

Accidents claim 12 lives in state

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Six persons drowned in South Carolina over the long July Fourth weekend and six died in traffic accidents, authorities said.

Two Conway residents drowned in separate accidents in the Waccamaw River in Horry County Sunday afternoon, the president of the Horry Rescue Squad, Phillip Hendricks, said. The victims were identified as Richard J. Ford, 10, and Laura Denise Causby, 15.

In Charleston, the body of Leslie Wellington Hall, 47, of Summerville, reported missing Saturday when his motorboat overturned in a thunderstorm, was found in the harbor Sunday.

On Sunday, McCormick County sheriff's deputies found the body of a woman who drowned in Clark Hill Reservoir. Gloria Elizabeth Clerc, 22, of Aiken, had been last seen on a raft in the water late Friday night.

The body of Theodore Goings was recovered by state Wildlife Department divers from a abandoned rock quarry near Columbia Saturday. The 21-year-old Columbia resident disappeared in about 20 feet of water while swimming Friday evening.

1980 Jul Theo Goings drowns at quarry

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