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2014 Campaign Cycle News:

Post and Courier: Nikki Haley, Bobby Jindal rally GOP troops

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20141030/PC1603/141039915>

Robert Behre

A confident Gov. Nikki Haley and her Louisiana counterpart Bobby Jindal mingled with about 100 supporters at a restaurant here Thursday afternoon and urged them not to take Nov. 4 for granted. Recent polls have showed that Haley, a Republican seeking a second four-year term, with a comfortable lead, and her appearance here came in the middle of a 23-stop bus tour of the state during the campaign's final days.

Note: Jindal and Haley said the main issue galvanizing voters in their states is a need to create jobs and opportunities. "Nikki has done that here, 57,000 jobs in this state," Jindal said.

Note: Haley said when she first ran for governor four years ago, she was asking voters to trust her words. But she said in this election, voters can look at her record of creating jobs, moving people off welfare, keeping organized labor out of the state and improving roads and schools. She kept repeating the line, "Did we deliver?" as the crowd cheered.

WBTW: Gov. Bobby Jindal joins Haley's 23-stop bus tour

<http://www.wbtw.com/story/27170451/gov-bobby-jindal-joins-haleys-23-stop-bus-tour>

Meghan Miller

Gov. Nikki Haley (R-SC) continued her 23-stop bus tour in Conway Thursday morning, targeting young voters at Coastal Carolina University. Haley arrived shortly after 11 a.m. to the Conway campus with Gov. Bobby Jindal (R-LA), Rep. Tom Rice and Republican candidate for Lt. Gov. Henry McMaster. The four were greeted by more than 100 students and members of the community.

Note: "Being able to see so many young people come out that care about South Carolina and care about the direction we're going with jobs, with our health care and fiscal responsibility - it was a great thing to see and you've got a lot of future leaders out there," Haley said.

WMBF (Video): Haley campaign bus visits CCU, Pawleys Island

<http://www.wmbfnews.com/story/27168383/haley-campaign-bus-visits-ccu-pawleys-island>

Brooke Holden

Governor Nikki Haley continued her campaign bus tour onto the CCU campus Thursday. The governor also visited Pawleys Island. Louisiana Gov. and potential presidential contender Bobby Jindal joined Haley. Jindal is among two potential GOP presidential candidates helping Haley.

Note: "We're just getting started in South Carolina, so will we help the next presidential nominee without question. Will we continue to make South Carolina the strongest state in the country? Absolutely. But, are we going to make sure we have every presidential candidate come into the state seeing how fantastic we are? We're going to brag about it," Haley said.

WCSC: Haley, McMaster continue campaign, stop by Summerville eatery

<http://www.live5news.com/story/27170472/haley-mcmaster-continue-campaign-stop-by-summerville-eatery>

Sujata Jain

Governor Nikki Haley stopped by a Summerville restaurant Thursday afternoon as a part of her 23-campaign stop tour. The Governor was accompanied by candidate for Lieutenant Governor, Henry McMaster, and Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal.

Note: Haley says her administration has delivered on many fronts, especially the economy by creating thousands of jobs and fighting unions. Jindal says Haley has created a model of job creation unmatched in any other state.

Times and Democrat: In final days of campaign, Sheheen says he'll push for Medicaid, roads

http://thetandd.com/news/in-final-days-of-campaign-sheheen-says-he-ll-push/article_4898b402-60bd-11e4-a054-0b7ca3a4f9c0.html

Martha Rose Brown

State Sen. Vincent Sheheen challenged hundreds of Democrats in Orangeburg County to help change South Carolina by voting in Tuesday's election. But despite the majority Democratic support in Orangeburg County, Sheheen lost to Republican Gov. Nikki Haley by 60,000 votes statewide in their first toe-to-toe bid for governor in 2010.

Times and Democrat: Sellers appeals to history in making pitch for votes

http://thetandd.com/news/sellers-appeals-to-history-in-making-pitch-for-votes/article_bdd2649a-60bb-11e4-ab2e-03d7aec6a69e.html

Dionne Gleaton

State Rep. Bakari Sellers stood shoulder-to-shoulder with his father on the campus of South Carolina State University on Thursday morning to say thank you. The 30-year-old son of Voorhees College President Dr. Cleveland Sellers is the Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor.

Associated Press: State orders new election for Harrell's seat

<http://www.aikenstandard.com/article/20141030/AIK0105/141039935>

Seanna Adcox

South Carolina election commissioners agreed Thursday to let Republicans replace former House Speaker Bobby Harrell on the ballot, one week after he pleaded guilty to campaign finance violations and resigned from his seat as part of a plea deal.

Note: All five commissioners were appointed by GOP Gov. Nikki Haley.

Post and Courier: Election for Bobby Harrell's seat postponed; Democrats ask court to overturn decision

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20141030/PC1603/141039960>

Jeremy Borden

South Carolina election officials boosted Republicans' chances of hanging onto former Speaker Bobby Harrell's old seat, but Democrats wasted no time in asking the state's highest court to reverse the decision. The legal duel began Thursday morning, when the State Election Commission voted unanimously to postpone the District 114 election, giving the GOP a chance to replace Harrell on the ballot with another Republican.

The State: Special election ordered in Harrell race

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/10/30/3778731/special-election-ordered-in-harrell.html>

Andrew Shain

The state Election Commission decided Thursday to delay voting in the S.C. House seat once held by former House Speaker Bobby Harrell and hold a special election in December. Candidate filing to succeed Harrell in a special Republican primary starts Tuesday -- the same day when voters statewide cast ballots for all other races.

WCSC: Tinkler campaign files suit to overturn House Dist. 114 ruling

<http://www.live5news.com/story/27169098/tinkler-campaign-files-suit-to-overturn-house-dist-114-ruling>

Patrick Phillips

The Mary Tinkler campaign filed a lawsuit with the South Carolina Supreme Court to overturn a ruling made by the state Election Commission to move the election for former House Speaker Bobby Harrell's House District 114 seat to December.

McClatchy DC: US Rep. Clyburn of SC spreads his campaign wealth to push 'progressive' agenda

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/10/30/3779856/us-rep-clyburn-of-sc-spreads-his.html#storylink=cpy>

Samantha Ehlinger

U.S. Rep. James Clyburn does not face a difficult re-election on Tuesday, but that doesn't mean the Columbia Democrat has not been busy this campaign season. The No. 3 Democrat in the House of Representatives, Clyburn has been aiding Democrats in elections around the country through his own political action committee.

Times and Democrat: Clyburn: Multiyear funding needed for transportation

http://thetandd.com/news/clyburn-multiyear-funding-needed-for-transportation/article_b03bc384-60bc-11e4-b9dd-07f5f938c65b.html

Gene Zaleski

Congressman James Clyburn toured Orangeburg's Lane Construction on Thursday afternoon, saying he continues to support transportation infrastructure. Clyburn, a Democrat, is seeking a 12th term in the U.S. House representing District 6. He faces Republican Anthony Culler on Nov. 4.

Washington Post: Jenny Sanford dishes on 'Mark' in a new campaign ad

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/post-politics/wp/2014/10/30/jenny-sanford-dishes-on-mark-in-a-new-campaign-ad/>

Sean Sullivan

Jenny Sanford has a lot to say about "Mark." Like how she was "scammed" by him. And how he is a "big waster." And she wants everyone in South Carolina to know it. Okay, the former Palmetto State first lady isn't talking about that Mark -- ex-husband, onetime governor and now Rep. Mark Sanford (R-S.C.).

Index-Journal: Mullis challenging Duncan for U.S. House seat

<http://www.indexjournal.com/news/Mullis-challenging-Duncan-for-U-S--House-seat>

Colin riddle

Spanning nine counties and nearly 5,000 square miles, the 3rd Congressional District of the South Carolina House of Representatives is vast. Outside of the two main commercial hubs in Anderson and Greenwood are the unique rural communities that have a lot riding on the moves being made by state and local representatives.

Post and Courier: Thomas Ravenel reacts to Lindsey Graham's comments

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20141030/PC1603/141039930>

Thomas Ravenel, who is running as an independent against Sen. Lindsey Graham, posted on his blog Thursday that he thought Graham's remarks at the Hibernian Society were "reprehensible."

Governor Nikki Haley News:

WTMA: F3 Engineering to Establish North American Headquarters in Spartanburg Co.

[http://www.wtma.com/common/more.php?](http://www.wtma.com/common/more.php?m=58&ts=1414750807&article=B4B946C6605211E4B51EFEFDADE6840A&mode=2)

[m=58&ts=1414750807&article=B4B946C6605211E4B51EFEFDADE6840A&mode=2](http://www.wtma.com/common/more.php?m=58&ts=1414750807&article=B4B946C6605211E4B51EFEFDADE6840A&mode=2)

A provider of technology, products, and services in military and mission-critical technology will locate its North American headquarters and manufacturing operations in Spartanburg County.

Note: "We're thankful for every company that does business in our state, but it's special when a company that manufactures equipment for our men and women in uniform decides to call South Carolina home," said South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley in a statement. "F3 Engineering's \$3.9 million investment and the 50 jobs they are going to create in Spartanburg County will make a real difference in the community, and we welcome them to the Palmetto State."

Opinion / Editorial Roundup:

Island Packet: Slate of candidates would serve SC well

<http://www.islandpacket.com/2014/10/30/3402846/slate-of-candidates-would-serve.html?sp=/99/342/>

Editorial

From overhauling antiquated ethics laws to aiding failing schools to implementing governmental efficiencies, South Carolina has much work to do in the next four years.

Henry McMaster for lieutenant governor: While the lieutenant governor's post is primarily a ceremonial one, there's nothing that precludes it from being more.

Molly Spearman for superintendent of education: Molly Spearman, a Columbia Republican, would bring a wealth of experience to the state Department of Education.

Ginny Deerin for secretary of state: As a professional fundraiser and founder of a nonprofit, Ginny Deerin is well-versed in what is working and what isn't at the secretary of state's office.

Editor's Note: We appreciate Gov. Nikki Haley's hard work to secure RBC as the title sponsor and Boeing as the presenting sponsor for the Heritage PGA golf tournament. But after careful consideration, we have decided not to endorse in the gubernatorial race.

Rock Hill Herald: The Herald endorses Vincent Sheheen for governor

http://www.heraldonline.com/2014/10/30/6477139_sheheen-for-governor.html?sp=/100/105/&rh=1

Editorial

For governor, we endorse state Sen. Vincent Sheheen. Sheheen, a Camden Democrat, is running against Nikki Haley for the second time, having lost to her in the governor's race four years ago. Both Sheheen and Ervin have highlighted what they label as problems of leadership and integrity in the governor's office.

Greenville News: Vote 'Yes' on the roads tax referendum

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/opinion/editorials/2014/10/30/editorial-vote-yes-roads-tax-referendum/18182839/>

Editorial

Greenville County voters have the opportunity Tuesday to approve a temporary 1 percent county sales tax with the revenue going for critically needed improvements to the infrastructure throughout the county. The roads and bridges throughout South Carolina are deplorable and in many cases dangerous.

Post and Courier (Guest Column): Blame both sides of the aisle now

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20141031/PC1002/141039923>

Ernest F. Hollings

We learned in Ukraine that you can't spread democracy surreptitiously with the CIA and the National Endowment for Democracy. In the ISIS War we've yet to learn Gen. Colin Powell's doctrine: "Never go to war without enough troops." And in foreign policy, we have yet to learn that the nuclear weapon has checkmated the military.

Post and Courier: Ervin was campaigning for a purpose, not himself

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20141031/PC16/141039922>

Brian Hicks

Tom Ervin had one goal this year, and that was to make Nikki Haley a one-term governor. The former lawmaker and judge first got into the Republican primary to try and wrest the nomination from Haley. When he saw that wasn't working, he dropped out and decided to run as an "independent Republican," which gave the GOP all kinds of heartburn.

Post and Courier: Keep school vote focus

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20141030/PC1002/141039912>

Editorial

The sudden resignation of Charleston County School Superintendent Nancy McGinley - dismaying in itself - comes at a particularly inopportune time, with a school board election and a major funding referendum pending Tuesday. Charleston County voters deserve more answers than they are getting.

The State: Chapin: Great town, dysfunctional government

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/10/30/3779444/bolton-chapin-great-town-dysfunctional.html>

Warren Bolton

A column I wrote in August about Chapin's broken government elicited emails and calls from town residents and supporters objecting to the headline — "Can anything good come out of Chapin?" While my focus was on the dysfunction surrounding the town's government, some Chapin residents and others took it personally. They wanted to set me straight.

S.C. Federal Delegation News:

Associated Press: Graham: Remark about helping white men was joke

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=7F5ldtEH

Jeffrey Collins

U.S. Sen. Lindsey Graham's remark at a private, all-male dinner about mainly helping white men if he became president was a joke taken out of context, his campaign said Thursday. But Graham's opponent, Democratic state Sen. Brad Hutto, said the comment shows he is a typical Republican who isn't concerned about the middle class, poor, minorities or women.

The State: SC's Graham draws fire for jokes to all-male club

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/10/30/3779874/scs-graham-draws-fire-for-jokes.html>

Jamie Self

U.S. Sen. Lindsey Graham's jokes about Baptists and all-male clubs recently elicited laughter during a private roast-style event for one such all-male group. But Democratic state Sen. Brad Hutto, Republican Graham's opponent in Tuesday's election, isn't laughing about the jokes, recorded by two Democrats and

and leaked to CNN Wednesday.

South Carolina News:

The State: SC House moves to limit speaker's terms, ban some PACs

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/10/30/3779650/sc-house-moves-to-limit-speakers.html>

Cassie Cope

The S.C. House of Representatives should disperse more power among its members by restricting the terms of its speaker and prohibiting members from having leadership political action committees, a panel proposed Thursday. The House also would step up its oversight of state agencies if the proposals, made by a panel tasked with reforming House rules, are adopted at the House's December organization meeting.

Associated Press: SC summit focuses on boosting graduation rates

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

A top White House adviser is speaking in South Carolina at a community summit on boosting high school graduation rates. Rafael Lopez is a senior adviser in the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. He speaks on Friday in Charleston at what is called a regional GradNation Summit.

Associated Press: Study, new law to boost SC offshore wind energy

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

The Sun News of Myrtle Beach reports (<http://bit.ly/10B7vCI>) that Paul Gayes with the Center for Marine and Wetland Studies at Coastal Carolina University says the state will match a \$750,000 federal grant to study which areas offshore are the most promising for wind farms.

Greenville News: Analysts: Fuel free fall to continue in Greenville

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/local/2014/10/30/analysts-fuel-free-fall-continue-greenville/18197443/>

Romando Dixon

South Carolina continues to have the lowest prices in the country, according to gasbuddy and AAA, which says the average cost of gas is \$2.75 in South Carolina. That is \$0.34 less than a month ago and \$0.36 less than last year at this time, according to Tiffany Wright, public relations manager at AAA .

Local News:

Greenville News: Sales tax plan promoted at transportation summit

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/money/business/2014/10/30/sales-tax-plan-promoted-transportation-summit/18205329/>

Rudolph Bell

An activist for more road funding and Greenville County's representative on the state highway board said they see new interest among state lawmakers about finding more money for roads. They also said, however, that Greenville County voters would be wise to approve a 1 percent sales tax for roads during a referendum next week because whatever state lawmakers do next year won't be enough.

The State: Owner of popular Lexington restaurant dies

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/10/30/3779878/owner-of-popular-lexington-restaurant.html>

Tim Flach

Robin Hudson, owner of a popular Lexington restaurant, died Thursday at 60. His expertise in barbecue began as an avocation before becoming his career, family members said. "It progressed from a hobby to full-time business," said his step-mother, victims rights advocate Laura Hudson.

National News:

Associated Press: Medicare bought meds for dead people

[http://hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/U/US_DRUGS_FOR_THE_DEAD?](http://hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/U/US_DRUGS_FOR_THE_DEAD?SITE=AP&SECTION=HOME&TEMPLATE=DEFAULT&CTIME=2014-10-31-03-17-47)

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Ricardo Alonso-Zaldivar

Call it drugs for the departed: Medicare's prescription program kept paying for costly medications even after patients were dead. The problem was traced back to a head-scratching bureaucratic rule that's now getting a second look. A report coming out Friday from the Health and Human Services Department's inspector

general says the Medicare rule allows payment for prescriptions filled up to 32 days after a patient's death.

Associated Press: GOP Senators urge Obama to hold off on immigration

http://hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/U/US_CONGRESS_IMMIGRATION?SITE=AP&SECTION=HOME&TEMPLATE=DEFAULT&CTIME=2014-10-30-16-27-37

Donna Cassata

The three Republican senators responsible for comprehensive immigration legislation, which remains stalled in Congress, on Thursday urged President Barack Obama to hold off on any steps to shield millions of people from deportation.

Associated Press: Gas ready to drop below \$3 for 1st time in 4 years

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

The average price of gasoline in the U.S. hit \$3 a gallon Friday, and should soon drop below the benchmark for the first time since December 2010. The price at the pump fell 33 cents in October, thanks mainly to plunging oil prices, according to AAA.

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