

Newsbank provides access to complete full-text content of local and regional news published in *The State* newspaper. Coverage includes features, sports, entertainment, community events, schools, politics, government policies, cultural activities, local companies, state industries, and people in the community. The archives contain in-depth information on local and regional issues, as well as national and international news, and extend back to late 1987, although some content was removed. Paid advertisements and syndicated columns are not included.

Newsbank offers two other news services: 1) ***America's Obituaries and Death Notices***, an easy-to-use interface allows searching by name, date range, or text such as institutional name, social affiliation, geographic location, philanthropic activities, etc., and 2) ***America's Newspapers***, a database containing more than 600 US newspapers.

Computer commands, field names and mouse actions are in *Italics*.
Text that you must type is within single quote marks (' ').

The State Newspaper Archive

Go to: RCPL Web site (www.myrpl.com)

Click on: *Research Tools*

Click on: *News and Magazines*

Click on: *Newsbank*

Click on: *State, The*



Click *New Search* (top right of the *Search* button) to begin each new question.

1. I need information on Governor Sanford's platform and campaign in 2002.

- Type 'Sanford campaign platform governor' in the *for:* box under *Searching: State, The (Columbia, SC)*.
- Click on the *custom date* radio button
- Type '2002' in the *custom date* box
- Click the green *Search* button.

2. I am looking for Elsie D. Heller's obituary. She lived in Newberry, and I think she died in 2003 or 2004.

- Type 'Elsie adj2 heller' in the *for:* box under *Searching: State, The (Columbia, S.C.)*

Tip*: Using *adj2* between Elsie and Heller searches for these words within 2 words of each other – searching this way locates the name even if a maiden name, nickname, middle name, or middle initial is used.

Tip*: *Newsbank* only indexes *The State* as far back as 1987, and many of those earlier years do not contain all the content from each newspaper. Obituaries may also be searched using *America's Obituaries and Death Notices*, which is also in *Newsbank*. The library can assist you in finding older obituaries on microfilm.

- Click the green *Search* button.

3. I found a great turkey stuffing recipe a couple of years ago in the newspaper, but now I can't find it.

- Click on: *Advanced Search* (next to the green *Search* button)
- Type: "turkey stuffing" in the *for:* box under *Searching: State, The (Columbia SC)*.

Tip*: Using the double quotes around your search terms will search for that specific phrase.

- ❑ In the box underneath the *for:* box, type 'recipe'.
- ❑ Click on: *in Index Terms* from the drop down menu next to the box containing 'recipe'
- ❑ Click the green *Search* button.

4. I'd like some articles about the controversy over removing the Confederate flag from the State House in Columbia. When I tried just a keyword search I got a lot of articles that just mentioned the flag but didn't have enough information.

- ❑ Click on: *Advanced Search* (next to the green *Search* button)
- ❑ Type: 'confederate flag state house' in the *find:* box
- ❑ Click on: *in Headline* from the drop down menu next to the box
- ❑ Click the green *Search* button.

America's Obituaries and Death Notices

Go to: RCPL Web site (www.myrpl.com)

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Click on: *News and Magazines*

Click on: *Newsbank*

Click on: *America's Obituaries and Death Notices*



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1. I'm looking for my grandfather's obituary. His name was Joseph Doman but sometimes he went by Joe; I don't know which name would have been in the newspaper.

- ❑ In the top left *Name of Deceased* box, type '(Joseph or Joe) Doman'. Using the parentheses will give results with either name.
- ❑ Click the red *Search* button.

2. I'm looking for obituaries of people who were affiliated with the Order of the Eastern Star who have died in South Carolina.

- ❑ In the top right *Obituary Text* box, type 'Eastern Star'.
- ❑ Scroll down past the map of the United States until you see individual state names. They are organized by regions – you'll find South Carolina under *South Atlantic*.
- ❑ Click the box next to *South Carolina*.

Tip*. If you want to search a specific newspaper or see which newspapers are indexed, click on the state name or the outline of the state on the map.

- ❑ Scroll back up to the top of the page to click the red *Search* button.

3. I'm organizing a class reunion and we need to find obituaries of Citadel graduates who died between 2000 and 2007.

- ❑ In the top middle *Limit By Date* box, type '2000-2007'.
- ❑ In the top right *Obituary Text* box, type 'Citadel'.
- ❑ Click the red *Search* button.

America's Newspapers

Go to: RCPL Web site (www.myrcl.com)

Click on: *Research Tools*

Click on: *News and Magazines*

Click on: *Newsbank*

Click on: *America's Newspapers*



Click *New Search* (top right of the *Search* button) to begin each new question.

1. **I need articles from Texas newspapers on controversies over textbook coverage of evolution.**
 - Type 'evolution textbooks' in the *for* box under *Searching: United States*.
 - Scroll down past the map of the United States to find individual states. They are listed by region and you'll find Texas under *West South Central*.
 - Click the box next to *Texas*.
 - Scroll up to the top of the page to click the green *Search* button.

2. **Several years ago there was an article in the Bangor Daily News about the Great Schooner Race. I used to have a clipping, but I lost it.**
 - Click the *Advanced Search* link next to the green *Search* button.
 - Type "great schooner race" in the first *for* box under *Searching: United States*. Leave the drop down menu at *in All Text*.
 - In the box under the first box, type 'Bangor Daily News'.
 - Change the drop down menu to the right of this box to *in Source*.
 - Click the green *Search* button.