/3271355/beaufort-county-to-vote-on-school.html?sp=/99/100/&ihp=1>

Zach Murdock

Beaufort County Council is still massaging its math to determine what property-tax rate will raise \$114.9 million for the county's public schools. Some council members think the 101.7-mill rate set in June should do the trick. But Beaufort County School District officials contend the rate needs to be raised to about 105 mills to account for variations in the county's tax collections.

Island Packet: Beaufort County Democratic Party opens Hilton Head office

<http://www.islandpacket.com/2014/08/22/3271248/beaufort-county-democratic-party.html?sp=/99/257/266/>

Matt McNab

Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Brad Hutto didn't mince words when describing his party's new office on Hilton Head Island. "It's the fanciest party office I've been to, and I've been to a lot," Hutto said. The Beaufort County Democratic Party opened the new southern digs -- featuring wood floors and donated wooden furniture -- in Port Royal Plaza in style with a grand opening Friday.

Island Packet: Later start for Hilton Head High students deemed success, so far

http://www.islandpacket.com/2014/08/22/3270980_later-start-for-hilton-head-high.html?sp=/99/100/&rh=1

Sarah Bowman

As the first week of the new school year ends, teachers and students at Hilton Head Island High School think the later start time is a success. When Tommy Cooper wakes up for school now, it's light outside. In previous years, if the sun was up before he was, the Hilton Head Island High School senior would have panicked, thinking he'd overslept and was late for class.

National News:

New York Times: U.S. Weighs Direct Military Action Against ISIS in Syria

http://www.nytimes.com/2014/08/23/world/middleeast/obama-adviser-says-military-action-possible-against-isis.html?ref=todayspaper&_r=0

Peter Baker, Michael D. Shear

The Obama administration is debating a more robust intervention in Syria, including possible American

airstrikes, in a significant escalation of its weeks-long military assault on the Islamic extremist group that has destabilized neighboring Iraq and killed an American journalist, officials said Friday.

CNN: Is Obama heading toward airstrikes in Syria?

[http://www.cnn.com/2014/08/22/politics/us-isis-syria/index.html?](http://www.cnn.com/2014/08/22/politics/us-isis-syria/index.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+rss%2F+cnn_allpolitics+%28RSS%3A+Politics%29)

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Tom Cohen

After three years of avoiding it, President Barack Obama finds himself being pushed toward military action in Syria. Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel and Joint Chiefs Chairman Gen. Martin Dempsey both made clear that defeating Islamic State jihadists' rampage through northern Iraq would require going after them in neighboring Syria.

Associated Press: Obama urges renewal of US Export-Import Bank

<http://www.heraldonline.com/2014/08/23/6255852/obama-urges-renewal-of-us-export.html>

Darlene Superville

President Barack Obama is trying to rally support for a taxpayer-subsidized bank that he says creates jobs. In his weekly radio and Internet address, Obama urges business owners to lobby Congress to renew the U. S. Export-Import Bank.

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