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What has been described as a strained relationship between the region's two public transit systems has reached a new impasse with millions of federal dollars at stake.

Since being included in the Greenville urbanized area last June, Clemson city officials say funding for their bus system, Clemson Area Transit, has been cut

because of a "take it or leave it" deal that favors the bigger Greenlink bus system, operated by Greenville Transit Authority.

Greenville Transit Authority, as a designated recipient of federal transit funds, is currently the mediator that decides how much both systems get annually. Clemson officials say they're unhappy with the current agreement in which they received 28.6 percent of the \$2.7 million allocation this fiscal year.

The one-year deal expires June 30. The allocation was "significantly lower than what we thought was fair and eq-

uitable," said Clemson City Administrator Rick Cotton. "There is an inherent conflict of interest because GTA and Greenlink have the same staff."

Greenville Mayor Knox White, however, said that is not a fair assessment because GTA has "bent over backwards" to accommodate Clemson.

To resolve the issue, Greenville-Pickens Area Transportation Study last month voted themselves to be the designated recipient, over the objections of GTA.

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Above left, Greenlink is operated by the Greenville Transit Authority. Here a bus loads passengers at the Transfer Center on West McBee Street. MYXAL

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Above right, Clemson Area Transit, which services Clemson University, the City of Clemson, the town of Central, the town of Pendleton, the City of Seneca and Anderson County, doesn't charge fares like Greenlink does. MUE

Warmer temps make a return

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They called it Spring Break here in Greenville—but as the kids head back to school, those who stayed in town can only lament that the warm weather we'll see in the coming days didn't come a week earlier.

If only.
The wet and cold weekend was ... very wet and very cold, relatively, thanks to some of that Canadian air that plagued the Upstate throughout an extended winter.

The high temperatures for the week

'We Run Together'

Upstate runners return to Boston Marathon

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Last April 15, Heather Dunn labored toward the finish line of her sixth Boston Marathon on a crisp, windy afternoon. Just one more left turn onto Boylston Street and she'd hit the home stretch.

Then she heard the bombs, which sounded to her like a dumpster lid slamming shut. She saw runners stop

TO DONATE

In honor of Budd Bodine, visit Heather Dunn's personal page on the Dana-Farber website: <http://bit.ly/tf2WMB4>
To donate in honor of Lois Rosenfeld, visit Jennifer Tessitore's personal page for the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation: <http://bit.ly/tf2GUO44>

Boston, this year's theme, "We Run Together," holds true.

cancer.

Tessitore will run as one of 16 racers in the PowerTeam for the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation, which she said sets \$4,000 fundraising goals for its team members.

Tessitore met that goal. Then set one for \$15,000. She met that too. By Friday, she'd raised \$17,000 and credited her law colleagues and family and a willingness by the public to contribute to marathon-based charities.

Tessitore's mom is being treated at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston.

Coincidentally, Heather Dunn, a professor in Clemson University's De-

Kuchar beats Donald to win RBC Heritage SPORTS, C1



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Growing pains

Rise in students drives need for new schools in Mount Pleasant



Wando High School has grown by 100 students a year for the last decade. Despite a new Center for Advanced Studies opening this fall, the school continues to deal with crowding.

BY AMANDA KERR
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Wando High School was 500 students under capacity when its doors opened 10 years ago at the new campus off of U.S. Highway 17.

Today, Wando is the state's largest high school with about 3,700 students and is projected to reach an enrollment of 3,800 students in the fall.

Crowding isn't an issue only at Wando, though. Both Laurel Hill Primary and Charles Pinckney Elementary are over capacity by several hundred students.

And with more than 6,000 residential units slated to come on line in the coming years, that means more growth in the schools.

A new town committee appointed by Mayor Linda Page is taking a closer look at the issue in hopes of getting some help from the Charleston County School District. The effort also involves state lawmakers.

Extend 1 percent sales tax?

The new committee, which met for the first time last week, wants to draw attention to the town's school needs ahead of a possible referendum in November to ex-



Second-graders walk to lunch from their mobile classrooms at Laurel Hill Primary where there is no more space to put more portable classrooms to create extra space.



Will you vote in favor of extending Charleston County's 1 percent sales tax beyond 2016 to fund additional school building construction in Mount Pleasant? Find this story at postandcourier.com to vote.

Extend a 1 percent sales tax aimed at funding the school district's building program.

Charleston County voters approved the six-year sales tax in-

crease in 2000, but the Legislature would have to pass a bill allowing a referendum this year to extend the tax.

If not, the school district can't

hold a referendum until the tax expires in 2016.

The House passed a bill last week allowing the referendum to take place this year, but the Senate still has to take up the issue.

"The school district has pressing needs all over the county," said Councilman Paul Gawrych, who is chairing the committee. "We in Mount Pleasant are growing faster than other parts of the county. Our needs are greater, and we need to make sure the school district understands that. This isn't about telling them how to do their job," Gawrych said. "It's about making sure we're all on the same page."

Some Mount Pleasant residents are frustrated that the town doesn't already have a new elementary school out of the sales tax that was approved in 2010.

"Everybody assumed that it would make the list," Gawrych said. "We felt like everybody there at (school district headquarters at) 75 Calhoun understood."

This time around the committee hopes to have individual schools included on a referendum ballot so there's no confusion, Gawrych said.

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Marathoner Demi Knight Clark, who has received national attention for being among the last finishers as the bombs went off at the Boston Marathon, moved from Charlotte to Mount Pleasant last July.

A year after tragedy, area runners back in Boston race

BY DAVID QUICK
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Nearly three dozen Charleston area residents are among the 250 South Carolinians who today will experience running one of the most important races in the history of the most famous marathon in the world.

The much-anticipated, 118th Boston Marathon. It will be like none other — an emotional journey bound to roll as much as the course does for the 26.2 miles from the quaint town of Hopkinton, Mass., to the bustling metropolis of Boston — to honor those killed and injured in last year's terrorist bombings and to reclaim the joy and glory of one of America's greatest sporting events.

Please see **BOSTON**, Page A4

Army ban on hairstyles raises ire of black females

BY HELENE COOPER
New York Times News Service

WASHINGTON — Black women and their hair have been a topic of discussion for years by people like Maya Angelou, Al Sharpton and Sak-N-Bone.

Now add Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel to that list.

In reaction to a new Army regulation banning numerous hairstyles — braids, dreadlocks and large cornrows — popular with black women, the 16 women of the Congressional Black Caucus have asked Hagel to overturn the regulation on behalf of the 26,700 African American women on active duty in the Army. The regulation comes at the same time as a new Army rule banning tattoos on the face, neck, hands, fingers and lower arms of recruits.

Both regulations are among new grooming standards that critics say are meant to further weed people out of an Army reducing its size from its post-9/11 peak of 570,000 to as low as 420,000 in the years to come. Rep. Marcia L. Fudge, D-Ohio, chairwoman of the Black caucus, said she had been struck in recent visits to military bases by how many soldiers — black and white — said they felt they were being pushed out of the military.

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CARTER DIES

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Rubin "Hurricane" Carter, the boxer who spent almost 20 years in jail after twice being convicted of a triple murder he denied committing, died Sunday at his home in Toronto according to longtime friend and codefendant John Artis. He was 76. **Story B5**

YOUR WEEK

FILE PHOTOGRAPHY/THE STATE

A runner makes the long, uphill climb out of Vulcan Quarry during a past Quarry Crusher Run.

Another big Saturday in the Midlands

You could party all day Saturday: **Party for the Planet** Earth Day celebration at Riverbanks Zoo, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; the **Quarry Crusher Run**, 9 p.m. at Vulcan Quarry; **Olympia Fest** 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Williams Street near Granby Mill, 9 a.m.; **Kids Day in Lexington**, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Virginia Hylton Park; **Eau Claire Fest** 11 a.m.-8 p.m. at Eau Claire Town Hall and Hyatt Park; **WUSC Jamboree** fundraiser, 12:30-10 p.m. at El Burrito on Harden St.; **Sparkleberry Country Fair** continuing all day at Clemson REC Sandhill.

See more details about these events throughout the week at **Go Columbia**.

Sprummer

Sister Hazel and other guests play on the rooftop of Carolina Walk along Stadium Road near Bluff Road beginning at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the annual Sprummer fundraiser benefiting Winston's Wish. For tickets, visit winstonswishfoundation.com.

USC BASEBALL: Gamecocks hold on for 4-3 win over Auburn. **B1****KUCHAR KEEPS HIS COOL**

Golfer sinks bunker shot on the 18th for one-shot win at RBC Heritage at Hilton Head. **B1**

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City may privatize current, planned parking garages

Mayor: Move could cut public investment costs for Bull Street project

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Columbia city government is looking into privatizing its 10 parking garages and the two the city is contracted to build for the Bull Street neighborhood.

City officials are preparing to

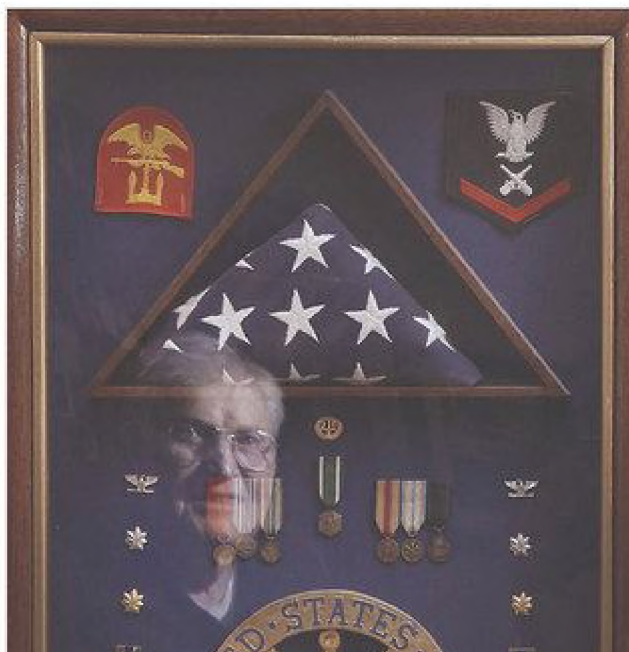
seek proposals from private partners, including for the Bull Street garages, within a couple of months, Mayor Steve Benjamin and assistant city manager Missy Gentry said. The garages for the vast Bull Street neighborhood are projected to cost taxpayers between \$24 million

and \$26 million together, according to estimates from the city's chief financial officer.

"The goal is to have a system that easily pays for itself and also helps facilitate business growth," Benjamin said of privatization. "Let's ask folks, 'Are you interested in partnering

with us this way?'"

City Council would have to approve such a major change in parking practices, Benjamin said he and city staffers have been discussing privatization for a couple of years.

SEE **PRIVATIZE** PAGE A5

S.C. veterans plan visit to mark 70 years since D-Day

Donations sought for 'last hurrah' trip to Normandy

By JEFF WILKINSON
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A month after World War II ended, Jeanne Palyok, an American raised in France by her grandparents, sailed back to Paris to work as a translator at the U.S. Embassy. In 1947, she and her husband, John, a veteran of the war in Italy, were transferred to jobs in graves registration at the new U.S. cemetery overlooking the D-Day beaches in Normandy.

During that time, she witnessed firsthand the staggering scope of the American sacrifice to liberate her second home. Later, Palyok would become a French teacher at Dreher High School in Columbia and, for 18 years, she led trips to France for her

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Big plans to realize city's full potential

New Ellenton Council pushes revitalizing city

BY AMY BANTON
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With a freshly renovated city hall and a new community center, New Ellenton officials are now trying to realize their city's full potential.

In December, City Council agreed to hire Urban Land Institute, a nonprofit research and education organization, to help it come up with a plan to revitalize the area surrounding S.C.-19, on which the city is located. Council has also had consultation from former Aiken City Manager Roger LeDuc over the last few months, and he feels optimistic of the progress the small city is starting to make.

With LeDuc's guidance, Council held its own retreat and established goals to accomplish this year. It's top goal is forming citizen committees to develop plans for Evans Park, improvements along S.C.-19, neighborhood revitalization and sewer line expansions. Each committee will be headed by at least one Council member.

"The bottom line is how do we go ahead to make the future bright and move the community forward?" LeDuc said. "We believe that through these four committees and this project here, we can establish a vision of what New Ellenton could become."

New Ellenton has faced a history of challenges.

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AREA DEATHS

There are no new area deaths today.
Deaths and Funerals, 6A

WEATHER

Residents to participate in Boston Marathon



AP PHOTO/ROBERT F. BUKATY

Runners and race fans crowd the Boston Marathon finish line, one day before the race, on Sunday, in Boston.

Local participants share their excitement for today's race

BY DEDE BILES
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Today's Boston Marathon is the first renewal of the world-renowned footrace since murder and mayhem marred last year's event. Joining the thousands of runners competing is George R. Lawson Jr. of Aiken, and he'll be thinking about what happened in 2013 as he makes his inaugural appearance in the 26.2-mile competition.



Lawson



Ray

"I feel very humbled about being able to participate in it and honor the people that lost their lives due to a terrorist attack," Lawson said. "This will be a statement that we have to go on with our lives and we have to be strong. It will be a really special day for me."

In 2013, two bombs exploded near the Boston Marathon's finish line, killing three people and injuring more than 260. The tragedy upset Lawson, but he isn't worried about another disaster occurring during the race's latest edition.

"It's a first-class world event, and I believe that all the proper precautions have been taken," Lawson said. "You can't bring any gear with you in a bag to the start. You have to put it in a clear bag and check it. Then, you'll go to a design-

Locals in the race

The following Aiken County runners are entered in today's Boston Marathon:

- George A. Lawson Jr. of Aiken
- Joerg Klisch of Aiken
- Craig R. Cooper of North Augusta
- Miriam Cortez-Cooper of North Augusta
- Barbara Rose of North Augusta
- In addition, Daniel Ray, a former Aiken resident who lives in Eau Claire, Wis., is an entrant.

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Photos of the pre-race dinner, 14A

ated area and pick it up after the race."

Prior to his retirement on Jan. 31, Lawson worked for Eli Lilly and Co. as a training manager in Augusta.

"My brother, Mark, who is a gastroenterologist in Virginia, got me interested in running in general," Lawson said. "He's been in the Boston Marathon about four times, and he's given me lots of tips. He told me not to start out too fast and to eat something while I'm running."

Lawson, 65, prepared for the Boston Marathon by covering up to 50 miles per week during his training runs.

"I'm very excited it's been on my bucket list," he said.

Another Aiken resident, Joerg Klisch, is also participating in this year's Boston

Marathon. He will be making his third start in the race and isn't concerned about any danger in the wake of last year's catastrophe.

"It's probably the safest marathon in the world," said Klisch, who ran previously in 2006 and 2009. "It is much more rigorously organized than it was before, and there will be so many police around."

Klisch, 54, is the vice president of North American operations for Tognum America.

"The Boston Marathon course is very hilly, and I was fortunate enough to be able to train this time at Woodside Plantation, where I now live," Klisch said. "It's hilly in Woodside, which helps train the muscle groups that I'll need in Boston. The hills there shouldn't be too bad this year."

Aiken High School and University of South Carolina graduate Daniel Ray, 23, is joining Lawson and Klisch in the 2014 Boston Marathon. Ray lives in Eau Claire, Wis., where he works for Nestle as a management trainee.

"I'm not the least bit concerned about my safety," Ray said. "After what happened last year, they'll have the best security there that you'll ever see at a sporting event."

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Pictured is Joerg Klisch.

Senate bill could give librarians



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COURSE ROUNDUP

Matt Kuchar ended a string of frustrating finishes on the PGA Tour this year when he chipped in for birdie from the front bunker on the 18th green on Sunday at Harbour Town Golf Links to win the 46th RBC Heritage Presented by Boeing.

Kuchar shot a final-round 64 and finished at 11-under 273, edging perennial Heritage contender Luke Donald by a stroke.

"It was just an incredible feeling," Kuchar said of the winning shot.

Beaufort's Mark Anderson, in the first group to tee off, shot a 1-under 70 and finished tied for 68th at 6-over 290.

This is the seventh PGA Tour win and first RBC Heritage win for Kuchar, who tied for fourth at the Texas Open on March 30, lost in a playoff to Matt Jones at the Houston Open the next week and held a Sunday lead at the Masters before fading to fifth.

Starting the day four shots back, Kuchar tore up the Harbour Town course, making seven birdies in his first 10 holes to overtake third-round leader Donald.

But he fell back into a tie with Donald at 10 under when he three-putted from only a few feet to make bogey on No. 17.

He found the front bunker on 18, but his sand shot found the hole and he, along with the grandstand crowd, celebrated wildly.

Donald came to 18 with a shot to tie, but his second shot was well right and his chip attempt slid just past the cup, giving Kuchar the win.

SCORES

Matt Kuchar	-11
Luke Donald	-10
John Huh	-9
Ben Martin	-9
Scott Brown	-7
Brian Stuard	-7
Jim Furyk	-6
Brian Harman	-6
Russell Knox	-5
William McGirt	-5

MORE ON THE HERITAGE

■ For the full list of scores, go to **5B**.

■ For the scorecards for Matt Kuchar and Luke Donald, go to **1B**.

■ For a photo gallery of the final round, go to <http://bit.ly/1njbTyl>.

■ For stories on the week's events, go to heritage.islandpacket.com.

KUCHAR'S 11-UNDER KA-CHING



JAY KARR • Staff photo
Matt Kuchar reacts after his chip shot for birdie from the bunker on No. 18 finds the hole to clinch the 2014 championship of the RBC Heritage Presented by Boeing on Sunday at Harbour Town Golf Links in Sea Pines on Hilton Head Island. The birdie propelled him to sole possession of the lead at 11-under-par, one stroke better than runner up Luke Donald.

RENOVATIONS



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Harbor Town clubhouse represented island spirit

Maybe this tournament will be remembered as the year of chilly rain.

Almost 4 inches fell on the Harbour Town Golf Links throughout the week of the 46th RBC Heritage Presented by Boeing.

It might go down as the year security checks gave the back yard party on Hilton Head Island a feel of the parents dropping in.

Maybe it will be remembered for the advent of off-site parking, an invention created by muddy necessity.

For Lori Kriwanek, it will be remembered as her 35th year as a volunteer, a sound representative of the 1,094 volunteers who braved all elements to always be at their stations.

It was certainly memorable when 84-year-old Dr. Nelson Carswell teed it up for the 46th time in the Wednesday pro-am.

And Bonnie Hunt sat at the front desk of the tournament office for the 45th year.

It might even be remembered for fan favorite Matt Kuchar's smashing sand shot on the 18th hole to win it.

Please see **SPRIT** on 7A



From Pope Francis' greeting 'Urbi et Orbi'

In Jesus, love has triumphed over hatred, mercy over sinfulness, goodness over evil, truth over falsehood, life over death.

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AT TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH — ON SUNDAY

Child advocacy group founder to speak

Staff reports

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Children's rights activist Marian Wright Edelman will speak at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Beaufort on Sunday.

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"Mrs. Edelman will challenge us to reweave the fabric of family and community in order to change the odds for all children, guaranteeing them the hope for a future."

Kenneth Hodges, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist

LEBANON'S CHANGING SKYLINE

High rises replace heritage in Beirut A9



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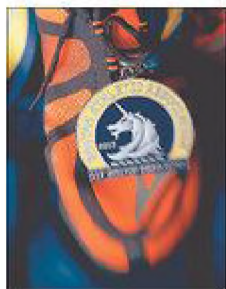
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Healing marathon

More than 35,000 runners will participate in today's Boston Marathon, a little more than a year after two bombs exploded, killing three and wounding 264 others. This year's field includes more than 5,000 runners who were stranded on the course after the blasts. **PAGE B1**

End of the fight

Prizefighter Rubin "Hurricane" Carter, a middleweight title contender whose murder convictions became an international symbol of racial injustice, died Sunday. He was 76. **PAGE A8**

Trading blame

Within hours of an Easter morning shootout at a checkpoint manned by pro-Russian insurgents in eastern Ukraine, Russia's Foreign Ministry issued a statement blaming militant Ukrainian nationalists. **PAGE A10**

Shadow over Perry

With eight months left on the job and a decision to make about the 2016 presidential race, Texas Gov. Rick Perry is the focus of a grand jury investigation that could hurt him. **PAGE A6**

Product placement?

Brands including Barbie, iPod, Mug Root Beer and Life Savers showed up on some of New York's Common Core standardized English tests, leading some to believe it was advertising. **PAGE A8**

Weather

SC eyes \$27M for data security

Legislators want all agencies monitored by a uniform, cyber-safety monitoring plan

By SEANNA ADCOX
The Associated Press

COLUMBIA — South Carolina might spend \$27 million next fiscal year on continued efforts to secure taxpayers' personal data and provide another year of credit protection following the 2012 hacking at the state's tax-collection agency.

The state budget also might require all state agencies to adopt cyber-security standards that are consistent across state government, to guard against another debacle. Nineteen

months after a cyber-thief stole unencrypted data of 6.4 million residents and businesses from the Department of Revenue, it's unclear how many agencies are adequately safeguarding their own data.

"We have no way of knowing if agencies are complying," said Marcia Adams, director of the Budget and Control Board.

Nothing in state law gives its information technology division the authority to assess agencies' progress or make policies mandatory, she said at a recent Cabinet meeting.

A clause in the House's budget plan for 2014-15 would provide that authority. The Senate Finance Committee last week put a similar clause in the budget plan it is crafting for the fiscal year that starts July 1. The Senate will debate its budget plan next month.

Gov. Nikki Haley said she believes the mandate is essential. She has required her Cabinet agencies, which include the Department of Revenue, to collaborate with the board's IT division since November 2012, a month after she announced what was the nation's largest hacking of a state agency.

"There is no excuse for any agency to not have IT protection at the very top of their list," Haley said. "To not have learned the lesson from the Department of Revenue would be a huge mistake."

Currently, each agency is responsible for its own security infrastructure.

Senate Finance Chairman Hugh Leatherman, R-Florence, said that needs to change, to

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RBC HERITAGE

Kuchar makes championship chip-in from bunker on 18th

By ERIC BOYNTON
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HILTON HEAD ISLAND — The annual winner's serenade consisting of blaring horns from the luxury boats docked at the Harbour Town Yacht Basin was the only louder ruckus Sunday than the roar in reaction to the shot of Matt Kuchar's life.

The 35-year-old Georgia Tech product, who had fallen

INSIDE

◆ Martin ties for third **B1**

back into a tie for first with some botched putting on the previous hole, inexplicably chipped in for birdie from the front bunker on the last hole to clinch a one-shot win over hard-luck loser Luke Donald at the RBC Heritage.

Only four birdies were made all day on the wind-swept 18th, known for its famous red-striped lighthouse, and Kuchar's from off the green was an absolute shocker.

He triumphantly raised his right arm in the air before joyfully waving his hat then putting both arms above his head, acknowledging the rowdy crowd as he emerged from the sand. The sixth-ranked player in the world (highest in the event) earned \$1.044 million for his eighth PGA victory.

It was another successful week for the state's lone annual PGA Tour stop, which almost went extinct three years ago



JAY KARR/THE ISLAND PACKET

Matt Kuchar reacts after his chip shot for birdie on the 18th hole clinches the 2014 championship of the RBC Heritage Sunday at Harbour Town Golf

Transcript of sinking shows ferry in confusion

Crew tried to confirm rescue if passengers abandoned listing ship

By HUNG-JIN KIM
The Associated Press

JINDO, South Korea — The South Korean ferry that sank was crippled by confusion and indecision well after it began listing, a radio transcript released Sunday showed, suggesting the chaotic situation might have added to a death toll that eventually could exceed 300.

About 30 minutes after the Sewol began tilting, a crew member asked a marine traffic controller whether passengers would be rescued if they abandoned ship off South Korea's southern coast. The crew member posed the question three times.

That followed several statements from the ship that people aboard could not move and another in which someone declared that it was "impossible to broadcast" instructions.

Many people followed the captain's initial order to stay below deck, where it is feared they remain trapped. Fifty-nine bodies have been recovered, and about 240 people still are missing.

"Even if it's impossible to broadcast, please go out and let the passengers wear life jackets and put on more clothing," an unidentified official at Jindo Vessel Traffic Services Center urged at 9:24 a.m.

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Roof work slated for old Brewer

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Greenwood County Council approved a bid for extensive roofing work to be performed at Brewer Community Complex.

Last week, council approved a bid of \$173,644 from C.E. Bourne for the latest round of roof repairs at old Brewer. The community complex — which is the former Brewer High School — now serves as a

home to a host of activities, including county recreational basketball leagues, Clemson Extension's offices and much more.

County manager Toby Chappell said the work that needs to be done to the Brewer roof is "extensive." He added more roof work will need to be done at the complex in upcoming budget years.

"This is the second round of roof work that we have done," Chappell said. "It will be the second of probably five different

rounds we are going to end up doing at Brewer. This year, we will be doing what is generally referred to as the classroom wing and the kitchen wing."

The county manager said roof work in later budget years will include the Clemson Extension wing and the gymnasium.

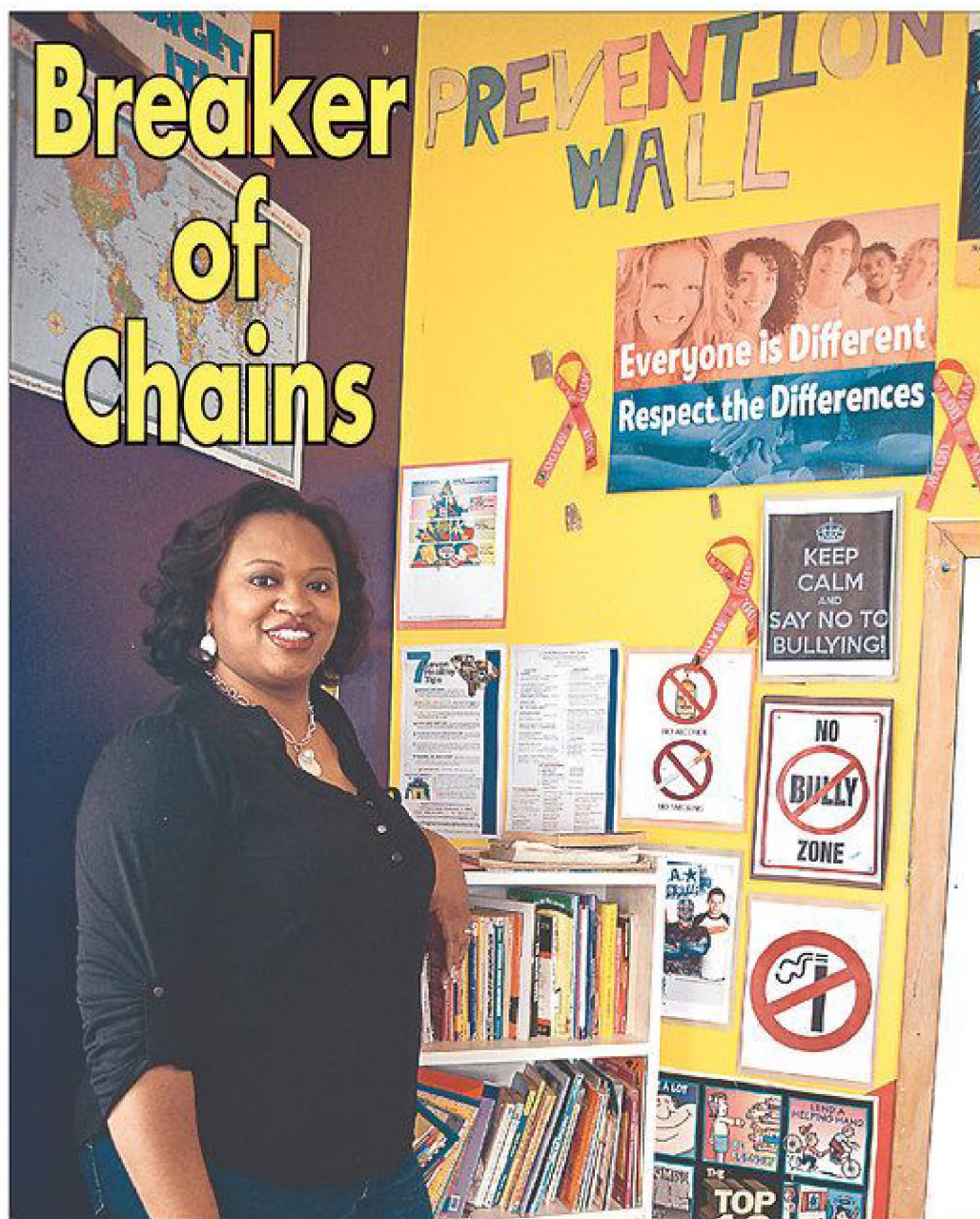
Chappell noted the Brewer Community Complex, which is just off East Cambridge Avenue, is a vital part of the county, especially in regard to recreation.

"I think it is one of our key recreation facilities," Chappell said. "It is where we run virtually our entire basketball program out of that facility. If you think of basketball, baseball and football as three of our bigger rec programs, (Brewer) is the home of one of the big three."

County special projects manager Rossie Corwin said the roofing work on the classroom and kitchen wings likely will start in about two weeks.



TOBY CHAPPELL



Community Initiatives' new Executive Director Teresa Goodman stands inside the room where a number of kids programs take place, including an after-school and reading program. Community Initiatives is a community-based nonprofit on Grier Street offering a variety of bilingual kid and adult programs for low income Lakelands residents.

Goodman's vision guides Community Initiatives

■ \$75 MILLION

Jackpot for area schools

Education lottery sees record in education funding

By MATT BRUCE
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The South Carolina Education Lottery (SCEL) celebrated its 12th anniversary earlier this year and recently announced its numbers through those first dozen years of operation.

The state funding source generated more than \$75 million for education in the Lakelands since its inception, and last year enjoyed record numbers in several different categories.

"So that's a good thing. That means more money for education and more scholarships," said SCEL spokeswoman Julie Huffman, who noted the lottery had a record year in sales in 2013.

The lottery's announcement, which came last week, detailed how much the agency doled out through the 2012-13 academic school years. It was a year that saw a record number 1,715 scholarships issued at Lander University to the tune of \$6.245 million. The Greenwood college received more than \$48 million to fund nearly 14,000 scholarships from the lottery during the past 12 years.

Piedmont Technical College also saw record highs last school year, garnering \$5.9 million for 4,160 scholarships. That brought its respective totals to 39,505 and more than \$44 million.

"Everything we do is about raising money for education. So, we're really happy with what we've been able to accomplish so far," Huffman said. "We're always coming up with new ideas, new games and new promotional ideas. But we just look forward to continuing to operate with integrity and helping to be the most effective source for education funding in the state outside the General Fund. And that's something that's great about the Lottery money is



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SC towns and counties spur state to ban texting

The Associated Press

COLUMBIA — After years of facing fierce opposition, the idea of South Carolina passing a statewide texting-while-driving ban is becoming a real possibility. Earlier this month, the state Senate and House passed separate bills aimed at putting to an end to the confusing hodgepodge of local bans. However, many believe it

will fall short of its intention to deter distracted driving.

Sen. Larry Martin, R-Pickens, said the increasing number of local bans indicates that municipalities and counties don't share his optimism that a statewide ban will be passed this session.

"They're continuing to implement local bans because frankly I don't think that they expect us to pass anything, and that is

even a greater reason for us to continue to make it a priority as we move toward the end of the session," Martin said.

According to the Governors Highway Safety Association, South Carolina and Montana are the only states left without laws restricting texting while driving. Previous efforts over the years to pass a texting ban in South Carolina have met fierce oppo-

sition from those who see it as an infringement upon personal freedom. The failure of the state government to implement a statewide ban has forced counties and municipalities to enact their own laws over the past few years.

Martin said the numerous local bans that vary by town and county have led to confusion across the state.

"There is just no way for the average driver to be able to navigate all those ... requirements that are being imposed by local governments. That's why we need a uniform texting ban that eliminates or prevents all of these local ordinances so everybody knows what the rules are," Martin said.

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282nd Army Band coming to FMU PAC

'Oath of enlistment' ceremony for future soldiers highlights event

From local reports

FLORENCE — Francis Marion University will host the 282nd Army Band from Fort Jackson and a band of "future soldiers" from the Pee Dee during a patriotic afternoon Sunday at the FMU Performing Arts Center.

The centerpiece of the event will be a 3 p.m. concert by the band, entitled "Under One Flag, a Musical Salute to the Heroes of Our Nation." It is free to the public.

As part of the Sunday afternoon event, more than a dozen young men and women from across the Pee Dee will take part in an "Oath of Enlistment" ceremony, preparatory to their joining the Army. Retired Army Col. Barringer E. Wingard Jr. will administer the oath. The soldiers were recruited by the Florence Recruiting Battalion of the Army.

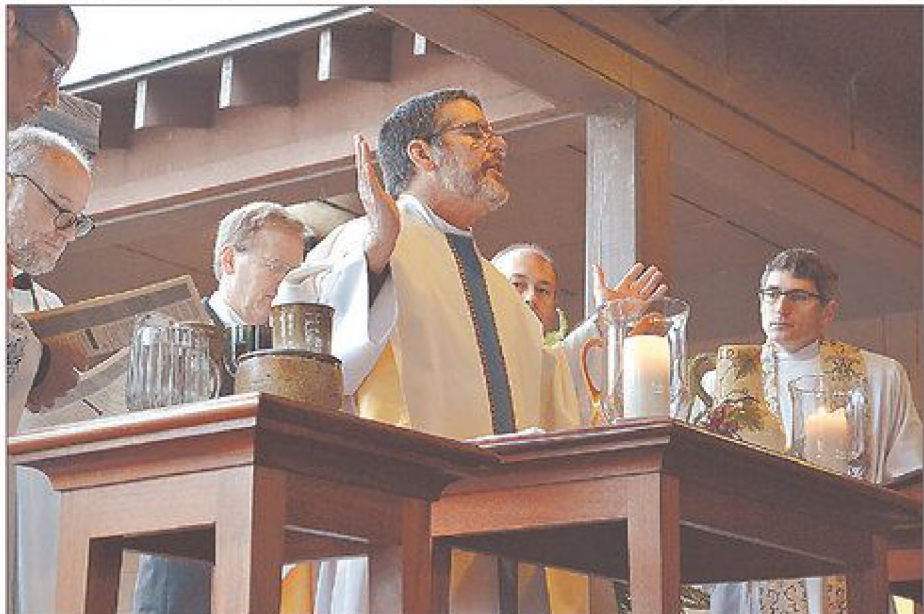
The future local soldiers taking the oath are Rayquan Brown (Lake City), Anthony McAllister (Florence), Alex Daniels (Florence), Kalani Sease (Timmonsville), Dontrey Barr (Lake City), Ashanti Forney (Lake City), Quentin Graham (Lake City), Dandre Singletary (Lake City), Jacob Jordan (Florence), Cody Parker (Scranton) and Dashai Scott (Florence).

The 282nd Army Band is a 145-year-old unit that serves as the "musical ambassadors" for the Army's basic combat training center at Fort Jackson. It tours nationally throughout the year.

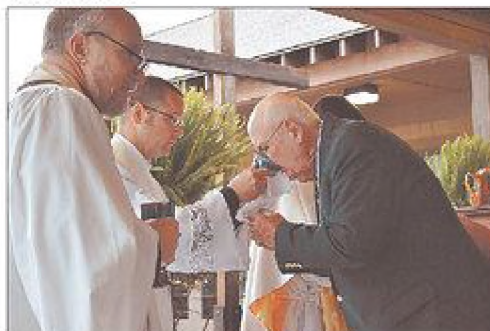
WANT TO GO?

WHAT: The 282nd Army Band
WHEN: 3 p.m., Sunday
WHERE: Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center
INFO: Tickets are free. Tickets can be reserved by calling the PAC box office at 843-661-4444 from noon to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Easter Sunrise Service



The Rev. Karl Burns, rector of All Saints Church, prepares for Holy Communion on Sunday while pastors of five other area churches join in a multid denominational Easter Sunrise Service at St. John's Church in downtown Florence. Despite a cold and rainy start to Easter morning, more than 50 people gathered to share in prayer, Scripture, Communion and preaching. This is the second year for the annual service. St. John's Rev. Ken Weldon hopes to eventually have 20 to 30 local Christian churches in a combined sunrise service at Francis Marion University's Performing Arts Center's amphitheater.



A participant takes Communion from the Rev. Jeffrey Shealy, senior pastor at St. Luke Lutheran Church, Sunday at a multid denominational Easter Sunrise Service at St. John's Church in downtown Florence.



The Rev. Karl Burns (center) lifts a cup while preparing for communion Sunday at a multid denominational Easter Sunrise Service at St. John's Church in downtown Florence.

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Events

FMU Cut Time Show Choir Performance: Today at 7:30 p.m. at Francis Marion University. The FMU Cut Time

\$25 for students. Tickets go on sale March 21. For more information, visit www.fmpac.org.
Downtown farmers market

artisan craft items and more.
Outspoken by Bree Briana: Wednesday-Friday 7:30 p.m. in the Elizabeth Boatwright Coker

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Pee Dee Spring Plant and Flower Festival: Thursday through 26 from 8 a.m. to 6

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14th Annual Taste of the Symphony: Thursday 7 to 10 p.m. at Roseneath Farm, 1102

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Miss America Nina Davuluri

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Wine Reports

Teen suspended for asking beauty queen to his prom

YORK, Pa. — A Pennsylvania high school student is in hot water for asking Miss America to the prom during a question and answer session at school.

Eighteen-year-old Patrick Farves said he received three days of in-school suspension because he asked Nina Davuluri to the prom.

The senior at Central York High School stood up and popped the prom question, then walked to the stage with a plastic flower. Davuluri just laughed and the students cheered.

School officials heard about Farves' plan in advance and warned him not to do it. He has apologized for disrupting the event.

Worker avoids \$525 fine for refill

CHARLESTON — A man who faced a \$525 fine for refilling an 89-cent drink at a Veterans Affairs hospital apparently will get off with a warning.

When Christopher Lewis of North Charleston refilled his drink without paying Wednesday, a federal police officer gave him a ticket. Lewis is a construction worker and says he never noticed the signs and has refilled his drink before without paying.

VA spokeswoman Tonya C. Lobbestael said after reviewing what happened at the Ralph C. Johnson Center in Charleston, officials decided a warning was sufficient.

Lobbestael says the cafeteria at the center has signs posted in the drink machines indicating the cost of refills. Failing to pay for the refills is considered shoplifting.

Bryant U. cracks down on selfies

BOSTON — Rhode Island's Bryant University is asking students to resist the urge to take selfies with its president while receiving their diplomas. University President Ronald Macchietty says students ask him to take selfies on the Smithfield campus all the time. But he says having more than 800 students snap photos with him as they get their degrees will slow down the already hours-long ceremony.

He says he'd be happy to take some photos afterward. Students will be able to take photos until the start of the May 17 graduation and post them to a new website hosted by the university.

Alleged fraudster visits Austrian police, arrested

VIENNA — A German sought by authorities for al-

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'Superstars'



CHRISTOPHER HUFF/T&D

Calhoun School District Superintendent Dr. Steve Wilson applauded the teachers and the students of Calhoun County High School, which earned 2014 Palmetto Gold Awards both in general performance and closing the gap.

H-K-T, Calhoun County high schools earn Palmetto Gold Awards

By DALE LINDER-ALTMAN
T&D Staff Writer

Two local schools are among 65 across South Carolina called "superstars" by State Secretary of Education Dr. Mick Zais.

Hunter-Kinard-Tyler High School in Orangeburg Consolidated School District Four and Calhoun County High School in Calhoun County earned 2014 Palmetto Gold Awards both in general performance and closing the gap areas.

H-K-T High has shown significant academic growth over the past several years. State report card scores increased from at risk on both absolute and growth ratings in 2011 to good on absolute and excellent on growth in 2013.

The school's equation for success is students who take responsibility for their own success, plus high quality teachers in the classroom, Principal Ernest Holliday said.

"It goes back to the kids," he said. "We try to make it (education) their responsibility. We try to make it personal to them by relating their education to real life."

Teachers do this by meeting with the students to discuss their data and help them set goals, Holliday said.

"I always say this — if it weren't for the teachers in the classroom, it wouldn't work," he said. "They're the number one piece of the equation for increased achievement."

Superintendent Brenda Turner noted the district is proud that dedicated teachers have received recognition for their hard work by qualifying for the Palmetto Awards.

"This is the result of daily emphasis on rigorous instruction," she said. "OCSD 4 is 'UNITED FOUR Excellence,' and our commitment is to continuous improvement."

Like Holliday, Calhoun County High School Principal Cynthia John-

son says student success is based on making them responsible for their own success. CCHS teachers work at transforming students' minds to help them understand that education underlies their future success, she said.

"Our students understand their role in their education process," she said. "They also understand their role in the success of the school. They learn that because we share the data with them."

Another valuable tool in student success is setting a good example and having high expectations for them, said Johnson.

"We've learned that if you set the bar high, the students will meet it," she said.

Calhoun County High School is not only a learning community, it's a family as well, according to Johnson.

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Local schools have plans to make up ice storm days

By DALE LINDER-ALTMAN
T&D Staff Reporter

Local public schools have plans in place to make up three days they missed during winter storms in January and February as required by state law.

But this year's severe weather forced schools to close their doors for up to five or six days, and the General Assembly approved a joint resolution forgiving up to five in-clement weather days after the initial three days are made up.

Orangeburg Consolidated School District Five was closed for five days because of the weather, according to a statement released on Friday.

District 5 will hold makeup days on June 3, 4 and 5, but the district will also make up time students missed in class by suspending early dismissal on Tuesdays through May 6.

Students normally have short days on Tuesdays to allow professional development for teachers.

Barnegat District One students are making up three of the five days they missed, said Superintendent Phyllis Schwarting.

"We used Feb. 17, March 21 and will add a makeup day on June 2, which is a staff development day," she said.

Another staff development day will be added on June 5 to make up for the day teachers missed on March 21, Schwarting said.

Students in Barnegat School District Two are also making up three days, according to Superintendent Dr. Thelma Sojourner.

They made up one day on March 21, a professional development day for teachers. Additionally, classes will be held on June 2 and June 3, she said.

The district also provided Saturday Academy, which ran from Feb. 22 through March 29, to help students who needed extra instruction for what they missed during the days they were out of school, Sojourner said earlier.

Superintendent Dr. Steve Wilson noted that Calhoun County School District made up two days on Feb. 17, or President's Day and March 28, which was an in-service day for teachers. The other makeup day will be on May 26, which had been scheduled as a holiday.

Interim Superintendent Dr. David Longshore reported that Orangeburg Consolidated School District Three will forgive three of the six days it missed.

One day was made up on March 28, which was a teacher's workday, he said. Students will be making up two more days on May 26 and June 24, which were also scheduled as teachers' workdays.

Teachers will have to make up their workdays, but a decision about the timing has not been made yet, Longshore said.

Spokesman Dr. Tim Newman said Orangeburg Consolidated School District Four made up days on Jan. 21 and March 21, which were designated as staff development days. The final makeup day will be on June 2, he said.

Wesley Christian School will be making up two of the four days they missed, Principal Drena Courson said. They'll come back from spring break, but will come in on April 21 and 22 for extra instruction, she said.

Bill lets trustees alone approve tax

By DALE LINDER-ALTMAN
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Residents of Bamberg School District Two could be the first in the state to see a tax on property without first approving it via a public referendum.

State law says that any loan exceeding 8 percent of the district's property value must be approved by voters, but a bill introduced by Rep. Bakari Sellers, D-Denmark, would authorize trustees to "impose a capital millage to provide school buildings in the district, including any associated lease payments."

The bill has already been passed by the S.C. House and is under con-



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Bamberg County Rep. Bakari Sellers addresses education and other issues during a February news conference at Clafin University. Sellers is a Democratic candidate for

an opportunity for new facilities with a relatively low tax increase, he said. The bill gives the district an option to work with, Jeffcoat said.

He said he is not sure whether the district will hold a referendum about the capital millage.

Scott Price, general counsel for the S.C. School Boards Association, noted that a district that can't meet the state's 8 percent qualification is "kind of at a wit's end."

"We certainly need to give Rep. Sellers some credit for trying to help the district with some concerns," he said. What Sellers is doing is a unique way to meet the needs of a poor district, according to Price.

"I can't say that I've seen any-

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