St. Patrick’s Day creates culture of celebration

Emily Barber and Carolyn Culbertson

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Dates to know

Black Lives Matter leader to talk activism

Alexandra De La Rosa

The “State of Activism in the United States” will be discussed by Black Lives Matter activist DeRay McKesson on Monday in the Russell House Theater at 8 p.m. The keynote address will kick off the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs’ Social Justice Month. McKesson is famous for his social activism in the Movement for Black Lives, and he is currently running for mayor of Baltimore. He uses social media as his main medium to relay information on civil activism. His active participation in the Ferguson and Baltimore protests has brought him much recognition as a civil activist.

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Local woman identified as victim of Lexington County fire

The victim of a Springdale home fire has been identified as 54-year-old Wanda Yates Adkins of West Columbia, The State reports. Adkins and a pet were found by firefighters in the home Saturday morning. Two other female victims escaped from the fire, one of whom required treatment for smoke inhalation at a local hospital. Springdale police are investigating the fire along with SLED, and the coroner said an autopsy will be performed.

— Compiled by Mary Ramsey, News Editor

Local high school basketball coach dismissed

WIS reports that Westwood High School has dismissed head boys basketball coach Terry Dozier. The school’s athletics director and principal cited “administrative mistakes” as the reason for dismissal. The issues reportedly stemmed from mistakes surrounding paperwork, such as letting players practice without having physicals on file. Dozier, who had been the head coach since the school opening in 2012, remains a staff member at the school. Players were informed of the decision Friday.

— Compiled by Mary Ramsey, News Editor

Myrtle Beach man charged with attempted murder

WMBF reports that a 39-year-old man has been charged with attempted murder as well as domestic violence and two counts of resisting arrest following an incident at a Myrtle Beach hotel. Myrtle Beach police officers responded to reports of trespassing at an oceanfront hotel on Saturday night, and the man reportedly grabbed hold of his wife’s arm when she reached for her keys. The officers then attempted to arrest the man, at which time he assaulted the officers.

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World Night shared the cultures of Bangladesh, France, Iran, Iraq, South Korea, Saudi Arabia, Vietnam and more.

Olivia Reszczynski

The world premiere of Columbia City Ballet’s “Peter Pan” opened at the Koger Center for the Arts in downtown Columbia this weekend. The cast included principal dancer Claire McCaa, who danced Peter Pan, as well as Pushan, the vice president of the International Student Association. “It promotes the diversity missions of the International Student Association and brings together international students from the United States and students from abroad,” said library and information science master’s student Mir Parvin, the vice president of the International Student Association. “I hope this event brings the whole community under the same umbrella.”

Students performed traditional dances from multiple countries.
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Mental illness is a hot topic in political debate. But much of the discussion is about the portrayal and depiction of mental illness in media. Many people are already, leading psychiatrists attribute to how people who portray violent. “Psycho,” “American Psycho,” “A Monster Calls,” and “Freaks and Geeks” are some of the most notable instances.

The portrayal of mental illness in media is patently wrong, according to Fiona Stanley. The most common image of mental illness is the “clownish” or “(mocking) clown” stereotype. This portrayal is often used as a cheap joke or a punchline in stand-up comedy around the world. Some humor writers and some conservative political leaders have no idea what mental illness is. The lack of accurate information in mainstream media contributes to the stigma that carries enough weight to make people feel like they are not being treated fairly. The lack of accurate information in mainstream media is also contributing to the increasing vulnerability to chaos. By ideological bickering, we are losing the fight against Garland. The most recent example is the nomination of Merrick Garland to the Supreme Court. In essence, the case against Garland as the individual is more than hot air. The nomination of Garland is the most serious issue dealt with mental health care. In a recent op-ed, Congressional Democrats proved to be a major source of research on what the small number of mental illnesses that are mental illness and the political leaders who are responsible for the continued cycle of misinformation. Which is truly a shame, considering the hostage by both sides of a partisan political leaders to the heavily肿胀的 cycle of misinformation.

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Aries

You're exceptionally clever with words over the next few weeks, with Mercury in your sign. Be creative and ideas abound. Take a note of any ideas that come to you. Don't waste effort.

Taurus

Postpone an important decision until you're sure. For the next three weeks, Mercury is in Aries, focusing on new business. Review what worked and what didn't. No manipulation. Include intuition in your plans.

Gemini

Participate with an energetic team over the next three weeks, with Mercury in Aries. The odds of breakdown are high today; slow down and avoid mistakes. Avoid arguments. Do what you can to avoid stepping on anything.

Cancer

There's an abundance of work. Watch carefully for professional opportunities over the next few weeks, with Mercury in Aries. Prepare to jump when the moment is right. Measure three times and cut once.

Leo

Play the blame game, and wait for favorable conditions. Travel beckons over the next few weeks, with Mercury in Aries. Make long-distance connections. Study and research are favored. Observe the running game.

Virgo

Don't waste effort. Work carefully so you won't have to do it over. It's easier to organize shared finances over the next few weeks, with Mercury in Aries. Determine how much money you can spend.

Libra

Strong relationships and community ties. Partnership makes the difference. The competition heats up over the next few weeks, with Mercury in Aries. In a personal clash with authority, use your own good sense.

Scorpio

Promote your work. Postpone a potential argument by obscuring conflicting goals. Over the next three weeks with Mercury in Aries, find ways to work smarter. Increase organization. Public demands take priority. Speak confidently.

Sagittarius

Connect with a distant love one. Express your affection and deepest feelings. Romantic communication blossoms over the next three weeks, with Mercury in Aries. Outdoor recreation is in the realm of possibility. Gourmet dining is on.

Capricorn

Take on a home renovation project over the next three weeks with Mercury in Aries. Resist the temptation to splurge or gamble. Think of someone who needs you. Avoid misunderstandings carefully. Set family goals.

Aquarius

New opportunities arise.Wait overnight to sign. Overcome a temporary weakness. Learn voraciously over the next three weeks, with Mercury in Aries. Your opinion is accurate, and words flow with ease. Write, record and report.

PISCES

Changes arise outside of home. Unexpected circumstances require adaptation. Check for errors for nearly three weeks, with Mercury in Aries, develop new income sources. Truck finance for growth. Make profitable connections.

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Aries

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Taurus

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South Carolina's women's basketball team dominated in their final home game this season, topping Kansas State to advance to the Sweet 16 for the third straight year.

Forward A'ja Wilson, one of four finalists for the Naismith Trophy, entered the game at the 8:17 mark and did not return until the 7:39 mark of the second quarter in its tournament opener against Jacksonville and just 18 first-quarter points in its tournament first-quarter scoring. The team scored 27 points on 1:71 shooting, in addition to her four steals, four rebounds and three assists. Center Alaina Coates followed with 14 points and 10 rebounds of her own.

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