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Committee of 100

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- Donnie Weeks
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KCEDO Events and Awards

July 2008

-Hosted Deloitte China Services group with a dinner and tour Haier's Camden facility.

September 2008

-Participated with SC Department of Commerce on a marketing trip to China including stops in Shanghai, Xiamen, Guangzhou, and Hong Kong.

-Named by *Southern Business & Development* magazine, "Top 10 Edge Community."

-Received Merit Award from Southern Economic Development Council Literature & Promotion Awards competition for its Wateree Executive Park brochure.

-Hosted Industry Appreciation Golf Tournament

# News 100

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December 2008

## Target Announces Significant Expansion

The largest contiguous building in Kershaw County is set to become even bigger. In September, Target Corporation announced a significant expansion to its Lugoff facility. The 1.35 million square foot facility will grow by 450,000 square feet for a total of 1.8 million square feet. When completed, the Lugoff facility will become the largest center within Target's distribution network.

The company plans to invest \$73 million in the building and additional machinery. This expansion is a direct result of the growth of Target stores in the southeast. Currently, the Lugoff facility services 60-74 stores in South Carolina, North Carolina, Florida, Georgia, and parts of Tennessee. When completed, the number stores serviced will reach 100.



Construction on Target Corporation expansion began in October

Kershaw County Council recently approved an amendment to the company's existing Fee-in-Lieu of Tax (FILOT) agreement. This amendment will allow Target to place the new investment in its current agreement which will reduce the company's future property taxes.

## KCMC Breaks Ground on Elgin Facility



KCMC and Kershaw County officials break ground on the new Elgin medical center

On August 27th, officials from Kershaw County Medical Center and Kershaw County came together to celebrate the groundbreaking of the hospital's Elgin facility as well as the grand opening of Wateree Executive Park. KCMC's 42,000 square foot facility is scheduled to be complete in 2009. When finished, the two story complex will house urgent care services and imaging services including MRI, X-Ray, and digital mammography. Cardiology services will also be offered.

The County also celebrated the grand opening of the office park by thanking its many partners on the project including Fairfield Electric Cooperative as a contributor to the land purchase and AT&T for providing and infrastructure grant. Kershaw County purchased the 60-acre property in 2005 and started immediately talking with KCMC about being a tenant in the park. In 2007, Kershaw County Medical Center purchased nine acres in Wateree leading the way for the new facility.



Construction on the new KCMC medical facility is underway

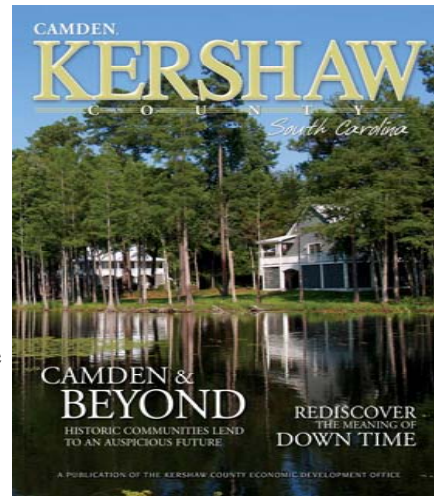
Construction of the Phase I infrastructure is complete including the entrance/ roadway, water and sewer mains, signage and landscaping.

## Economic Development Office Publishes 3rd Quality of Life Magazine

The third edition of the Kershaw County Quality of Life Magazine rolled off the presses in October. Published by SouthComm Inc. of Alpharetta, Georgia, the magazine targets corporate executives considering Kershaw County as a potential location and families considering a relocation.

The magazine is intended to showcase the wonderful quality of life we enjoy in Kershaw County. Highlights of the publication include sections on New-comer Facts & Information, Lifestyle/Community Living, History, Education, Leisure & Recreation, Healthcare, and Economic Development. Thanks goes out to the many advertisers who made the magazine possible.

To receive a copy, please contact Leigh Hughes at (803) 425-7685 or the Camden Chamber of Commerce at (803) 432-2525. An electronic version will also be available to download after December 4th at [www.kershawcountysc.org](http://www.kershawcountysc.org) and at [www.camden-sc.org](http://www.camden-sc.org).



## Kershaw County Welcomes Haier Chairman



Haier Chairman Zhang Ruimin accepts a token of the County's appreciation from Clay Young, county administrator. Zhang was in Camden meeting with local Haier officials to discuss the plant's operations. Young and Nelson Lindsay presented Chairman Zhang with a plaque of appreciation for Haier's many contributions to Kershaw County.

## C100 Host 17th Annual Industry Appreciation Golf Tournament



On September 22, 2008, the Committee of 100 and Kershaw County Economic Development Office hosted its 17th Annual Industry Appreciation Golf Tournament. Held at the historic Camden Country Club, 88 golfers enjoyed beautiful weather and good fellowship. Pictured below is the first place team consisting of Gary Morris, Dean Riddle, Steve Kelly and Stephen Roddey.

## Gene Wise Named Economic Development Ambassador

Each year as part of Industry Appreciation Week, Governor Mark Sanford recognizes a local business leader as an Ambassador of Economic Development. This year's recipient for Kershaw County was Gene Wise, general manager of Target's distribution center in Lugoff. Wise was honored in a ceremony held at the Governor's Mansion Complex on September 15th.

Under Gene's leadership, the Lugoff facility has become one of Kershaw County's largest employers and one of its best corporate citizens. As a board member of the Kershaw County Chamber of Commerce, Wise help establish the Partners in Education Program, which encourages businesses to support local schools.

He received his bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Detroit and a master's of business administration degree from Michigan State. His community involvement also includes the United Way, Committee of 100, Industrial Association and Fine Arts Center. Recently, Target announced a \$73 million expansion that will make the Lugoff facility the largest distribution center in their network.



*Governor Mark Sanford and  
Gene Wise*

## Eckford to Lead C100

At its June 23, 2008 meeting, the Committee of 100 Board of Directors elected Karen Eckford as its chairman for the 2008-2009 fiscal year. Eckford, the city executive for NBSC, has served on the C100 Board since 2002. She replaces Chuck Nash as chairman.

Also, three board members were selected to new three year terms beginning in July. They include:

- Rudy Kohn, retired admiral
- Jean Duncan, INVISTA
- Bill Hart, Fairfield Electric Cooperative

## KCEDO Adds New Staff Member

The Kershaw County Economic Development Office is pleased to welcome Leigh Hughes as the organization's new administrative assistant. Leigh joins us from Hussey, Gay, Bell & DeYoung, an engineering firm in Columbia.

Leigh will handle all administration and support functions for KCEDO, the Committee of 100, and Industrial/Human Resources Association. Leigh also is in charge of the C100's annual Industry Appreciation Golf Tournament, recently held at Camden Country Club.

A native of Anderson, Leigh graduated Anderson University with a degree in Human Services and Resources. She resides in Camden with her husband Josh and 14 month old son Rhett. Leigh replaces Mandi Logan, who recently accepted a position in human resources at the Kershaw County School District.