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Governor Nikki Haley News:

WCIV: Find flood recovery resources at Team SC events

<http://www.abcnews4.com/story/30349967/find-flood-recovery-resources-at-team-sc-event>

Gov. Nikki Haley will be in Goose Creek Wednesday for a Team South Carolina flood relief event. The event is for residents of the tri-county area and will be held October 28 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Goose Creek Community Center. Team South Carolina event organizers provide a one-stop-shop for people looking for flood recovery resources.

Charlotte Business Journal: Nine years later: Plastics company plans \$100M plant in Chester, 300 jobs

http://www.bizjournals.com/charlotte/blog/outside_the_loop/2015/10/9-years-later-plastics-company-plans-100m-plant-in.html

Sometimes it pays to be patient if you're an economic-development person in the Charlotte region. After a nine-year delay, Poly-America of Grand Prairie, Texas, will put a \$100 million facility on the Chester County land the company bought way back in 2006. The company will also hire 300 to staff the facility.

Note: S.C. Gov. Nikki Haley says the jobs are important to the area. "The 300 jobs this great company is creating in Chester will make a real difference in the lives of South Carolinians, and we look forward to seeing the impact it will have on this community for a very long time," she says.

Area Development: Sutera USA Plans Operations Center In Greenville, South Carolina

<http://www.areadevelopment.com/newsItems/10-27-2015/sutera-usa-greenville-south-carolina892334.shtml>

Sutera USA, a firm specializing in semi underground waste and recycling collection systems, will establish operations at 55 Commerce Center in Greenville, South Carolina. The company is investing \$2 million in the facility, creating 20 new jobs in the Upstate.

Note: "The fact that Sutera has decided to expand operations at its Greenville headquarters is a huge win for South Carolina, and we couldn't be more excited to watch this company continue to succeed here," Governor Nikki Haley said.

S.C. Political News:

Post and Courier: It's all Trump, Carson and Clinton in new Clemson presidential poll Tuesday

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151027/PC1603/151029378>

Schuyler Kropf

A new Clemson University poll of Democrats and Republicans in South Carolina mirrors out-of-state surveys that show Donald Trump and Ben Carson leading on the Republican side, and Hillary Clinton out far ahead among the Democrats. The survey also shows large numbers of voters on each side, around 50 percent, are following news about the race but remain undecided for now.

S.C. General Assembly News:

Associated Press: Matthews sworn in to fill seat of slain SC state senator

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=BOp3Dy11

A successor is being sworn in to fill the state Senate seat of Clementa Pinckney, who was slain in the Charleston church shootings earlier this year. Walterboro attorney Margie Bright Matthews takes the oath of office on Tuesday at South Carolina's Senate chambers in Columbia.

South Carolina News:

Associated Press: Feds probing videotaped arrest of disruptive student

<http://bigstory.ap.org/urn:publicid:ap.org:77e7595e5d3c4c678212fd21f1036776>

Meg Kinnard

The Justice Department opened a civil rights investigation Tuesday after a deputy flipped a student backward in her desk and tossed her across the floor for refusing to leave her math class. Federal help was sought by Richland County Sheriff Leon Lott, who called what happened at Spring Valley High School in Columbia, South Carolina, "very disturbing" and placed Senior Deputy Ben Fields on leave.

The State: FBI, U.S. Justice Department agree to investigate Spring Valley incident

<http://www.thestate.com/news/local/crime/article41523774.html>

Glen Luke Flanagan

The FBI and the U.S. Justice Department will investigate an incident between a school resource officer and a female student at Spring Valley High School that was caught on video Monday and posted online.

Greenville News: Teen's father: Family will 'keep fighting' for justice after fatal shooting

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/2015/10/27/no-charges-against-officer-shooting-zachary-hammond/74671776/>

Ron Barnett

Zachary Hammond's father said his family plans to "keep fighting" for justice after the announcement Tuesday that no state charges will be filed against the Seneca police officer who shot and killed the teenager in a July attempted drug bust. "We hope to get some kind of justice somewhere, really," Paul Hammond told The Greenville News. "We just don't feel like it was a lawful shooting."

Anderson Independent: Solicitor: No charges for officer who shot Zachary Hammond

http://www.independentmail.com/news/local-news/solicitor-no-charges-for-officer-who-shot-zachary-hammond_21952204

Mike Ellis

Seneca Police Lt. Mark Tiller, who shot unarmed 19-year-old Zachary Hammond, did not follow his police training and escalated a drug bust into a fatal shooting, but Tiller will not face state criminal charges, 10th Judicial Circuit Solicitor Chrissy Adams said Tuesday. Adams spoke about the case Tuesday after reviewing the evidence for nearly two months.

Post and Courier: Deputy taped tossing black student sued in the past over excessive force

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151027/PC16/151029408>

Cynthia Roldan

Richland County Sheriff's Deputy Ben Fields, a second deputy and the Sheriff's Office were sued in 2007 over the arrest two years earlier of Carlos Edward Martin, who claimed Fields slammed him to the ground after Martin apparently set him off by calling the deputy "dude."

Post and Courier: In federal lawsuit, Summerville man alleges civil rights violations by Dorchester County coroner

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151027/PC16/151029388>

Andrew Knapp

A Summerville man on Tuesday sued Dorchester County Coroner Chris Nisbet, claiming he suffered "tremendous and irreparable" harm when the elected official pointed a gun and yelled racial epithets at him this summer. The Aug. 25 encounter between Leroy Fulton, who is black, and Nisbet, who is white, resulted in the coroner's arrest and suspension.

Local News:

Post and Courier: Coastal flooding inundates homes, cars in Charleston area; more expected

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151027/PC16/151029410>

Andrew Knapp, Dave Munday

Coastal floodwater from one of the highest tides on record Tuesday morning swamped cars, seeped into homes and snarled traffic in downtown Charleston. Even as the water receded later in the day, forecasters said the problem wasn't over. More flooding was expected Tuesday night and through much of the week.

Island Packet: Flooding from king tides expected to peak Tuesday, Wednesday; water floods area businesses, neighborhoods

<http://www.islandpacket.com/news/weather/article41526504.html#storylink=cpy>

Matt McNab

National Weather Service Charleston meteorologist. Flooding from the high tides -- caused by astronomical factors such as a full moon and the moon's perigee occurring in close proximity -- is likely to peak Tuesday and Wednesday, meteorologist Steve Rowley said Tuesday morning.

Times and Democrat: Solar farm incentives get final OK

http://thetandd.com/calhoun/solar-farm-incentives-get-final-ok/article_a723e25e-5435-52c7-8a5f-e3850005277a.html

Princess B. Williams

Calhoun County Council gave final approval Monday to incentives that will allow the construction of three solar farms in the county. The projects will place solar panels at one St. Matthews location and two Cameron solar farms. "It should generate substantial economic benefits to the county," County Administrator Lee Prickett said.

National News:

Associated Press: DOD: Muslim beliefs should not govern female guards at Gitmo

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=tfb3vrg8

Deb Riechmann

Senior defense officials said Tuesday that it was "outrageous" that female guards at the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, are barred from transporting five detainees suspected of being involved in the Sept. 11 attacks.

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