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Poor place to be a teacher

SC ranks 45th in report
on opportunity, work and
academic environment

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We're not as bad as North Carolina, but South Carolina still ranked near the bottom of Wallethub's 2014 ranking of the best and worst states for teachers.

South Carolina ranked 45th of 51 in the report (which also ranked Washington, D.C.), just ahead of Arizona and Hawaii but well behind other Southeastern states like Louisiana (26), Alabama (31) or Georgia (33). North Carolina ranked dead last.

Wallethub analyzed 18 different metrics to find teachers' opportunity and competition, and the academic and work environment for each state.

South Carolina's low scores in its average starting salaries for teachers, 10-year change in teacher salaries and public school spending per student played a major part in ranking South Carolina 45th overall, said Raz Daraban, communications manager for Wallethub, a personal finance website.

The ranking didn't take into account any changes that went into effect for this school year, such as Gov. Nikki Haley's education reform bill that added early-grades reading coaches, funds technology improvements and sends more money to schools with poor students.

The education bill, which Haley called a first step in a decade-long transformation of the state's public schools, did not address teacher salaries.

South Carolina's average starting teacher salary is \$32,389, below the 2012-2013 national average of \$36,141, according to the National Education Association.

Greenville County's starting teacher salary for 2014-2015 is \$33,259 for a teacher with a bachelor's degree.

"Sadly, insofar as these kinds of lists go, South Carolina continues to rank near the bottom for teachers,"

FESTIVAL DRAWS CROWD WITH FOOD, MUSIC



PHOTOS BY KEN OSBURN

Fall for Greenville brought out large crowds to enjoy the good weather, good food and music with plenty of activities for the kids.

Fall for Greenville a hit

Frozen 'nana pudding' steals culinary show, captures Silver Spoon award

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In the end, the lure of turkey legs and doughnut burgers was too much even for the rain to staunch.

Thousands thronged downtown Greenville's Main Street this weekend for the 33rd Fall for Greenville festival to sample all that their stomachs could hold, and then some.

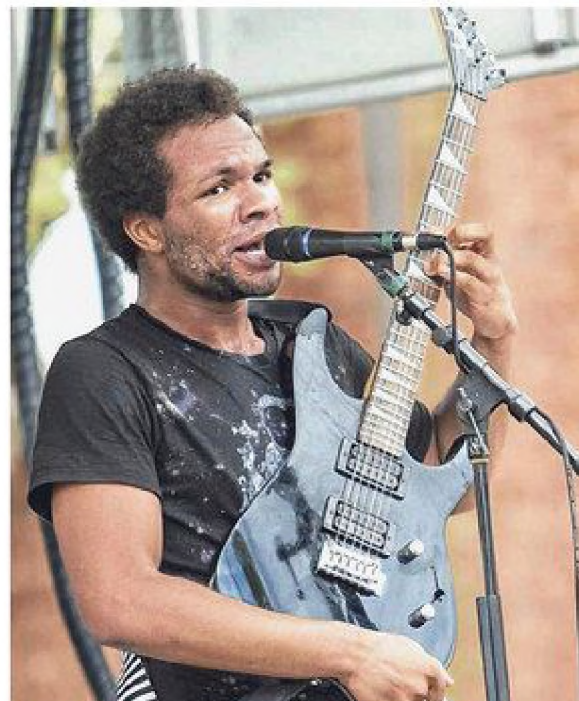
"The streets were full," said Angie Prosser, director of public information and special events for the city. "The crowds were great, and the entertainment has been off the chain."

Greenville's dining diversity was on full display Sunday, when Fall for Greenville's coveted Silver Spoon winners were announced. A panel of judges awarded first place to Fitzpatrick's Food & Spirits, where the frozen chocolate-covered nana pudding was the surprise winner, said Stan Ross, whose daughter and wife own the pub on Laurens Road.

This was Fitzpatrick's fourth appearance at the festival, and their first time receiving the Silver Spoon award.

"David slew Goliath," was how Ross put it. "We've had people coming back five or six times."

Second place went to Smoke on the Water's BBQ shrimp cake, and third place to the kim chi super dog



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Dwayne Brown and Bill Dellar pass time last summer in a pawn shop in Whitehall, Mont. Brown said the Golden Sunlight gold mine's workers help his business by spending money there.

Montana gold mine: 'A very good neighbor'

Residents say facility helps their town;
will the same be true for a similar mine
in South Carolina?

By SAMMY FRETWELL
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WHITEHALL, Mont. — As she left a local coffee shop one day last summer, 44-year-old Heather Dove stopped to think about the big gold mine in the mountains above town.

"I've lived here 18 years, and it has been amazing for our community," Dove said. "It's unbelievable what they have done — how they give back."

In business for 32 years, the Golden Sunlight Mine has a loyal following in tiny Whitehall, where people liken it more to a caring friend and provider than an industrial-scale gold-digging operation.

The Golden Sunlight supplies nearly 200 jobs, about 20

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ABOUT THIS SERIES

Large gold mining companies are looking to the Southeast, and South Carolina in particular, as a source of gold as new mining techniques become available. One Lancaster County mine, in fact, could become the largest on the East Coast. What can South Carolina learn from states with large mines and more experience?

SUNDAY: Montana's mining legacy

TODAY: The town that loves the mine

TUESDAY: Gold's cost: Pollution and taxpayers

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In the end, who will own Montana mine?

Residents worry
about the future
of gold operation

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WHITEHALL, Mont. — These days, the biggest questions about the Golden Sunlight Mine are how long it will stay open and who will run the business.

Mine owner Barrick Gold Corp., one of the world's largest mining companies, has expressed interest in selling the Golden Sunlight. The company reportedly hired a bank this past summer to put the mine on the market.

Amid questions about the stability of global gold prices, Barrick has unloaded some of its mines in recent years. Today the company has



The Golden Sunlight mine operates on a mountain near Whitehall, Mont.

quartered in Canada, said gold, happening as far as a national sale."

LEXINGTON COUNTY

Projects large, small hinge on tax

Voters to decide fate
of penny tax for roadwork

By TIM FLACH
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The first project that a proposed penny-on-the-dollar sales tax increase in Lexington County would pay for is modest but vital for thousands of commuters.

It would realign the intersection of Mineral Springs Road with U.S. 378 on the east side of Lexington so that traffic flows more smoothly in an area that town officials say has become a choke point.

"This is the linchpin," said flooring retailer Clyde Smith, a member of the town advisory panel on traffic. "If we help that intersection, we're improving the whole 378 corridor."

That section of U.S. 378 is a major commuter route and growing commercial strip that state traffic counts say carries an average of up to 37,800 vehicles daily.

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ELECTION 2014: LEXINGTON 2 SCHOOLS

'Band-Aid fixes no longer make sense'

By TIM FLACH
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"Meet me at the bubble" is a catchphrase with dual meaning in Lexington 2 schools.

For students at Brookland-Cayce High School, a 6-inch-high bulge stretching 10 feet in a hallway was a landmark until it was ripped out a few days ago as a precaution against tripping.

For school officials, it symbolizes the need for a \$225 million package of improvements that await approval at the Nov. 4 ballot.

The major update sought for 16 schools mostly built in the 1950s and 1960s — among the Midlands' oldest public education facilities — is overdue, supporters of the plan say.

"This is part of giving our kids the opportunity to

SEE **LEXINGTON 2** PAGE A7

YOUR WEEK

A revealing exhibit opening Friday at the Columbia Museum of Art shows the photos behind some of Norman Rockwell's masterpieces. Find more to do in Go Columbia on **Page A16**. On Saturday, a big event for Breast Cancer



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SLED: Violent crime down

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Violent crime in Aiken County decreased from 2011 to 2012, according to the most recent Uniform Crime Report compiled by the S.C. State Law Enforcement Division.

SLED compiles a report each year using figures from local sheriff's offices and police departments to give a reading of criminal activity around

S.C. killing, rape statistics increase; national murder levels exceeded

the state. The most recent report, for 2012, found that violent crime statewide decreased 6.3 percent from 2011, while some categories such as murder and rape increased.

South Carolina has exceeded the national violent crime rate every year since 1975, the report stated. Additionally, since 1975, South Carolina's murder rate has exceeded the national

murder rate every year except in 1995. Violent crime in Aiken County decreased from a rate of 36.9 per 10,000 residents in 2011 to 34.9 in 2012, according to the report. While the

number of murders in the county increased from 11 in 2011 to 13 in 2012, the numbers for rapes, robberies and aggravated assaults each decreased.

City of Aiken

In the City of Aiken, murders increased from one in 2011 to seven in 2012, according to the SLED report.

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Sheriff's Office adopts new K-9 policies

BY TEDDY KULMALA
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The Aiken County Sheriff's Office has adopted new procedures for the handling of police K-9s after news broke last week that a Sheriff's Office K-9 died last summer after its handler left the dog in his car.

Officers must now keep K-9s in outdoor kennels at the Sheriff's Office, or on a large mat by the officer's desk if the officer is inside working, according to Capt. Eric Abdullah.

Patrol vehicles that transport K-9s also will be outfitted with special equipment that notifies an officer if conditions in the vehicle are dangerous for the dog while the dog is inside, Abdullah said. The technology will turn on the fan, roll down the vehicle's windows and sound the horn to alert the officer.

"It basically alerts the handler if there's an issue with the car and the dog is in the car," Abdullah said.

The changes come days after it was revealed that Cooper, an explosives-detecting Labrador, died June 7, 2013, after being left in a kennel in a patrol car by his handler, Deputy James Taylor. The Sheriff's Office said Taylor went out on at least two occasions to let the dog out.

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AREA DEATHS

Barbara Coakley McLeod, Aiken
Derek Devon Simpkins, Aiken
Ethel Blackmon Key, Graniteville
Jacob Knight, Florence
Linda Cooper Cauley, Aiken
Shirley E. Hall, North Augusta
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WEATHER

Hall retiring from Hall of Fame



Lisa Hall, supervisor of Hopelands Gardens, Rye Patch and the Aiken Thoroughbred Racing Hall of Fame and Museum, stands in the museum courtyard.



BY DEDE BILES
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Lisa Hall will be missed when she retires in February 2015 as the supervisor of Hopelands Gardens, Rye Patch and the Aiken Thoroughbred Racing Hall of Fame and Museum.

Word is just starting to get out about her decision, which Hall didn't make until about two weeks ago.

"She is the mother hen of the Hall of Fame," said Dogwood Stable President Cot Campbell. "She breathes life into it, and she makes things happen. I hope something can be worked out so that she can continue to play a role in it."

Glenn Parker praised Hall for doing "a great job." As the director of the City of Aiken's Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department, he was Hall's boss before his retirement from that post earlier this year.

"Lisa is very passionate about those

facilities, and she has treated them as her own," Parker said.

Hall, 55, has worked for the City of Aiken since 1987. She used to be the supervisor of the H. Odell Weeks Activities Center.

In 2000, following the death of the Hall of Fame's director, Joan Tower, Hall stepped in to carry on her work.

"My great-grandfather was a blacksmith here in town, and I have always loved horses," Hall said. "After Mrs. Tower died, the Hall of Fame was closed for a couple of months because nobody could figure out what was going to be done with it. I hated to see that, so I talked to Terry Rhinehardt, who was the director of the Parks and Recreation Department back then. He told me to go for it."

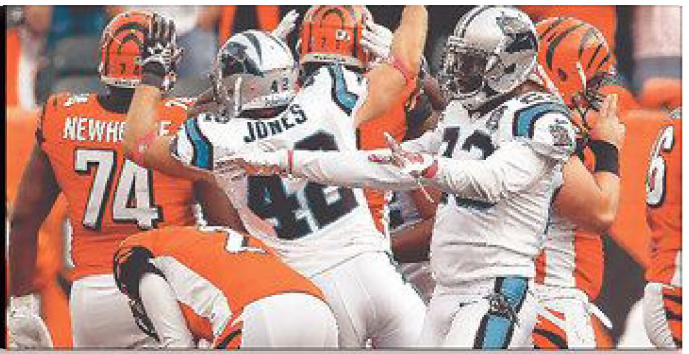
Hall later left her position at the Weeks Center to oversee activities at Hopelands and Rye Patch.

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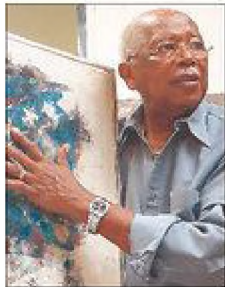
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5 Things to read today



Repurposed symbol

Leo Twiggs' paintings of shadowy Confederate flags and faceless men with bulls-eyes on their backs are a few of the haunting images he has developed living as a black man in the South. **PAGE A5**

Golden no more

A longtime prosecutor, all-Big Ten football player, sports broadcaster and educator created a stir in the Illinois community of Quincy when he was arrested recently in the death of his first wife in 2006. **PAGE A9**

Feds back lawsuit

A teacher's aide asked a 14-year-old girl to go into a middle school bathroom as bait so a 16-year-old eighth-grader with a history of sexual harassment could be caught trying to have sex with her and disciplined. Instead, the girl was sexually assaulted, evidence shows. **PAGE A11**

Carter on the trail

Jimmy Carter's just turned 90, but he was out campaigning on Sunday for his grandson Jason. **PAGE A19**

Cyclone kills 6

A powerful cyclone pounded a large swath of India's eastern seaboard with heavy rain and strong winds on Sunday, killing at least six people. **AB**

Weather

Cloudy, some rain

Ebola strikes in Dallas hospital

Health care worker wore protective gear treating Duncan

By **NOMAAN MERCHANT**
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DALLAS — A "breach of protocol" at the hospital where Ebola victim Thomas Eric Duncan was treated before his death led to the infection of a health care worker with the deadly virus, and other caregivers could potentially be exposed, federal health officials said Sunday.

The hospital worker, a woman who was not identified by officials, wore protective gear while treating the Liberian patient, and she

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Medical records trace US Ebola victim's decline. **Page A13**

has been unable to point to how the breach might have occurred, said Dr. Tom Frieden, head of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Duncan was the first person in the U.S. diagnosed with Ebola.

The CDC confirmed Sunday afternoon that the woman had tested positive for Ebola — the first known case of the disease being contracted or transmitted in the U.S.

The missteps with the first

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Police stand guard on Sunday outside the apartment of a hospital worker who provided care for Ebola patient Thomas Eric Duncan and has now tested positive for the virus. The worker is in stable condition, health officials said.

A FOND FAIR-WELL



Rain didn't keep people from enjoying the final day of the Piedmont Interstate Fair on Sunday. Above, Dru Carter, 13, left, and Tinsley Seay, 12, both of Boiling Springs, enjoy the thrills of the Pharoah's Fury. At right, Carrie Troxell, 4,



Snack waivers add fuel to debate

Health groups say OK for fundraisers dilutes message

By **ZACH FOX**
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Some health groups are criticizing the S.C. Board of Education's decision to allow schools exemptions to sell unhealthy foods during fundraisers for part of the school year.

Last week, the board voted to let schools sell foods that did not comply with Federal Smart Snacks in Schools standards during fundraisers for 90 of 180 school days each year, The (Columbia) State newspaper reported. The federal standards originally banned the sale of unhealthy food during fundraisers if that food was to be consumed on campus during school hours.

"It's disappointing to have a ruling that goes against state and local efforts to improve childhood obesity rates, child health and healthy school environments," said Rebecca Parrish, healthy kids coordinator with Partners for Active Living in Spartanburg.

Parrish, who also works as a support staff member with the

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Abbeville certified connected community

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In a project that took about 18 months, Abbeville County has championed broadband planning.

Now certified by Connect South Carolina as a certified Connected community, the county will move toward executing the resulting action plan.

Connect South Carolina is a State Broadband Initiative grantee that aims to increase high-speed Internet access, adoption and use throughout the state in order to ensure South

Carolina's competitiveness in the global economy, and is funded by the U.S. Department of Commerce National Telecommunications and Information Administration State Broadband Initiative program.



JIM STRITZINGER

The certification will help Abbeville create a better business environment for current and potential employers.

The program helps communities

map out issues and gaps in order to develop a plan regarding broadband connection throughout the county.

"The capability Abbeville has to supply Internet to the community is incredible," Jim Stritzinger, executive director of Connect South Carolina, said.

The new action plan includes projects to complete a vertical assets inventory, establish a "Community Technology Academy," initiate a community refurbishment or recycling program and facilitate a technology summit.

"One of the keys to the rural com-

munity making progress is to appeal to the entrepreneur," Stritzinger said, adding one of the things next generation companies are looking for is Internet connection.

Connect South Carolina is focused on solving community issues and presenting creative strategies.

With better Internet access, the county could see a better business environment, more effective community and economic development, improved health care, more efficient government, enhanced education and improved quality of life.

"It's definitely a distinguishing

characteristic in Abbeville," Stritzinger said.

Abbeville is only the second county in South Carolina with the verification, behind Anderson. The organization looks at three categories: access, adoption and use. Each category has a total of 40 points, and communities must score 32 points or more to even have potential for certification.

Right now, only 10 counties in South Carolina have potential. Lexington and Richland counties are

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DISCOVER SC

Rich local history in Revolutionary War

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Even though the history of South Carolina is taught in school, many who have learned about the Palmetto State might not know how important its role in the American Revolution actually was.

If that's the case, imagine what might or might not be known outside the state's borders. Michael Scoggins told a crowd gathered in the American Veterans Auditorium at Greenwood County Library on Sunday, Scoggins is the historian at the York County Culture & Heritage Museums.

"I've concentrated on the history of the Carolina Upcountry and particularly of the Revolutionary War," said Scoggins, who was guest speaker for one of the many events of this year's

Greenwood Reads activities

■ **What:** Greenwood Reads activities surrounding the book "Someone Knows My Name" by Lawrence Hill.

■ **6 p.m. today** - The film "All for Liberty." Greenwood County Library, 600 South Main St.

■ **3 p.m. Wednesday** - Discover your Family: Beginning Genealogy. Speaker Stephanie Holden, reference librarian at Greenwood County Library, 600 South Main St. Call to register for workshop.

■ **1 p.m. Thursday** - Book discussion. Ware Shoals Community Library, 54 Greenwood St., South.

■ **6 p.m. Oct. 20** - The film "Mary Silliman's War." Greenwood County Library, 600 South Main St.

■ **6 p.m. Oct. 27** - The film "The Devil's Disciple." Greenwood County Library, 600 South Main St.

■ **10 a.m. Oct. 30** - Revolutionary Stories. Presented by Tim Lowry at Ware Shoals Community Library, 54 Greenwood Ave., South.

Greenwood Reads, which theme is the American Revolution in South Carolina. "Growing up in South Carolina and going to school, I learned a lot about the Revolutionary War in the South, and particularly in the Carolinas. But when I started working for CHM, I found out people in other parts of the United States don't necessarily know that the Revolutionary War was even fought in the South ... much less the important role that South Carolina played in the outcome of the Revolution."

Scoggins said the major factor in that is

the fact that following the war northern publishing houses basically wrote the South out of the history books and textbooks.

"That was part of the punishment from succeeding from the Union in 1860," said Scoggins, who has authored or co-authored many books on the Revolutionary War. "So over the last several generations, people in other parts of the country have gone to school and studied history and never really learned about the important role that South Carolina played in the American Revolution."

"People that I have talked to, particularly from the North and Northwest and the Midwest and the Far West, are absolutely astonished to find out that the war even happened in South Carolina."

The historian noted that many of the battles that played a role in the American Revolution and the people surrounding the events happened in South Carolina. Among the places he touched on was Ninety Six.

"Being so close to Ninety Six, I'm sure you are steeped in American Revolutionary War history here because Ninety Six was an extremely important fort ... actually two forts during the Revolutionary War," Scoggins said.

On Saturday, Ninety Six National Historic Site had its annual Candlelight Tour.

CHAMBER REBOOT

Wines named executive director

By COLIN RIDDLE
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Sometimes all it takes is a conversation.

An idea can carry from one tale to another. Excitement grows, multiplies, and then there's a mindset, a need that has to be met, for a group of people.

Stronger in numbers, but limitless with each individual.

For Missy Wines, a conversation led to her new job as executive director of the Greater Abbeville Chamber of Commerce in a home she's known her entire life.

Now, her conversations and unique ability to create excitement and enthusiasm will continue and reinvigorate the chamber's narrative.

"I think she's going to be the best thing that's happened in a long time," said Marilyn Reid, longtime family friend and local business owner. "She's just a real energetic, go-getter, people person, and that's what it takes in that job."

With a background primarily in fundraising, her experience will play a major role in the chamber's future endeavors.



MISSY WINES

Executive director of Chamber

"I did every fundraiser imaginable," Wines said.

A graduate of Lander University, Wines took her first job in the Savannah Lakes Village pro shop where she experienced her first fundraiser, a golf tournament that resulted in the largest sum of money raised at that time for the March of Dimes.

Wines then went to work for the March of Dimes and Hospice Store, where she said she met lifelong friends.

"She comes already with a briefcase full of contacts that we probably haven't reach out to yet," Andy Timmerman, president elect for the chamber board and president and chief executive officer of Abbeville First Bank, said.

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ANDY TIMMERMAN
president elect for chamber board





SPORTS Nugent's miss leaves Bengals, Panthers tied 37-37. **Page 1B**

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Jess Willis shares a story during the October Story Swap at the Clay Pot Coffee Shop in downtown Florence.

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The storyteller

When life gets you down, tell all about it

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FLORENCE — If you are around Jess Willis long enough, chances are she will tell you a tall tale. And if you catch her at just the right moment, she might even tell you a story that will make your skin crawl. She is, after all, a storyteller at heart.

Willis said that for as long as she can remember, she has loved hearing stories. In fact, she said that she is pretty sure that she was hearing stories long before she was actually born.

"I'm quite positive that my mother was telling me stories in utero," Willis said. "It was just something that my family always did. Sometimes it was family stories or spooky ghost stories. Sometimes it was just funny stuff that happened at work."

Willis said that it wasn't until much later in life that she even realized that storytelling was something that you could do as a job.

"I saw an ad in the paper for a job as an assistant on the library's bookmobile," Willis said. "The basic description was that you rode on the bookmobile with the driver and told stories at all of the stops, and I thought, 'I can do that.' I came in for an interview, and it was very intimidating. I was on one side of a very large conference table in a very official-looking room with three people on the other side, and I was reading a storybook."

Willis said she was asked to leave the room while the interviewers talked, and as soon as she did, all three of them burst in to laughter.

"I thought that it was either a very good thing or a bad thing," Willis said. "I was hired as the storyteller, and I started learning a lot more about what a storyteller does."

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Each Monday, the Morning News features a good news story on a person, place or organization in the Pee Dee. If you have a suggestion for someone or something to profile, send it to news@scnw.com.



One of the events Jess Willis was a storyteller at was Novel Jr., put on by the Florence Area Literacy Council in October 2013. Here she is seen reading a creepy story to Novel Jr. attendees.

WILSON HIGH HOMECOMING

National stand-up comedian joins lineup

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FLORENCE — As if there weren't enough activities already for Wilson High School's homecoming weekend, the school's alumni association has added a comedy show.

The show will feature nationally recognized comedian George Willborn.

"(Willborn) will be the big dog that weekend," said Bryant Moses, a member of the Wilson High School Alumni Association.

The show will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Southeastern Institute of Manufacturing and Technology Center. Tickets are \$40 and can be purchased from any member of the alumni association or at <https://www.ticketriver.com/event/11862>.

Willborn has been featured on MTV's "The Real World" east, HBO's "Def Comedy Jam," BET's "Comic View," "Showtime at the Apollo" and more.

Homecoming festivities will kick off with a bowling tournament at 6 p.m. Thursday at All Star Lanes. Friday's festivities include a golf tournament at 9 a.m., the homecoming game versus North Myrtle Beach High School at 7 p.m. and an

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Election forum on Oct. 22 will spotlight local races

From staff reports

FLORENCE — An incumbent and his challenger in a Florence City Council race and candidates in three races for Florence School District 1 board of trustees seats will be spotlighted in an upcoming election forum.

The Morning News and Francis Marion University are partnering to present the forum,

which will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Oct. 22 at the FMU Performing Arts Center in downtown Florence.

The forum will focus on local, contested races.

Among those who have accepted invitations are Republican incumbent Glynn Willis and his Democratic challenger, George Jebbly, in the race for an at-large council seat.

Marlboro County sexual assault case to start

BY TRACI BRIDGES
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this morning in the trial of Derrick Dupree, who is charged

responded to the home after a resident there used a Life Alert

and assaulted her at knifepoint while her husband sat in another



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Odd



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Game wardens display a confiscated sturgeon in the 1930s, when the state Legislature passed a law requiring confiscated fish and game to be brought to the Capitol in Madison. The law repeated after the building was filled with the smell of rotting fish.

YOU'VE GOT TO READ THESE

Wine Reports

■ Instead of ticket, officer buys girl booster seat

EMMETT TOWNSHIP Mich. — A Michigan officer who pulled over a vehicle because a 5-year-old girl wasn't secured in a booster seat decided a ticket wouldn't cut it.

Instead, Emmett Township public safety officer Ben Hall bought her a seat. "A ticket doesn't solve the situation," Hall told WOOD-TV. "What solves it is the child being in the booster seat like she should be. It was the easiest 50 bucks I ever spent."

Hall was on patrol in the southern Michigan community when he pulled over the vehicle after someone reported that it had an unsecured young child inside. Alexis DeLorenzo and her daughter were riding with a friend, and Hall said DeLorenzo told him that she had fallen on hard times and couldn't afford a booster seat.

"I was in a spot where I could help her," Hall said.

DeLorenzo said she knew that they could have been ticketed, but instead, Hall told her to meet him at a Wal-Mart, where he bought her the seat. "It changed my life," DeLorenzo said. "I'm never going to forget him. And neither will my daughter."

■ Man sends check to newspaper years after rack thefts

LAKELAND, Fla. — Some 54 years after stealing several newspaper racks, a U.S. Navy veteran has sent a letter of apology and a check for \$200 to The Ledger of Lakeland.

Bernard Schermerhorn says he's followed the rules for most of his 73 years, but caved to peer pressure as a teenager and went along with a friend's scheme to steal several racks from The Ledger.

In a Sept. 30 letter to the newspaper, Schermerhorn says they took a handful of change and then dumped the racks. Schermerhorn, who lives in La Mesa, California, told the newspaper the check would more than cover the damage and theft of about \$10.

Publisher Kevin Drake says he's sending Schermerhorn a thank-you letter and will donate the money to a children's charity in Lakeland.

■ Suit: Cold onion

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Watson to miss a month — Sports, B1

Confronting history Lynchings must be 'talked about directly,' author says

By MARTHA ROSE BROWN
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"You can't change people's opinions overnight, but I think stories help move us in that direction," Dr. Jack Shuler said Sunday.

The author returned to his native Orangeburg on Sunday to sign copies of his most recently published book, "The Thirteenth Turn," a narrative about death by hanging in the United States and about the nation's approach to the death penalty.

"These are things that I think are important and affect the present," Shuler said after the event, which was held at the Orangeburg Fine Arts Center. The event was hosted by Swift Books.

Shuler is a professor at Denison University in Granville, Ohio, where he teaches about the death penalty and literature associated with the death penalty.

Research for "The Thirteenth Turn" began around 2011, Shuler told the crowd.

Much like his previous two books, "Calling Out Liberty: The Stono Slave Rebellion and the Universal Struggle for Human Rights" (Mississippi University Press, 2009) and "Blood and Bone: Truth and Reconciliation in a Southern Town" (University of South Carolina Press, 2012), Shuler said he began research for "The Thirteenth Turn" (PublicAffairs, 2014) because of his own ignorance about the subject. He didn't know the history of lynchings and hangings when he was young.

About 4,700 Americans were killed by mobs between the late 1880s and the 1930s, Shuler said.

"The people who lynched were just average people," he said. Crowds often gathered to watch the events.

He told of an incident that took place in Ohio in 1910.

A white male was hanged in Cleveland. About 3,000 people watched it happen, Shuler said.

Shuler's book discusses the hanging of Dick Wofford in 1894.

Wofford, an African-American



Orangeburg native and author Jack Shuler signs a copy of his most recent book, "The Thirteenth Turn," at the Orangeburg Fine Arts Center on Sunday afternoon. Visit this story online to see video from the event.

man, was accused of raping a white woman in Polk County, North Carolina.

A jury comprised of all white men acquitted Wofford and the judge released him, but not without warning him that the court of public opinion would mete out its own form of justice.

Wofford fled and ended up in Landrum, South Carolina, where a mob captured him, tied his hands behind

his back, cut his arm with a knife and left him hanging by a rope from a wild cherry tree.

Even in Orangeburg, Shuler said his research indicated there was an old "hanging tree" near Shuler Street. It is gone.

Shuler said the impact and history of lynching in the United States is something that needs to be talked about "directly and head-on and I don't think we have in this country."

Shuler said he wanted to become a writer from a young age, but first considered work as a poet.

As a teenager, Shuler attended a book reading by author Dori Sanders of Filbert at the Orangeburg County Library.

"I gave her some of my writing. I was kind of full of myself and I asked her what she thought of it. She read it

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Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Chief Clinical Officer Dr. Daniel Varga answers questions during a press conference Sunday in Dallas. He talked about a health care worker who contracted Ebola after providing hospital care for Thomas Eric Duncan, who died of the disease.

Dallas health worker tests positive for Ebola

SCSU chief: Police working to improve crime response

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There's not much you can do to prevent tragedies like the January 2014 shooting that took the life of Brandon Robinson at South Carolina State University, Police Chief Gregory Harris says.

"You can have an incident like that tomorrow, and there's nothing that can really be done to stop that from happening," he recently told S.C. State trustees. But the university can be prepared and can control how it responds to it.

Harris reported that the university is carrying out training and drills to teach officers and the university community how to quickly lock down the campus.

"These drills will take place and our officers, through training, will be able to speed

emergency and locking down the campus. "It takes establishing what we know, when we know it and what we do about it rapidly to save lives," he said.

If the decision can be made quicker, the notification can be sent out quicker, he said.

The "After Action Report" made recommendations for changes in the university's emergency response.

At the time of the shooting, gate personnel were operating on several different radio frequencies and were not able to contact each other, according to the report. They will be on the same frequency if an emergency happens again.

The report also noted that the computer-aided dispatch system was not able to handle the deluge of calls during the emergency.

While the CAD system has not been up-

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