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Entrepreneur Showcase on January 18th at Coastal Carolina University

Come join the first ever “Entrepreneur Showcase: Business & Innovation on the Grand Strand.” There will be six local start-ups highlighting their path to where they are now, and the numerous resources in the Grand Strand that have helped them get to this place. At the end of the event, guests will get to vote on their winning presentation and decide who gets the big cash prize! So come to the Lib Jackson Student Union Theater on Coastal Carolina

University's campus and support your local businesses while learning why the Grand Strand is a great place to do business! We hope to see you there on January 18th at 6:30pm, doors open at 5:30pm.

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Blue Angels test out skies over Myrtle Beach for first show in over a decade here

The Blue Angels are in Myrtle Beach this week checking out the Grand Strand skies in preparation for a spring air show next year.

The two members of the U.S. Navy's demonstration team landed in an F/A-18 Hornet, multi-mission strike fighter, at the Myrtle Beach International Airport Monday afternoon to conduct the site visit.

Lt. Andre Webb and Lt. John David Steppe told the waiting crowd of local officials and media they were excited to be in Myrtle Beach for the first time.

The team will be here through Tuesday to meet with airport officials and the FAA, as well as local police, fire and emergency management teams to hash out the logistics for the spring show.

The Blue Angels will perform in their six signature gold-and-blue F/A-18 Hornets known for their hard-charging demonstration of precision formation flying while pushing their aircraft to the limits.

The Wings Over Myrtle Beach Air Show is set for April 28 and 29 at the airport, in which the Blue Angels will be the featured fliers.

To read more and see video [Click Here](#)



Local Home Builders Association Launches Student Chapter to fill 60,000 Jobs

The Home Builders Association says 60,000 construction jobs need to be filled just in the state South Carolina and current builders are aging out of the business.

To tackle this workforce issue, The Horry Georgetown Home Builders Association and area high schools are working together to attract a younger workforce.

"For us in the home building industry, if we can bring these kids in and also solve the issue of needing more contractors to work for us, we've done a good thing," said Rob Clemons with the Horry Georgetown Home Builders Association.

The Horry Georgetown Home Builders Association launched its first ever student chapter and has more than 50 members so far, from St. James High School and ATA.

"All of my students are members of the Student Home Builders Association. I'm very proud of that," said David Gaither an instructor at the Academy for Technology and Academics (ATA) in Horry County

Through the association, students are able to shadow builders and get a deeper glimpse into the industry, including touring new construction.

To read more about this [Click Here](#)



U.S. Third-Quarter Economic Growth Fastest in Three Years

The U.S. economy grew faster than initially thought in the third quarter, notching its quickest pace in three years, buoyed by robust business spending on equipment and an accumulation of inventories.

Gross domestic product expanded at a 3.3 percent annual rate last quarter also boosted by a rebound in government investment, the Commerce Department said in its second GDP estimate on Wednesday. That was the fastest pace since the third quarter of 2014 and a pickup from the second quarter's 3.1 percent rate.

The growth pace, however, likely exaggerates the health of the economy as inventories, goods yet to be sold, accounted for nearly a quarter of GDP growth. Excluding inventory investment, the economy grew at a 2.5 percent rate. When measured from the income side, output also expanded at a 2.5 percent rate.

"While welcomed improvement, the sustainability of growth has been reliant on pent-up demand and stockpiling of goods after grossly depleting inventories," said Lindsey Piegza, chief economist at Stifel Fixed Income in Chicago. Economists had expected that third-quarter GDP growth would be raised to a 3.2 percent rate. The brisk growth pace strengthens the case for the Federal Reserve to raise interest rates next month. The U.S. central bank has increased borrowing costs twice this year.

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From all of us at The MBREDC

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Josh Kay".

Josh Kay
President & CEO

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Sandy Davis
Vice President & COO

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sherri Steele".

Sherri Steele
Director of Investor Relations

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Lacey Dorman
Operations Assistant

MBREDC Member Referral Incentive



As a member and partner with the MBREDC, we are excited to now offer a Member Referral Program.

Effective immediately, any new member that you refer and becomes a partner of the MBREDC, the referring company will receive **\$100** credit towards their next years membership with the MBREDC.

There is no limit to the number of referrals credited to your renewing membership dues.

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