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Governor Nikki Haley News:

Post and Courier: Another union targets Boeing South Carolina workers

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140509/PC05/140509329>

Warren L. Wise

Union fervor surrounding Boeing is picking up in North Charleston. On Tuesday, representatives of the Society of Professional Engineering Employees in Aerospace, or SPEEA, will hold an open house 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Embassy Suites Hotel at 5055 International Blvd. in North Charleston.

Note: A local Boeing spokeswoman has consistently asserted that unions are not in the best interest of its employees, the community or the state. Gov. Nikki Haley is adamantly opposed to unions in South Carolina.

Greenville News: Haley against tax funds for arts; Sheheen supports it

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/local/2014/05/10/politics-enter-arts-sphere/8931617/>

Paul Hyde

Gov. Nikki Haley reiterated her opposition to taxpayer funding for the arts after speaking at the opening ceremonies for Artisphere, which receives thousands of dollars in taxpayer funds. Haley didn't rule out "a role for government when it comes to the arts," but said the arts should never be funded by taxpayer dollars.

Note: "We have always supported the arts," Haley said, speaking at a brief press conference following her public remarks. "What we have said is that there is a role for government when it comes to the arts. We want to make sure we do everything we can to support it, but we don't ever want the arts to be tax-funded."

2014 Campaign Cycle News:

Post and Courier: Maryland Gov. O'Malley continues shots at Haley in Sheheen stump appearance

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140509/PC1610/140509312/1031/maryland-gov-omalley-continues-shots-at-haley-in-sheheen-stump-appearance>

Schuyler Kropf

Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley famously took pot-shots at Gov. Nikki Haley last year. And on Friday he picked up right where he left off.

Note: "The people of South Carolina would much rather have Nikki Haley's results - record low unemployment, historic public education reform, billion dollar investment in roads and bridges and greater transparency in state government - than what Vince Sheheen would do to our state and what Martin O'Malley did to Maryland, including billions of dollars in higher taxes and fees and job-killing Obamacare expansion," said Rob Godfrey, Haley's spokesman.

CNN: Biden delivers 'Elizabeth Warren-type speech' at fundraiser

<http://politicalticker.blogs.cnn.com/2014/05/10/biden-delivers-elizabeth-warren-type-speech-at-fundraiser/>

Peter Hamby

Vice President Joe Biden appeared at a closed-door fundraiser in South Carolina Friday and delivered what one attendee called "an Elizabeth Warren-type speech" about the struggles of America's middle class, remarks that were well-received by a room full of influential primary state Democrats.

Associated Press: Biden addresses U of SC grads, attends fundraiser

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=G9WLw3Kg

Meg Kinnard

Members of the generation now graduating from college are likely to see such advancements in their lifetimes as self-driving cars, extensive use of 3-D technology, and a reduction in world hunger, Vice President Joe Biden told University of South Carolina graduates Friday.

Greenville News: Biden urges grads to embrace change

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/education/2014/05/09/biden-urges-grads-embrace-change/8911199/>

Tim Smith

Vice President Joe Biden urged University of South Carolina graduates to "bend history" by embracing a "breathtaking" era of change and move the nation forward. Biden delivered USC's commencement address Friday after receiving an honorary degree for doctor of public administration before an audience of more than 12,000 graduates, family members and guests at the Colonial Life Arena.

The State: Vice president tells USC grads: 'Do not listen to the cynics'

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/05/09/3437638/vice-president-tells-usc-grads.html#storylink=cpy>

Cassie Cope

Vice President Joe Biden told graduates of the University of South Carolina Friday that cynics were wrong about his generation and, two generations later, they are wrong about the current generation of young adults. "Do not listen to the cynics," the Delaware Democrat told the graduates.

Associated Press: GOP candidate calls on NAACP to end boycott of SC

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=tfqNlqi2

Andrew Coffman Smith

Gary Burgess, a member of the Anderson County School Board, will officially make his request to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on Saturday at the African-American Memorial, also on the Statehouse grounds.

Opinion / Editorial Roundup:

Sun News: It's time for South Carolina to enact texting ban

<http://www.myrtlebeachonline.com/2014/05/10/4215793/editorial-its-time-for-south.html?sp=/99/158/1251/#storylink=cpy>

Editorial

The other morning on southbound U.S. 17 Bypass in Myrtle Beach, a small, brown car nearly ran into another vehicle in the left-turn lane at 29th Avenue North. Seconds after her near miss, the young woman driver was texting away on her phone.

Post and Courier: Restore academic freedom

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140510/PC1002/140519920/1021/restore-academic-freedom>

Editorial

"Fun Home" is not likely to be among any S.C. state senator's top 10 favorite books. But that isn't keeping some members of the Senate from doing the right thing. In late April, by a vote of 11-7, the Senate Finance Committee restored to the proposed budget the \$52,000 that the House wanted to cut from the College of Charleston's funding because the book was selected for a summer reading program.

Post and Courier: Help S.C. solar benefits shine

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140510/PC1002/140519922/1021/>

Editorial

The sun shines equally on all South Carolinians, but when it comes to renewable energy policy, specifically solar energy, many African American consumers have been left in the dark. Now a ray of sunshine is moving through the Statehouse, known as Senate Bill 1189 or S.1189.

S.C. Federal Delegation News:

Spartanburg Herald Journal: US Rep. Trey Gowdy takes center stage

<http://www.goupstate.com/article/20140509/ARTICLES/140509633/1083/ARTICLES?Title=US-Rep-Trey-Gowdy-takes-center-stage>

Jason Spencer

Not too many years ago, Trey Gowdy had to run for office on his record as a prosecutor. Now in his second term in the U.S. House of Representatives, it turns out that record — and the experience that came along with it — continues to propel his career.

Spartanburg Herald Journal: Graham tells SMC graduates to 'give back'

<http://www.goupstate.com/article/20140509/ARTICLES/140509646/1083/ARTICLES?Title=Graham-tells-SMC-graduates-to-give-back->

Jason Spencer

Looking around the Jesse L. Bridges Arena at Spartanburg Methodist College, U.S. Sen. Lindsey Graham saw a smattering of hands go up when he asked how many of Friday's graduating class were the first in their families to go to college.

McClatchy: Gowdy-led probe of Benghazi holds political peril for both parties

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/05/09/3436653/gop-probe-of-benghazi-holds-political.html#storylink=cpy>

David Lightman

The creation of a special committee to investigate the 2012 Benghazi attacks carries the potential for political gains - and risks - for Republicans. The House of Representatives voted Thursday to create a special panel to investigate the Sept. 11, 2012, attacks, a vote pushed through by the Republican majority on a largely party-line vote.

South Carolina News:

Aiken Standard: SRS waste shipments may be on hold

<http://www.aikenstandard.com/article/20140510/AIK0101/140509332/1007/AIK0101/srs-waste-shipments-may-be-on-hold>

Derrek Asberry

Savannah River Site waste shipments may be on hold for an extended period of time since recent reports show that their intended destination could be shut down for another three years. SRS has routinely sent shipments of transuranic waste – or TRU waste – off to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant in Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Rock Hill Herald: Winthrop students study controversial book, support academic freedom movement

[http://www.heraldonline.com/2014/05/09/5950534/winthrop-students-study-controversial.html?](http://www.heraldonline.com/2014/05/09/5950534/winthrop-students-study-controversial.html?sp=/100/101/&ihp=1#storylink=cpy)

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Anna Douglas

As academic professionals decry South Carolina lawmakers' attempts to cut money from two colleges that asked students to read gay-themed books, an honors class at Winthrop University has taken on one of the controversial works as extra reading.

Sun News: Coastal Carolina board raises tuition

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/05/09/3437772/coastal-carolina-board-raises.html>

Vicki Grooms

Coastal Carolina University's board of trustees approved an increase in tuition on Friday that university officials say is necessary to keep pace with costs but is discouraging news for some students. "It's just going to make things a little more difficult," said senior Danielle Rome.

WLTN: Phantom Caseworkers On DSS County Roster

<http://www.wltx.com/story/news/local/2014/05/09/dss-former-caseworkers-richland-county/8910991/>

Clark Fouraker

Fifty days before 5 month old baby Bryson Webb died in Richland County, a medical professional called The South Carolina Department of Social Services to warn them the baby was in trouble. The Richland County Sheriff's Department charged Webb's mother, Jennifer Coles, with neglect after they found a heart monitor Bryson needed to wear in a pile of clothes in the trunk of her car.

Local News:

Florence Morning News: Florence County fire district funding fight continues

http://www.scnow.com/news/local/article_4526c2d6-d7e3-11e3-8886-001a4bcf6878.html

Gavin Jackson

A five-alarm, political firefight is roaring as Florence County, again, battles with legislators in Columbia who through specific legislation are putting the county into a "disastrous" situation, as one councilmember put it Friday.

Anderson Independent: Anderson County penny sales tax proposal fails

<http://www.independentmail.com/news/2014/may/09/anderson-county-penny-sales-tax-proposal-fails/?partner=RSS>

Sarah Freishtat

A proposed 1-cent on the dollar sales tax increase likely will not be placed before Anderson County voters in November. The sales tax would have raised money for the county's five school districts. A bill to put the tax on the ballot in November passed the House but was not approved by the Anderson County legislative delegation in the Senate.

National News:

Associated Press: RNC changes debate rules for 2016

http://hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/U/US_REPUBLICANS?SITE=AP&SECTION=HOME&TEMPLATE=DEFAULT&CTIME=2014-05-09-15-23-05

Philip Elliott, Steve Peoples

Lunging for control of the GOP ahead of high-stakes elections, the Republican National Committee on Friday took steps to end free-for-all presidential debates and vowed to punish potential contenders who participate in rogue forums.

Washington Examiner: John Boehner announces GOP appointments for Benghazi select committee

<http://washingtonexaminer.com/boehner-announces-gop-appointments-for-benghazi-select-committee/article/2548282>

David M. Drucker

House Speaker John Boehner on Friday made his final Republican appointments to the select committee created to investigate the Sept. 11, 2012, terrorist attack on the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya, that left four Americans dead, including Ambassador Christopher Stevens.

Washington Post: Liberal groups launch campaigns to boost turnout based on Obamacare support

http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/liberal-groups-launch-campaigns-to-boost-turnout-based-on-obamacare-support/2014/05/09/6f791808-d6c2-11e3-8a78-8fe50322a72c_story.html

Juliet Eilperin

Democrats and Republicans agree on one thing about the hotly contested Affordable Care Act: When it comes to voter intensity, the GOP holds a clear upper hand. But a trio of major liberal groups hopes to change that in coming months, with plans to spend tens of millions of dollars persuading residents in a dozen key states to vote for Democrats based on the issue.

Politico: Hillary Clinton's no good, very bad week

<http://www.politico.com/story/2014/05/hillary-clinton-monica-lewinsky-benghazi-106545.html>

Maggie Haberman

Hillary Clinton isn't a candidate for president, at least not yet. But this week felt like she was very much in the 2016 grind. One day, she was weighing in on gun control, Obamacare and social inequality. The next she was taking heat over Benghazi and facing questions about whether as Secretary of State she went too easy on the group behind the kidnap of Nigerian girls.

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