

University

[Straight Talk: Kevin Hughes, Winthrop Vice President for University Advancement](#)

WRHI, May 22

*Kevin Hughes gives an update on his work and joining the Rock Hill community.

Faculty

[Network of Ancient Maya Cities Reveals Well-organized Civilization](#)

Washington Post, May 20 (behind a paywall)

*Quotes Richard Chacon, professor of anthropology, about recent Mayan research.

Winthrop Poll

[Updates: SC Sen. Tim Scott Making 2024 White House Run Official, Joins Crowded GOP Field](#)

Greenville Online, May 22 (Also mentioned in The State, Vanity Fair, Miami Herald, New York Post, Global Village Space and Lone Tree Voice)

*Each makes reference to the April Winthrop Poll results on Sen. Tim Scott's appeal to SC Republican voters.

Athletics

[CN2 Sports – CRHA Softball State and Winthrop Eagle Earning Honor](#)

CN2, May 19

*Volleyball player Atley Livingston shares in a coveted award through the Big South Conference.

[Big South Mourns Passing of All-Time Winningest Softball Coach Mark Cooke](#)

Big South, Winthrop Athletics, May 16

[Remembering Mark Cooke – Former Longtime Winthrop Coach](#)

CN2, May 15

[AI Programs Like ChatGPT Forcing Change in Schools](#)

WSOC-TV, May 15

*Segment quotes Education Professor Marshall Jones and Winthrop student Elliott Derr.

[South Carolina Company Develops New Pepper 3 Times Hotter Than Carolina Reaper](#)

WCNC, May 15

*Notes that the Carolina Reaper's Scoville heat units were determined during testing at Winthrop.

Alumni

[JET Band Hires Familiar Assistant Director](#)

Covering Katy and Fulshear Areas, May 22

*Dave Singletary '01 has been hired as the new assistant band director.

[Newberry City Council Announces Interim City Manager](#)

Newberry Observer, May 20

*Ed Driggers '92 named as interim city manager.

[Maple Appointed to SC Commission for Minority Affairs](#)

The Sumter Item, May 19

***Kaala Maple '17 will serve as a commissioner at-large.**

[Waccamaw Publishers Name New Executive Editor](#)

MyHorryNews, May 18

***Hannah Strong Oskin '16 named as executive editor as Charles Perry '05 has accepted a job as local editor for the Post and Courier's Myrtle Beach operation**

[Meet Gaston County Schools' Interim Superintendent](#)

Gaston Gazette, May 18

***Stephen Laws '83, '91, named as interim superintendent beginning July 1.**

[Summerville Native to Star in NBC Drama This Fall](#)

***WCBD, May 16**

***Shanola Hampton '98 will star in a new missing persons drama on NBC in the fall.**

Other News

[Bennett Named Priority Candidate in Next Chancellor Search](#)

Nebraska Today, May 22

***Former Dean of Students Rodney Bennett is the top candidate for chancellor at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.**