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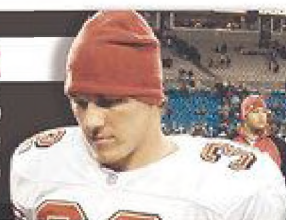
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## Smithsonian next for Edisto cabin

Will be part of 'Slavery and Freedom' exhibit



PHOTOS BY BRAD NETTLES/STAFF  
Ravi Munoz (from left), Ever Salamanca and Douglas Lundberg, with Museum Resources, remove the roof trusses from the Point of Palms slave cabin that is being taken down and moved to the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C.

BY ROBERT BEHRE  
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**EDISTO ISLAND** — One of this area's few remaining slave cabins seemed certain to be lost to history. The two-room, wood-sided building, once one of dozens of similar cabins on Point of Pines plantation, had suffered from decades of neglect, a pronounced lean and lots of rot.

The Edisto Island Historic Preservation Society had planned to relocate and restore the cabin as

part of the island's small museum, but it couldn't find enough money to move it properly. Just when things looked hopeless, the Smithsonian Institution came calling.

On Monday, workers began carefully dismantling the cabin board by board so that it can be transported to Washington, D.C., where it will find new life inside the new National Museum of African American History and Culture.

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A piece of newspaper from 1933 was used in the interior of the cabin.

### Online

To see more photos of the cabin and to watch a video of the Smithsonian dismantling it, go to [postandcourier.com/multimedia](http://postandcourier.com/multimedia).

## Tweet target says she was cyberbullied

BY DIETTE COURRÈGE CASEY  
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The black School of the Arts junior who was the target of a white senior's tweet containing the "n word" said Monday she hates going to school and has thought about "giving up" since the incident.

Sixteen-year-old Inani Herring spoke to the Charleston County School Board for about two minutes during the public comment portion of its meeting. She said she was a victim of both cyberbullying and the media, which have portrayed her negatively and only reported one side of the story.

"Some say I have a voice," Herring, a vocal major, told the board. "Last week, I lost it."

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## Will 'Reckless' put down roots in Charleston?

BY NATALIE CAULA  
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Millions of dollars are at stake in South Carolina as a network television show decides whether to return to Charleston.

CBS this week picked up the legal drama "Reckless" for its fall lineup after the show's pilot was shot in March in the Holy City.

The news was reported over the weekend in Variety, TV Guide and other industry outlets. Despite the original setting in the Lowcountry, there's been no indication yet whether the network will commit to Charleston.

"It would be a natural choice for them," said Gavin McCulley, the S.C. Film Council's chairman. "But I've no way confirmed that with anyone, and they haven't necessarily made a final decision."

The production spent a few weeks in the Lowcountry filming in spots including Shem Creek, Concord Street and The Battery.

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### Day 3

## Second Chance: The Mark Sanford Story

An epic collapse leaves Sanford's political and personal life in tatters

Mark Sanford's victory in last Tuesday's congressional election added another chapter in his amazing political journey. Inside today's paper is the third excerpt from a new Post and Courier e-book, "Second Chance: The Mark Sanford Story." In the full e-book, which will be available soon, read intimate emails between Mark Sanford, his then-wife Jenny Sanford and his then-mistress Maria Belen Chapar as the controversy swirls around them, as well as the emails and letters people sent Jenny Sanford after her husband confessed to the affair. Previous excerpts explore Sanford's childhood and how loss shaped his destiny.

Read an excerpt from the book  
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After an unexplained absence that left his staff and family unable to answer questions over his whereabouts, Gov. Mark Sanford admitted to an affair in 2009.

### Future excerpts

**TODAY:** Mark Sanford's betrayal.

**WEDNESDAY:**

His quest for a second chance.

The e-book will soon be available on iTunes and other e-reader formats.

### Get the e-book

Find out more about "Second Chance: The Mark Sanford Story" and how to buy a copy of it.

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**BRETT PARKER MURDER TRIAL**

## Five bullets struck bookie's wife

Tammy Parker apparently tried to flee killer, who fired gun 7 times in Irmo home, investigator testifies

By NOELLE PHILLIPS  
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Seven rounds were fired from a 9 mm Smith & Wesson handgun that killed Tammy Parker, the wife of an Irmo bookie who is on trial on two murder charges.

Five of those bullets

struck her, most likely as she tried to escape from the shooter, said Sgt. Stan Richards, a Richland County Sheriff's Department crime scene investigator.

The third day of the double murder trial for Brett Parker continued Monday where it had left off Friday — with Richards on the stand.

**ONLINE**

Look for photographs and continuing coverage of the Brett Parker murder trial, with this story at [thestate.com](http://thestate.com).

He testified about collecting evidence from Parker's Tackleria Court home where his wife and his gambling partner, Bryan Capnerhurst, were found shot

to death on April 13, 2012.

Much of Richards' testimony included highly technical information about bullet trajectory, ricochet angles and impact points as

he described efforts to figure out where the 9 mm had been fired. He also searched for blood stains, gunshot residue and DNA at the scene.

Shell casings were found in an upstairs play room and in the doorway of an office that was off the play room, Richards said.

"Most of the shots fired, based on the cartridge casing locations, were fired from the entryway to the office," Richards said.

Tammy Parker most likely was near the desk when the first shots were fired and tried to flee

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## Obama, Congress promise IRS probe

By KEVIN G. HALL, WILLIAM DOUGLAS and LESLEY CLARK  
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Political Washington reacted with bipartisan outrage Monday to reports that the Internal Revenue Service targeted conservative organizations applying for special tax-exempt status — though questions have been raised about politics and tax status since at least 2006.



Obama

President Barack Obama said it was "outrageous" if true that the IRS gave extra scrutiny to right-leaning groups applying for tax-exempt status.

"They have to be held fully accountable, because the IRS as an independent agency requires absolute integrity, and people have to have confidence that they're ... applying the laws in a nonpartisan way," he said at the White House.

"We need to get to the bottom of what happened here. I want to see all the facts," said Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., chairman of the Finance Committee. "The American people have questions for the IRS and I intend to get answers."

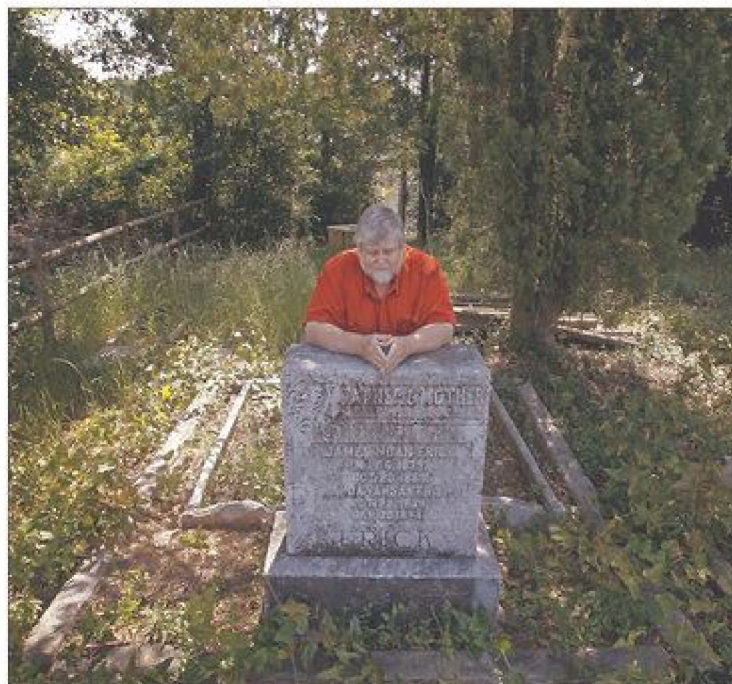
The top Republican on the panel concurred. "Bipartisanship on this issue is critical since both Democrats and Republicans have expressed con-

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Sen. Lindsey Graham renews criticisms of Obama administration on Benghazi and IRS scandal, **Page A8**

**MAPPING OUT RICHLAND COUNTY'S BURIAL GROUNDS**

Mike Trinkley, Chicora Foundation director, talks about the need to preserve cemeteries like this one near Cook and Martseller streets in Columbia.

## More than 450 cemeteries checker county; grant helping identify those sites

By DAWN HINSHAW  
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A preliminary survey underwritten by Richland County has identified more than 450 cemeteries, most of them long-abandoned plots where family members were laid to rest together.

Next, Mike Trinkley of the nonprofit Chicora Foundation

will embark on field work to refine the list by photographing the cemeteries, counting markers and developing a county map of the 463 cemeteries — equivalent to one cemetery for every 1.6-square miles of land.

Experts in Southern culture say the large number of burial sites scattered outside church yards here speaks to Southern-

ers' connections to their families and their land, a desire to stake an eternal claim to one's home place.

"There's a long tradition of annual gathering on Decoration Day to clean up graveyards, and a famous blues song by Blind Lemon Jefferson has

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*'People are fearsome that when they die, their graves will be neglected and overgrown and totally wiped out — which is often, sadly, the case.'*

Bill Ferris, a professor of history and folklore at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**BY THE NUMBERS**

In Richland County:

**463**

Number of cemeteries

**92**

Sites that might be duplicates

**1.6**

There is the equivalent of 1 cemetery per each 1.6 square mile

**ONLINE**

Find a link to a map that lists dozens of Richland County cemeteries, with this story at [thestate.com](http://thestate.com).





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## Doctor may face death penalty

Punishment phase begins  
today in abortion case

By Sean O'Sullivan  
The (Wilmington) News Journal

**PHILADELPHIA** — On the 10th day of deliberation, a jury convicted former abortion Dr. Kermit Gosnell of three counts of first-degree murder for killing or ordering the killing of three newborns that were born at Gosnell's West Philadelphia clinic during abortion procedures.

Gosnell, 72, who showed no emotion as the dozens and dozens of guilty counts were read in open court, now faces a possible death sentence.

A penalty phase where the same jury will decide if Gosnell deserves to die for his crimes begins on Tuesday.

The jury acquitted Gosnell, who also worked at a Wilmington abortion clinic, on one of four first-degree murder charges, and Court of Common Pleas Judge Jeffrey Minehart tossed out three first-degree murder charges before trial.

Gosnell attorney Jack McMahon said his client was "obviously disappointed and upset" with the result.

McMahon said he had no regrets about not calling any witnesses on Gosnell's behalf at the trial and said he put on an "aggressive" defense.

Assistant District Attorneys Edward Cameron and Joanne Pescatore both declined comment after the verdict was read, citing the judge's gag order in the case.

The two however shook hands with each other and hugged investigators in celebration after the verdicts were read.

In addition to the homicide counts, the jury also found Gosnell guilty of the involuntary manslaughter of abor-

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Dr. Kermit Gosnell is escorted to a waiting police van upon leaving the Criminal Justice Center in Philadelphia Monday. He was convicted of first-degree murder in the deaths of three babies who were delivered alive and then killed with scissors at his clinic.  
YONG KIM/AP



U.S. Senator Lindsey Graham speaks during a press conference at his office in Greenville. PATRICK COLLARD/STAFF

## GRAHAM: BENGHAZI COULD HAVE CHANGED ELECTION

By Ron Barnett  
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U.S. Sen. Lindsey Graham renewed his criticism of President Obama's handling of the Sept. 11 attack on the consulate in Benghazi, Libya on Monday, saying if the administration had told the truth initially it might have affected the outcome of the 2012 election.

"Mr. President, quit spinning the American people, and quit stonewalling the Congress," he said.

The attack, which killed four Americans, including U.S. Ambassador Christopher Stevens, has been linked to Al-Qaeda, and emails unveiled last week show the State Department and other senior administration officials asked that references to terror groups and prior warnings be deleted from an unclassified memo on talking points about the incident shortly after the attack.

**"SOMEBODY NEEDS TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR NOT HAVING ANY MILITARY ASSETS THAT COULD COME TO THEIR AID FOR SEVEN AND A HALF HOURS."**

"If it had been known by the American people seven weeks before the election the truth about Benghazi, I think it would have made a difference in the election," Graham told reporters at his office

in Greenville.

Obama, speaking in Washington, blamed Republicans for trying to score political points rather than figuring out how to prevent such attacks from happening again.

Asked by GreenvilleOnline.com what should be done to safeguard against other attacks at diplomatic posts, Graham said, "The first thing that needs to happen is somebody needs to be fired for letting this happen. Somebody needs to be held accountable for letting our consulate become a death trap before the attack.

"Somebody needs to be held accountable for not having any military assets that could come to their aid for seven and a half hours. And somebody needs to be held accountable for manipulating the American people regarding what actually happened seven weeks before the election."

He said the president should

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## City Council proud of open website

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**Editor's note:** This is the second in a four-part series on the accessibility of local government meetings. On Wednesday, the Aiken Standard looks at North Augusta City Council.

Aiken City Council members are always talking about transparency and constantly looking for ways to become more accessible to residents than they already are.

Council wants to hear from residents before making decisions that will impact the City and even though it can make for a long meeting, it will wait to hear from each person who wants to speak.

Mayor Fred Cavanaugh said that he never wants any resident to leave a meeting feeling like they weren't given the opportunity to share their concerns with Council.

"We work for our citizens, and we want them to speak because we learn when people speak or at least we have the opportunity to learn," Cavanaugh said.

The City website is also always undergoing improvements and offers a wide range of information for anybody to get their hands on from the budget to the meeting minutes.

"It's not just important to let every resident speak but it's also so important for us to be transparent in what we do," Cavanaugh said.

### When are meetings held?

The regularly scheduled meetings begin at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers.

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### AREA DEATHS

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### WEATHER



## Glimpse of the future?

North Augusta officials visit Greenville stadium as part of fact-finding trip for Project Jackson

• Family atmosphere, parking highlighted during search for answers on riverfront development

BY BILL BENGTON  
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North Augusta City Council members focused intensely on several blocks of Greenville Saturday afternoon and evening, with an eye on learning more about how a riverside baseball stadium could become a part of Aiken County's future.

The entire Council, after a two-hour afternoon bus ride, got a tour of the Greenville Drive baseball team's facility and some neighboring buildings, in a search for answers about Project Jackson, a North Augusta development proposal with a baseball field as its centerpiece.

Upscale housing, retail stores and a conference center are among other major elements, with Hammond's Ferry and The River Club as nearby neighborhoods.

Project backers have presented the baseball field as the future home of the Augusta GreenJackets.

Project Jackson was revealed to the public in December. Some have hailed it as an economic bonanza, and opponents have raised the specter of problems with parking, safety and congestion.

Financing, with a mixture of public and private backing, has been a major obstacle.

The Drive, a minor-league team, has had Fluor Field as its home turf since 2006, situated on the site of a former lumber yard, in an area that had been on a downward slide in recent years, according to some observers.

"We were there simply for information so that we could make more logical decisions when this actually comes up for a vote," said Councilman Carolyn Baggott. "As it stands now, there's still way too many questions to commit to a 'yes' or a 'no.'"

## 'Safe Communities' participant faces weapons charge

BY TEDDY KULMALA  
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A man who was a participant in the Safe Communities initiative's first "call-in" was detained after he pointed a firearm at a family member during a family event this weekend, according to the Aiken Department of Public Safety.

Kennard Thomas, 22, was charged with pointing and presenting a fire-



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BENGTON

Getting acquainted with Fluor Field, the Greenville Drive baseball team's home turf, are North Augusta City Council members Ken McDowell, left, and Fletcher Dickert on Saturday afternoon.

### 'Mass parking' versus 'traffic management'

Councilman Fletcher Dickert chose the word "insightful" to describe the trip in terms of "seeing what the environment is around the stadium and within the stadium as well."

He said the subject of parking was particularly interesting. "Most of their parking is on-street parking. The only mass parking lot is a good 10- to 15-minute walk away from the stadium. Project Jackson has planned, mass parking close to the stadium."

A major difference, Dickert said, is in North Augusta having more issues with access. "I don't believe that we will have as much of a parking problem as we will a traffic management problem," Dickert said.

### Light pollution and light poles

Also on the bus was businessman Scott Gudrich, who has been among



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BENGTON

Architect Bob Carlson, with arm outstretched, explains features of Fluor Field, the Greenville Drive baseball team's home turf, on Saturday during a fact-finding trip by North Augusta City Council members and other visitors. At front are Councilmember David McGhee and his wife, Ruthe.

Project Jackson's more active opponents. He traveled with his wife, Gina Reddy.

"We were asked to represent our homeowners association," said Gudrich, a River Club resident. "We had a wonderful time. We loved the stadium. We loved the surroundings

and loved everything about it, but we are still of the mindset that in no way, shape or form can you compare downtown North Augusta to the west end of Greenville, South Carolina. Just worlds apart."

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Thomas

Additional charges may be pending, police said.

While attending a family event in New Ellenton on Saturday, Thomas allegedly pointed a handgun at a family member

tendence at the first "call-in" for the Safe Communities initiative.

As part of the crime-fighting initiative, which is modeled after a similar program in High Point, N.C., chronic violent offenders are identified based on their present and past criminal activities and are invited to the call-in. There, they are told the effects of their crimes and that they face stiffer penalties and an expedited trial if they re-offend.

anywhere within the state of South Carolina," said Cpl. Jeremy Hembree, a spokesman for Aiken Public Safety. "The above offense violates the notice Mr. Thomas was given by the members of the Aiken Safe Communities Law Enforcement Panel."

The panel included representatives from Aiken Public Safety, the Aiken County Sheriff's Office, the S.C. State Law Enforcement Division and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,





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## Beaufort teenager mourned by school

Norman 'Kirk' Kirkland Jr., a seventh-grader at Whale Branch, drowned Saturday in Colleton County

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The 13-year-old Beaufort boy who drowned this weekend in Colleton County was described Monday by school officials as a bright student with a promising future who loved the outdoors.

Norman "Kirk" Kirkland Jr. was swimming with his grandfather and

### ON THE WEB

• To see video coverage by WTOG, click on this story at [beaufortgazette.com](http://beaufortgazette.com).

a cousin in the Ashepoo River near Crosby's Landing at about 6:30 p.m. Saturday when he disappeared un-

der the water and did not resurface, according to Deputy Chief Ted Stanfield of the Colleton County Sheriff's Office.

Colleton County Fire Rescue divers were called in to search for Kirkland. He was found near a boat ramp near U.S. 17 farther downriver, about 10 minutes after the divers entered the water.

Stanfield said Kirkland's uncle

told deputies the boy was swimming downriver from a boat ramp to a nearby dock when he drowned.

Stanfield said Kirkland likely got pulled under by a strong current near the U.S. 17 bridge.

A Fire Rescue report noted an outgoing tide had produced a strong current in the area.



Norman "Kirk" Kirkland Jr., 13, drowned Saturday in Colleton County.

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Submitted photo

## Fallout over IRS actions heats up

President Obama vows to punish those responsible for the agency's targeting of conservative groups seeking nonprofit status.

By **CHRISTI PARSONS**  
and **LISA MASCARO**  
Tribune Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama on Monday condemned the targeting of conservative groups by the Internal Revenue Service and vowed to punish anyone who may have taken part in it, as senators called for top IRS officials to resign and congressional committees prepared to investigate.

"I've got no patience with it," Obama told reporters at the White House on Monday morning. "I will not tolerate it. And we'll make sure that we find out exactly what happened on this."

An official of the tax collections agency acknowledged Friday that conservative groups seeking nonprofit status were singled out for scrutiny during Obama's first term in office. About 300 organizations were targeted, some because they had the words "tea party" or "patriot" in their applications.

Several senators called Monday for the firing or resignation of IRS officials as the political fallout over the agency's targeting of conservative groups intensified on Capitol Hill.

Sen. Joe Manchin, D-W.Va., called for Obama to fire the officials involved. "The actions of the IRS are unacceptable and un-American," he said. "The president must immediately condemn this attack on our values, find those individuals in his administration who are responsible and fire them."

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CANDICE GLOVER ON 'AMERICAN IDOL' FINALE

## TIME TO PARTY

Local events planned so fans can watch season's final two episodes



MICHAEL BECKER • FOX

St. Helena Island native and "American Idol" finalist Candice Glover performs May 8, making it to the Top 2 on the show. Glover, along with contestant Kree Harrison, will perform Wednesday in the "Idol" finale.

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### 'IDOL' FINALE

Candice Glover will perform three songs in the finale, which airs from 8 to 9 p.m. Wednesday on Fox. She'll find out if she is the next American Idol during the results show, which airs from 8 to 10 p.m. Thursday.

Two "American Idol" watch parties are planned this week in Beaufort, one on Wednesday for the show's finale and another Thursday when this season's winner will be announced.

St. Helena Island native Candice Glover, one of the two remaining contestants, will perform three songs in the finale, which airs from 8 to 9 p.m. Wednesday on Fox. She'll find out if she is the next American Idol during the results show, which airs from 8 to 10 p.m. Thursday.

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## EAGLES ON THE VERGE

Late runs vs. Bishop England put Chesnee within 1 win of a state title. SPORTS, PAGE B1

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### No more questions

Joyce Brothers, the pop psychologist who pioneered the TV advice show in the 1950s and went on to a long career as an author and syndicated columnist, dies at 85. **PAGE A3**

### Motor City blues

Detroit's emergency manager declares that the city is broke and at risk of running completely out of money — a calamity that could mean employees don't get paid, retirees lose their pensions and residents suffer even deeper cuts in municipal services. **PAGE A3**

### Love with no limits

Minnesota is set to become the 12th state to legalize gay marriage, after a final legislative vote allows weddings for gay couples to begin Aug. 1. Thousands of gay-marriage supporters in the Capitol erupt in cheers after the state Senate's vote; Minnesota will be the first state in the Midwest to legalize the practice. **PAGE A4**

### O.J. back in court

A weary-looking O.J. Simpson returns to court in Las Vegas to ask for a new trial in the armed robbery case that sent him to prison in 2008. He's scheduled to testify on Wednesday. **PAGE A4**

### Suspect named

Police identify a 19-year-old man as a suspect in the shooting of nearly 20 people during Sunday's Mother's Day parade in New Orleans, saying several people have identified him as the gunman. The police superintendent says it's too early to say whether he was the only shooter, however. **PAGE A8**

## Benghazi, IRS jolt president

Obama denounces targeted tea party audits



JACQUELYN MARTIN/AP  
President Barack Obama listens to a question about Benghazi at a news conference Monday.

By JULIE PACE  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama tried to swat down a pair of brewing controversies Monday, denouncing as "outrageous" the targeting of conservative political groups by the federal IRS but angrily denying any administration cover-up after last year's deadly attacks in Benghazi, Libya.

Simultaneous investigations — and demands by Republicans for more — have put the White House on the defen-

sive, emboldened GOP lawmakers and threatened to overtake a second-term Obama agenda already off to a rocky start.

During a joint news conference with British Prime Minister David Cameron, Obama appeared agitated over the resurgent investigation into the September attack at a U.S. diplomatic compound in Benghazi. He dismissed the Republican-driven effort as a "sideshow" that dishonors the four

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◆ An acting chief for the IRS failed to tell Congress about tea-party audits.  
◆ Obama says no cover-up in the Benghazi case.

SPATS says coordinating traffic lights cheaper than widening Highway 29

## ROAD RELIEF?



Commuting between Spartanburg and Greenville could be easier under an initiative being considered by the Spartanburg Area Transportation Study. Jim D'Amato, transportation

The project would encompass more than 20 miles and dozens of traffic lights, D'Amato said. The initiative is in the planning stages, but D'Amato said he hopes it can be done within the next two or three years. He estimated the cost to be \$2,000 to \$3,000.

A typical widening project would cost about \$6 million to \$7 million per mile. New technology allows the signals to be programed using radio frequencies, eliminating the need for fiber optic cable and the time-consuming process of burying the

"Are you human? To med these women up and stick knives in the backs of babies?"

ED CAMERON, prosecutor, to Dr. Kermit Gosnell, during closing arguments Monday

## Jurors convict abortion doctor

Defendant could face death penalty for killing newborns

By MARYCLAIRE DALE  
The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — An abortion doctor was convicted Monday of first-degree murder and could face execution in the deaths of three babies who were delivered alive and then killed with scissors at his grimy, "house of horrors" clinic.

In a case that became a grisly flash point in the nation's abortion debate, Dr. Kermit Gosnell, 72, also was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter in the overdose death of an abortion patient. He was cleared in the death of a fourth baby, who prosecutors say let out a whimper before the doctor cut the spinal cord.

Gosnell, who portrayed himself as an advocate for poor and desperate women in an impoverished neighborhood, appeared



Gosnell



Dixie softball dukes it out at state, **1B**



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## New fleet possible in budget

State Senate fiscal plan could include \$15 Million for school buses



MICK ZAIS

By SEANNA ADCOX  
Associated Press

COLUMBIA — The Senate's 2013-14 budget could buy \$15 million worth of new school buses for South Carolina's oldest-in-nation fleet, as part of its \$6.3 billion plan for state spending.

Senators considered an amend-

ment Monday to their budget plan that would distribute nearly \$7 million in extra lottery sales the state is expected to bring in next fiscal year, according to revised revenue estimates approved last week by state economic advisers. The proposal puts \$2.75 million of the higher-than-initially-estimated profits toward school

buses.

A spokesman for Republican state Superintendent Mick Zais said the proposed allocation is encouraging, but still falls far short.

"We have a long way to go to get the bus fleet cost-effective for taxpayers and on the schedule recommended by law," said

spokesman Jay Ragley.

New buses not only mean students are more likely to get to school on time, but they're more fuel efficient and cheaper to maintain, Zais said. The \$15 million could buy about 200 buses.

Republican Gov. Nikki Haley continues to advocate for trans-

ferring the fleet's responsibility to districts. Her budget recommended the state sell all of its buses and let districts either be fully responsible for running their own buses or contract for services. That idea has gone nowhere in the Legislature.

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Greenwood's Gene Pinson recently was appointed to the Citadel Board of Visitors. The former legislator has a host of memorabilia from The Citadel in his home.

### THE CITADEL

## 'A GREAT HONOR'

Greenwood's Gene Pinson to serve on Board of Visitors

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The Citadel has, for decades, been an important institution for Gene Pinson's family.

ters at The Citadel. His term — which is set to last six years — will begin in July.

Pinson has served in various leadership roles in the community through the years, but is perhaps best known for his five terms in the state legislature. He was the state rep-

resentative of 11 graduates of the college. Seven are elected by the legislature, three are elected by the school's alumni association and one is appointed by the governor. All serve six-year terms.

According to [www.citadel.edu](http://www.citadel.edu), the Board

### ■ ABBEVILLE COUNTY

## Gaps in the controls

Council receives sheriff's audit report

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ABBEVILLE — An audit report of the Abbeville County Sheriff's Office was presented to Abbeville County Council on Monday night. The audit was conducted by Martin-Smith & Company of Greenville per a Feb. 11 request from Council.

The request came after the Jan. 14 resignation of former sheriff Charles Goodwin. As previously reported by the Index-Journal, Goodwin, Abbeville's top lawman for 24 years, resigned in the face of an indictment by a state



BRYAN MCCLAIN

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### ■ McCORMICK

## Reductions considered by school board

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McCORMICK — Within the first 20 minutes of a McCormick School District board of trustees meeting Monday night, members passed a flurry of money-saving motions neces-







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## Hilton Head airport plans to expand terminal

By BRIAN HEFFERNAN  
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The Hilton Head Island Airport's terminal is scheduled for an expansion that would include more seating, security areas and restrooms.

The improvements, expected to cost about \$1.9 million, would make the airport more convenient to travelers after changes required by the

Transportation Security Administration following the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, according to county and airport officials.

The TSA mandated that all U.S. airports screen checked bags starting Dec. 31, 2002. To accommodate TSA security rules, passengers have been cut off from the airport's only bathrooms after they passed beyond a security checkpoint.

"We had to adapt the terminal to the new needs of TSA and the screening areas ... and we just did what we could with the space that we had," Beaufort County Airports Board Chairman Joe Mazzei said.

The new terminal's design would add restrooms near the gate. A vending area also would be opened beyond the security check.



Submitted rendering

The Hilton Head Island Airport plans to expand its terminal, at an estimated cost of about \$1.9 million, according to Beaufort County's 2011 airport master plan. The larger rendering shows the proposed expansion of the terminal while the inset illustrates it now.

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## 'OUTRAGEOUS'

Obama condemns IRS targeting of conservative groups



J. SCOTT APPLEWHITE • The Associated Press

President Barack Obama said Monday that reports that the Internal Revenue Service targeted conservative groups are "outrageous" and anyone involved needs to be "held fully accountable."

By CHRISTI PARSONS and LISA MASCAIRO • Tribune Washington Bureau

**P**resident Barack Obama on Monday condemned the targeting of conservative groups by the Internal Revenue Service and vowed to punish anyone who might have taken part in it, as senators called for top IRS officials to resign and

Several senators called Monday for the firing or resignation of IRS officials as the political fallout over the agency's targeting of conservative groups intensified on Capitol Hill.

Sen. Joe Manchin, D-W.Va., called for Obama to fire the officials involved.

"The actions of the IRS are unacceptable and unacceptable," Manchin said. "The committee is going to

## GOP club halts rifle giveaway

The Greater Bluffton Republican Club says the contest for an AR-15 is on hold amid concerns the fundraiser violates state law.

By CASEY CONLEY  
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The Greater Bluffton Republican Club, which last week announced it was giving away an AR-15 rifle for its spring fundraiser, now says the contest is on hold.

Club vice president Marcie Flynn said tickets are no longer being sold and that the gun giveaway has been "temporarily suspended" amid concerns that the raffle-style fundraiser violates state law.

"We have temporarily suspended selling tickets, and we are working with the 64th Circuit Solicitor's Office to make sure we are compliant with South Carolina gambling laws," she said.

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BENGHAZI ATTACK

## Obama: GOP focus is baseless

Republicans say the White House tried to downplay an act of terrorism immediately following the September attack.

By DONNA CASSATA  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House Republicans pushed ahead Monday with their investigation of the deadly as-





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## Wilson High School Tiger plate is first in state

Florence high school is first in SC to get specialty license plate

BY ELLEN MEDER  
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FLORENCE — The ever-active Wilson High School Alumni Association now has a tag to call its own.

The organization unveiled its official South Carolina license plate Monday morning, the first of its kind in state history. The plate comes into being following a five-year process involving the Legislature and the



### Tiger up!

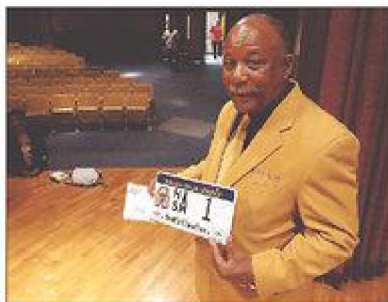
To buy a Wilson High School license plate, visit a DMV office in person or go online ([www.scdmvonline.com](http://www.scdmvonline.com)), fill out the application and pay \$70.

Department of Motor Vehicles. It means Wilson alumni will be able to put their purple-and-gold pride on display on their vehicles. The special

tags cost \$70. Of that amount, \$40 will go toward college scholarships for graduating Wilson seniors.

In a ceremony at the Wilson auditorium nearly 50 alumni showed up to celebrate and hear a long list of dignitaries brag on the association's work. The parade included State Senator Kent Williams (D-Marion), State Representative Terry Alexander (D-Florence), SCDMV Director Kevin Shwedo, Florence School District 1 Superintendent and former Wilson Principal Allie Brooks Jr., and current Principal Eric Robinson.

Wilson Alumni Association President Bryant Moses spoke of the



Wilson High School Alumni Association President Bryant Moses holds up his specialty license plate, the first of the 100 that have been made so far.

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## Jack Be Nimble trial gets underway

BY TRACI BRIDGES  
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DARLINGTON — Fire ripped through the Jack Be Nimble children's boutique in downtown Hartsville on Jan. 26, 2011.

That, attorneys for both the state of South Carolina and boutique owner Claudette Hulsey agree on.

But, that's about it.

The state says Hulsey set up a fake assault complete with nonexistent suspects, then set fire to her business herself — all in an elaborate scheme to get a large insurance settlement.

"There were no two black males, no rape, no robbery. There was a fire. Claudette Hulsey set her own business on fire in a building she didn't own," Asst. Attorney General Joshua Underwood said. "Her business was not doing well. In fact, in the 3½ years she had it, she didn't make a penny. She lost thousands of dollars. Her way out was fraud, to become a victim, because if she was a victim, no one would blame her for going out of business."

Hulsey denies that and maintains the story she told investigators two years ago was and always

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## HONORING THE FALLEN



PHOTOS BY JOHN D. RUSSELL/MORNING NEWS

The Florence County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard stands at parade rest on Monday before the start of the combined Florence and Darlington Counties Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Service at Cornerstone Baptist Church in Darlington. May 15 is nationally designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day and Police Week. This week is meant to honor law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty. Although Florence and Darlington counties did not have any loss of officers in the last year, the Federal Bureau of Investigation reports a total of 92 officers killed in the line of duty around the nation in the last year.

(From left) Darlington County Sheriff Wayne Byrd, Florence County Sheriff Kenney Boone and Florence County Sheriff's Office Captain Mike Nunn say the Pledge of Allegiance on Monday during the service at Cornerstone Baptist Church.



## Florence City Council

## City to FAHS: Pay up or leave

BY JOHN SWEENEY  
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FLORENCE — The city of Florence has issued what amounts to an ultimatum to the Florence Area Humane Society: agree to terms of operating the city's animal shelter or face the possibility of no longer operating there at all.

Members of the City Council unanimously approved a motion Monday that sets a deadline of July 1 for a formal agreement to be reached with the Humane Society regarding the operation of the Jayne H. Boswell Animal Shelter.

The groups have operated without a formal agreement since July 2012, though the city has said the society agreed to a deal in principle and that the FAHS will owe it \$75,000 in operations costs when the fiscal year ends in June.

Mayor Stephen J. Wukela said regardless of what happens the shelter, currently located on South McCurdy in

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## Hunter Bell takes it all on 'Fashion Star'

Florence native wins national TV competition

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interview with the Morning News the new star said being a contestant on the show was an amazing opportunity.

"It was the most phenomenal experience of my life ... working with

finalists. Bell beat out 11 other designers to ultimately win a \$3 million capsule collection in the stores of Macy's, Saks Fifth Avenue, and Express.

She also had the opportunity to work with Jessica Simpson as her celebrity team leader.

The finale, unlike many other

purchase her collections.

The win was an important one. Bell had been the frontrunner in the competition for weeks, but two episodes before the finale she ended up in the bottom two spots, leaving her up for possible elimination. That episode clearly shook her out of her comfort







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## HORTON IN THE HALL

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## TREATING DRUG-ADDICTED BABIES



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## Two murders, 40 years

Man who killed ex, friend collapses during confession



CHRISTOPHER HUFF/T&D

Vicente Mendoza is led back into court Monday, followed by defense attorney Charles Williams, after being treated by Emergency Medical Services workers at the Orangeburg County Courthouse.

By RICHARD WALKER  
T&D Staff Writer

An emotionally charged two-hour plea hearing ended with a Mexican national being sentenced to 40 years in prison for the murder of two Orangeburg women. Circuit Court Judge Diane Goodstein heard both extremes — one side asking for mercy, the other for life in prison, if not a death sentence.

"I want him, after he has spent his life, the productive part of his life (in prison), I would like for him to explain to his children his actions," the judge said.

Vicente Mendoza, 28, pleaded guilty Monday to the March 18, 2012 shooting deaths of 21-year-old Hope Bowers and 37-year-old Latonia Profit at the man's Snake Swamp Road residence.

"I'm sorry what I done," a sobbing Mendoza said. "I hate myself for what I've done. I'm so sorry for hating the other victim."

The double 40-year sentences are to be served concurrently. Goodstein told the family members on both sides Mendoza will be 68 when he is released — time enough for him to consider the an-

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CHRISTOPHER HUFF/T&D

Vicente Mendoza collapses in court Monday after admitting to the shooting deaths of 21-year-old Hope Bowers and 37-year-old Latonia Profit. He disputed investigators' claims that he shot each multiple times.



T&D FILES

Bill Connor of Orangeburg announced in March 2010 at the Statehouse in Columbia that he would run for lieutenant governor. He says he is considering a second bid for the office.

## Connor may run again for lt. governor

By LEE HENDREN  
T&D Government Writer

Attorney, author and Afghanistan war veteran Bill Connor of Orangeburg said Monday he's "strongly considering" a second run for South Carolina lieutenant governor.

Connor said he's "picking up where I left off" in the 2010 election, when "I ran hard and ran a good, clean race."

He lost the runoff for the Republican nomination to Ken Ard, who went on to win the office. Ard resigned in 2012, pleaded guilty to campaign fraud and was sentenced to five years of probation and 300 hours of public service.

Glenn McConnell then gave up his powerful position as Senate president pro tem and succeeded Ard.

Connor believes Americans in 2016 will elect a Republican president who will name Gov. Nikki Haley to a national post. So he says it's critical

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## Wheelchair theft suspect needs help, grandma tells court

T&D Staff Report

An Orangeburg woman says the grandson accused of stealing her wheelchair needs help.



Emergency medical and law enforcement personnel responded to the Hot Spot gas station in Eutawville to aid the victim of a shooting Monday morning. Here, the victim is placed on a stretcher.



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