



SCE&G To Perform Tree Trimming Activities



Registration for City Youth and Adult Sports Leagues



Park of the Week: Edisto Discovery Park

City Connection



LABOR DAY WEEKEND CONCERT SHOWCASE

The City of Columbia Parks & Recreation Department invites the public to bring their blankets, lawn chairs and dancing shoes to Finlay Park, 930 Laurel Street for the Labor Day Weekend Concert Showcase. Both concerts are free and open to the public.

Concert Schedule

- The Terrence Young Experience-Sunday, August 31 from 6 to 9 p.m.
- The Coconut Groove Band-Monday, September 1 from 6 to 9 p.m.

For more information, please call Kim Mitchell at 803-545-3100 or visit www.columbiasc.net.



City Talk

**Tune in to City Talk today on WGCV 620 AM
from 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. to hear:**



5:00 p.m. – 5:20 p.m.

Guest: Councilwoman Tameika Isaac Devine
Topic: The 8th Annual Mayor's Walk Against Domestic Violence & Let's Move! Columbia GameDay

5:20 p.m. - 5:40 p.m.

Guest: Lee Thompson, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Recreation, Parks & Recreation
Topic: Labor Day Weekend Concerts

5:40 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Guest: Aubrey Jenkins, Chief, Columbia Fire Department & Christopher Williamson, Lieutenant Colonel, SC Highway Patrol
Topic: Sober or Slammer! Impaired Driving Crackdown

**For more information about today's topics, contact the
Public Relations Department at 803-545-3020.**



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The Week Ahead

CITY OF COLUMBIA OFFICE OF BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES TO REVEAL NEW BUSINESS LOAN PROGRAM

The City of Columbia Office of Business Opportunities will reveal a new business loan program for the downtown Main Street area Tuesday, August 26, 2014 at 2 p.m. at Bourbon Columbia, 1214 Main St.

Mayor Steve Benjamin, City elected officials, OBO staff, Bourbon representatives, business and community leaders will be in attendance. The winner of the naming contest will also be announced.

For more information, please contact the Office of Business Opportunities at (803) 545-3950 or visit www.columbiasc.net/obo.

ADVERTISEMENT OF VACANCIES FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBIA BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

The City of Columbia is seeking persons to serve on a variety of boards and commissions. Participation is another way city residents can take part in their government. Below is a list of boards and commissions that currently have vacancies:

- Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
- Board of Zoning Appeals Form Based Codes
- Columbia Housing Authority
- Historic Columbia Foundation
- Parks and Recreation Foundation
- Planning Commission
- Property Maintenance Board of Adjustment and Appeals

Deadline – Applications are due no later than August 29, 2014, 5 p.m.

For applications and more information contact Connie Lucius at (803) 545-4268 or send a request to clucius@columbiasc.net. You can also visit our website at <https://columbiasc.gov/boards-commissions> to download an application.



SCE&G To Perform Tree Trimming Activities As Scheduled For 2014

SCE&G will perform tree trimming activities along overhead utility lines in the following neighborhoods for the next two weeks:

- **Belmont**
- **College Place**
- **Gabel Oaks**
- **Northwood Hills Organization**
- **Kilbourne Park**

The trimming will be completed by SCE&G contractors and work will be closely monitored on a daily basis by the City's 4 Certified Arborists from the Forestry and Beautification Division.

The purpose of the trimming activities is to increase safety and reliability of the electric service.

SCE&G reports an 89 percent improvement in reliability in vegetation related outages in areas where trimming is completed compared to a year ago. The trimming guidelines include removing vegetation within 8-12 feet below and beside the power lines and up to 20 feet above the power lines.

For more information about SCE&G's tree trimming efforts, including helpful tips and suggestions regarding the planting of trees and other vegetation, visit www.sceg.com/treetrimming.

CITY OFFICES CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY

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- **Monday: Off**
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- **Thursday and Friday will remain on regular schedule.**

COUNCILMAN CAMERON RUNYAN TO HOST OPEN HOUSE

City Councilman Cameron Runyan will host his August Open House on Monday, August 25, 2014 from 5 p.m.—8 p.m. at Greenview Park, 6700 David St.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call 803-545-3061.



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REGISTRATION UNDERWAY FOR CITY OF COLUMBIA YOUTH AND ADULT SPORTS LEAGUES

The City of Columbia Parks & Recreation Department is accepting registrations for several youth and adult sports leagues for the fall season.

Participants in the city-wide leagues have the opportunity to play, practice good sportsmanship and expand their athletic skills.



Men's D League Softball (ages 18 and up)

FEE: \$300 per team

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: August 29

SEASON BEGINS: September 9

Games will be played at T.S. Martin Park, 2700 Edison Street. Coaches must attend the coaches meeting on September 2 at 6 p.m. at Earlewood Park Community Center, 1113 Parkside Drive.

Coed Softball (ages 18 and up)

FEE: \$300 per team

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: August 29

SEASON BEGINS: September 14

Games will be played on Sundays at T.S. Martin Park, 1810 Germany Street. Coaches must attend the coaches meeting on September 4 at 6 p.m. at Earlewood Park Community Center, 1113 Parkside Drive.

To register, please visit Parks Administration at 1111 Parkside Drive, Columbia, SC 29203. To download a registration form, visit www.columbiasc.net/parks-recreation.

The registration form and payment can be mailed to Parks Administration. Make checks and money orders payable to the City of Columbia.

For more information, please call Parks & Recreation at 803-545-3100.



PARK OF THE WEEK: EDISTO DISCOVERY PARK

Edisto Discovery Park, which was built in 2009, is located off of Rosewood Drive. The park is home to the Fossil Dig, an educational program designed to teach youth about prehistoric fossils and dinosaurs.

The park is equipped with a playground area, spray pool, outdoor basketball court, walking track and performance stage. The city's after-school program is also available at this neighborhood recreation center, which is open from 2 to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.



The multipurpose indoor facility can be rented for community classes, meetings and other events. To reserve Edisto Discovery Park, please call 803-545-3100.

For more information, please visit www.columbiasc.net/parks-recreation.

PET OF THE WEEK: MEET NORMAN! (ID#A199129)

Norman is a domestic short hair mix cat. He is only two-years-old and is neutered and microchipped. He is mature and laid-back and in need of a loving family to share his warm spirit with. While Norman is very independent and low maintenance, he is also still loving and affectionate. Norman could be the pet you have been waiting for! Come by and visit him today!

Visit other pets available for adoption at the Columbia Animal Shelter, 127 Humane Lane. Visit www.columbiasc.net/animal-services or call 803-776-PETS for more information.



All of our pets need loving homes! To view other animals available for adoption, visit Petfinder.com. Please refer to the ID number listed above when visiting the website.

PET TIP

If dog urination burns your lawn try giving them some tomato juice every day (either in a bowl or on their food) and it should solve the problem.



Make Your Hometown Your Destination This Weekend

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

The City of Columbia Parks & Recreation Department has announced that the Summer Concert Series will continue through August 29 at Finlay Park. Don't miss Mike Stone & the Kritikal Band! Karaoke Idol finals will be held on Friday, August 29. Attendees are welcome to bring blankets, lawn chairs and coolers.

Finlay Park, 930 Laurel Street

Time: 7 to 10 p.m.

Cost: Free

Phone: 803-733-8331

www.ColumbiaSC.net



NORTH COLUMBIA FOOD PARK



The North Columbia Food Park is a community farmers' market that aims to provide the citizens of North Columbia and surrounding access to fresh fruits, plants and vegetables. Simply put, it is a "Fun Place to have a Healthy, Good Time"! The food park is now open on Friday's and Saturdays.

2720 North Main Street

Time: 4:00-8:00 PM

Cost: Free Entry (cost of produce vary based on vendor)

www.foodparkofcolumbia.com

Contact: 803-556-5428



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SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

SODA CITY MARKET



Come by for the season's best produce, meat, dairy, flowers and baked items from farmers, bakers, gardeners and artisans in Columbia!

Soda City Market

1500 block of Main Street

Time: 8:00 a.m. —12:00 p.m.

Cost: FREE

(Free entry, but prices vary for each vendor)

www.Sodacitysc.com

Contact: 803-269-3241

PALMETTO CAPITAL CITY CLASSIC



Benedict College vs. S.C. State University in the 13th Annual Palmetto Capital City Classic

Charlie W. Johnson Stadium

2047 Two Notch Rd. 29204

Time 5 p.m.

Cost: Vary

Phone: 803-252-9200

www.palmettoccc.com

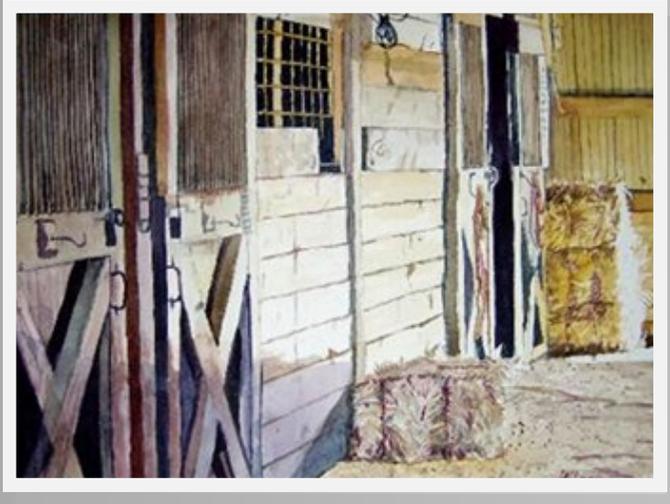


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SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

“SUNLIGHT—NIGHTLIGHT”



UCC presents an art exhibit by Meg McLean of Columbia and Blythewood.

UCC Art Gallery

2701 Heyward St, Columbia, SC 29205

Time: Sundays 9:30 AM to 1 PM

Cost: Free

Phone: (803) 799-2745

www.uuartgallery.com

BLOOMING BUTTERFLIES

A 2,500- square-foot enclosed habitat designed to showcase the lifespan of over 20 species of butterflies.

EdVenture Children’s Museum

211 Gervais Street

Time: Sunday 12:30 to 4 PM

Cost: \$10.50 - \$11.50

Phone: (803) 779- 3100

www.edventure.org



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Mark Your Calendars: Economic Development Luncheon



Economic Development *Luncheon*

Hosted by Mayor Stephen K. Benjamin, City of Columbia

September 12, 2014

8:30am Registration

9:00am - 2:00pm Workshops & Luncheon

Luncheon Guest Speaker:
Bob Hughes of Hughes Development

Michael's Café and Catering
The Hampton Room
1620 Main Street Columbia, SC

Tickets - \$50

Tickets available for purchase at

NCBA, 1013 Duke Avenue

First Citizens Bank

1230 Main Street
2621 Main Street

RSVP: 803-786-7232

NCBA
NORTH COLUMBIA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

www.northcolumbiabusinessassociation.com



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Save the Date: Let's Move! Columbia GameDay

SAVE THE DATE

Let's Move! Columbia GameDay

Saturday, September 20, 2014

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Field Games
Celebrity Flag Football ✓
3K Race

Drew Park/Green Space
(Adjacent to Drew Wellness Center)
2101 Walker Solomon Way
Columbia, SC 29204

Scavenger Hunt ✓
Entertainment ✓
Free to the Public ✓

Nonprofit health and wellness organizations can register for a free table.



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For more information, please contact Wanda Austin at 803-255-8161 or weaustin@columbiasc.net.

LET'S
MOVE!
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Save the Date: Mayor's Walk Against Domestic Violence



SAVE THE DATE

Mayor's Walk
**AGAINST
DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2014
9 A.M.
FINLAY PARK

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!



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For more information, contact Public Relations at 803-545-3020 or pio@columbiasc.net.



TO REGISTER, VISIT:

[HTTP://COLUMBIASC.NET/HEADLINES/071020141557-MAYORS-WALK-AGAINST-DOMESTIC-VIOLENCE](http://COLUMBIASC.NET/HEADLINES/071020141557-MAYORS-WALK-AGAINST-DOMESTIC-VIOLENCE)



Meetings

- The Commercial Revolving Loan Fund Committee will meet on Wednesday, August 27, 2014 at 10 a.m.

**For additional information regarding committee meetings,
contact the Office of the City Clerk at 803-545-3045.**

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