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DREW WELLNESS IS OFFERING MEMBERSHIP SPECIALS AND EXERCISE CLASSES TO KICK OFF THE NEW YEAR

In an effort to help citizens kick off their New Year's resolutions, Charles R. Drew Wellness Center is offering membership specials and exercise classes:

- **New Year's Resolution membership special on new or renewing yearly memberships:** Adults (18-49) \$260; Seniors (50+) \$160; and Families (up 4 people) \$325. *Offer ends Jan. 31.*
- **New Year's Boot Camp with Nichole:** Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 5:30-6 p.m.; FREE for members, \$5 for nonmembers
- **Columbia Police Department's Women's Self-Defense Class** (Open to girls and women ages 13 and up): January 13 or January 27 at 5:30 p.m.; Free

For more information, call 803-545-3200.



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: Brenda Oliver, Recreation Program Specialist, Parks and Recreation

Topic: Art Classes

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

Guest: Jada Hubbard, Wellness Manager, Drew Wellness Center

Topic: New Year's Resolution Membership Special and Boot Camp Class

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

Guest: Brick Lewis, Public Information Officer, Columbia Fire Department

Topic: Home Heating Safety

**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 TO HOST PUBLIC FORUMS FOR CITIZEN INPUT IN FIVE YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN

Columbia's Vision needs your voice! The City of Columbia's Community Development department will host public forums for citizen input in the Five Year Consolidated Plan for submission to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). All interested citizens of the City are invited to provide input and comments on community needs by attending one of the four public forums:

Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 6 p.m.

Earlewood Park Community Center, 1111 Parkside Drive

Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 6 p.m.

King Park, 2300 Greene Street

Thursday, January 22, 2015 at 6 p.m.

Edisto Discovery Park, 1914 Wiley Park

Thursday, January 29, 2015 at 6 p.m.

Woodland Park, 6500 Olde Knight Parkway



For more information, contact Dollie Bristow at 803-545-3371 or Community Development at 803-545-3373.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO CONTINUE START FRESH FINANCIAL EDUCATION WORKSHOP SERIES

The City of Columbia Community Development will hold a Financial Education Workshop on Saturday, Jan. 17, 2015 from 9-11:30 a.m. at 1225 Lady Street. The workshop will focus on the importance of banking, budgeting, saving and building your credit.

Additional workshops will be held from 9-11:30 a.m. at 1225 Lady Street on the following Saturdays:

- Feb. 21
- March 17

For more information or to register, call 803.545.0280 or email rpking@columbiasc.net.



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27TH ANNUAL DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION

The City of Columbia and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Foundation announced the 27th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration will be held on Monday, January 19, 2015, at 4 p.m. at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Park and Community Center, 2300 Greene Street.

Columbia Urban League President and Chief Executive Officer James T. McLawhorn, Jr. will be the keynote speaker. The celebration will also include performances from A. C. Flora High School Gospel Ensemble, The Brotherhood of First Nazareth Baptist Church and Jonathan Cannon, a Dutch Fork High School junior.



The celebration will also include a Wreath Laying Ceremony to commemorate the historic marker honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at 3:06 p.m. at the corner of Harden and Greene streets. Members of the Alpha Psi Lambda and Omicron Iota Lambda chapters of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. will lead the ceremony.

On Saturday, January 17, 2015, the Omicron Iota Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and Bridging the Gap With Alpha, Inc. will hold the 25th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. 5K Run/ Fitness Walk at 9 a.m. at Martin Luther King, Jr. Park located at 2300 Greene Street.

If registering before January 9, 2015, the registration fee is \$25 (includes a commemorative T-shirt) or \$20 (without a T-shirt). After January 9, the fee is \$30 (with T-shirt) or \$25 (without the T-shirt).

Olympic-style medals will be awarded to the first three male and female finishers in 13 age divisions. Proceeds from the race will benefit the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Foundation and The Alpha Academy.

To register, visit www.strictlyrunning.com. Applications are also available by calling 803-254-8070 or emailing kolonel@bellsouth.net.

For more information about the race, contact Willie L. Odom at 803-254-8070 or klonel@bellsouth.net or visit www.AlphaOIL.org/MLK.

For more information about the 27th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration, contact Shireese M. Bell at 803-545-3100 or smbell@columbiasc.net, or visit www.columbiasc.net.



ADVERTISEMENT FOR A VACANCY FOR MIDLANDS AUTHORITY FOR CONVENTIONS SPORTS AND TOURISM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The City of Columbia is accepting applications for the Midlands Authority for Conventions Sports and Tourism Board of Directors. The mission of the Midlands Authority for Conventions Sports and Tourism includes: directing and managing the activities and mission of the Columbia Metropolitan Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Columbia Regional Sports Council and the Columbia Regional Visitors Center; and overseeing the development and operation of the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center under a long-term management agreement for the benefit of the Governmental Entities: City of Columbia, Lexington County and Richland County.

We are seeking an individual to represent the lodging industry as required in this board's by-laws. All applicants must work/reside within Columbia city limits. **Applications are due no later than Friday, January 10, 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 www.columbiasc.net/boards-commissions to download an application.

CITY OF COLUMBIA TO HOLD WALK BIKE COLUMBIA PUBLIC MEETING

The City of Columbia invites citizens to see the draft pedestrian and bicycle master plan on Thursday, January 22 from 6-7:30 p.m. at EdVenture Children's Museum, 211 Gervais Street in the Canal Room. This is an opportunity for citizens to give input on the plan recommendations and talk one-on-one with the planning team before City leadership considers formally adopting the plan.

Walk Bike Columbia! is a comprehensive effort to address the pedestrian, bicycle and transit needs of the City of Columbia through detailed analysis, public participation and interagency collaboration. The website for the project is www.walkbikecolumbia.org and includes an interactive map where users can pinpoint specific locations where they would like to see infrastructure improvements, a 5-minute user survey and other documents and project briefings that are updated regularly.



PARK OF THE WEEK: ST. ANNA'S PARK

St. Anna's Park was refurbished in 2013 thanks to a \$15,000 grant through the national Sprite Spark Parks Project. Renovations included new asphalt surfaces on the park's basketball courts, restriping of half and full court lines, and regarding and repositioning of the full court to accommodate for a walking trail.

Through Community Block Development Grants, the City of Columbia Parks and Recreation Department was able to install new playground equipment, benches, a water foundation and fencing and trees were planted.

St. Anna's is home to a community center, which is open to the public from 2-6 p.m. weekdays. The center includes a multipurpose room, kitchen and computers with Internet access.

For more information about our parks, please visit the [Parks & Recreation's page online](#).



St. Anna's Park
1315 Liberty Hill Avenue
(803) 733-8450

PET OF THE WEEK: LOLA! (ID# A210381)

Lola is a one-year-old Labrador Retriever. She is very friendly and needs a lot of exercise. Lola is spayed, microchipped and ready to take home. Stop by Columbia Animal Shelter to see if she's the pet for you!

Visit Duke 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



Make Your Hometown Your Destination This Weekend

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8TH

TAPPS CULTURE SHAKE PRESENTS: A CREATIVE SURGE WITH THE EBB:FLOW MUSIC COLLECTIVE

An evening of music and live painting. Artists will create works inspired by the compositions of Morton Feldman, John Cage, and Terry Riley, as performed by the ebb:flow music collective. Bring your own work or come and enjoy the artistic process of some of Columbia's most promising visual artists as they foster a creative collaboration at Tapp's.



Location: Tapp's Arts Center, 1644 Main Street

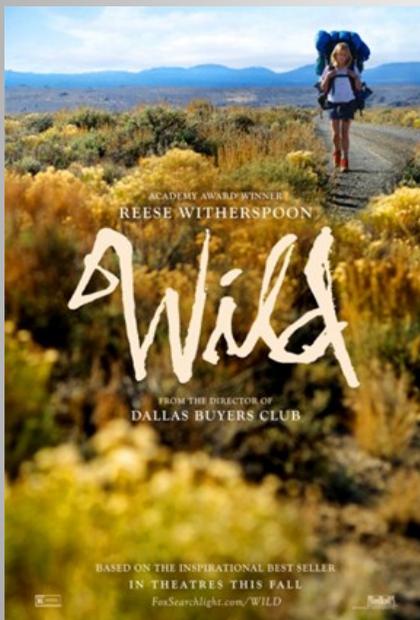
Time: 7 p.m.

Admission: \$5

Phone: 803-988-0013

Website: www.tappsartscenter.com

WILD



A chronicle of one woman who took a 1,100-mile solo hike undertaken as a way to recover from a recent catastrophe.

Location: Nickelodeon Theatre, 1607 Main Street

Time: 2:30, 5:30 & 8:30

Admission: \$8 - \$10

Phone: 803-254-8234

Website: www.nickelodeon.org/films/wild/



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FRIDAY, JANUARY 9TH

LECTURE & BOOK SIGNING: DIRECTOR OF THE NORMAN ROCKWELL MUSEUM LAURI NORTON MOFFATT

Laurie Norton Moffatt, director of the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, is one of the nation's leading specialists on Norman Rockwell. She will share her expertise on the life and works of the famed illustrator. Experience the latest ways of viewing Rockwell's work in this talk, presented in conjunction with the exhibition, Norman Rockwell: Behind the Camera. Moffatt will sign copies of the fully illustrated hardback exhibition catalogue following the lecture.



Location: Columbia Museum of Art, 1515 Main Street

Time: 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Admission: Free with membership or admission

Phone: 803-799-2810

Website: www.columbiamuseum.org

COLUMBIA HOME BUILDING AND REMODELING EXPO



This comprehensive and expansive home show brings together homeowners and many of the most knowledgeable and experienced remodeling and building experts. Every aspect of the home can be explored, from the smallest design detail to the largest house addition. Professionals will be on hand to share their valuable knowledge to bring your ideas to life or inspire you with new ones.

**Location: Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center,
1101 Lincoln Street Columbia, SC 29201**

Time: 2 – 8 p.m.

Admission: Adults \$4; Children (under 18) FREE

Phone: 803-545-0001

Website: www.columbiaconventioncenter.com



SATURDAY, JANUARY 10TH

HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS 2015 WORLD TOUR

The iconic Harlem Globetrotters are coming to town with their unrivaled family show, featuring some of the greatest athletes on the planet. With incredible ball handling wizardry, amazing rim-rattling dunks and trick shots, side-splitting comedy and unequaled on-court fan interaction, this must-see event is guaranteed to entertain the whole family – creating memories that will last a lifetime. The Globetrotters will face a great challenge this year, as the infamous Washington Generals are more determined than ever to beat the Globetrotters.



Location: Colonial Life Arena, 801 Lincoln Street

Time: 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Admission: \$23 - \$65

Phone: 803-576-9200

Website: www.coloniallifearena.com

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 Center

Time: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Admission: Free. Prices vary by vendor.

Phone: 803-269-3241

Website: www.sodacitysc.com



SUNDAY, JANUARY 11TH

MAIN STREET ICE



Grab your family and friends, and head down to Boyd Plaza today for Main Street ICE! The City of Columbia's outdoor ice skating rink has returned for another year of fun for the whole family.

Location: Main Street Ice, corner of Main and Hampton streets

Time: 1 – 9 p.m.

Admission: Adults \$10; seniors and military \$8; children (12 and under) \$8

Phone: 803-545-3100

Website: www.ColumbiaSC.net

USC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL GAME



Come support USC's women's basketball team as they compete against Kentucky.

Location: Colonial Life Arena, 801 Lincoln St.

Time: 1 p.m.

Admission: Adults: \$7 and youth \$4

Phone: 803-777-4274

Website: www.coloniallifearena.com



Become a Member Today!



Charles R. Drew Wellness Center

2101 Walker Solomon Way Columbia, SC 29201

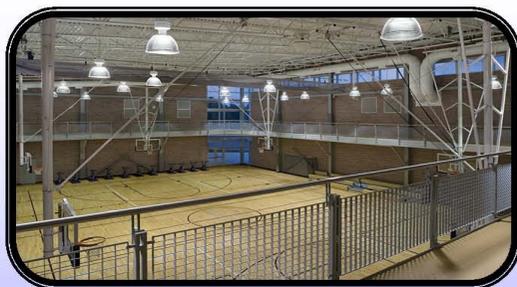
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www.drewwellnesscenter.com

New Year's Resolution Special

For a limited time, the Charles R. Drew Wellness Center is offering a ***New Year's Resolution membership special*** on new or renewing **YEARLY MEMBERSHIPS**.

Monthly Membership	Regular Rate (Resident/Non-Resident)	New Year's Special (Ends Jan. 31)
ADULT (18-49)	\$264/\$304	\$210
SENIOR (50+)	\$198/\$228	\$160
FAMILY (Up to 4 people)	\$396/\$456	\$325



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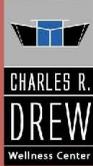
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Boot Camp with Nichole



Charles R. Drew Wellness Center

2101 Walker Solomon Way

Columbia, SC 29204

(803) 545-3200

www.DrewWellnessCenter.com

New Year's Boot Camp with Nichole



When: Thursday, January 8, 2015 @ 5:30-6PM

Cost: FREE for members, \$5 for nonmembers

Where: Drew Wellness Center Gym

Join our Head Personal Trainer, Nichole Williams, in a special introductory boot camp to help you kick start your New Year's weight loss resolutions.

To register, stop by our member services desk or call 803-545-3200.

Space is limited, so reserve your space now!



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Walk Bike Columbia



WALK BIKE COLUMBIA

A PROJECT OF THE CENTRAL MIDLANDS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND CITY OF COLUMBIA, SC

What will walking, bicycling, and transit in Columbia look like in 10 years?

Join us for a public meeting

to share the draft pedestrian and bicycle master plan for the City of Columbia.



Thursday, January 22nd
6:00 PM to 7:30 PM
(Presentation at 6 PM)

EdVenture Children's Museum
(Canal Room)
211 Gervais St,
Columbia, SC 29201

www.walkbikecolumbia.org

For questions or assistance with special needs, contact: City of Columbia Planning Department at (803) 545-0229.



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Meetings

DATE/TIME	TYPE OF MEETING	LOCATION
January 5 at 3 p.m.	LAND USE WORK SESSION/MEETING	1737 Main Street Council Chambers
January 6 at 6 p.m.	COUNCIL MEETING	1737 Main Street Council Chambers
January 8 at 10 a.m.	BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING	1737 Main Street Council Chambers
January 8 at 4 p.m.	DESIGN/DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMISSION MEETING	1737 Main Street Council Chambers



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