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Price cuts lead to prime cuts



Patrick Cheatham, owner of the Black Sheep Market GVL at 2301 Wade Hampton Blvd. in Greenville.

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Greenville's Black Sheep Market's growth as a Black-owned community hub begins with discounted gear

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If not for the closing of Bi-Lo on Pleasantburg Drive in 2021, one of Greenville's most popular Black-owned meat and butchery stops may have never opened.

During their liquidation, Patrick Cheatham used a \$1,200 budget to purchase a discounted meat-cutting machine, valued at around \$10,000, from the longtime southeastern grocery store chain to start what is now known as Black Sheep Market, located at 2301 Wade Hampton Blvd.

"Hey, kid," Cheatham recalled the store salesman yelling at him after rejecting his initial offer. "Come on, you can get it," Cheatham said, in explaining how the salesman changed their mind.

The unfortunate demise of Bi-Lo turned out to be a blessing for Greenville's Black community and families of



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all backgrounds, as the Hobart 5801 bandsaw purchased by Cheatham has cut bone-in meats for thousands across the Upstate since 2021.

"Overall, we are underrepresented in this space," said Cheatham, who admitted he has come across only four Black-

owned butcher shops through his travels since starting his business five years ago. "If you look at every culture, there's a way of eating, and our butcher shop is no different."

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U.S. Rep. Nancy Mace, candidate for South Carolina governor, speaks with the media Feb. 16 at Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium.

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Mace slams magazine article, Graham goes overseas

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U.S. Rep. Nancy Mace is calling a recent piece by New York Magazine a "national hit job."

New York Magazine released an article in early February titled "Nancy Mace is not Okay." The article was largely based on allegations against Mace made by anonymous former staff members, which Mace has disputed on social media.

This week's *About Politics* examines why South Carolina politicians are making headlines this week—from Mace to a podcast that highlighted a local mayor's work to create a thriving downtown.

Staffer allegations make international headlines

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SC gambling bills face setbacks amid economic and addiction concerns

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Two gambling-related bills introduced in South Carolina's 2026 legislative session are already encountering early setbacks.

Efforts to legalize gambling have largely been controversial in South Carolina. While lottery tickets remain the only form of legalized gambling in South Carolina, lawmakers are considering two bills that would expand gambling options in the state.

Senate Bill 444 which would legalize

sports betting, and House Bill 4176 which would allow construction of a casino on Interstate 95, are sitting in legislative committees and have seen little progress since being introduced.

Greenville businessman Wallace

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Despite arguments about a possible economic benefit, religious organizations such as the Palmetto Family Alliance have expressed staunch opposition to legalized gambling. COLIN BOYLE/INDYSTAR

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