



On the move!

Top achievements in local business

ACADEMICS

HGTC culinary students raise over \$11,000 for Study Abroad Club

Horry-Georgetown Technical College presents the results of a recent exclusive dinner event hosted at the International Culinary Institute of Myrtle Beach. Chef James Porter, an award-winning chef and business owner from TERRA Manor & Farm in Prescott, Arizona, visited the HGTC Grand Strand campus and worked with students and faculty.

In addition, an exclusive dinner event was hosted by instructors and students successfully raising \$11,360 for culinary students to participate in the Study Abroad program. The funds will directly support culinary students' international experiences, allowing them to explore diverse cuisines, cultures, and culinary techniques.

"We are thrilled by the overwhelming support from our community," said Joseph Bonaparte, HGTC executive director of the International Culinary Institute of Myrtle Beach. "These funds will enable our students to participate in enriching study abroad opportunities, enhancing their culinary education. Right now, we are planning trips to Vienna, Austria, France and Italy for the 2024-2025 academic year."

The event, hosted on June 13, presented a unique opportunity to experience Porter's exceptional culinary talents and his dedication to sustainable and locally sourced ingredients. Local businesses, alumni and community members generously contributed to the cause. The Study Abroad program aims to broaden students' horizons, foster cross-cultural understanding and provide hands-on learning experiences. Participants have the chance to work alongside renowned chefs, visit local markets and immerse themselves in global culinary traditions.

"We were thrilled to host Chef James Porter on our campus for an exceptional event. His culinary achievements and commitment to local businesses and sustainability served as an inspiration for our students and community. The evening not only celebrated his culinary artistry but also provided crucial support for our Study Abroad Club, promoting global learning and cultural exchange," said Dr. Marilyn

Murphy Fore, HGTC president.

To find out more about the HGTC International Culinary Institute of Myrtle Beach or other HGTC programs, call 843-347-3186 or visit hgtc.edu/culinary.

ATTRACTIONS

Brookgreen Gardens recognizes three Huntington Exemplary Service Award recipients

On June 15, Brookgreen Gardens hosted a Juneteenth celebration and award

ceremony where three exceptional South Carolinians were honored with the Huntington Exemplary Service Award. Established to recognize individuals who have worked to improve race relations in South Carolina and Georgetown and Horry counties in 2023-24, this award is bestowed in tribute to the philanthropic spirit of Brookgreen's founders, Anna and Archer Huntington. In addition to the ceremony, the celebration also featured tours of Brookgreen's Gullah Geechee Gaardin, artist talks, and live jazz performances, enriching the event with cultural experiences and community engagement.

The award recipient for Georgetown County was artist and actress Natalie Daise, recognized for her lifelong dedication to promoting cultural understanding through education, storytelling and artistic expression, exemplified by her acclaimed theatrical performances and community-based art projects.

Marjorie Coakley McIver, represented at the ceremony by her son, received the Horry County Award for her distinguished career in education and leadership roles within Horry County schools, in addition to serving as founder of the Black History Cultural Arts Association where she organizes programs to educate youth about their heritage.

Herb Frazier, Charleston-based writer and special projects editor for the Charleston City Paper, was the recipient of the State Award, celebrated for his inter-

national reporting, advocacy for Gullah Geechee cultural heritage and his former role representing South Carolina on the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission.

MEDICAL

McLeod welcomes Crosby as new Carolina Forest primary care provider

McLeod Health welcomes Dr. Justin Crosby to McLeod Primary Care Postal

Way located in Carolina Forest.

Crosby partners with primary care physician, Dr. Jeffrey Lindaberry.

Crosby has over 17 years of healthcare experience. He began his career as an NREMT paramedic in Honolulu, Hawaii, and later in Omaha, Nebraska. He served as EMS supervisor of critical care transport at Omaha Children's Hospital and Medical Center before deciding to continue his



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Chef James Porter instructs the culinary students for fundraising dinner.

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