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Governor Nikki Haley News:

Florence Morning News: Ruiz Foods holds groundbreaking in Florence

http://www.snow.com/news/business/article_2aed0078-0c37-11e4-9c64-0017a43b2370.html

John D. Russell

Ruiz Foods, maker of El Monterey, America's No. 1 selling brand of frozen Mexican Food and Tornados, a snack leader on the convenience store roller grill, held a groundbreaking Tuesday that included such guests as Gov. Nikki Haley and Sen. Hugh K. Leatherman at Pee Dee Electric Cooperative Touchstone Energy Commerce City near Interstate 95 and S.C. 327.

Note: "This company is encompassed with tradition, quality, family and commitment," Haley said. "That's what Florence is. A year from now they'll (Ruiz Foods) come back and say being here is the best decision they've ever made. This is a day of pride, a day where we all get together as a family and welcome a new family member."

WPDE: Groundbreaking held for company bringing 500 jobs to the Pee Dee

<http://www.carolinalive.com/news/story.aspx?id=1070363#.U8WVXvldV8E>

Tonya Brown

Governor Nikki Haley took part in a groundbreaking ceremony Tuesday for California-based Ruiz Foods which is locating to the old Heinz frozen foods plant in Florence and will create 500 new jobs. The company will immediately begin renovations of the former Heinz facility. The company plans to begin manufacturing there in 2015.

Note: "We are looking at a company that so reflects this community. Over \$50 million invested 500 jobs," said Governor Haley.

WBTW: 500 new jobs coming, Ruiz Foods breaks ground in Florence

<http://www.wbtw.com/story/26023395/ruiz-foods-groundbreaking-in-florence>

Julie Roy

Gov. Nikki Haley participated in a groundbreaking ceremony at Ruiz Foods on Harlee Boulevard in Florence Tuesday. The California based company has committed to an expansion that includes a \$55 million investment as well as 500 new jobs. Gov. Haley was joined by company officials as well as local economic development leaders.

Associated Press: Haley touts work of regulatory task force

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=gV7jqSvx

Seanna Adcox

Republican Gov. Nikki Haley, on the campaign trail recently, sung the praises of the regulatory task force she created last year, saying it issued more than 3,000 recommendations on how to cut bureaucratic red tape - and that the recommendations were "dealt" with.

Note: "The governor gave the Regulatory Review Task Force a mission: make state government run more efficiently and save our businesses money by saving them time - and after reviewing and making recommendations for reform on some of our most burdensome regulations, that's exactly what has happened," her spokesman, Doug Mayer, said in a statement late Monday.

S.C. Political News:

Associated Press: Senate hopeful says he'll return to reality show

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=WYRbmqS0

A day after presenting signatures to run for U.S. Senate, former state treasurer and convicted felon Thomas Ravenel reversed course Tuesday and said he will return for the second season of a reality TV show based

in Charleston.

Post and Courier: Thomas Ravenel will appear on season 2 of 'Southern Charm' after all
<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140715/PC16/140719599/1177&source=spreed>

Liz Foster

Surprise, surprise, surprise, as Gomer Pyle would say. Thomas Ravenel announced in a press release Tuesday that he has decided to participate in the second season of Bravo's reality series "Southern Charm."

The State: T-Rav says 'yes' to second season on Bravo's 'Southern Charm'

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/07/15/3565428/t-rav-says-he-will-appear-in-second.html#storylink=cpy>

Jamie Self

The 51-year-old Charleston developer and likely U.S. Senate candidate changed his mind after saying he would not appear again on the show, he announced Tuesday, a day after he filed a petition to run as an independent candidate against Republican incumbent U.S. Sen. Lindsey Graham of Seneca.

South Carolina News:

Aiken Standard: Board questions funding if SRS receives German fuel

<http://www.aikenstandard.com/article/20140715/AIK0101/140719618/1004/board-questions-funding-if-srs-receives-german-fuel>

Derrek Asberry

The Savannah River Site's Citizens Advisory Board is seeking verification that the Site won't be left holding the bag if it receives shipments of German fuel that Germany is expected to pay for. Like many other individuals and groups, the board, also known as CAB, submitted its thoughts on the Site potentially housing 900 kilograms of highly-enriched uranium, or HEU.

Post and Courier: Boeing, others lobby for Export-Import Bank renewal

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140715/PC05/140719586/1382&source=spreed>

Warren L. Wise

Last year, the federal Export-Import Bank helped Boeing finance \$8 billion in commercial jet sales to foreign companies. It aided the much smaller Fort Lawn-based Morrison Textile Machinery Co. with funding for overseas equipment purchases by firms in Turkey, Egypt and Bangladesh.

Post and Courier: DJJ suspends three employees after teen dies in apparent suicide

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140715/PC1603/140719605/1382&source=spreed>

Cynthia Roldan

Authorities are investigating the suicide of a teenager under the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice. Preliminary information has revealed a 16-year-old boy committed suicide at DJJ's detention center in Columbia on Sunday around 11:45 p.m., said agency spokeswoman Loretta Neal in a written release.

Greenville News: DJJ suspends 3 after Pelzer teen's death

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/crime/2014/07/15/djj-suspends-pelzer-teens-death/12682261/>

Tim Smith

The state Department of Juvenile Justice won't say why it has suspended three employees in the wake of a Pelzer teen's hanging death Sunday night in a DJJ dorm room. Alan C. Cottrell, 16, who was in custody at DJJ, was discovered hanging from bedsheets by staff a little before midnight Sunday and taken to Lexington Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead.

The State: USC's new business school has 'wow factor'

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/07/15/3565750/exclusive-uscs-new-business-school.html>

Andrew Shain

Audrey Korsgaard beamed over her office in the University of South Carolina's new, ultra-green Darla Moore School of Business building on Tuesday. The head of the school's management department can sit in her ergonomic chair by a large window with shades to cut the glare.

Greenville News: IRS auditing bond program used to build Greenville schools

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/local/2014/07/15/irs-auditing-bond-program-used-build-greenville-schools/12672515/>

Ron Barnett

The Internal Revenue Service is auditing a 2006 BEST Corp. bond issue that helped finance Greenville County Schools' \$1 billion construction program, a district official said today. Jeff Knotts, executive director of finance for the district, told the BEST Board of Directors at its annual meeting this morning that he believes the audit is routine.

Greenville News: 2,000 acres of S.C. wetlands to be saved

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/money/business/2014/07/14/boeing-wins-ok-wetlands-mitigation-plan/12644351/>

David Dykes

Boeing said it received federal approval on a comprehensive wetlands mitigation plan to preserve 4,000 acres near Francis Marion National Forest. The 4,000 acres includes more than 2,000 acres of wetlands, company officials said. The land is on three separate tracts near the forest in the South Carolina Lowcountry. Boeing said it received approval from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Local News:

Associated Press: Museum to be built in SC where slaves entered US

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

Bruce Smith

A \$75 million International African American Museum will be built in South Carolina on Charleston Harbor where tens of thousands of slaves first set foot in the United States. "There is no better site," Mayor Joseph P. Riley Jr. said Tuesday, standing on the waterfront tract where the 42,000-square-foot museum will be built in the city where the Civil War began.

Post and Courier: State report reveals CBS spent big bucks filming Reckless in Charleston

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140715/PC05/140719580/1177>

Abigail Darlington

The numbers are in for how much CBS' Reckless boosted the local economy when it filmed in Charleston last year. The South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism announced Tuesday that CBS invested \$17.9 million in South Carolina to film the pilot episode and the first season of the legal drama in Charleston.

National News:

Washington Post: New Election Lab forecast suggests 86 percent chance that GOP wins Senate

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/monkey-cage/wp/2014/07/15/new-election-lab-forecast-suggests-86-percent-chance-that-gop-wins-senate/>

John Sides

Election Lab, our midterm elections forecast, has been updated with a host of new features, including — most importantly — an updated forecast. Our model currently gives Republicans an 86 percent chance of winning a Senate majority.

Associated Press: House Democrats' campaign arm has \$51M banked

<http://www.whas11.com/news/national/267167641.html>

House Democrats' campaign arm again outraised its Republican rivals and has almost \$51 million in the bank for an uphill fight to claim the majority. The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee on Tuesday said it raised almost \$11 million last month.

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