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Samuel Whetstone with Todd Mack Builders of Swansea works on a new house being built on Kilbourne Road. The house on the lot was destroyed by last year's flood.

LOOKING BACK: THE FLOOD OF 2015

Neighborhoods bounce back, but hard rains can bring worry

Flood-stricken neighborhoods are coming to life again after a year of rebuilding. Many families have returned, although many houses are still works in progress or sit in limbo.

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Burwell Lane and Rickenbaker Road, two of the streets most devastated by floodwaters that struck a year ago Tuesday, no longer feel like ghost towns, the way they did six months ago when most houses sat gutted and vacant.

Construction and renovation crews work constantly. Residents are making their way, house by house, back into their homes on Burwell, Rickenbaker and other streets surrounding Columbia's Lake Katherine. New families are moving into new homes where flooded-out families sold their houses or their land.

Billy and Mary Keenan were the last to move back



A tree shows signs from a year of change along Burwell Lane.

Keenan said. And while change the home's in-

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For many Midlands children, the flood of 2015 is a formative memory. What can adults do to prevent long-term trauma? See the video with this story online. at http://bit.ly/Flood_Anniversary

nan said. "All I could see were big puddles," she said, when she imagined the house as it used to be. "I (heart) SC" signs dot many front yards, and the neighborhood is starting to look like a happy place again. But Mary Keenan said her life and her home aren't quite back to normal.

Rebuilding has changed the texture of many flood-stricken neighborhoods around the Midlands. Some homes have new faces, and others have been raised several feet off the ground. In one the

DUTCH FORK TRIAL

1-inch wound killed youth in minutes

■ Trial started Monday for Lexington man accused of killing Dutch Fork High student.

BY JOHN MONK
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The knife thrust that killed Dutch Fork High School student Da'Von Capers during a 2014 confrontation with a graduate from a rival high school was delivered with enough force to cause death within minutes, a veteran Lexington County paramedic testified Monday.

Benjamin Bullmer, the paramedic who helped transport a dying Capers to medical care, testified that the knife wound was one of the worst the paramedic had ever seen.

"It takes a lot of force to penetrate the human chest with a knife," he told jurors Monday

shortly after the murder trial of Kierin Dennis began.

A medic then with five years' of experience, Bullmer testified he had seen dozens of stab wounds and this one — measuring only an inch across in the heart



Capers

area — was bad. "It was what we in the business call a kill shot," he said.

Dennis, then an 18-year-old recent graduate of Lexington High School, is standing trial on charges of murder and using a weapon in

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RESIDENTS SPEAK

Church shootings' pain fills hearing on firearms in SC

BY CYNTHIA ROLDAN
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CHARLESTON As night fell over the Holy City Monday, S.C. legislators listened to gun-reform advocates retell the story of how an avowed white supremacist took nine lives less than a mile away at Emanuel AME Church

at the church, allegedly by Dylann Roof, a Columbia man and an avowed white supremacist.

Unlike speakers who spoke before her, Risher called on the legislators to feel what she did, calling reform of the state's gun laws an "emotional issue" that is also a "human issue."



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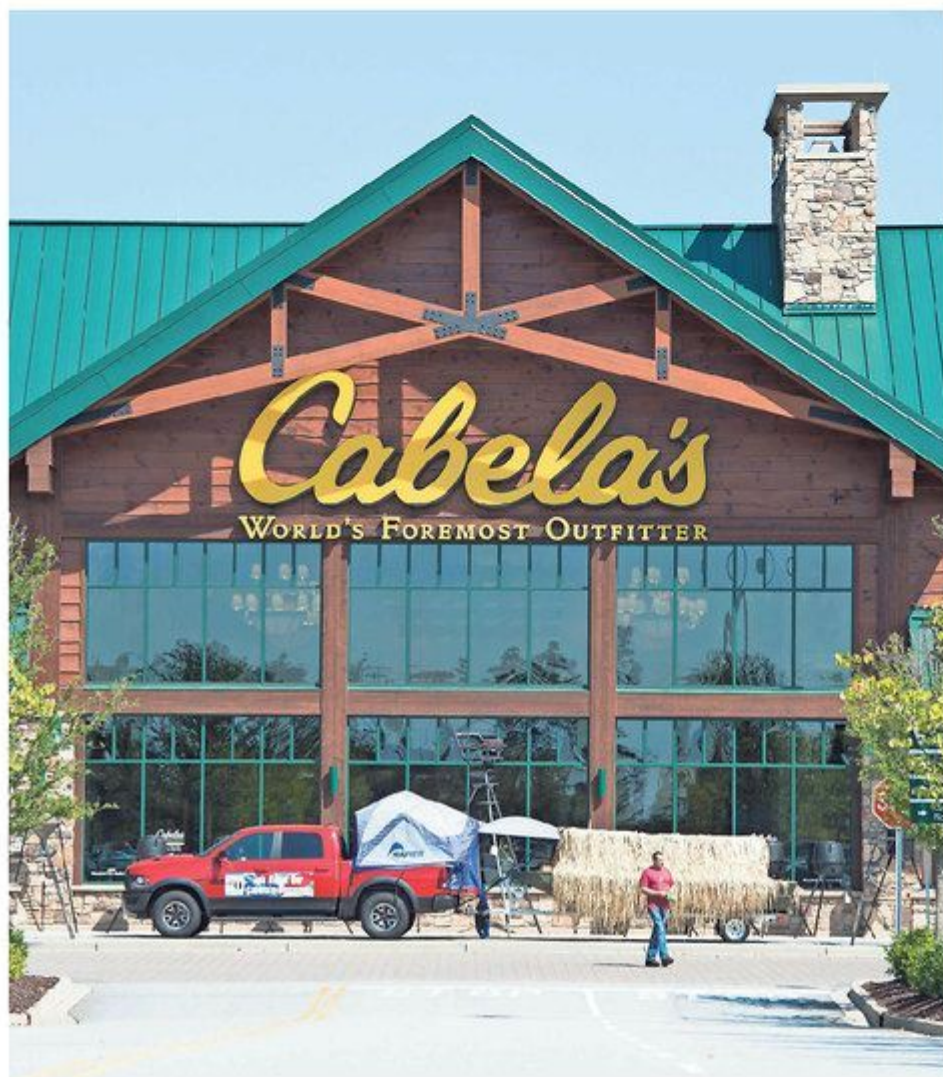
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Cabela's in Greenville. Bass Pro Shops, which announced a deal to buy Cabela's, has planned continued investments in Spartanburg County.

BASS PRO TO BUY CABELA'S FOR \$5.5B

It's unclear what that might mean for Upstate retail

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Bass Pro Shops has planned continued investments in Spartanburg County, where it owns three tracts of land totaling more than 230 acres, while hammering out a \$5.5 billion deal to acquire outdoors retail competitor Cabela's, according to Spartanburg County Councilman David Britt.

It's unclear what that could mean for the Upstate retail landscape. A Bass Pro location has been planned near Greer at Interstate 85 and State 101, just a few miles north of a Cabela's location opened in 2014 at the I-85 and I-385 interchange.

in October of 2014 for \$5,537,625, according to property records, Bass Pro Shops purchased two tracts near Inman at I-26 totaling about 158 acres for about \$2,060,010.

Britt, Spartanburg County Council's economic recruitment and development chairman, said he spoke with Bass Pro officials as recently as last month about plans related to a project separate from the store near Greer, but he declined to describe it.

Bass Pro and Cabela's officials didn't immediately respond to inquiries after posting an online announcement of the acquisition they expect to be approved early next year.

Late last year, as reports of Bass Pro's interest in Cabela's surfaced, Bass Pro officials said that

"As soon as they say go, we're ready to roll. We've got everything ready to go, but we're going to wait until they drop the

Another victim in Townville shootings

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In a surprise announcement, prosecutors in the Townville Elementary School shootings identified another child victim of attempted murder on Monday.

The announcement was made in the evening in a news statement that also confirmed that the accused gunman, 14-year-old Jesse Osborne, would face a second count of murder after 6-year-old Jacob Hall died over the weekend.

Osborne now faces two counts of murder and three counts of attempted murder, in addition to five new counts of possession of a weapon during the commission of a violent crime.

The solicitor's statement said the recently identified victim is a child, but gave no further details.

The Solicitor's Office, Solicitor Christy Adams and her deputy David Wagner did not respond to questions about the previously-undisclosed victim.

In the statement, Adams cites confidentiality laws and says she will update the public "as those laws allow as further case developments occur."

Lt. Sheila Cole, spokeswoman for the Anderson County Sheriff's Office, said she did not know about a fifth victim or the solicitor's statement until she was asked about it by a reporter. Sheriff John Skipper did not respond to requests for comment.

Joanne Avery, superintendent of Anderson School District 4, said she was not aware of another victim in the shooting.

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School security debated

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When a 14-year-old opened fire last week at Townville Elementary School, a national debate was brought closer to home for many Upstate residents: What can be done to make schools safer?

Two approaches are generating the most discussion. One is costly and the other is controversial. And some question whether anything could have averted the death of 6-year-old Jacob Hall and wounded a teacher and at least one another student.

Placing armed school resource officers in all of Anderson County's elementary schools is an option that will be discussed in coming months, said Joey Nimmer, administrator of the Anderson County Board of Education. The board oversees the budgets for each of the county's five school districts.

Another option is proposed by Chad McBride, who is preparing to take over as Anderson County's sheriff in January. He said he hopes to see other schools

TAKEN TO TASKS



Hard-working Kendall Joseph is a Clemson role model on and off the field.
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Anderson County Sheriff's Deputy Mike Hall watches students pass as they are dismissed from class at Lakeside Middle School in 2014.

Another Townville victim revealed

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Anderson County prosecutors indicated for the first time Monday that there was a third child victim in Wednesday's shooting at Townville Elementary School.

The announcement was made in a statement from the 10th Judicial Circuit solicitor's office that also confirmed that the accused gunman, 14-year-old Jesse Osborne, would face a second count of murder after 6-year-old Jacob Hall died Saturday.

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SHOOTING FUELS SAFETY DEBATE

Choices aren't easy for schools after Townville death

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"Violent incidents like Townville experienced are still a rare occurrence."

LISA WELLS
CHAIRWOMAN, GREENVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES

"The schools don't have unlimited money

"I feel like somebody on campus needs to have the ability to fight back," McBride said.

The two state legislators who represent Townville in the South Carolina General Assembly, Sen. Kevin Bryant and Rep. Jonathon Hill, agreed that school districts should have the ability to arm properly trained employees.

Several states permit teachers to carry firearms but this idea has received scant support from South Carolina lawmakers in the past.

The idea of arming teachers does not appeal to Kathi Luplow, the mother of two children who attend Calhoun Academy of the Arts in Anderson.

"When something happens, the teacher's job is to take care of my kids and get them to safety," she said.

Finding money for

Anderson airshow nets funding goal

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Having reached its funding goal of \$30,000, the all-volunteer planning committee for the Jo and Bill Trent Celebration Anderson Regional Airshow will spend the next 19 days working on the final touches.

A contribution from the Trent family pushed the committee over the top in its pursuit of funding for the Oct. 22

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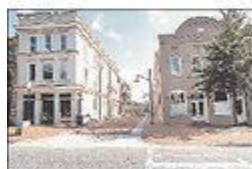
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UPSTATE



Downtown deal

Former Spartanburg Mayor Bill Barnett has purchased two vacant downtown buildings on Main Street at Wall Street, near Morgan Square — the former Abby's Grille at 149 W. Main St. and Carolina Gallery at 145 W. Main St. **C1**



At odds over animal control

The Humane Society of Cherokee County says a recent case involving a small dog hit by a car shows the Cherokee County Sheriff's Office's inability to oversee the county's animal control operations after it assumed responsibility of the agency in April. But Sheriff Steve Mueller says he is improving some of the animal control department's flaws. **C1**

Superhero funeral

The family of a 6-year-old boy shot at Townville Elementary School says a superhero funeral is planned for Jacob Hall, a week after he was shot along with a classmate and a teacher as his first-grade class left for recess. **C1**

Official plans

Ritrama, an Italian chemical company, officially announced the details of its Spartanburg County plant on Monday. The company, which makes

DIPLOMATIC CONTACTS SUSPENDED

US-Russia tensions rise

By Matthew Lee
The Associated Press



Putin

WASHINGTON — In a sharp deterioration of relations, the U.S. on Monday suspended diplomatic contacts with Russia over Syria, while Moscow halted cooperation on a joint program for disposal of weapons-grade plutonium.

The U.S. move followed a threat last week from Secretary of State John Kerry after new Russian and Syrian attacks on the city of Aleppo. The State

Department said Russia had not lived up to the terms of an agreement last month to restore the cease-fire and ensure sustained deliveries of humanitarian aid to besieged cities.

"This is not a decision that was taken lightly," State Department spokesman John Kirby said in a statement.

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Secretary of State John Kerry speaks Sept. 22 in New York. The State Department says the U.S. is suspending bilateral contacts with Russia over Syria. That comes after last week's threat by Kerry to suspend contacts amid new attacks on the city of Aleppo. JASON DECROW/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TAKING A BREAK



Cassie Ballard, left, and Elizabeth Painter, both 18 and students at Spartanburg Methodist College, take a break between class on Monday in the center of the school's main campus. ALEX HICKS JR./SPARTANBURG HERALD-JOURNAL

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Russia pulls out of plutonium deal

Putin's declaration means foggy future for MOX



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A 16-year-old international nuclear non-proliferation agreement fell apart Monday, rendering the future of weapons-grade plutonium processing in the U.S. and at the Mixed Oxide Fabrication Facility at the Savannah River Site uncertain.

The agreement's demise could take enough plutonium for 17,000 warheads out from under the oversight of international nuclear

experts, according to agreement details on the U.S. State Department website.

Russian President Vladimir Putin decided to suspend the Plutonium Management and Disposition Agreement, citing unfriendly action on part of the American federal government.

That agreement was signed in 2000, giving birth to the MOX at South Carolina's Savan-

nah River Site. MOX was designed based on French facilities, and is being built to take weapons-grade plutonium and natural uranium to create fuel for commercial nuclear power facilities.

Both the U.S. and Russia agreed to dispose of 34 metric tons of plutonium through processes that would prepare the plutonium for

commercial electricity production purposes. Together, the overall 68 metric tons of material under the agreement is enough to build 17,000 nuclear warheads.

According to Russian media sources, the Russians continue to turn plutonium into fuel.

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Aiken mourns passing of Wade Brodie

BY DAN BROWN
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Wade Brodie, the first and one of the longest-serving chairs of the Aiken Corp., died Monday. He was 85.

Brodie was the first and only chair of the community-based, private nonprofit Aiken Corp., until his resignation last year but remained an active member of the Aiken community, regularly attended City Council meetings.

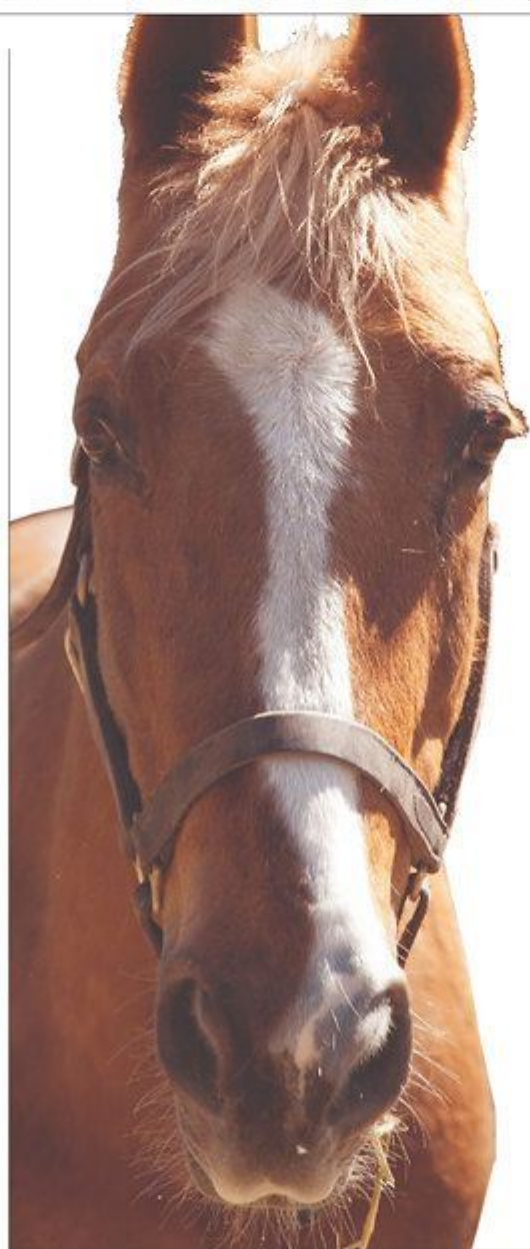
He had served as chair for 19 years, since the creation of the organization in 1996.

The Aiken Corp. is known for its creation of the Newberry Street Festival Center and the URS Center for Performing Arts, to name a few. Other projects included the Aiken Train Depot and the layout of Laurens Street.

The funeral arrangements are being handled by Shellhouse Funeral Home, according to Brodie's obituary.

Aiken Chamber of Commerce President and CEO David Jameson said Brodie's presence in Aiken was everywhere.

"Wade served Aiken tirelessly for many decades," he said. "His thumbprint is everywhere we look. Every action taken by Wade was based on



Thoroughbred Hall of Fame named No. 1 in Carolinas

Hopelands Gardens attraction lands spot on national list for second time in five years

BY DEDE BILES
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For the second time in five years, a California-based company that produces travel shows for television and operates a website has singled out the Aiken Thoroughbred Racing Hall of Fame and Museum for recognition.

Founded in 1977 and located in Hopelands Gardens, the Hall of Fame and Museum is the Best Equestrian Attraction in the Carolinas for 2016, according to The Official Best Of.

In 2012, The Official Best Of chose the Hall of Fame and Museum as the Best Equestrian Attraction in South Carolina.

"It's an honor for us to receive this recognition for the second time," said Hall of Fame and Museum Coordinator Lisa Hall. "Not only does it honor the City of Aiken Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, it also recognizes our Advisory Board and our team of volunteers. We all work together to keep the museum exciting for

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Lisa Hall stands in the courtyard of the Aiken Thoroughbred Racing Hall of Fame and Museum, which was named the best equine attraction in the Carolinas by a California-based group.

AREA DEATHS

Gail Odom, Aiken
Nellie Jane Hall Franklin, Vauduse
Roselyn Barton, Aiken
Amanda Bland, Aiken
Wade Brodie, Aiken
Andre' D. Jackson Jr., Aiken
Wayman Holston, Aiken

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WEATHER

Burnettown officer hurt during arrest attempt making progress

BY DEDE BILES
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A Burnettown policeman is on the mend after being injured in the line of duty roughly two weeks ago and ending up in an intensive care

Facebook page Sunday, and Burnettown Police Chief Jeff Key spoke to him on Monday.

"I was able to get through to Cpl. Goodwin, and he stated that he was progressing well," Key said. "Even though he is still in the hospital, he's feeling a better, and he sounded a lot better than

"They have not given him any kind of timetable for getting out of the hospital yet," Key said. "He is going to pretty much have a long, slow road to recovery. But he wanted to thank everybody for their thoughts, their prayers and their support. He said the response has been



SPORTS Clemson ready to move past Louisville win, look ahead to BC. **Page 1B**

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The Voice of the Pee Dee

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2015 FLOOD REVISITED

Reflections on overflowing water

Florence emergency responders prepared for another flood one year later



MORNING NEWS FILE PHOTO

A car sits flooded near the Lynches River in Florence County after days of historic rainfall now known as the "1,000-Year Flood."

BY JOSHUA LLOYD
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FLORENCE — A year ago today, the historic "1,000-Year Flood" was just beginning as Hurricane Joaquin spun off the South Carolina coastline and combined with another system to dump billions of gallons of water over a three-day period.

Portions of the Pee Dee — mainly along the Lynches River,

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HERE WE GO AGAIN?

Powerful Hurricane Matthew might do more than brush the South Carolina coast late this week.

Forecasters with the National Weather Service in Wilmington, North Carolina, say the projected track of the Category 4 storm has shifted to the west.

As a result, the threat for South Carolina and the Southeast United States has increased.

Three scenarios include a direct hit with high impacts, a brush-by with some impacts especially along the coast, and

a track staying farther off the coast with mainly marine impacts only.

Antecedent soil saturation from earlier heavy rainfall events could come into play later this week. Many areas between Florence, Georgetown, Myrtle Beach, Lumberton and Wilmington are 150-200% above normal over the last 30 days. As a result, any heavy rainfall from Matthew could quickly lead to flash flooding.

With 140 mph winds, Hurricane Matthews was moving Monday toward Haiti. See story, **Page 4A**.

Keneally to rock stage at amphitheater

From staff reports

FLORENCE — The Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center will host a free outdoor concert at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday featuring an internationally acclaimed musician

IF YOU GO

» **WHO:** Mike Keneally along with Florence's Kevin Singleton and Myrtle Beach's Mike Knight.

» **WHAT:** Free outdoor concert

» **WHEN:** 6:30 p.m. Wednesday

» **WHERE:** The Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center's BB&T Amphitheater in downtown Florence

known for his creativity and originality.

Mike Keneally will grace the stage of the BB&T Amphitheater as a part of the FMU Artist Series and the PAC Community Series. The concert is free and open to the public.

Keneally will perform alongside Florence resident Kevin Singleton and Myrtle Beach resident Mike Knight.

At 25 years old, Keneally was thrust into the music industry after being hired to perform in Frank Zappa's touring band in 1987. Since then, Keneally has played all over the world with artists, including Steve Vai and Joe Satriani, with whom he still regularly tours.

Keneally is also a member of the live version of Dethklok, a cartoon band from Adult Swim's Metalocalypse show, and he has recorded with the famous Metropole Orkest of Holland. While being a talented vocalist, Keneally also plays various instruments, including guitar, bass and keys. He also fills roles to create music such as songwriting, arranging, composing and producing.

Keneally has released more than 25 albums of his original music since 1992, with his most recent being Scambot 2, released last month.

Keneally began playing keyboard at just 7 years old and guitar at 11. Keneally said he played both ob-

Florence School District One

Speechless



PHOTOS BY JOE PERRY/MORNING NEWS

Florence School District One Superintendent Randy Bridges surprises Delmae Heights Elementary School Principal Roy Ann Jolley Monday afternoon with a flower bouquet and balloons in the school's media center as Jolley was named the district's principal of the year.

Delmae's Jolley surprised to be named principal of the year

BY JOE PERRY
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FLORENCE — Delmae Heights Elementary School

Principal Roy Ann Jolley had a tough time fighting back tears.

After a hug from Florence School District One Superintendent Dr. Randy Bridges,

Jolley struggled with the news that she had just been named the district's principal of the year.

With many of her colleagues and staffers showing

support for her Monday afternoon in the school's media center, the Florence native and longtime educator

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In her first year as the principal at Wallace-Gregg Elementary School, Debbie Donnelly initiated a



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Residents should keep eyes on storm

BY JIM HILLEY
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Forecasts for Hurricane Matthew place it near the South Carolina coast late this week through the weekend, but the storm is expected to stay far enough east to have significantly less effects in the Midlands than coastal areas, according to National Weather Service meteorologist Chris Rohrbach.

He said the storm is still far enough out that forecasters would like to see more consistency in model runs to rule out a more direct effect on the Midlands and the Savannah River Basin.

"The last few model runs show a more significant shift westward,"

Rohrbach said Monday afternoon from Columbia. "We did see some shift westward in the official hurricane track from the National Hurricane Center."

He said it still looks as if the worst of the storm will stay east of the Midlands.

"It will have more impact on the coast," he said.

The models generally show it lifting north-northeastward toward the end of the weekend.

"Some are a little bit faster than others," Rohrbach said.

The hurricane was expected to pass between Haiti and Cuba last night and

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THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
A street seller sits next to her goods, covered in plastic as protection from a light rain, in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, on Monday.

Dangerous Hurricane Matthew strikes Haiti, Jamaica and Cuba

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Heavy rains from the outer bands of Hurricane Matthew drenched Jamaica and Haiti on Monday, flooding streets and sending many people to emergency shelters as the Category 4 storm approached the two countries. One death was reported in Haiti, bringing the total for the storm to at least three.

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Technology helps student translate her speech to text

BY KONSTANTIN VENGERSKY
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A Sumter High School junior born with a neurological disorder that limits her mobility is now able to complete assignments more easily through technology that allows her to translate voice into text.

Ingrid Mata, 16, was born with a rare type of Charcot Marie Tooth Disease. The disease is a genetic, neurological disorder that causes damage to the peripheral nerves, which are tracts of nerve cell fibers that connect the brain and spinal cord to muscles and sensory organs, according to the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, www.ninds.nih.gov.

The peripheral nerves carry signals from the brain and spinal cord to the muscles and relay sensations such as pain and touch to the brain and spinal cord from the rest of the body. There are 90 types of the disease, and Ingrid suffers from CMT4A, one of the rarest types.

The condition affects Ingrid's nerves in her legs, arms and hands. She cannot walk and has limited hand and arm mobility.

She can write and type, but because of her condition, it takes much longer to complete homework and written assignments, and her hands tire easily. She also cannot hold objects in her hands.

Sumter High School purchased speech recognition software for Ingrid. The program, called Nuance Dragon NaturallySpeaking, completes tasks on a computer through voice commands.

Computer Upgraders, a local computer repair shop, installed the software on a laptop and donated the device to her on Friday.

"I'm very grateful," Ingrid said. "This technology will help me to complete assignments much quicker."

The computer obeys a requested

Teen spreads kindness with cards for patients



PHOTOS COURTESY OF CHRIS MOORE / PALMETTO HEALTH TUOMEY
Holly Poag, 15, reads a card she made and delivered to James Washington Sr. in September at Palmetto Health Tuomey. Washington was the first patient to receive a card from Poag. Washington's sister Catherine Washington is seen in the background.

Wilson Hall student creates get-well cards for 200 people

BY KONSTANTIN VENGERSKY
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Holly Poag, 15, will potentially brighten the day for more than 200 patients at Palmetto Health Tuomey.

Holly has written get-well cards with individually selected Bible verses, inspirational quotes and positive thoughts that will be distributed to patients at the hospital. The cards are separated into categories such as "all patients," "cancer patients," "new parents," "female patients" and "positive thoughts." Each card is signed "P.S. You got



Holly Poag, 15, is seen with Michelle Lo.

One of these patients was Jonathan Davis, 31, who had been in the hospital for about five days. Davis was in a serious car wreck in 2009 and has been in and out of hospitals for the last seven years.

"I think it's very nice," he said. "A lot of people need to be lifted up. Most people wouldn't take the time to do this for someone else, especially someone they don't know."

Davis' card was a Bible verse from Matthew 11:28-29, which reads, "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn



GHS starting QB suspended indefinitely, **Sports 1B**

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Judge levies 15-year sentence

Man pleads guilty to robbing Calhoun Falls' only bank



SHAQUEAN N. LEWIS

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The Calhoun Falls man accused of robbing the town's lone bank two months before it closed pleaded guilty Monday to armed robbery instead of facing a jury trial, which was set to start that same day.

Shaquean Newjean Lewis, 30,

of Calhoun Falls was also facing charges of kidnapping, possession of a weapon during the commission of a violent crime and unlawful possession of a firearm, which were dismissed.

Circuit Judge Donald Hocker sentenced him to 15 years in prison, and he must serve a minimum of 85 percent of his sentence before his release, the

release said.

Calhoun Falls Police Chief J.T. Galloway shared his thanks to the Eighth Circuit Solicitor's Office and the other agencies that assisted in the investigation — including the State Law Enforcement Division and the FBI — for their efforts in securing the conviction.

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The Calhoun Falls Police Department arrested a suspect Sept. 14, 2015 in connection to the robbery of Park Sterling Bank.

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Storm's a-comin'



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People stand on the coast Monday watching the surf produced by Hurricane Matthew, on the outskirts of Kingston, Jamaica. A hurricane warning is in effect for Jamaica, Haiti, and the Cuban provinces of Guantanamo, Santiago de Cuba, Holguin, Granma and Las Tunas — as well as the southeastern Bahamas.

Hurricane Matthew terrorizes tropics, could threaten SC coast later this week

By **DAVID MCFADDEN**

Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — The outer bands of powerful Hurricane Matthew

day morning before heading to eastern Cuba, the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami said.

"We are looking at a dangerous storm that is heading

Hurricane Matthew's projected path

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As of Monday Oct. 3
11 a.m. EDT

Atlantic Ocean

■ CITY COUNCIL

Groups request more money

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Three Uptown Greenwood arts groups are asking the City Council to spend \$600,000 in hospitality taxes through 2019 to support their operations.

At a City Council work session on Monday, representatives from the Emerald Triangle — made up of the the Arts Center of Greenwood, Greenwood Community Theatre and The Museum — said the funding is necessary to leverage investment from other sources.

The organizations have been splitting hospitality

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■ REPAIR

Leaky roof leads to lawsuit

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A leaky roof led a Greenwood woman to sue the company that installed it

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