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South Carolina Gamecocks guard Allisha Gray (10) shoots over Ohio State Buckeyes forward Stephanie Mavunga (1) during the second half Monday evening at Value City Arena in Columbus, Ohio. See story, Sports, 1B.

DOWNTOWN COLUMBIA

Hotel to enfold historic buildings

■ A 41-room hotel will restore and preserve three historic buildings in downtown Columbia on Sumter and Taylor streets.

BY RODDIE BURRELL
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Three historic properties in downtown Columbia will be converted into a 41-room boutique-style hotel, developers said Monday.

The properties, whose backyards adjoin one another, include the former Powell Furniture Co. building at 1519 Sumter St., the former Western Auto building at 1222 Taylor St. and the Rose Talbert building at 1224 Taylor St.

The \$10 million project, which will be known as Hotel Trundle, is being developed by a local couple, hotel developers Marcus Munse and Rita Patel. Columbia-based Mashburn Construction Co. will

build the project.

Munse and Patel, who both have architectural degrees, wanted to establish a non-branded hotel property in the Capital City, because they think it will thrive here, they said.

"We live, play and work here - love it, and we really want to support our community," Patel said. "Our guests will be leisure, corporate, hopefully some government officials. We really want to use the space as a platform for community, supporting all different types of people events."

The absence of royalty fees to a corporate entity will open up more local opportunities to cater to the local community, help

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S.C. Dems' chief seeks national party job

Harrison says he wants to talk 'bread-and-butter issues,' draws fire over lobbying firm work

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WASHINGTON — A week after Democrats around the country were rejected at the polls, the head of the Democratic Party in South Carolina says he's running to lead the party nationally. S.C. party Chairman Jaime Harrison announced Monday he will seek to be the party's next top leader.

"We need to go back to where the party used to be, which is not a political organization but a community organization," Harrison said Monday in an exclusive interview with The Post and Courier.

Harrison said he made the decision to enter what could be a contentious and rhetorically ugly race for Democratic National Committee chairman based on a desire to build the national base at all levels — from state and local governments

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to federal seats, in reliably "red" regions along with the predictably "blue."
"We need to talk about the bread and butter issues, to talk about people's daily lives. I think that is at the core of what we have to do as a party and that has to be the focus of the next chair," he said. Harrison has an impressive resume and compelling personal narrative. He likens his story to the "American dream," which took him from poverty and food stamps to college and law degrees from Yale and Georgetown. He taught at his

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'Beautiful little story'

Music superstars unveil app to benefit Children's Miracle Network



Darius Rucker (left) and KISS guitarist Tommy Thayer perform a song Monday from the new children's storybook app "Ernest Hummingbird" for patients and parents at MUSC Children's Hospital.

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Superstar musicians Darius Rucker and Tommy Thayer teamed up at the Medical University of South Carolina Children's Hospital on Monday to unveil a new smartphone app which will benefit the Children's Miracle Network.



Video
For a video of the unveiling, go to postandcourier.com.

The "storybook" app features the tale of Ernest Hummingbird, who wants to learn to sing but is discouraged because hummingbirds are only supposed to hum. In the end, he over-

comes that obstacle.

"It is a story of perseverance and pursuing your dreams," said Thayer, a guitarist for the rock band KISS. "It's a beautiful little story. It's a lot of fun."

Thayer said he's been working on the project for two years.

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Slager account, footage compared

Defense expected to ask for dismissal in Scott slaying

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Preparing to wrap up their murder case against the North Charleston policeman who killed Walter Scott, prosecutors on Monday offered testimony to paint the officer as a liar whose account of the shooting does not line up with key video evidence.

But the defense team for Michael Slager continued to assert that the state's case and the investigation into Scott's death have ignored a crucial element: what was going on in the patrolman's mind when he opened fire at the fleeing black man. It continued a theme of labeling the probe as flawed and deficient.

The most vivid testimony Monday came from Levi Miles, a private investigator for Slager's former attorney. Miles and Slager re-enacted the officer's confrontation with Scott during

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Witnesses: Suspect was impaired

Describe attack on deputies in Ladson

BY DERREK ASBERRY
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Witnesses to an officer-involved

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Florence

New pub, brewery coming to downtown

\$180k in incentives coming from city

BY JOSHUA LLOYD
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FLORENCE — Florence's blossoming downtown is about to get an extra boost of culture with a new brewery and pub team planning to open shop on North Dargan Street.

City officials say the pub developers probably will start construction within the next month, with progress ramping up after the holidays.

In its Monday meeting, the Florence City Council unanimously approved a \$180,000 incentive package for the project.

Florence Mayor Stephen J. Wukela said the brewery and pub will be an investment of about \$550,000 in downtown.

He said after analysis, city staff determined an incentive package would be very beneficial considering the revenue that probably will be generated by the new business.

"This is, I think, a very significant step for downtown Florence," Wukela said. "There are a variety of periodicals that show the benefit of a craft brewery in growing downtowns. Many would say that one of these existing in an emerging downtown is an indicator that downtown is in fact re-developed. This is a great thing."

The group responsible for development has yet to be named. Officials said the brewery will be located at 121 and 123 North Dargan Street. That's a part of the Kress Corner revitalization project.

Fires spark investigation



The old Heafner Tire Warehouse on South Irby Street in Florence caught fire in the early morning hours of Monday.

Old Heafner Tire warehouse in Florence burns down

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Smoke rises as firefighters pour water on flames coming from the old Heafner Tire fire.

FLORENCE — Florence firefighters worked for hours Monday morning to contain a large blaze at the old Heafner Tire warehouse on Irby Street.

Approximately 45 minutes before the tire fire was called in, crews responded to an abandoned house fire near Pine Street and Railroad Avenue.

Florence fire Chief Randy Osterman said it's too early to tell what caused the two fires, much less if the two incidents are related.

"We're investigating, and we're working with Florence Police Department to try and determine the

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Hurricane Matthew

Dec. 13 is deadline to register for FEMA help

From staff reports.

FLORENCE — The last

from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). Survivors must complete

'Remarkable time' is a test, USC law school dean says

BY JOE PERRY
Morning News
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FLORENCE — The dean of the University of South Carolina's School of Law spoke Monday to the Rotar

Commission on the Profession, the S.C. Commission on Judicial Conduct and is former chair of the South Carolina Faculty Senate who frequently speaks at continuing legal education events, Rotarian Mark



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A South Carolina National Guard Chinook helicopter drops 2,000 gallons of water on the Pinnacle Mountain fire on Monday.

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UPSTATE LIKELY SMOKY FOR DAYS

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Smoke from the biggest wildfire in the South Carolina mountains since 1978 is likely to continue blanketing the Upstate for the rest of the week as firefighters continue to battle the blaze and the weather offers little hope for relief, officials said.

The Pinnacle Mountain fire is about



HEIDI HEILBRUN/STAFF

Tom Stitt of Citizens for Quality Rural Living says some residents of lower Greenville County are concerned about overdevelopment and what accompanies it.

Rural residents want to be heard

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Residents in rural Southern Greenville County don't want to get just the end results of the county's growth.

But some feel that's what's happening.

For example, they cite a wastewater treatment plant proposed for their area in a long-range plan being considered by the county.

When the Greenville County Planning Department presented the plan during a community meeting a few weeks ago, it was the first time the community had noticed the proposed plant, according to Tom Stitt, the owner of West End Marketing and a member of the grassroots Twin Chimneys Concerned Citizens for Landfill Accountability group.

"This just happened to be in our backyard," he said. And, that is "the end result of growth and urban sprawl in rural areas of the county," he said.

Knowledge of the proposed treatment plant started the community talking about the negative impact of growth in rural areas of the county, as well as the need for residents to have more input on what's happening in their area, Stitt said.

Members of the Twin Chimneys and another grassroots group, Citizens for Quality Rural Living, plan to speak at the public hearing for a revision to the county's Land Development Regulations on Tuesday.

They plan to ask Greenville County Council to hold off voting on the regulations for six months to allow residents to give input on issues they have concerning the report.

They will be there to be a voice for citizens of rural communities, Stitt said.

"It's not that we are against growth. We are against only getting the negative effects of growth and someone else getting the positive benefits," he said.

The county staff has been working on updating the Land Development Regulations for the last two-plus years, said County Councilman Lynn Ballard, who represents District 26.

There is a public hearing head to



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Wildfire smoke, haze cover the Upstate

NEWS DIGEST

Company plans to create 480 jobs in Spartanburg County

Spartanburg County Council on Monday approved a first reading of a tax incentives package for a company that would invest \$29 million here and create 480 jobs. Dubbed "Project Lockdown," the fee-in-lieu-of-tax agreement requires three readings and a public hearing. Spartanburg County Councilman David Britt said the name of the company should be made public next month.

"It's a good company," Britt said. "It's a great company, and where they will be going will open up other opportunities in the area."

The unidentified company anticipates that the first phase of the project will begin in 2017, according to the proposed agreement with the county. The company is considering a 20-acre parcel of land in Poplar Springs near Highway 290.

—From staff reports

SPORTS



USC Upstate rolls

USC Upstate jumped out to a big halftime lead and went on to cruise past Division II foe Mars Hill, 91-66, on Monday night. B1

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Doctors advise
people bothered
by smoke
to stay indoors

By Zach Fox
and Bob Montgomery
Staff writers

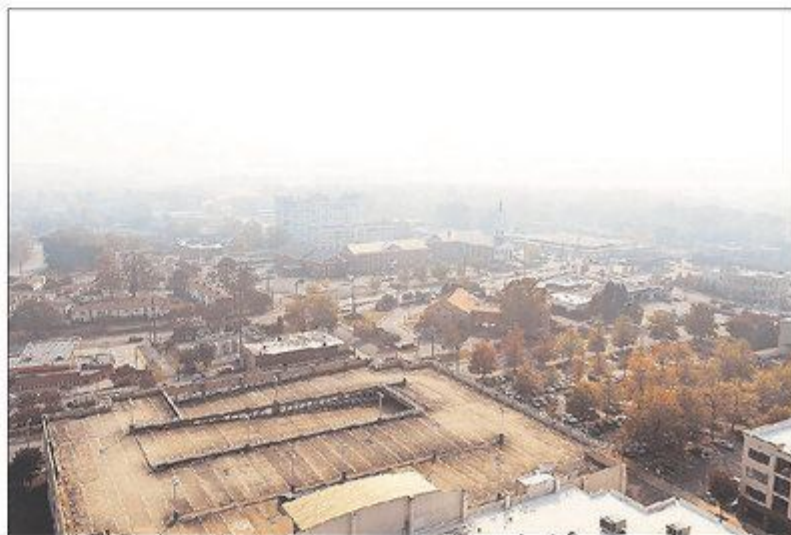
Imagine being stuck in a room full of smokers.

That's what being exposed to smoke and haze from the western Carolina wildfires is like for some people who have breathing problems.

"There are some similarities to second-hand smoke. It's an irritant," said Dr. Emmanuel Sarmiento of Allergic Disease and Asthma Center of Greenville and Spartanburg.

Wildfires near Lake Lure in North Carolina and in Pickens County South Carolina continued to burn Monday and create smoke and haze that has covered many parts of the Upstate, with no relief expected anytime soon.

Although weather conditions slowed the Pinnacle Mountain fire's progress some, the fire is still mostly uncontained, according to Pickens County



Allergy doctors say they've seen an increase in the number patients with asthma problems complaining about the smoke and haze from western Carolina wildfires. This is a view of the city on Monday. ALEX HICKS JR./SPARTANBURG HERALD-JOURNAL

emergency management officials.

The National Weather Service issued a "code red" air quality alert for many parts of Western North Carolina and an air quality alert through midnight

Tuesday for the Upstate of South Carolina.

A code red alert advises people to limit prolonged or heavy exertion outdoors, while the air quality alert advises limiting outdoor activities.

Because of a stable weather pattern with little wind and no rain, the smoke and haze could get more dense on Tuesday and stick around much of the week,

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PARTY ROCK FIRE

Wildfire continues aggressive spread

Firefighters trying to control 3,450-plus acre blaze

By Derek Lacey
Halifax Media Group

LAKE LURE, N.C. — The Party Rock wildfire, burning more than 3,740 acres near Chimney Rock and Lake Lure as of Monday evening, has grown rapidly since it began Nov. 5. Fueled by extremely dry conditions and

Shumont Road. So far, the North Carolina Forest Service reports, the fire has prompted the evacuations of about 1,000 people. The fire is still 15 percent contained.

Chief Rick Livingston, of Mills River Volunteer Fire Department, said firefighters from Mills River have been working the fire through the weekend and will

ECONOMIC IMPACT

Tourism business near Lake Lure takes a hit

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As wildfires rage across the South, Western North Carolina's tourism industry — typically at a high point during this time of year — has begun to take a hit.

"My business has totally gone down the tubes," said Pat Cook with Four Seasons Cottage on Boys Camp Road in Lake Lure, N.C. "It's impacting all of our who have

More than 1,000 residents near Lake Lure have been evacuated since Friday because of the nearly 3,500-acre Party Rock fire that firefighters fear will continue to spread. No new evacuations were ordered Monday.

Mary Jaeger-Gale, general manager of Chimney Rock Management at Chimney Rock State Park in Rutherford County, N.C., said all tourism activities have been put on hold due to the wildfires.



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THE RIGHT MOVE

Grant Radakovich satisfied with decision to join AD father and play at Clemson



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SYNTHETIC DRUG CALLED PUBLIC HEALTH THREAT



Dr. Wally Davies, medical director of AnMed Health's emergency services, holds a one-milliliter dose of naloxone hydrochloride, a drug used for reversing some overdoses. The drug is often known by the brand name Narcan.

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U-47700 may be linked to death in Anderson County

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The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration put the synthetic opioid U-47700 on its most restrictive list of controlled substances Monday, calling it an imminent threat to public health. The action comes as Anderson County is poised to enact its own ban on these types of drugs.

The drug, which has some morphine-like qualities, has been linked to at least 46 deaths in the United States in a period of about a year, including 10 deaths in neighboring North Carolina. Federal DEA officials believe the nationwide death toll may be much higher, but say the presence of U-47700 may be over-



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looked if a person is also testing positive for more commonly known drugs, such as heroin or the painkiller oxycodone.

In Anderson County, Coroner Greg Shore believes U-47700 may be responsible for at least one recent fatal overdose. He sent toxicology samples to the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division, and when the agency's testing didn't reveal anything, he sent samples to a private lab in Pennsylvania. He is waiting for results.

"Our drug testing in the field and SLED's testing didn't identify any substances," Shore said. "But we know based on the case study that we have done that this death is likely linked to drug abuse or drug use. There certainly are new compounds that we haven't seen, and when we run into them, we do our best to get them identified. We went through this same kind of scenario with Lamar Jack."

Jack, an Anderson University basketball player, collapsed on the court during practice in the fall of 2011. He died a few days later at the age of 19. Toxicology tests later revealed he had ingested

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Trump will have broad power to crack down on immigration

LAN GOMEZ

USA TODAY

So how big will Donald Trump's wall really be?

The wall along the southwest border



BART BOATWRIGHT/USA TODAY NETWORK
A South Carolina National Guard Chinook drops 2,000 gallons of water on the fire at Paris Mountain State Park on Monday.

Upstate may be smoky for days

Only a quarter of Pinnacle Mountain fire contained

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Smoke from the biggest wildfire in the South Carolina mountains since 1978 is likely to continue blanketing the Upstate for the rest of the week as firefighters continue to battle the blaze and the weather offers little hope for relief, officials said.

The Pinnacle Mountain fire is about 25 percent contained, and the fight to extinguish it is expected to go on for at least another week, according to a spokesman for the state Forestry Commission.

Authorities are urging motorists to avoid State 11 and U.S. 178 in northern Pickens County to keep the highways clear for vehicles involved in fighting the fire near Table Rock State Park.

They're also informing residents in the area of ways to protect their property from the blaze that had consumed more than 2,300 acres by Monday morning.

The smoke is likely to be worse Tuesday than it was Monday, according to Trisha Palmer, meteorologist with the National Weather Service.

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