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Governor Nikki Haley News:

Index-Journal: Manufacturing facility will invest \$196 million, create 300 new jobs

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Chris Trainor

No matter what the weather was like, Monday was a sunny day in Greenwood County. Colgate-Palmolive, one of the world's leading makers of personal care products, formally announced Monday it will be establishing a major manufacturing facility in Greenwood County. The Colgate-Palmolive deal has long been known in economic development circles as Project Sun. The company will invest \$196 million and bring in 300 new jobs in the first phase of the project.

Note: "I think comes down to South Carolina and Greenwood - the state and the county - are pro-business and pro-growth," Allison said. "We are aggressively going after business. Gov. (Nikki) Haley and her office work so hard to make South Carolina a pro-business state. It comes down to 'Where's the best place to do business?'"

Note: "Colgate-Palmolive is a household name and world-class business, and we are proud to have the company join South Carolina's business community," Haley said in a prepared statement. "We celebrate the company's decision to invest \$196 million and create 300 new jobs here. (Monday's) announcement is another indication that South Carolina is the new 'it' state for doing business."

Associated Press: SC gov Haley signs reimbursement plan

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=u8aGzub3

Meg Kinnard

South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley and the heads of police and ethics agencies have signed an agreement on handling security expenses when governors attend political events. A copy of the agreement obtained Monday by The Associated Press sets what costs should be reimbursed by Haley and future South Carolina governors. It was signed Friday by Haley, State Law Enforcement Division Chief Mark Keel and State Ethics Commission director Herb Hayden. Questions about Haley's reimbursements arose after she attended a June fundraiser for North Carolina Gov. Pat McCrory. South Carolina ethics officials said Haley's campaign didn't have to pay her security costs because the event wasn't for her.

Associated Press: Colgate-Palmolive to hire 300 at new SC plant

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=Doe9eMb

Colgate-Palmolive Co. is investing nearly \$200 million to establish a new production facility in Greenwood County that will employ 300 workers. South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley announced the decision Monday. Job applications will be accepted beginning in March and employment will ramp up as the plant begins operations near year. Officials say the company will make liquid hand soap and deodorant at the facility that will be in an existing 525,000-square-foot building. Officials say the facility in Hodges is Colgate-Palmolive's first in South Carolina.

Anderson Independent: Colgate-Palmolive Company establishing new facility in Greenwood County

<http://www.independentmail.com/news/2013/oct/07/colgate-palmolive-company-establishing-new-facilit/>

Colgate-Palmolive Company is investing \$196 million to establish a new production facility in an existing 525,000-square-foot building in Greenwood County. The plant is expected to begin operations in 2014 and will generate 300 new jobs. At the new facility, the company will produce liquid hand soap for its Softsoap brand for the North American market as well as deodorant for its Mennen Speed Stick brand for both domestic and global markets. The state's workforce, infrastructure, proximity to markets and access to the state's seaport facilities were all key factors in the decision.

Note: "Colgate-Palmolive is a household name and world-class business, and we are proud to have them join South Carolina's business community," said Gov. Nikki Haley. "We celebrate their decision to invest

\$196 million and create 300 new jobs in Greenwood County.”

Greenville News: Haley 'frustrated' with both parties over shutdown

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20131007/NEWS/310070044/Haley-frustrated-both-parties-over-shutdown>

Rudolph Bell

Gov. Nikki Haley said in Greenville today that she's "frustrated" with both parties over the partial federal government shutdown and meets daily to try and mitigate the impact to South Carolina. Still, Haley said it's not her job to call on Republicans who represent South Carolina in the U.S. House to vote for a "clean" continuing resolution that would end the shutdown.

Note: "It's not my job to call on the congressmen to pass a clean CR," Haley said in response to a reporter's question. "It's my job to call on the president for the good of the country to bring in both sides like I do in South Carolina when we have issues. Bring in both sides, resolve it for the good of the people.

Note: "This is not about choosing sides," Haley said. "I'm not going to get into the DC debate. What I'm going to say is there are real people suffering here" and a solution can come if they "sit in a room and figure it out and not leave until they finish that."

WCSC: SBA offers disaster assistance for those affected by Front Street fire

<http://www.live5news.com/story/23629369/sba-offers-disaster-assistance-for-those-affected-by-front-street-fire>

South Carolina residents and businesses affected by the Front Street fire in historic Georgetown last month can apply for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration, SBA Acting Administrator Jeanne A. Hult announced Monday. Acting Administrator Hult made the loans available in response to a letter from Gov. Nikki R. Haley on Oct. 3, requesting a disaster declaration by the SBA. The declaration covers Georgetown County and the adjacent counties of Berkeley, Charleston, Horry, Marion and Williamsburg in South Carolina. 10 businesses were affected by the fire, and 130 people lost their jobs because of it.

South Carolina News:

Greenville News: DHEC ramps up fight against 'pill mills' in S.C.

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20131007/NEWS06/310070069/DHEC-ramps-up-fight-against-pill-mills-S-C->

Tim Smith

Officials with the state's health and law enforcement agencies on Tuesday will announce an effort to combat "pill mills" in the state. South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Director Catherine Templeton and State Law Enforcement Division Chief Mark Keel will detail their agencies' new efforts to attack prescription drug abuse, officials announced today. In the United States, prescription drug abuse is second only to the abuse of marijuana, according to DHEC. In two different studies, S.C. has ranked 10th (2008) and 23rd (2010) highest in the U.S. in opioid painkiller prescriptions per capita. In 2010, S.C. ranked 23rd highest per capita in overdose deaths, with the most recent data (2011) noting 225 prescription overdose deaths in the state, DHEC said.

Associated Press: SRS contractor furloughs 1,400 employees

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=1YWOKz5O

A contractor that manages highly radioactive liquid waste at the Savannah River Site near Aiken is furloughing 1,400 employees during the federal government shutdown. Savannah River Remediation announced late last week it would be putting the employees on furlough until further notice. About 360 employees are staying on the job. Those temporary cuts are on top of the layoffs of 465 employees that Savannah River Remediation announced last month. The Savannah River Site is run by the U.S. Department of Energy. The site's primary contractor, Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, has posted no furlough notice on its website.

Associated Press: SC's US Rep Sanford calls staff back to work

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=4ooXrtCd

South Carolina Congressman Mark Sanford says he's calling back to work all of his furloughed staff members now that there seems to be agreement in Washington that government workers will be paid eventually. Sanford said Monday he's ending furloughs for his office staff beginning Tuesday. He says he sent home employees without pay then the partial government shutdown took effect last week. Sanford says

things have changed after the U.S. House of Representatives this weekend unanimously passed legislation promising all federal employees will receive back pay once the shutdown ends. The Senate could act on the measure this week.

Post and Courier: MUSC Board of Trustees to hire head hunter in search for new president

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20131007/PC16/131009533/1006/>

Lauren Sausser

The Medical University of South Carolina needs a new leader and the Board of Trustees is expected to select a head hunter this week to help hire one. Board of Trustees Chairman Tom Stephenson said the Presidential Search Committee met Friday and interviewed three possible firms to facilitate the search for a new president. The full board will make a final decision about which firm to hire on Friday during its regular meeting. "Then we'll begin assembling candidates," Stephenson said. Former President Ray Greenberg left MUSC last month for a job within the University of Texas health care system.

Aiken Standard: SRS Citizen's Advisory Board cancels Oct. 22 meeting due to government shutdown

<http://www.aikenstandard.com/article/20131007/AIK0101/131009577/1083/srs-citizen-8217-s-advisory-board-cancels-oct-22-meeting-due-to-government-shutdown>

The Savannah River Site's Citizen Advisory Board – or CAB – is canceling two upcoming committee meetings, a result of the current federal government shutdown. The board is canceling the Oct. 22 meetings of its Nuclear Materials and the Waste Management committees. The cancellation comes after the Department of Energy confirmed plans to make a presentation about the Vault 4 leakage to the Savannah River Site. SRS identified the leakage in February. Department officials stated the problem stems from cracks in the roof of the vault.

Sun News: Public can review proposed books, materials for S.C. public schools

<http://www.myrtlebeachonline.com/2013/10/07/3758647/public-can-review-proposed-books.html#storylink=cpy>

Vicki Grooms

Textbooks and instructional materials that have been proposed for use in the state's public schools will be available for public review locally at Coastal Carolina University's Spadoni College of Education in Kearns Hall, room 205, according to a news release from the S.C. Department of Education. The materials will be on display through Nov. 15, and each site will have instructions for submitting comments. State Board of Education members will review citizens' comments before a final decision is made on adopting the materials.

Local News:

Island Packet: Most furloughed Parris Island employees to return to work by Tuesday

<http://www.islandpacket.com/2013/10/07/2726258/most-furloughed-parris-island.html#storylink=cpy>

Dan Burley

Most of the Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island's civilian employees furloughed during the government shutdown will return to work by Tuesday, a base spokesman said. All but one of the 291 furloughed workers have been called back, and all of the base's previously closed facilities and services will reopen, said Gunnery Sgt. Bill Lisbon. The only worker not returning is a community relations officer who works in the public affairs office, Lisbon said. Lisbon said the base received word from the Department of Defense to begin recalling workers.

Greenville News: Lockheed Martin furloughs employees; no impact seen in Greenville County

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20131007/BUSINESS/310070055/Lockheed-Martin-furloughs-employees-no-impact-seen-Greenville-County>

David Dykes

Lockheed Martin Corp. said it will furlough 2,400 employees due to the U.S. government shutdown, but the move won't have an immediate impact on Greenville County. "There are no immediate impacts due to the government shutdown to Lockheed Martin Aeronautic operations in Greenville," said company spokesman Johnny Whitaker. "We will continue to monitor the situation and will provide an update as we learn more." The company has 700 employees in Greenville. The local site, at the South Carolina Technology and Aviation Center, provides modification, maintenance, repair and overhaul services for commercial and military aircraft like the C-130 and P-3.

The State: Blythewood Non-profit Aims To Aid Working Poor And Prevent Homelessness

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

Carolyn Click

For 10 years, Blythewood-area congregations have offered a hand up to families in need and interstate travelers who find themselves stranded without money for gas or food. Operating as a satellite office to downtown Columbia's The Cooperative Ministry, the churches provided food, travelers' aid, utility and rent assistance, and budget counseling. Now, the congregations are establishing themselves as an independent nonprofit called the Christian Assistance Bridge. The office, at 126 Blythewood Road on the campus of Trinity United Methodist Church, will remain the same.

The State: Mayor Draws Big Crowd For Annual Prayer Breakfast

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=zyJj0nEO

Carolyn Click

Against a background of a government shutdown and national political discord, Mayor Steve Benjamin gathered with his fellow Midlands mayors, at least one opponent and about 500 of his fellow Columbians to pray for the city and seek spiritual and community unity. The event at The Zone at Williams-Brice Stadium drew well-known Christian evangelicals, business and professional leaders and a Dallas-based organization that is leading a seven-day prayer revival this week in Columbia. "This is not about me; it's about the city," Benjamin, a black Baptist, said.

National News:

The Hill: ObamaCare site to go offline for more repairs

<http://thehill.com/blogs/healthwatch/health-reform-implementation/326943-more-repairs-planned-for-obamacare-site>

Sam Baker

Healthcare.gov, the primary website to enroll in health insurance through ObamaCare, will be taken offline again Monday night for improvements, following weekend work designed to fix major technical problems. The site will be offline beginning at 1 a.m. in order to improve its capacity and make software changes, the Health and Human Services Department said. HHS said the site had improved as a result of work done over the weekend. The site was taken offline during nonpeak hours to address widespread technical errors that prevented users from creating accounts, a step required before they can compare insurance plans.

Washington Post: GOP expands Hispanic outreach in 7 states where that population is set to explode

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/govbeat/wp/2013/10/07/gop-expands-hispanic-outreach-in-7-states-where-that-population-is-set-to-explode/>

Niraj Chokshi

The Republican National Committee announced on Monday that it was hiring Hispanic state and field directors in seven states, many of them home to some of the fastest-growing Hispanic populations. "We are building a ground game that will allow us to compete for every voter and will outlast any one cycle or campaign," RNC Chairman Reince Priebus said in a statement. Five of the states currently rank among the top 10 by Hispanic share of the total population. New Mexico has a larger share of Hispanics than any other state, followed by third-ranked California, fourth-ranked Texas, sixth-ranked Florida and eighth-ranked New Jersey.

Associated Press: Government's work stacking up a week into shutdown

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/viewart/20131007/NEWS/310070028/Government-s-work-stacking-up-week-into-shutdown>

Connie Cass

Across America the government's work is piling up, and it's not just paperwork. It's old tires and red Solo cups littering a stretch of river in Nebraska. Food poisoning microbes awaiting analysis in Atlanta. The charred wreckage of a plane in California, preserved in case safety investigators return. And it's the dead eagle in Wendi Pencille's freezer. Pencille tends to injured birds in her upstate New York home. When a bald eagle dies, she sends the federally protected remains to a special eagle repository near Denver that ships feathers and carcasses to Indian tribes for their sacred ceremonies.

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