Polls in Columbia will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday for the mayoral and City Council elections. In order to find your voting precinct, go to scvotes.org/find_your_precinct and select Richland County. Richland County polling places will be listed by precinct. If you do not know your precinct, you can call 803-735-2240 for assistance. You must be registered to vote at a Columbia address to vote in Tuesday’s election.

You must bring a photo ID to your polling place. If you do not have a South Carolina driver’s license, a passport or a state identification card, you must present a "reasonable impediment" to obtaining a photo ID. A reasonable impediment is "any valid reason, beyond your control, which created an obstacle to obtaining photo ID" including "religious objection to being photographed," disability or lack of transportation, according to the South Carolina State Election Commission.

— Compiled by Amanda Coyne, News Editor
3 City Council seats up for vote

DISTRICT 1

Sam Davis (incumbent)

CREDENTIALS: Business consultant and former city councilman since 1998, who faces a challenger for the first time.

FOCUSES ON: Development in north Columbia. He supports redeveloping the Bull Street campus, which is adjacent to the SC细化.

LEARN MORE: Davis’ city profile is found at bit.ly/1PPXAW.

Bruce Trezvant

CREDENTIALS: Former police officer who owns a surveillance company.

FOCUSES ON: Public safety. He wants more foot patrols and cameras in the district and has said crime there is down because police aren’t taking reports.

LEARN MORE: Trezvant’s campaign website is found at bit.ly/T90KjP.

DISTRICT 4

Leona Plaugh (incumbent)

CREDENTIALS: Small business owner and former city manager who is finishing her first term on council.

FOCUSES ON: “Keeping them honest.” She has gained a reputation as a consistent “no” vote on council and has shown slowing down on big votes and being fiscally responsible.

LEARN MORE: Plaugh’s campaign website is found at http://bit.ly/1P9Pw.

Todd Walter

CREDENTIALS: Real estate development, making his foray into politics.

FOCUSES ON: Being more productive. Walter wants to bring more companies to Columbia and says Plaugh is often too negative. “I just hope I can do better,” he told The State in September.

LEARN MORE: Walter does not have a campaign website.

AT-LARGE

Tameika Isaac Devine (incumbent)

CREDENTIALS: Lawyer who, in 2002, became the first black woman to serve on City Council.

FOCUSES ON: A medley of goals. She has said that if re-elected, she hopes to make Columbia greener, make it more bike- and pedestrian-friendly and add youth programs to prevent crime.

LEARN MORE: Devine’s website is found at bit.ly/1P2AY.

Tommy Burckett

CREDENTIALS: Small business owner who helped found the North Columbia Business Association.

FOCUSES ON: Public safety. He wants more foot patrols and cameras in the district and has said crime there is down because police aren’t taking reports.

LEARN MORE: Burckett’s campaign Facebook page is found at https://on.fb.me/170FGcu.

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gang activity. “I can't sit here and tell you what kind of message we need to support until (we have) a police chief that (we needed) to hire yesterday,” he said.

EFFICIENCY IN GOVERNMENT

Baddourah says his small-business mindset makes him a strong candidate for the mayoral seat he is trying to win in an election opponent, Steve Benjamin.

Building off his experience with fiscal efficiency in business, Baddourah says he will look for ways to balance the city budget.

He plans to start by cutting operations costs in the mayor’s office and going to city department heads to find areas for greater efficiency in everyday operations. "I'll have less here and a little bit there."

CHECKS AND BALANCES

Baddourah opposes Columbia’s possible conversion to a strong-mayor form of government, which would give the mayor broader administrative powers that are currently held by the city’s hired manager.

The strong-mayor system would make Columbia, Baddourah said, because it lacks checks and balances. "With the strong mayor, he makes his own decisions," he said. "It's his way or no way.

Baddourah added that he feels Benjamin has neglected the voice of the "average Joe" and has become a representative.

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forum hosted by Student Government, and cracking down on gang members and repeat offenders will help attract more jobs to South Carolina’s capital city.

But with high-profile incidents like the Oct. 13 shooting of first-year business student Martha Childress in Five Points, Benjamin said students and residents have demanded action now. He isn’t waiting any time.

“ There are some ideas that have been advanced that are immediately actionable. There are some of them that will be on our (city council) agenda for Nov. 12,” Benjamin said. “ We’re making sure we can move on them now so people can see and feel the progress.”

Revitalizing Columbia
Once the city’s issues with crime are addressed, Benjamin hopes to turn his focus on economic development on the heels of a major revitalization of Main Street.

The city distributed $425,000 in federal funds and got a return of $6.1 million in private investment along Main Street. The city kickstarted a new, smaller version of that project along North Main Street in June. Over the past two years, Benjamin said $100 million in new investment has come to downtown Columbia.

“The revitalization of downtown Columbia is something I’m very proud of,” Benjamin said. “ Great cities grow from the inside out, from a dynamic, lively urban core.”

Benjamin plans on continuing that revitalization with the development of an abandoned mental hospital on Bull Street. The 61-acre campus will become a new shopping and dining district called the Columbia Common.

“ Downtown Columbia’s on fire and we’re just excited,” Benjamin said.

Keeping Ties
More than 20 years ago, Benjamin was USC’s student body president. Now, he’s still engaged with the university, communicating with President Harris Pastides and Student Government on a regular basis. SG in particular, he said, has had that voice heard by the city.

“[Student Body President Chase Mizzell] and the student leadership over there are very engaged,” Benjamin said. “ They know what’s going on. They know how to use traditional media, personal relationships and social media to influence policy.”

Benjamin also communicates with Pastides multiple times a week and said that a strong relationship between the city and the university is vital.

“I’m a believer that if it’s good for the university, it’s good for the city of Columbia,” Benjamin said. “ It’s a strong and vibrant relationship and we have to grow it.”

Moving Forward
Looking ahead to Tuesday, Benjamin is “ very confident” the vote will come back in his favor.

“We take nothing for granted, but we’ve worked hard,” he said. “ We have a strong record of achievement in things from public safety to economic development … our record really speaks for itself.”

His supporters think so, too. At a campaign fish fry Sunday afternoon, one voter approached him, saying he had faith that the mayor would be re-elected.

“You’re going to win it, man. And strong mayor, too!” the man said, referencing the December referendum. “ We will,” the mayor assured him.
Columbia on right track with Benjamin

Technology enables invasion of privacy

Social media presence benefits, dangers

Benjamin needs to be more transparent, and concerns form residents and council members like Palmetto Parks and Leona Phlou should be heeded more. Virtual real estate, like the project at the kitchen table, immediately attracted top-flight faculty and services. The city has a spark — especially Main Street — is experimenting with documenting their lives. This audience participation helps them target users with corporate who want you to tag your social media to see if your profiles to deter cyberbullying. Retailers and Leona Phlou should be heeded more. A play-it-safe attitude won't work. Social media provides a welcome opportunity for individuality, where clothing in Columbia is an issue in the U.S. right now. What's your take? Do you want your opinion voiced in The Daily Gamecock?

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Columbia on right track with Benjamin

Armored robes and shootings aside, many things have changed. Five Points, just as they aren't anymore, and the rest of the city leadership need to find a way to define and deal with those changes to keep things on the right way.

We agree with challenger Young Thomas. It's time to hire a permanent police chief. It's been more than six months since Randy Scott stepped down in April, and it's time to let someone replace him in earnest.

We also encouraged by Benjamin's energy and vision for the city, but a growing tendency to use social media for everything — product placement on your very face, use and turn into revenue by promoting your property or service, use social media for everything — will make quick work of resolving Columbia's lingering problems, but it will make sure we're still on the right path.

For now, we think the vision Benjamin has laid out is keeping the city on that path. We hope voters will keep it there by re-electing Benjamin.

Columbia's mayoral elections are tomorrow.

Benjamin is the right choice for Columbia and USC.

Columbia has made great progress in the three years since Randy Scott stepped down in April, and the city is going to be a different place in 2016.

Come down, and downtown — especially Main Street — is moving toward a long-awaited rebirth. The city has a spark — especially Main Street — is experiencing a renaissance.

We want to Columbia to be a great city — the sort of city that attracts top-flight faculty and encourages students to stick around after graduation. We see it on that path.

We want to have concerns about where the city is today and the consequences of its newfound adventure.

Reductions in crime are exceedingly effective across the city. Crime is down, and downtown projects like the Bull Street rebirth. The city has a spark — especially Main Street — is experiencing a rebirth. The city has a spark — especially Main Street — is experiencing a rebirth. The city has a spark — especially Main Street — is experiencing a rebirth. The city has a spark — especially Main Street — is experiencing a rebirth. The city has a spark — especially Main Street — is experiencing a rebirth. The city has a spark — especially Main Street — is experiencing a rebirth. The city has a spark — especially Main Street — is experiencing a rebirth. The city has a spark — especially Main Street — is experiencing a rebirth. The city has a spark — especially Main Street — is experiencing a rebirth.
Local and fresh ingredients have been making a slow but sure appearance in the local restaurants of Columbia. But City Roots, the city’s only sustainable urban farm and Farm to Table Event Company, didn’t forget about including these ingredients in one of the best parts of the meal: the cocktail.

The third annual American Harvest Bartender Charity Challenge was held at City Roots Sunday night, where bartenders tried their best to create crowd-pleasing and fresh cocktails. Farm to Table employee and City Roots intern Bobby Weslowski said each bartender was challenged to use solely local ingredients along with American Harvest spirits to win over guests as well as a panel of four judges. A portion of the proceeds also went to the Historic Columbia Foundation. Bartenders from Terra, The Oak Table, Motor Supply Company, Rosso Trattoria, Bourbon Columbia, The Whig, Saluda’s, Goatfeathers, Jillian’s and Jake’s competed for top cocktail spot. Josh Streetman of Motor Supply Company walked away with the popular vote, and Rosso Trattoria and Bourbon Columbia, both owned by Kristian Niemi, tied for first as the judges’ choice.

Attendees sampled the unique concoctions, listened to the sounds of Jackaroe, enjoyed Low Country BBQ and warmed up by the bonfire during the event.

“You don’t feel like you’re in Columbia here,” said second-time attendee and lifelong Rosewood resident Edwin Wood. “It feels different, like you’re in the Midwest or something.”

Surrounded by the calm, country ambiance, competitors used local ingredients like pineapple sage, Bee Trail Farm honey and pear juice to make original cocktails or inspired twists on popular favorites.

Two-time winner and bartender of Terra, Andy Haddock, said that compared to nearby cities like Charleston, Columbia’s food scene is something to be proud of.

“Us all being together at an event like this is important,” Haddock said as he mixed a drink using local honey, tarragon and pear juice. “What we’re doing is important, and that’s all that matters.”

Restaurant owners and employees enjoyed the opportunity to get their names out to guests and compete for the top title but were still supportive of their competition.

“We’re all just a group of professionals, a group of local people, passionate about what we do,”

Unlike the previous three “Jackass” films released, “Bad Grandpa” has a plot of sorts. Johnny Knoxville disguises himself in convincing old-man makeup as 86-year-old Irving Zisman and travels with Jackson Nicoll playing his 8-year-old grandson, Billy. Zisman must take his grandson to live with his deadbeat father because the child’s mother is in jail. Zisman’s wife dies at the beginning of the film and after a disastrous funeral, the octogenarian throws her in the trunk of his car and starts driving his pint-sized grandson from Nebraska to North Carolina.

A number of the bits are given away in the trailer, so do not watch the ads if you have not already. After saying what the threadbare plot is and not wanting to spoil the jokes, it comes down to if the audience laughed or not. The first and third Jackass films all had their moments that were laugh-out-loud funny and other bits that were not. Sometimes the idea sounds better on paper than actually performed.

The second film, “Jackass Number Two,” is the best in the series. Most of the pranks and gags work and there is a inspired insanity to some of them. It is the film that holds up the best at 90 minutes. The other films, including “Bad Grandpa,” really wear their welcome out well before the hour mark. Some of the pranks and gags are passable at best. It’s the film that holds up the best at 90 minutes. The other films, including “Bad Grandpa,” really wear their welcome out well before the hour mark.

‘Jackass’ film becomes old, lacks humor at 90 minutes

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"Bad Grandpa"
NOW IN THEATERS

Director: Jeff Tremaine
Starring: Johnny Knoxville and Jackson Nicoll
Rating: R for strong crude and sexual content throughout, language, some graphic nudity and brief drug use

Jackson Nicoll plays the grandson of Johnny Knoxville, who stars as an 86-year-old in “Bad Grandpa.”

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Knoxville, Nicoll only sporadically amuse

"Bad Grandpa" was released on October 25 and is still playing in theaters.

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comedy works better in small doses, such as The Three Stooges, ‘Reno 911!’ and ‘MXC.’ With ‘Bad Grandpa,’ there was only one laugh-out-loud moment for this audience member. Many of the gags were predictable or appeared in the trailer, and the final gag is stolen right out of ‘Little Miss Sunshine.’ It really says something about a film when the biggest laugh involves someone farting and defecating.

Big props go to Jackson Nicoll for keeping a straight face and not breaking character. Knoxville is a pro at this, but Nicoll holds his own and makes a successful comic sidekick. He helps sell the bits. Otherwise, people would have seen through Knoxville more often.

Part of the reason the film did not produce that many laughs is because it is almost too nice. Not much will have to be censored or cut when it is aired on network television. Grandmothers could watch most of the scenes. One definitely would not want to show their grandparents most of the scenes from the other Jackass films. Those films are rampantly crude, disgusting and infantile and often rely on pain and humiliation. ‘Bad Grandpa’ relies more on ‘Candid Camera’-style pranks where the reactions of the people around them are a big part of the joke. After seeing Steve-O put a large fishing hook through his cheek and jump into the ocean with sharks in ‘Jackass Number Two,’ most of the jokes in ‘Bad Grandpa,’ like its protagonist, seem antiquated and tame.
DRAMA: "Chatroom." Performances tonight at 7:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Saturday, 1 p.m. Sunday. 10th Street Theatre, 1009 S. Main St. $10, $7 with student ID.

ART: "The Women of 36.5." Performances tonight at 7:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Go Paperless gallery, 1001 W. Broad St. Free.

THURSDAY, NOV. 7

FILM: "Fiddler on the Roof." Showing at 7 p.m. Columbia Cinema, 1501 Main St. $10 general admission, $8 for SC students.

VICTORIAN TEA: "A Christmas Carol." Showings at 2 and 5 p.m. City Hall, 33 E. Main St. $30 per person, $25 for SC students. Free for children 12 and younger. Reservations required. 796-4071.

FRIDAY, NOV. 8

MUSIC: "The New York Sound System." Featuring singer-songwriter Carole King. Showings at 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. at 10th Street Theatre, 1009 S. Main St. $20 general admission, $15 for SC students.

SATURDAY, NOV. 9

MUSIC: "The New York Sound System." Performances at 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. at 10th Street Theatre, 1009 S. Main St. $20 general admission, $15 for SC students.

SUNDAY, NOV. 10

MUSIC: "Jorja Smith." Performances at 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. at 10th Street Theatre, 1009 S. Main St. Free for SC students. $20 general admission. 

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make South Carolina pay for its own inaptitude, as the Gamecock defense bolstered the struggling offense by forcing five turnovers on the day.

“I didn’t have my best game today,” Shaw said. “We were only one-on-one on third down conversions, and the only way you win with that is when your defense force first turnovers. So I thought our defense played really well today.”

With Mississippi State threatening just before the half, only a touchdown separated the two sides. But poor clock management by the Bulldogs was the saving grace that kept South Carolina’s lead at seven at half. Next quarter back Connor Shaw was pleased with his performance against the Bulldogs.

“Don’t take any days off,” Roland said. “Even if you’re not having the best time, just work hard every day to overcome it.”

With the win against Mississippi State, South Carolina tied the longest home-winning streak in school history at 15 games. The streak is second to Michigan’s 16-game streak.

Carolina will open the SEC Championship game Friday against Florida. The remaining two home games are against Coastal Carolina and Clemson.

Overall, we weren’t that good,” Spurrier said. “But we sure, somehow five minutes to go in the contest.

While South Carolina plays out the rest of the season with its eyes on the SEC Championship game in Atlanta, all the Gamecocks can do is take care of business on their front and hope for outside help from the likes of Michigan and Georgia. While South Carolina’s Homecoming weekend was not as pretty for the offense, South Carolina is one step closer to that goal.

“All we want to do is win Saturday,” Spurrier said. “The fans are very helpful. They scream and yell and you just feel comfortable.”

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Gamecocks win despite inconsistent offense

A week after leading South Carolina to a comeback victory against Missouri, senior quarterback Connor Shaw threw four touchdown passes against Mississippi State.

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