The new Panera Bread restaurant will be located in the former Bluestein’s building this spring.

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Students will no longer have to travel all the way out to Garners Ferry Road in order to snag a bread bowl or cinnamon crunch bagel.

Panera Bread to open new location in Vista

Taylor Boucher spends 10 hours a week working on the event.

10 years of service with Relay for Life

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Every spring, millions of people raise funds for the American Cancer Society through Relay for Life.

For some, the event is a fun opportunity to enjoy food and activities with friends, all in the name of charity. But for Taylor Boucher, a third-year athletic training student, the event is deeply important.

“I recently lost my dad’s business partner of 20 years, a woman who I called ‘my nana,’ to cancer. She was very special to my family and me,” Boucher said. “I have also lost my grandfather and a friend who I graduated high school with.”

Boucher is USC’s Director of Internal Affairs for Relay for Life. Boucher works 10 hours a week controlling the event of Relay for Life. Boucher began volunteering for Relay for Life a decade ago, after the death of his grandfather. He began in his hometown Calabasas, California, and he continued his involvement when he came to USC.

Boucher said that he knew he would come to USC for the event, and now he’s come to enjoy it as a director. And now I’ve achieved the goal, and it feels pretty awesome,” Boucher said.

While his involvement with Relay began a decade ago, Boucher is constantly reminded of why he got started.

Last summer, Boucher’s grandmother gave him a gift to commemorate his grandfather. “Grandma had given me a box of his grandfather’s things, and in it was his lighter with his name engraved into it,” Boucher said. “I restored it to a working condition and now I keep it on my nightstand.”

The work on the menu of the building has already begun, according to both Galvin and Moore. Galvin and his franchise also own the Panera on Garners Ferry.

According to Galvin, this gives the Vista Panera a unique advantage.

“Think a lot of people are really familiar with us — really have high expectations,” he said.

Along with the addition of Urban Outfitters and Chipotle to the Vista in 2013, this addition signals a trend of more franchises in the historic commercial district. Students who don’t normally frequent the Vista might have more reasons to go once the Panera opens.

Taylor Morrow, a first-year pre-pharmacy student, has her car on campus but doesn’t go to the Vista very often. However, with the addition of the Panera to the area’s establishments, she believes that it will grow her reason to go there more often.

“It’s a cheaper place to go to that I can afford,” she said. “And it’s quick, and I can even go study there.”

Galvin hopes that the Panera will draw students like Morrow to the Vista to get fresh-baked goods, fresh bread and unique catering opportunities that they wouldn’t be able to get anywhere else.

“I think it brings a lot of variance and opportunity,” Galvin said. “We’ll be able to work with people at breakfast, lunch and dinner, and I don’t think anything in the Vista does that right now.”
President Barack Obama is scheduled to deliver a speech at Benedict College this Friday. The State reported. This is his first visit to South Carolina since 2008, when he won the state’s Democratic presidential primary.

Only invited and ticketed guests will be allowed to enter the speech at Benedict’s Mayo Arena. Several classes were relocated to accommodate the event. Tickets will be available to the college’s students, faculty and staff Thursday on a first come, first serve basis.

Benedict spent $500 on a new 20 feet by 5 feet school banner that is to be put behind the president during his speech.

Obama is expected to speak about youth leadership for his My Brother’s Keeper initiative. Representatives of leadership groups, like the Urban League, Upward Bound and City Year, have been invited to the event.

— Madeleine Collins, Assistant News Editor

7 Cadets withdraw from The Citadel

Seven cadets voluntarily withdraw from The Citadel during an ongoing hazing investigation. The State reported.

While the cadets will not be allowed back, their voluntarily departure allowed them to leave without facing disciplinary proceedings. If they were expelled, it would remain on their permanent record.

The investigation on the alleged hazings and training infractions will continue, and Citadel officials did not rule out the possibility of more students leaving the college.

While The Citadel environment is meant to be stressful, it is not designed to replicate SEAL combat training, Capt. Geno Paluso, the cadets’ commandant, said.

— Madeleine Collins, Assistant News Editor

Judge stops firing of SC State’s president

Circuit Court Judge Ed Dickson stopped South Carolina State University’s board of trustees’ efforts to fire their president, Thomas Elzey. The State reported.

Elzey sued the university for breaching his four-year contract, which runs through June 2017. If he is found to be fired without cause, Elzey will be owed over $400,000 in state pay and an unpaid vacation.

Dickson said in his decision to keep Elzey on staff that he wanted to give new trustees a chance to decide whether Elzey should remain president.

Elzey was suspended without a chance to speak with the current board, and the Trustees have not explained why Elzey was suspended.

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possessions that they were unable to retrieve in the 30 minute allotment. “If we didn’t clear belongings, water wouldn’t be removed,” Holt said.

Students were worried about getting their things back, but she assured them that everything had been properly cared for after the incident.

The removed belongings were bagged, tagged and sent to a secure location in Green Quad in a tunnel located near building C, Holt said.

Everything that they took was inventoried, and all damaged and wet clothing was sent to the dry cleaners.

All five locations of Tripp’s Fine Cleaners in Columbia are working on cleaning the clothes and getting them returned, Holt said. The university is working to call students individually as their clothes come back from the dry cleaners and are ready for pickup.

Any illegal items that were removed from the rooms will be given to USCPD, according to Holt. However, she said the names of the students to whom they belong will not be released to the police.

Joseph Fortune, the Director of Undergraduate Assignments, said that Capstone and Bates would be open as alternative housing for students who were planning to stay in South Quad during spring break.

The administrators at the meeting assured students that they would be able to get all their belongings back or be reimbursed for belongings that were damaged in the flood.

But for some students, there are still concerns about getting all of their stuff back. In the case of Abby Doty, a first-year exercise science student, she’s especially worried, because she doesn’t remember exactly where everything was inside her room.

“I know yesterday I was in South Quad getting my other things when we had the allotted time. They told us, ‘Oh well, visualize what you think your room looked like before you left,’” Doty said.

Students will begin to pick up their bagged and tagged items starting Thursday at 9 a.m.

“We appreciate your patience,” Perkins said in closing.

Even in the midst of preparation for this year’s Relay, family is crucial to Boucher. His entire family, as well as the granddaughter of his dad’s business partner, is flying into Columbia to attend this year’s ceremony.

“I would encourage everyone to get involved [in Relay] because the American Cancer Society benefits so greatly from this,” Boucher said. “Their research is increased, and it honestly makes those who have had cancer happier. Also, it’s honestly just fun.”

This year’s Relay for Life will be on April 17 at 7 p.m. on Blatt Field. The theme is “Throwback” to commemorate the 30th anniversary of Relay.

“Ten percent sure that Relay will always be a part of my life,” Boucher said. “The electricity you feel on the field is just incomparable to anything else.”
Local vendors will showcase their arts and crafts at the Spring Classic this weekend. Gilmore Enterprises, the producers of Craftsmen’s Spring Classic, is the last of the three locations to show the exhibition. As prolific as Curran was — he painted over 1,500 paintings in his life — one might expect his work to be ubiquitous today. However, most people have never heard of him or American impressionism in general.

“The reason is that when the art center really moved to New York in the modern era, post-World War II, all of these American artists really just completely eroded everyone else in the common consciousness,” said CMA Programs Manager Glenn Barlow. “When we think of American art now, we tend to think of people like Warhol, Rothko, Pollock, these big expressionists and modern artists. And because of the vastly more attention that they were getting, and Curran, who were well-respected artists in their own right, were [forgotten].”

Curran’s paintings recall a Victorian America, often depicting beautiful, dignified women and angelic children. In the impressionistic tradition, most of his paintings take place in nature, and he seemed to have enjoyed experimenting with light and color. American impressionism does, however, differ from European impressionism, and this is evident in Curran’s work. Gilmore said to think of American art as trying to leave behind their formal training in order to create a new American aesthetic. In the U.S., you bought the hotel room and followed endless Twitter accounts, and you try to get yourself psyched up about your spring break, a week you’ll never forget.

Join us and see whether you have the time of your life during this year’s trip; consider this list of tips and things to keep in mind:

1. Weather
It’s still wintertime. Even though we’ve been having a lovely March, you might want to check and see if the area you’re going to or college town really is clear. Depending on where you go, you might want to consider if you’re bringing travel plans or just to get some causes and jockeys. Know your. These freak tantrums could continue.

2. Hitting Other Spring Breaks
Your friends at other schools may not have the same spring break as you, and you may already know where the area you’re going to is a college town, and whether the college is hosting its spring break at the same time. It could mean experiencing one thing. Drive around for hours on end and just let things happen. You won’t regret it.

3. Backup Plans
You’ve waited all year for this week. You’re right in the middle of the semester, and just when school is wearing you down, papers are due and midterms are piling up, spring break comes to rescue. You don’t want to be like your friends with your spring break, a week you’ll never forget.

4. Student Discounts
Just because you’re not around your university campus doesn’t mean you can’t still be a student. Take advantage of student discounts at local events and stores. There are countless establishments that like to see you stay in the South. Lots of fun and festivals are everywhere, especially if you stay in the South. Lots of fun can be had in these places.

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Music festivals, art festivals and food festivals are everywhere, especially if you stay in the South. Lots of fun can be had in these places.

7. Social Media
It may sound weird, but apps like Twitter and Tinder are a great way to investigate the people in your area. Chances are, you’re all there for the same reason — vacation — and if not, he or she may be a local who can show you some happening places around the area. But be smart — you don’t know these people.

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4. Girl To Guy Ratio
Depending on where you go, you could be an enormous discrepancy between the number of girls and guys on your trip. Be prepared to make friends of both genders, because certain environments time different crowds.

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“There was sort of an inferiority complex,” said Barlow, “because of course Europe had these long-established art schools, and there really weren’t any American art schools, so Americans were very conscious of that. They went abroad to study, but came back, and often tried to make it very clear in their work that they were serious draftsmen and they knew how to draw and how to paint.”

The reluctance to abandon tradition does not take away from the beauty of Curran’s paintings. On the contrary, the combination of evocative, gestural brushstrokes and clearly defined edges gives his paintings an ethereal quality that rivals his French counterparts in elegance.

Locating the 58 pieces that make up this exhibit was a fun challenge for the CMA curators. One of the bigger portraits was unknown until it appeared on an episode of “Antiques Roadshow” several years ago. “Even scholars of Curran weren’t aware of [its] existence,” Barlow said. “It was like a scavenger hunt. And lot of them were in private collections, or they weren’t sure where they were.”

With a collection this large, and arranged chronologically, it’s easy to imagine the evolution of Curran’s life and his painting style. The latter, though, seems to have changed notably little, even though Curran painted for over fifty years. “Even though he’s working well into the modern period, with people like Picasso and Matisse, he never abandoned his traditional style for anything as radical or modern as that,” Curran said. Curran managed to be innovative in ways much subtler than other artists, and that’s part of his charm. “Charles Courtney Curran: Seeking the Ideal” will be at the Columbia Museum of Art until May 17.
Haley's gas tax lacks fuel

In January, Gov. Nikki Haley announced her willingness to see a modest increase in the gasoline tax if paired with a modest income tax cut. This is a notable reversal after a devastating campaign against the gas tax in her re-election bid.

Setting aside the hypocrisy of going to focus on the gas tax increase, I agree with the governor. The majority of the state's voters agree with this plan in a poll released this week.

The gasoline tax in South Carolina is one of the lowest in the nation; despite the state highway fund protected to be more than $4 billion short by 2040. That gap will need to be paid somehow, and without an increase in the gas tax, that would come from income taxes.

While not necessarily a bad system, the gas tax is much more efficient since the amount paid is theoretically proportional to the amount of damage done to the roads that need repaired. It also makes driving more expensive, and thus reduces it according to the basic laws of economics. Since driving comes with so many externalities, an economic tax on the effect an action has on bystanders, this is desirable. Lower driving means less air pollution, and is thus a rudimentary step to curtailing climate change.

Even if you're a hardcore libertarian who doesn't believe in helping nature, more driving means more traffic congestion and more road-related accidents. A higher rate of gasoline would theoretically reduce those as well. Thus, the gas tax is a socially desirable alternative to paying for roads from income tax money.

The only thing I really object to in the governor's proposal is that it does not go nearly far enough to be effective. Even in terms of pricing for much, much less covering the cost of externalities, Haley's proposed increase is predicted to collect $1 billion over the next decade, which is great until you consider the $40 billion shortfall. She further compounds the problem by requesting a cut to the income tax that would theoretically cover the gap at the same time.

Given that Haley spent much of her State of the State speech decrying the poor conditions of state infrastructure, it's reasonable to assume that she wants to see it fixed. Why, then, would she make the repairs impossible to pay for? Without either an income tax package or a much higher gas tax, her proposal is fecally irresponsible and dangerous to our infrastructure's future.

But how high should the tax be? It's hard to get an exact number, but it's almost certainly higher than it is in South Carolina. On average, the U.S. has a much lower tax than all other developed countries, and South Carolina has a gasoline tax rate well below the U.S. average. To put this in perspective, at least one economist has deemed Europe's rates too low to cover the social costs of driving. With that said, speculating on a gas tax above a dollar a gallon in a red state is moving into fantasy.

The governor's proposal is based on good ideas. Unfortunately, her refusal to take it far enough combined with the proposed income tax cut make for a horrible policy.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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The agreement was reached. Taken together, those factors mean either that Comcast was working in conjunction with Netflix to slow down traffic to all other ISPs at the same time and suddenly changed their minds, or that they get paid a cut of each byte that some outside factor was actually responsible for the slowdown.

It is far more likely that those slowdowns were weather-related. The winter was unusually severe in September as more people were staying inside and watching Netflix. The cable slowed down again worse through October and November — more than $50 billion worth of winter weather affected the amount of bandwidth. They hit rock bottom in December through February. The colder months meant more viewers both because of the weather and because of Netflix's handful of new shows.

The only time Comcast had any sort of evidence of net neutrality advocates cannot find any examples of ISPs altering their ability to regulate access to particular sites. Even if the Comcast-Netflix incident was a conspiracy with their greatest rivals to all throttle Netflix at the same time and suddenly changed their minds, the evidence they get paid a cut of each byte that some outside factor was actually responsible for the slowdown.

There are a few problems with Oliver's argument, however. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) decided last week to give themselves jurisdiction over the Internet. Proponents of this decision, such as yourself, claim that this takeover is necessary to protect us from evil Internet Service Providers (ISPs) that want to restrict our access to information they don't like. Others have also argued that ISPs will act like highway robbers, holding up sites like Netflix until Net neutrality and the free market demanded by the ISPs.

As you argue, ISPs are important issues that would have major negative impacts on free speech, innovation and society at the whole. Popular talk show host John Oliver is widely credited for bringing this issue into the mainstream with a hilarious skit showing that these things were always going on behind the scenes. Customers' access to Netflix until Net neutrality and the free market demanded by the ISPs. Unfortunately, her refusal to take it far enough combined with the proposed income tax cut make for a horrible policy.

Net neutrality opponents misguided

Ross Abbott

This article is a response to "Fight for internet freedom may be helped by net neutrality movement" published this month.

When it comes to net neutrality, as with many other issues, the government's policy seems to be "if it's broke, we'll fix it." As your article points out, last week, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) decided to assert its reach over the Internet. Proponents of this decision, such as yourself, claim that this takeover is necessary to protect us from evil Internet Service Providers (ISPs) that want to restrict our access to information they don't like. Others have also argued that ISPs will act like highway robbers, holding up sites like Netflix until Net neutrality and the free market demand it.

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Aries You could struggle to get goals today. Choose private over public space. Set your plan in stone without taking high risks, and you’ll have a chance in Virgo marks a turning point on your scorecard. Make a necessary change. Keep practicing, and you’ll see progress.

Leo Reality feels like fantasy. Revisit the completion of a project, and take care to advance ahead over the next few weeks. Pay attention to new directions. Emotions win out over business, and you need to build a loving family. Newly formed teams take pride in their efforts. Provide support.

Libra Consider what you must want now. Lotion your skin to the unspoken requests, especially with regard to your health and wellness. Sit with intimates about your view of the world, and ground a little at a time. Love transforms you.


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Women's golf team pves for Hilton Head

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No. 1 South Carolina women's golf team will look to continue its good play when heading to Hilton Head Island this weekend for the Darius Rucker Intercollegiates.

A few weeks ago, the top-ranked Gamecocks traveled to Florida for the Florida State Match-Up and were fairly successful overall. South Carolina finished in first place during the event, but a rough final day of competition dropped the Gamecocks to a third-place finish.

"We got off to a decent start. It wasn't exactly what we wanted to start the year," head coach Kalen Harris said. "We were going in there looking to win. Needless to say, we came back and had a good finish, but we struggled on the back nine."

Due to a somewhat slow start, the Gamecocks had to work hard on being better and more competitive. Harris said.

"Similar to South Carolina didn't get the results they were hoping for, the Florida tournament will add another win to the Gamecocks' fourth-place finish was their 12th-straight finish in the top five in the rankings, and the Gamecocks remain No. 1 in the country. The Gamecocks are looking forward to traveling to Hilton Head Island. The Darius Rucker Intercollegiate is something that both the South Carolina players and coaches are enthusiastic about. The tournament has always been a fun atmosphere, and Darius Rucker plays a big factor in that."

"It's just an excitement to have and helps draw teams in," South Carolina will face strong competition this weekend. Seventeen of the top teams around the country will be there competing, including 12 teams in the top 25 of Golfstat.com's rankings.

"For the Gamecocks to do well this weekend, including Junior Justice Drehar, junior Sarah Schoen, sophomore Karlye Dambang and sophomore Julia Yang, will be key for the team's success," said head coach Abner Obarra playing as their individual.

South Carolina hopes that their strong lineup will play with a man or women's team, Epley thinks that he is on his way to becoming his healthy team and give them valuable experience and a chance to gain something more down, the team's spirits are back where they were before this season."

As of March 8, the South Carolina women's basketball team (9-3) is ranked 37th in the Associated Press basketball poll, the No. 5 South Carolina women's tennis team is holding onto its ranking, and at some point in the near future, the Gamecocks could be ranked among the nation's best.

Playing in its third game in as many days, this week, the South Carolina baseball team (9-3) suffered one of its lost offensive performances of the season during Wednesday's 11-3 loss against High Point University.

With the victory, the Gamecocks (9-3) replied to Monday's 7-0 defeat against Clemson with two wins last weekend and hit his second home run of the season, making 13 of his 15 free throws. "To see him play like this in his second-to-last home game of the year — it's good to see him play that way," Martin said.

South Carolina had one of its high scraping against conference play (16-4) against Mississippi State and the Gamecocks' 41 points were their best against an SEC opponent this season.

However, South Carolina's scoring attack will have to try another successful night in order to keep pace with Arkansas. The Razorbacks shot 0.7 percent, considerably more than the season average of 62.2 for the Gamecocks. But South Carolina was able to upset Arkansas in the SEC tournament and Johnson said that South Carolina has a chance to gain its confidence back after going through a rough patch.

"We've been down, but our spirits are back where they were the first half of the season," Johnson said.

In addition to honoring Johnson on senior night, the Gamecocks will recognize junior catcher Austin Constable, who has decided to move on to other things after this season.