#### **Councilman Manning Celebrates Sesqui Trail Opening**

On December 8, 2012, Councilman Jim Manning participated in the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to commemorate the reopening of the newly improved Sandhills Hiking Trail at Sesquicentennial State Park in Richland County District 8. This is the only State Park located in Richland County. The keynote speaker was SC Dept of Parks, Recreation & Tourism's Director of Park Services, Phil Gaines (pictured). Also shown speaking is Ms. Carol Kososki, Jim's appointee to the Richland County Conservation Commission. The Commission provided grant money to build the bridge at the trail head.



### **Councilman Manning Helps Plant Arbor Day Tree**

Councilman Jim Manning took part in the Richland County Arbor Day Ceremonial Tree Planting on December 4, 2012. Jim is shown shoveling dirt with Council colleague Bill Malinowski (Rt) as the tree was being planted on the old LRADAC site beside the County Administration building on Hampton Street. Also shown are students from Forest Lake Elementary School (located in District 8) who read vignettes about the Arbor Day occasion.



#### **Councilman Manning Visits 2012 Parade of Homes**

The 2012 Parade of Homes sponsored by the Home Builders Association of Greater Columbia was held in District 8 at the Olde Park in Forest Acres. The 26th annual event showcased 4 homes designed, constructed, furnished and decorated by some of Columbia's outstanding professionals. Councilman Jim Manning is shown pictured with HBA Executive Director Earl McLeaod and Old St. Nicholas.



#### **Councilman Manning Cuts Ribbon at Grand Opening**

On November 9, 2012 Councilman Jim Manning was honored to cut the ribbon at the Grand Opening Ceremony for Richland County's newest affordable community just off Decker Blvd. The Arcadia Park Apartments is a Public-Private Partnership between Carlisle Development Group and the SC State Housing Finance Authority that created 150 jobs and represents a \$9.4M investment in the area. All units were rented when construction was completed and there are already 201 people on the waiting list. Decker Blvd. Business Coalition President and Richland School District TWO Commissioner James Manning is standing to Jim's immediate right.



# **Councilman Manning Attends Korean Festival**

The 8th Annual Korean Fall Festival was held on November 10, 2012 and Councilman Jim Manning attended to enjoy some Bulgogi (marinated beef with sautéed onions), exhibit booths, entertainment and other wholesome family fun. Jim is shown with Mr. and Mrs. Jaehoon Choe of the Korean Association dressed in colorful native attire and his wife "Doc." All proceeds raised went to support local charities.

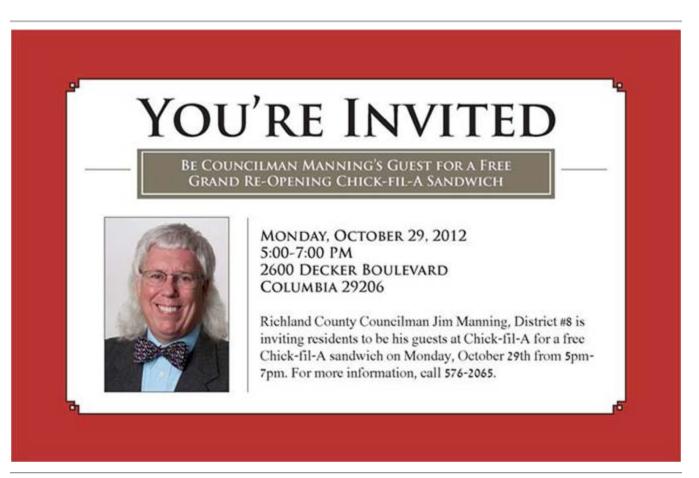


#### **Councilman Manning Attends Brookfield Festival**

On October 27, 2012, Councilman Jim Manning attended the 2nd Annual Brookfield Neighborhood

Association's Fall Festival. Jim is shown with the Brookfield President, and Richland School District TWO Commissioner James Manning (Lt). Also shown is the face painting activity table and Jim's Great Niece, Taylor Manning showing off the fine art of the face painter. Neighbors enjoyed each other's company, hot dogs, cup cakes and the Cotton Candy Machine.





Councilman Jim Manning addresses new Richland County Façade Grant Program

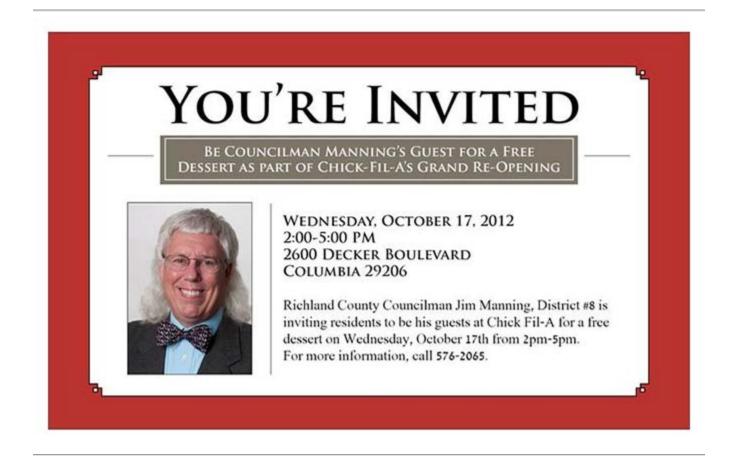
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# Councilman Manning Attends 2012 MEDWEEK Awards Luncheon

The South Carolina Minority Enterprise Development Week awards luncheon was held on October 17, 2012 at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center. Mr. Herbert Fielding accepted the Pioneer

Award on behalf of the Fielding Home for Funerals. He is shown pictured (center) with Mr. I. S. Leevy Johnson (Lt) and Mr. James L. Felder holding a picture from 1970 when they were the 1st Africa Americans elected the SC House of Representative since reconstruction. Jim is shown with former Representative Jim Felder at a display table that featured Mr. Felder's books, Civil Rights in South Carolina: From Protests to Groundbreaking Rulings and I Buried John F. Kennedy.





#### **Councilman Manning Attends Neighborhood Conference**

On October 13, 2012, Councilman Jim Manning attended the 8th annual Richland County Neighborhood Planning Conference held at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center. Jim is shown pictured with Councilman Norman Jackson (Lt), Keynote Speaker Mitch Silver who is the President of the American Planning Association and Tracy Hegler, the RC Planning Division Director.

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### **Councilman Manning Visits State Museum Festival**

The State Museum held their Fall Heritage Festival & Pickin' Party on October 13, 2012 featuring blue grass mountain music and local artisans offering their pottery, jewelry, paintings, crafts, etc. for sale. Jim is shown with local rustic artist Neal Derrick in front of his booth displaying his unique style of paintings.



# **Councilman Manning Provides Invocation at Tanner Race**

Councilman Jim Manning was invited to provide the Invocation at the 7th annual Ray Tanner Foundation Home Run 5K / 12K road race held on October 13, 2012. The event included a record number 1,800+ runners and 250 volunteers. Following the presentation of colors by the A. C. Flora JROTC and National Anthem, Race Director Ken Lowden (pictured) introduces Karen Tanner who thanked the crowd for supporting the Foundation's work.

