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Governor Nikki Haley News:

Associated Press: SC gov drops extradition for Cherokee girl's dad

<http://www.thestate.com/2013/10/02/3015916/sc-gov-drops-extradition-for-cherokee.html#storylink=cpy>

Kristi Eaton

South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley dropped her request Wednesday to extradite the biological father of a Cherokee girl who was at the center of a bitter custody dispute, but he could still face a charge of custodial interference if he goes to South Carolina. Dusten Brown, of Nowata, Okla., had been scheduled to appear in court in Sequoyah County in Oklahoma on Thursday to face extradition to South Carolina. Brown in August was charged in South Carolina with custodial interference for failing to hand over 4-year-old Veronica to her adoptive parents, Matt and Melanie Capobianco of James Island, S.C.

Post and Courier: Haley drops effort to extradite Dusten Brown from Oklahoma in Veronica case

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20131002/PC16/131009874/1180/haley-drops-effort-to-extradite-dusten-brown-from-oklahoma-in-veronica-case>

Glenn Smith

Gov. Nikki Haley is dropping efforts to bring Dusten Brown to South Carolina to face a felony charge for not promptly relinquishing custody of his 4-year-old biological daughter, Veronica, to her adoptive parents. Brown is scheduled to appear in an Oklahoma courtroom on Thursday to contest the extradition but that proceeding is likely rendered moot by Haley's actions. Haley sent a letter to Oklahoma Gov. Mary Fallin on Wednesday withdrawing without prejudice South Carolina's demand that Brown be shipped to South Carolina.

Greenville News: Adhesive tape manufacturer opening plant, to hire 150

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20131002/BUSINESS/310020059/Adhesive-tape-manufacturer-opening-plant-hire-150>

Tim Smith

A maker of adhesive and insulating tapes plans to locate its first American plant in South Carolina, officials announced today. Coroplast Tape Corporation plans on making a \$12 million investment in a production facility in York County that is expected to generate 150 new jobs. Coroplast, which is headquartered in Germany, will set up the company's first U.S. manufacturing facility in Rock Hill, according to Haley's office. The company will manufacture a range of adhesive and insulating tapes used in the automotive industry and will start operations in the second quarter of 2014.

Note: "We welcome Coroplast to South Carolina's business community and look forward to the company's success here," said Gov. Nikki Haley. "Our state continues to be a destination for job-creating investments like this one because we understand what businesses need in order to do well. We celebrate the company's decision to invest \$12 million and create 150 new jobs in Rock Hill."

WCSC: Haley releases list of federal programs continuing during shutdown

<http://www.live5news.com/story/23589059/haley-releases-list-of-federal-programs-continuing-during-shutdown>

The office of Governor Nikki Haley has released a list of the federal offices, programs, and services to continue operation in South Carolina during the government shutdown. The list was compiled based upon the contingency plans that federal agencies have filed with the Office of Management and Budget, communications between federal and state officials, and various press accounts, publications, and compilations, according to governor's spokesman Doug Mayer. The list will evolve as federal agencies release new information and as agencies exhaust their remaining fund balances.

South Carolina News:

Associated Press: Effect of federal shutdown in SC appears spotty

<http://www.islandpacket.com/2013/10/02/2717371/effect-of-federal-shutdown-in.html#storylink=cpy>

Susanne M. Shafer

The effect of the federal government's partial shutdown in South Carolina appeared spotty Wednesday, hitting some worse than others on its second day. Congaree National Park and several popular historic sites favored by tourists near Charleston remained closed. The Strom Thurmond Federal Building in Columbia was bereft of workers as Washington remained gridlocked over Republicans' efforts to block or postpone President Obama's health care law. Yet Army recruits at Columbia's Fort Jackson and Marines at Parris Island continued their training, even as thousands of Defense Department civilians working at the state's eight major military installations were sent home.

Rock Hill Herald: SC's Mulvaney releases statement on government shutdown

<http://www.heraldonline.com/2013/10/02/5267750/scs-mulvaney-releases-statement.html#storylink=cpy>

"I've received a good many calls and emails this week from folks expressing their opinions about the government shutdown. I'm grateful for the feedback and I am listening to your concerns. Please know that the House of Representatives is doing everything we can to re-open the government. Indeed -- and this unfortunately doesn't get reported much in the national media -- we have sent four different options to the Senate, all of which were immediately rejected (without even being debated)."

CNN: Graham: 'Where the hell is the commander in chief?'

<http://politicalticker.blogs.cnn.com/2013/10/02/graham-where-the-hell-is-the-commander-in-chief/>

Ashley Killough

Sen. Lindsey Graham grew furious Wednesday after Director of National Intelligence James Clapper told a Senate committee the government shutdown "seriously damages" national security. The South Carolina Republican blasted his fellow members of Congress for failing to reach a deal to end the shutdown, but he took particular aim at President Barack Obama. "I think it's irresponsible for all of us to let it continue," he said. "But where the hell is the commander in chief?" Clapper told the Senate Judiciary Committee that 70% of the intelligence community is being furloughed as a result of the shutdown, interfering with the government's ability to support the military, diplomats and policy makers.

Associated Press: Charleston School of Law receives no other offers

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=771MCV9r

Bruce Smith

The directors of the Charleston School of Law announced Wednesday that since they have received no other offers to buy the institution, they are going ahead with plans to sell the nine-year-old school to The InfiLaw System. The private school, one of two law schools in South Carolina, had earlier signed a management deal with InfiLaw that operates three for-profit law schools. But that agreement caused concern among Charleston School of Law students, alumni and some state lawmakers worried a sale would diminish the value of the institution's degrees. One state lawmaker proposed that, as an alternative, the College of Charleston consider acquiring the law school. The law school directors said in August they were willing to consider other offers through Oct. 1.

Post and Courier: Charleston School of Law founders proceeding with plan to sell to InfiLaw System

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20131002/PC16/131009881/1177/charleston-school-of-law-founders-proceeding-with-plan-to-sell-to-infilaw-system>

Diane Knich

Charleston School of Law founders are moving forward with their plan to sell the school to the for-profit InfiLaw System. Retired U.S. magistrate judges George C. Kosko and Robert S. Carr, two of the three remaining founders and board members of law school, sent a memo to the Charleston School of Law community Wednesday stating they would move forward with the controversial plan. Kosko and Carr stated in their memo that they were willing to consider well-thought-out and financially responsible alternatives for the school's future, but they didn't receive any proposals by the Oct. 1 deadline.

The State: Pinson's Federal Public Corruption Trial Moved Back To January

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=dPbKx2GZ

John Monk

The federal public corruption trial of former S.C. State University board chairman Jonathon Pinson has been moved back to January. U.S. Judge David Norton granted the continuance on a motion by Pinson and co-

defendant Greenville businessman Eric Robinson, whose lawyers have argued they needed additional time to review “voluminous discovery” and otherwise prepare for trial. Evidence in possession of the government and turned over to defense includes hours of court-authorized wiretaps of Pinson’s cell phone, according to court records. Other evidence in the case includes Pinson’s and Robinson’s income tax returns, according to court records.

Associated Press: State tourism agency helping to promote Georgetown after downtown fire

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20131002/PC16/131009903/1006/state-tourism-agency-helping-to-promote-georgetown-after-downtown-fire>

South Carolinas tourism agency is working to promote tourism to Georgetown after last week’s fire in the coastal city’s business district. Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Director Duane Parrish visited Georgetown on Monday where a fire destroyed seven buildings in the city’s riverside dining and business district. He says PRT will put postings about Georgetown on its Facebook page which has more than 190,000 “likes.” In addition, bloggers who cover food, golf, culture and other areas for PRT’s website will visit Georgetown and prepare postings. Georgetown attractions will also be promoted at the PRT welcome centers on major highways leading into the state.

Local News:

Associated Press: Coroplast to put 1st US plant in York County

http://www.theitem.com/news/ap_state_news/coroplast-to-put-st-us-plant-in-york-county/article_03c09428-1495-5d5c-b0da-f7b96d5352fe.html

Coroplast Tape Corp. is planning to put its first U.S. production plant in Rock Hill, creating 150 jobs. The German company announced Wednesday plans to invest \$12 million in a York County Spec Building off Interstate 77. The facility will make a range of adhesive and insulating tapes for the automotive industry. Officials expect operations to start in the second quarter of 2014. Coroplast president Marcus Söhngen says the company picked York County after an extensive search. The company will begin hiring later this year. The state’s Coordinating Council for Economic Development approved job development credits for the project.

Greenville News: Head Start in Upstate not affected by shutdown

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20131002/NEWS/310020066/Head-Start-Upstate-not-affected-by-shutdown>

Ron Barnett

While Head Start Centers in some parts of the country have closed their doors because of the federal government shutdown, those in South Carolina have escaped harm because they run on a different fiscal calendar than the federal government, according to Rubye Jones, director of SHARE Head Start. “We were just lucky,” she said. SHARE, or Sunbelt Human Advancement Resources, is the community action agency that runs Head Start programs in Greenville, Pickens, Anderson and Oconee counties, Jones said.

Island Packet: Tax appeals to resume in Beaufort County after months-long break

<http://www.islandpacket.com/2013/10/02/2717269/tax-appeals-to-resume-in-beaufort.html#storylink=cpy>

Zach Murdock

The Beaufort County board responsible for ruling on tax-valuation appeals will resume its hearings at the end of the month. Overwhelmed and understaffed, the Tax Equalization Board was suspended indefinitely in February while facing a years-long backlog of nearly 200 appeals, board chairman Bob Cummins said. Since then, County Council expanded the board from seven to 15 members, and the board has hired a new administrative assistant. Under its new format, the board now has three panels, each with five members, to decide appeals.

National News:

Chicago Tribune: Obamacare enrollment delays, technical problems continue on Day 2

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/business/breaking/chi-obamacare-enrollment-delays-technical-problems-continue-20131002,0,4043787.story>

Peter Frost

Delays and technical problems continued to plague enrollment efforts on the online insurance marketplaces created under President Barack Obama’s health care law on Wednesday. Consumers trying to view and compare new insurance plans on healthcare.gov, the federal website running the Illinois insurance

exchange, were met with error messages or delays a day after the system launched. Those who visit the overburdened website may see a “holding page” for a few minutes before they are able to enter the application process. Federal officials advised consumers to remain on the page and not refresh their browsers to hold their place in line.

Associated Press: Obama, lawmakers to meet on shutdown's 2nd day

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_289563/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=kx2RnUD5

Andrew Taylor

President Barack Obama summoned congressional leaders to the White House on the second day of a partial government shutdown that has furloughed hundreds of thousands of workers and closed military cemeteries as far away as France. Republican leaders welcomed the Wednesday afternoon meeting but questioned whether Democrats were ready to deal. Much of the government's operations were put on hold early Tuesday - ruining vacations, robbing businesses of customers and even idling many in the nation's intelligence force - in a dispute over Republicans' efforts to block or postpone Obama's health care law. Obama repeatedly has said he won't negotiate changes in the law in exchange for reopening the government.

Associated Press: Neither side softening before White House meeting

http://www.scnw.com/news/politics/article_31b97f18-2b4f-11e3-a7ab-001a4bcf6878.html

President Barack Obama summoned congressional leaders to the White House on the second day of a partial government shutdown that has furloughed hundreds of thousands of workers and closed military cemeteries as far away as France. Republican and Democratic leaders agreed to meet Wednesday afternoon but showed no signs of yielding. Much of the government has been on hold since early Tuesday — ruining vacations, robbing businesses of customers and even idling many in the nation's spy force — in a dispute over Republicans' efforts to block or postpone Obama's health care law. White House spokesman Jay Carney said Obama wasn't backing down from his refusal to negotiate health care in return for reopening the government.

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