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Governor Nikki Haley News

Greenville News: Gov. Haley outlines steps to improve response to child abuse

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20130709/NEWS/307090015/Gov-Haley-outlines-steps-improve-response-child-abuse>

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Greenville News: Haley recalls abuse as a child; urges communities to face abuse challenges

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20130708/NEWS/307080036/Haley-recalls-abuse-child-urges-communities-face-abuse-challenges>

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Patch: Gov. Nikki Haley Says She Was Victim Of Child Abuse

Haley, along with Greenville Health System leaders, Senators Mike Fair and Bruce Bannister, talked about what is being done statewide to improve response to child abuse.

<http://taylors.patch.com/groups/politics-and-elections/p/gov-nikki-haley-says-she-was-victim-of-child-abuse>

Carolyn Farr Smith

At a press conference at Greenville Health System Children's Hospital, Gov. Nikki Haley talked about why the Silent Tears Report is important. The Silent Tears study — a 336-page report — was released in late May and recommended numerous steps for the state to take to strengthen its response to child abuse.

Politico: Gov. Nikki Haley discusses being abused

<http://www.politico.com/story/2013/07/nikki-haley-childhood-abuse-93873.html>

TAL KOPAN

South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley talked about being abused as a child at a news conference on Monday, opening up about her story to call attention to a report about addressing child abuse. Haley said her story showed abuse can happen to anyone, according to reports of her remarks in The Greenville News. "It doesn't matter your background, it doesn't matter your education, it doesn't matter the wealth of your family," Haley said at the event at Greenville Health System. "Every child is subject to child abuse. And it was a day-care provider that was taking care of me."

Talking Points Memo: Nikki Haley Shares Personal Experience With Child Abuse

<http://livewire.talkingpointsmemo.com/entry/nikki-haley-shares-personal-experience-with-child-abuse>

Catherine Thompson

South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley (R) revealed that she was physically abused by a child-care provider when she was young while speaking Monday to raise awareness about efforts to combat child abuse, according to The State. "It doesn't matter your background, it doesn't matter your education, it doesn't matter the wealth of your family," Haley said in a press conference in Greenville, S.C., as quoted by The State. "Every child is subject to child abuse."

Post and Courier: Weber Automotive to invest \$51M in North Charleston parts plant, create 84 jobs
<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20130708/PC05/130709537/1177/weber-automotive-to-invest-51m-in-north-charleston-parts-plant-create-84-jobs>

Brendan Kearney

Weber Automotive will begin hiring for the new plant in 2015. Anyone interested in job opportunities should call Doris Sullivan at 843-875-6366. Speaking to a crowd gathered in the City Council chamber, Mayor Keith Summey recalled meeting Albert Weber and Weber's son Daniel around the time the German automotive magnate was buying a huge tract of forest along U.S. Interstate 26 in his city. The mayor remembered the father as "one smooth negotiator."

WRHI: PCLS becomes first tenant at Riverwalk Business Park

<http://www.wrhi.com/2013/07/pcls-becomes-first-tenant-at-riverwalk-business-park-80884>

Mike Crowder

Hundreds of people turned out today at the Riverwalk Business Park in Rock Hill as Physicians Choice Laboratory Services cut the ribbon on its new 100,000 square foot headquarters. Governor Nikki Haley welcomed PCLS to South Carolina, and says the company is making a true sacrifice and leap of faith in moving from Charlotte. Haley says it's now everyone's job to make sure PCLS is successful.

WSOC: S.C. gov. visits Rock Hill in celebration of new business

<http://www.wsoc.com/news/news/local/sc-gov-visits-rock-hill-celebration-new-business/nYhrM/>

Greg Suskin

South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley stopped in Rock Hill Monday. She appeared at a celebration for the opening a business that just moved to York County from Charlotte. "You have decided on an amazing community. An amazing community," Haley said. "This is one that will never let you down."

The Herald: Governor Nikki Haley in Rock Hill (Video)

<http://www.heraldonline.com/2013/07/08/5005258/governor-nikki-haley-in-rock-hill.html>

Nikki Haley talks about Physician Choice Laboratory Services (PCLS) during her July 8 visit to Rock Hill.

Business Journal: SC Gov. Haley sees the advantage of privatizing economic development

http://www.bizjournals.com/charlotte/blog/outside_the_loop/2013/07/sc-gov-haley-sees-the-advantage-of.html

Ken Elkins

S.C. Gov. Nikki Haley says she can understand why North Carolina is trying to privatize parts of its state-level economic development functions. "We want to get government out of the way," she says. "We want to let the market work. We want to have relationships with our companies to make sure they turn around their companies quicker."

Associated Press: Charleston District Engineer heading to Pentagon

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=lyv2xUig

BRUCE SMITH

Army Lt. Col. Ed Chamberlayne is moving on after overseeing environmental studies for deepening the Charleston Harbor shipping channel, reviews of a much-debated Lancaster County gold mine and the completion of one of the Army's largest dining halls. Chamberlayne this week finishes his two-year assignment as district engineer for the Charleston District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The State: Time to regroup on ethics reform (Opinion)

<http://www.thestate.com/2013/07/09/2853085/scoppe-time-to-regroup-on-ethics.html>

Cindi Ross Scoppe

As disappointing as it was for the Legislature to end the 2013 session with ethics reform undone, the dilatory tactics that prevented its passage could prove to be a blessing. The tight timeframe meant that if a final vote had been within sight in the Senate, supporters would have been tempted to give in and water the bill down even more than it already had been in order to secure the votes they needed. Debating and passing such complex legislation during the hectic final week of the session also would have resulted in mistakes that, like the mistakes made in writing the current ethics law, we could still be living with decades later.

WIS TV: House Democrats want apology from Haley on voter fraud claims

<http://www.wistv.com/story/22784777/house-democrats-want-apology-from-haley-on-voter-fraud-claims>

Jeremy Turnage

Just days after a State Law Enforcement Division report indicated no one purposefully cast a ballot in South Carolina using the names of dead people, House Democrats are calling upon Gov. Nikki Haley to apologize for what they call "misleading the public" on the issue of voter fraud. House Democratic Leader Todd Rutherford released a statement, saying that Democrats knew from the get-go that any claims about voter fraud were "bogus" and Haley and Republican leaders were engaging in false rhetoric.

MSNBC: Zombies! Dead people are not voting in South Carolina

<http://tv.msnbc.com/2013/07/08/zombies-dead-people-are-not-voting-in-south-carolina/>

Morgan Whitaker

South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson can rest easy: there is no rampant "zombie" voting in South Carolina. For more than a year, Wilson has been complaining about the "hundreds" of cases of voter fraud that occurred when people in South Carolina used the names of deceased registered voters to cast fraudulent ballots in their name.

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South Carolina News

Associated Press: Tropical Storm Chantal churning toward Lesser Antilles

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20130709/PC16/130709469/1005/tropical-storm-chantal-heading-to-lesser-antillesap-photo-ny112>

GUY ELLIS

Fast-moving Tropical Storm Chantal raced toward the small islands of the Lesser Antilles on Tuesday, with residents of St. Lucia shuttering schools and preparing to close the island's two airports as it neared. The storm was centered about 75 miles east of Barbados around 5 a.m. EDT Tuesday, the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami said. The storm had maximum sustained winds near 50 mph, and was moving west-northwest at 26 mph.

Post and Courier: John Steinberger elected new chair of Charleston County GOP

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20130708/PC16/130709535/1006/john-steinberger-elected-new-chair-of-charleston-county-gop>

Robert Behre

Charleston County Republicans elected tea party and Fair Tax advocate John Steinberger as their new chair, the party's third in four months. The party's faithful voted 51-34 for Steinberger over funeral home director Mark Smith in an election that featured a bit of everything: parliamentary maneuvering, a brief loss of lights, a time-consuming roll call vote — even a dirty trick.

Post and Courier: U.S. Sen. Tim Scott makes first speech on Senate floor

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20130708/PC16/130709530/1177/us-sen-tim-scott-makes-maiden-senate-speech-today>

Robert Behre

U.S. Sen. Tim Scott, R-S.C., made his maiden speech Monday on the Senate floor, mentioning those who helped him grow up and what the country must do to get its economy on track. Scott's speech came about six months after he became the first ever black senator from South Carolina, and only the seventh black U. S. senator in history.

Gannett: Scott urges more local control over education spending

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<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20130709/NEWS/307090013/Scott-urges-more-local-control-over-education-spending>

Mary Orndorff Troyan

U.S. Sen. Tim Scott of Charleston used his maiden speech on the Senate floor Monday to promote more local control over public education, the focus of the first piece of education-related legislation he is co-sponsoring. Scott, a conservative Republican who joined the Senate in January, said he wants more national debate on charter schools, public and private school choice, homeschooling and "whatever it takes" to improve education.

Post and Courier: The odd couple of gun rights — and wrongs (Opinion)

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20130709/PC16/130709520/1006/the-odd-couple-of-gun-rights-x2014-and-wrongs>

Frank Wooten

The gun debate, like politics, makes strange bedfellows. And those alliances can't get much stranger than this one: Al Cannon and Madonna are now on the same side. More on "The Material Girl" later.

Associated Press: Veterans host Montford Point Marine medal ceremony

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

A Veterans of Foreign Wars post is scheduled to host a Rock Hill ceremony to mark the presentation of the Congressional Gold Medal to one of the Montford Point Marines, the first African Americans to become members of the Marine Corps. Bobby Plair is set to be recognized Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the VFW Post on West Main Street. Plair was unable to attend the ceremony in Washington last summer when 400 other Montford Marines got replicas of the medal, which is the nation's highest civilian honor.

The State: Lake Wateree overwhelms docks, yards again

<http://www.thestate.com/2013/07/08/2852649/saluda-river-rising-to-dangerous.html>

JOEY HOLLEMAN

Ronnie Chapman rushed to Lake Wateree Monday from his home in Mount Croghan, near Chesterfield, for the second time in two months to ensure his pontoon boat didn't wash away on the flooded lake. He's starting to have second thoughts about the decision to buy a second home on the lake in February. "I'm about ready to move to the mountains," he joked after wading from his submerged dock to recheck the lines on his boat.

Greenville News: Some evacuated after heavy rain causes flooding in Mauldin, Eastside

Sinkhole reported on State 14 near Five Forks; 10 evacuated in Mauldin

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20130709/NEWS/307090008/Some-evacuated-after-heavy-rain-causes-flooding-Mauldin-Eastside>

Heavy rain caused localized flooding Monday night in parts of Greenville County, and a sinkhole on a bridge on Harness Trail off State 14 caused the road to be closed, authorities said. The National Weather Service said as much as 3 inches of rain had fallen in some areas.

Post and Courier: Political funds out of rate hike Duke Energy cites accounting mistake

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20130709/PC16/130709476/1006/political-funds-out-of-rate-hike-duke-energy-cites-accounting-mistake>

EMERY P. DALESIO

Duke Energy said Monday that it made an accounting mistake when it tried to pass on to customers more than \$326,000 in political contributions to a clean-energy advocacy group and Republican Party organizations when it asked to raise electricity costs for North Carolina consumers by more than \$200 million a year. The country's largest electric company said human error resulted in adding the political contributions to its request for a third rate increase since 2009 for customers of Duke Energy Carolinas, which serves much of western North Carolina from Durham to the Tennessee border.

Post and Courier: Layoffs coming to Charleston-area civilians who work on Army ships

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20130708/PC16/130709518/1005/army-ship-support-workers-face-layoffs-honeywell-says-at-least-320-civilians-to-be-out-in-september>

Schuyler Kropf

The military payroll around Charleston is about to take another hit as hundreds of civilians who stock and service equipment for the Army's "pre-positioned" ships have received layoff notices. The letters, issued by contractor Honeywell, mean a minimum of 320 people will be out of work, likely in September, a spokesman said.

Post and Courier: Father, other Oklahoma relatives file to adopt Baby Veronica as James Island couple seek adoption OK

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20130708/PC16/130709499/1005/father-files-to-adopt-veronica-move-heats-up-custody-dispute>

Andrew Knapp

Baby Veronica's biological father, stepmother and paternal grandparents have filed court papers in Oklahoma to adopt the 3-year-old girl, a move that dissenting U.S. Supreme Court justices warned could happen and will likely complicate the custody dispute. Attorneys for Matt and Melanie Capobianco of James

Island and for Veronica's biological mother said Monday that the action defies the high court justices, who asked South Carolina judges to determine where Veronica should live.

Greenville News: BMW reports global sales up 6 percent in year's first half

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20130708/BUSINESS/307080031/BMW-reports-global-sales-up-6-percent-year-s-first-half>

Woody White

BMW said today its global sales for the first six months grew 6 percent over year-ago numbers despite worsening economic conditions in Europe. Sales were flat in the German company's home continent but were strong in the Americas and robust in Asia, BMW said.

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Hyperlocal News

Associated Press: Family killed in crash was vacationing in Alaska

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=pulHGh42

RACHEL D'ORO

The Antonakos family of Greenville, S.C., usually stuck close to home for summer vacations, but this year they decided to explore Alaska. "They were very excited," the father of Kimberly Antonakos, H. Wayne Clayton, said Monday. "They never had been there before and wanted to see what it was like."

Greenville News: Two Greenville families perish in Alaska crash; 'They were both just wonderful families' *It's third tragedy in less than a month to hit Christ Church*

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20130709/NEWS/307090009/Two-Greenville-families-perish-Alaska-crash-They-were-both-just-wonderful-families->

Ron Barnett and Tim Smith

The lives of nine people from Greenville — two entire families — tragically ended during a vacation in Alaska, when the small plane they were flying in crashed and burned at a small-town airport 75 miles from Anchorage, family and church officials said. Melet and Kim Antonakos and their children, Ana, Mills and Olivia, died, along with Dr. Chris and Stacey McManus and their children Meghan and Connor, according to state Rep. Bruce Bannister, who lives near the Antonakos family and goes to church with both families.

The State: Two Greenville families die in Alaska plane crash

<http://www.thestate.com/2013/07/09/2853686/sbpls-take-dateline-off-print.html>

ANDREW SHAIN and ADAM BEAM

Two vacationing South Carolina families hoping to spot a bear in the Alaskan wilderness were killed Sunday when their air taxi crashed. The dead included a family of five and a family of four, both from Greenville, and the pilot, according to family friends and law enforcement sources.

Associated Press: Richland sheriff holding nighttime fundraiser

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

Deputies in Richland County are holding a fundraiser to support their programs, including the K-9 unit. The Richland County Sheriff's Department on Tuesday is holding its "Guardians of the Night" event.

The State: Fundraiser planned for family of Richland County deputy, wife killed in wreck

<http://www.thestate.com/2013/07/08/2852744/fundraiser-planned-for-family.html>

NOELLE PHILLIPS

A chicken bog fundraiser will be held Friday on behalf of the two daughters of a Richland County sheriff's deputy and his wife who were killed in a motorcycle wreck. Sgt. Derrick El Dada and his wife, Leigh El Dada, were killed June 19 in a motorcycle wreck in Saluda County. The couple had two teen daughters and proceeds from the chicken bog will help support them.

The State: Why Bull Street? Why now? (Opinion)

<http://www.thestate.com/2013/07/08/2849784/benjamin-why-bull-street-why-now.html>

Steve Benjamin

As Columbia boldly moves forward into a new age of wonder where information travels at the speed of light and we hold the combined knowledge of the world's libraries on our cell phones, we must be able to make

sound decisions in a reasonable period of time. In order to be competitive in this global economy, we must adapt. We must learn to move quickly, work efficiently and act decisively or watch as opportunity after opportunity passes us by.

The State: Slow down on Bull Street (Opinion)

<http://www.thestate.com/2013/07/08/2849788/plaugh-slow-down-on-bull-street.html>

Leona Plaugh

While many citizens of the capital city were enjoying their family's summer vacation, Columbia City Council was rushing last week to approve a \$31.25 million plan to redevelop the old state hospital site on Bull Street. I say rushing because the public input process and two council votes on the project are occurring in just over one week. Plans of this magnitude deserve more time and more vetting. I support the concept of the Bull Street development agreement, but the public and City Council need more details.

Island Packet: Glover to release album in Oct., perform at all-star game

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/viewart/20130709/NEWS10/307090006/Glover-release-album-Oct-perform-all-star-game>

Candice Glover announced via Twitter on Monday that her debut album, "Music Speaks," will be released Oct. 8. It was also announced that she will sing the national anthem before Major League Baseball's All-Star game July 16.

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National News

Greenville News: House should OK immigration deal (Opinion)

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/article/20130709/OPINION/307090001/Editorial-House-should-OK-immigration-deal>

Editorial

A bill passed late last month by the United States Senate represents the best hope the for comprehensive immigration reform that addresses all the concerns of both sides in this debate. The House of Representatives will begin debating the bill after its Independence Day recess, and despite the bill's imperfections, it deserves to be passed.

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