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COLUMBIA'S 1ST GO RED FASHION SHOW TO BE HELD ON MARCH 20TH

The City of Columbia will host the inaugural Go Red Fashion Show. Help honor and support the women affected by heart disease, the #1 killer of women, at the Go Red Fashion Show. Proceeds will benefit the American Heart Association. Tickets cost \$25 and can be purchased at:

City Hall, 1737 Main Street
Jabber & Isaac Law Firm, 1419 Calhoun Street
Carolina Couture, 929 Gervais Street

Councilwoman Tameika Isaac Devine is the host for this event. The fashion show will also feature celebrity models, a "City Kids" segment and attire from local retail sponsors. The grand finale will feature fashions by Sergio Hudson, a nationally renowned designer and winner of "Styled to Rock". The event will be held at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center, 1101 Lincoln Street, on Friday, March 20, 2015 at 6 p.m.

*Please note a date change. For more information visit columbiasc.net or call Public Relations at 803-545-3020.



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The Week Ahead

COMMUNITY GARDEN EXPO

The City of Columbia Parks and Recreation Department and the Columbia Sertoma Club have partnered to sponsor a citywide Community Garden Expo. The expo will be held on Saturday, March 7, 2015 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Martin Luther King, Jr. Park and Community Center.

The public is invited to attend this FREE informative and hands-on gardening experience that will feature seminars, demonstrations, vendors and more. Garden experts such as Ed Brogden of Back to Eden will provide information on the economic, health and social benefits of community gardening.

Garden presenters and vendors can register for a table. The cost for presenters to register is free. Vendors can register for \$30. **The deadline to register is Wednesday, March 4, 2015.**

FEE: Free to the public and presenters; vendors can register for \$30

To register to be a presenter or vendor, or for more information on the City's Community Gardens Program, please call the Parks and Recreation Department at 803-545-3100.

THE FIRST TEE OF COLUMBIA SPRING GOLF CLINIC FOR CHILDREN

The First Tee of Columbia at the James E. Clyburn Golf Center will hold a Spring Golf Clinic for children ages 5-17. The golf center is located at 2091 Slighs Avenue.

WHAT: Peewees

WHEN: Thursdays from 5:15-6:15 p.m./ Saturdays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.
AGES: 5-6 FEE: \$15



WHAT: Player/Par

WHEN: Wednesdays from 5:15-6:30 p.m./ Saturdays from 10:45-12 p.m.
AGES: 7-17 FEE: \$35

No equipment is needed. Financial scholarships are available for those who qualify and the golf center is offering a sibling discount. The deadline to register is **Friday, March 6, 2015.**

For more information, please contact the James E. Clyburn Golf Center at 803-255-8920 or visit www.TheFirstTeeColumbia.org.



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REGISTRATION PERIOD OPEN FOR ADULT SPRING SPORTS

The City of Columbia Parks and Recreation Department is accepting registrations for Spring Adult Sports in softball and kickball. Participants age 18 and over have the opportunity to play, practice good sportsmanship and expand their athletic skills in these city-wide leagues.

Registrations are as follow:

Adult Law League Softball

FEE: \$300 per team

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: March 6

SEASON BEGINS: Games start the week of March 17

COACHES MEETING: There will be a coaches meeting on March 17 at 6 p.m. at Earlewood Park Community Center.

Games will be held on Tuesday and Thursday nights

To download a registration form, visit the Parks and Recreation Department's "Athletics" page online. Registration forms are also available at the Parks and Recreation Administration Office at 1111 Parkside Drive.

The registration form and payment must be returned to the Parks and Recreation Administration Office. Make checks and money orders payable to the City of Columbia.

For more information, please call Parks & Recreation at 803-545-3100 or email cetaylor@columbiasc.net.

FIRST THURSDAY ON MAIN RETURNS MARCH 5

On the first Thursday of each month, businesses in downtown Columbia participate in First Thursday on Main by keeping their doors open late, offering a mix of specials, events, entertainment, and more!

For the March First Thursday, there is a special celebration on Main Street. Agapé Senior is celebrating one year on Main Street with all of its businesses: Good Life Café, Michael's Café & Catering, Agapé Pharmacy, 24/7 Health & Fitness Center, Agapé Physicians Care, Agapé Conference Center, and Agapé Senior Management! Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, beverages, and live music! Agapé Senior also has a surprise during their celebration.

City Center Partnership's Yellow Shirts will offer complimentary shuttle services along Main Street and to and from the Vista. Call 803-309-7758 for a free shuttle until 11 pm.



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REGISTRATION OPEN FOR CITY YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL PROGRAMS BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL EXPO

Registration for the City of Columbia Parks & Recreation Department's Youth Baseball and Girls Softball Program is underway.

Boys and girls ages 9-14 can participate in the program. Age levels are: 9-10, 11-12 and 13-14. The fee to participate is \$25 per person. Scholarships are available for those who qualify.

The last day to register is March 7, 2015. The Youth Baseball and Girls Softball season begins April 6, 2015. Games will be played at the following parks: Greenview, Hyatt, Lorick, Pinehurst, King, Earlewood and Valencia. (Locations are subject to change.)

The Parks & Recreation Department is also hosting a Baseball and Softball Expo on Saturday, March 7, 2015 from 12-4 p.m. The expo will feature games, player and coaches clinics, giveaways, guest speakers including Tampa Bay Rays Nick Ciuffo and more. Volunteer coaches are needed for this year's baseball and softball program. If interested in being a coach, please call 803-545-3100.

Registration for City Sluggers, the Parks and Recreation Department's instructional youth baseball program, is now open for boys and girls ages 4-8.

The program is an opportunity for youth to have fun and learn baseball fundamentals. [Children ages 4-6 (T-ball) and children ages 7 and 8 (Coaches Pitch)].

The fee to participate is \$25 per participant. Scholarships are available for those who qualify.

The last day to register is March 7, 2015. League play begins April 6, 2015.

To download a registration form, [click here](#).

Registration forms are also available at any City recreation center or at the Parks and Recreation Administration Office located at 1111 Parkside Drive, Columbia, SC 29203.

For more information, please call the Parks & Recreation Department at 803-545-3100 or email sariley@columbiasc.net.



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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)

Seeking one (1) District 1 Applicant.

The purpose of BPAC is to advise the Mayor and City Council Members, the City of Columbia transportation planning staff; community organizations; and partners on bicycling and pedestrian issues facing the city; to work toward development of bicycle/pedestrian master plan; to represent community and constituent interests in transportation planning decisions; and to provide feedback to staff on projects relating to walking and bicycling. Current appointees need to re-apply for consideration. Term – 2 years.

Hospitality Tax Advisory Committee

Seeking four (4) Applicants for Appointment/Re-Appointment. Two (2) Applicants must in the restaurant industry and two (2) are At-Large. All applicants must reside and/or work within Columbia city limits.

This committee is tasked with reviewing applications for hospitality tax funds and making recommendations to Council for disbursement of those funds. Term – 2 years.

The term of office is two (2) years with the possibility of one (1) reappointment.

Design/Development Review Commission

Seeking one (1) Architect, one (1) Community Representative, and one (1) Realtor. Applicants must be residents on the city.

The purpose of the Design/Development Review Commission (DDRC) is to review and approve work proposed within the City's historic districts, urban design areas, and upon designated landmarks.

Term – 3 years.



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Parks and Recreation Foundation

Seeking four (4) Applicants.

Columbia Parks and Recreation Foundation enhances the leisure service opportunities in the City of Columbia by improving the scope and quality of educational and human development programs. It encourages, recruits, receives, and administers gifts, devises, and donations by deed, will or otherwise, for the advancement of the City of Columbia Parks & Recreation Department. Term – 3 years.

Property Maintenance Board of Adjustment and Appeals

Seeking seven (7) Applicants for Appointment/Re-Appointment who are qualified by experience and training (i.e. architect, contractor, engineer, property manager) to pass on matters pertaining to property maintenance.

The purpose of the Property Maintenance Board of Adjustment and Appeals is to hear appeals of notices or decisions issued under the International Property Maintenance Code. Term – 3 years.

Deadline – Applications are due no later than March 6, 2015, 5 p.m.

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

Pet of the Week



Ree Ree is a three-month-old English Spaniel/German Pointer mix. She is very friendly and makes a great family pet. Ree Ree is also spayed and microchipped.

Visit Ree Ree and 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.



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Make Your Hometown Your Destination This Weekend

THURSDAY, MARCH 5TH

FIRST THURSDAYS ON MAIN

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Columbia, SC

First Thursdays on Main is Columbia's monthly art crawl and streetfest hosted by the Main Street merchants on the first Thursday of every month from 6 to 10 pm. This event will include the Historic Columbia exhibit, Impressions of Chimneyville: Columbia's Civil War Destruction at the Gallery at City Hall. First Thursday also showcases the revitalized Main Street community.

Location: City Hall, 1737 Main Street

Time: 6 – 10 p.m.

Admission: Free Phone: 803-988-1065

Website: <http://firstthursdaysonmain.com>

COLLEGE BASKETBALL: ARKANSAS @ UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA



Come out and support USC's basketball team as they play against Arkansas.

Location: Colonial Life Arena – 801 Lincoln St.

Time: 7 p.m.

Admission: Tickets: \$11.00 to \$14.00. See website for details.

Phone: 803-777-4202

Website: <http://www.gamecocksonline.com/sports/m-baskbl/sched/scar-m-baskbl-sched.html>



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COLLEGE ART DAY

Aspiring student artists and parents are invited to explore South Carolina colleges and university art departments during College Art Day at the South Carolina State Museum. Meet current students and faculty from colleges around the state and hear from alumni applying their art degrees in their professions.



Location: SC State Museum – 301 Gervais St.

Time: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Admission: College Art Day is included with general admission or membership. General Admission:

Adults 13-61 \$8.95; Seniors 62 & over \$7.95;

Children 3-12 \$6.95; Infants 2 and under Free;

Military discount is \$1 off.

Phone: 803-898-4921

Website: <http://scmuseum.org/>

32ND ANNUAL CRAFTSMENS SPRING CLASSIC ART AND CRAFT FESTIVAL



The festival features original designs & work by hundreds of artists & craftsmen from across the Nation. Visit with the artisans as you browse the booths for those one-of-a-kind treasures found only at the Craftsmen's Classics. Admission Good all 3 Days with FREE Return Pass from Desk

Location: SC State Fairgrounds – Ellison & Cantey Building – 1200 Rosewood Dr.

Time: Fri. 10-8, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 11-5

Admission: \$7/Adult, \$1/Child (6-12)

Phone: 336-282-5550

Website: http://www.gilmoreshows.com/craftsmens_classics_columbia_spring.shtml



SATURDAY, MARCH 7TH

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!

Location: 1500 block of Main Street

Time: 9 a.m. — 1 p.m.

Cost: FREE (Free entry, but prices vary for each vendor)

Phone: 803-269-3241

Website: Sodascitysc.com

BANK OF AMERICA "MUSEUM ON US" WEEKEND



If you are a Bank of America cardholder, enjoy free admission to EdVenture, on the first full weekend of every month! Just present your card at EdVenture's Welcome Center. Valid only for Bank of America cardholders, regular admission applies to additional guests who are not Bank of America cardholders.

Location: EdVenture Children's Museum – 211 Gervais St.

Time: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Admission: Free

Phone: 803-779-3100

Website: <http://www.edventure.org/>



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SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH

FREE SUNDAYS AT COLUMBIA MUSEUM OF ART



Free Sunday general admission sponsored by BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina.

Location: Columbia Museum of Art – 1515 Main St.

Time: 12 – 5 p.m

Admission: Free

Phone: 803-799-2810

Website: <http://www.columbiamuseum.org/>

COURAGE: THE VISION TO END SEGREGATION AND THE GUTS TO FIGHT FOR IT



Courage: The Vision to End Segregation and the Guts to Fight for It tells the powerful grass-roots “people story” behind the Supreme Court’s landmark Civil Rights decision Brown v. Board of Education.

Location: SC State Museum – 301 Gervais St.

Time: 12 – 5 p.m.

Admission: Included with general admission or museum membership

Phone: 803-898-4921

Website: <http://scmuseum.org/explore/exhibits/changing-exhibits/courage/>



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Meetings

DATE/TIME	TYPE OF MEETING	LOCATION
March 2 at 5:15pm	Planning Commission	1737 Main Street Council Chambers



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