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Saluting region's role in fight for independence



Soldier stands at the ready at the cannon during the live fire demonstration. Historic Brattonsville is marking the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution with a series of events designed to bring to life the region's role in the fight for independence. PROVIDED BY CULTURE & HERITAGE MUSEUMS.

Brattonsville plans Revolutionary War events ahead of July 4

Greenville News
USA TODAY NETWORK

Historic Brattonsville is marking the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution with a series of events designed to bring to life the region's role in the fight for independence.

The 800-acre site will highlight life in the Carolina Piedmont during the Revolutionary era, from the experiences of a Patriot colonel and

his family to the battlefield of Huck's Defeat — a key turning point for Patriot forces during the Southern Campaign.

Independence Day events planned

A series of events leading up to Independence Day will give visitors a chance to experience history firsthand.

On June 27, the site will host an Independence Day celebration

featuring patriotic speeches, readings of the Declaration of Independence, battlefield tours, colonial games, and hot air balloon launches.

On July 4, programming will focus on military activity in the South Carolina Backcountry, including demonstrations tied to the Battle of Huck's Defeat, which was fought on the property in 1780.

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SPARTANBURG COUNTY



Spartanburg County Council members Jessica Coker and Monier Abusoft said a one-year moratorium on data centers will give county and state leaders time to develop policies to regulate the industry.

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Council takes first vote on data center moratorium

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Spartanburg Herald-Journal
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Spartanburg County Council members held a special meeting at 9 a.m. on June 22 to pass the first reading of a moratorium on data centers.

The vote came a week after the council's regular monthly meeting.

On June 15, council members instructed county administrator Cole Alverson and his legal team to draft a moratorium.

Councilwoman Jessica Coker said she and her colleagues moved quickly after learning that LightHouse Data Centers had begun the permitting process to develop a facility in the former R.R. Donnelley plant at 300 Jones Road.

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More Greenville officers to patrol after Haywood Mall shooting

Terry Benjamin II

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More officers will be stationed around Haywood Mall in Greenville after two people were shot during a verbal altercation on June 13.

According to Sgt. Jonathan Bragg

with the Greenville Police Department, the agency is working with Haywood Mall to increase the number of off-duty police officers.

On Saturday, June 13, a Greenville police officer stationed at Haywood Mall responded to sounds of gunshots at about 1:11 p.m.

When the officer moved to the plaza

between Macy's and Belk, where the shots were heard, he discovered a female with a gunshot wound to the foot. As he moved to Belk, he found a male with a gunshot wound to his neck and shoulder area. The officer provided descriptions of the fleeing suspects to responding officers and arrested Kamari Walker on the scene.

"We value our strong, longstanding partnership with Haywood Mall management, which remains proactive in public safety," Bragg said.

He said the increase in the number of officers is currently being implemented.

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