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ON THE MOVE IN THE MIDLANDS

Wells Fargo commits \$4.1 million to boost Columbia area homeownership

Wells Fargo, NeighborWorks® America and its network member Origin announced the NeighborhoodLIFT® program with a \$4.1 million commitment by Wells Fargo to help boost homeownership in Richland and Lexington counties. “This innovative public-private partnership will make a significant difference for eligible homebuyers with the support of homebuyer education and down payment assistance.” [Read More](#)

State partnership launches “Don’t Waste Food S.C.” campaign to reduce food waste

The S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control, S.C. Department of Commerce and S.C. Department of Agriculture announced Don't Waste Food S.C. – a collaborative campaign to reduce the number one item thrown away in the state: wasted food. [See More](#)

1x1 Design celebrates five year anniversary

A five year celebration was held June 22, 2016 for 1x1 Design, Inc. an architectural design firm in Columbia. The event was held at 701 Whaley, with catering by Scott Hall and music by The Mustache Brothers. [See More](#)

How to Manage a Company’s Image

Brian Maynor, Style Coach: “I write a lot about image from a personal standpoint, but lately I have had some questions about larger image issues, particularly from companies trying to re-brand or simply create a cohesive ‘look’.” [Read More](#)

United Way of the Midlands announces 2016-2017 executive officers, new Board Members

As United Way of the Midlands kicks off a new campaign season, the organization is also welcoming its 2016-2017 Executive Officers and Board Members. Holt Chetwood, Senior VP and Midlands Market President at Wells Fargo, will serve as Chair of the Board of Directors. [See More](#)

CPA appointed by Governor Haley to South Carolina Board of Accountancy

CPA Brian L. Johnson, co-founder and Tax Partner of SuggsJohnson CPAs, has been appointed by South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley to statewide service on the South Carolina Board of Accountancy [See More](#)

LCK's Wes Slice appointed Board Chair of Midlands Fatherhood Coalition

Wes Slice has recently been appointed Board Chair of Midlands Fatherhood Coalition (MFC). Slice was first appointed to the Board in 2014. [See More](#)

Chambers-ranked attorney Phil Conner bolsters Williams Mullen's environment & natural resources practice

Williams Mullen announced that Phil Conner has joined the firm as a Partner in the firm's Environment & Natural Resources practice. [See More](#)

Bauknight Pietras and Stormer named to US Captive Service Awards shortlist

Bauknight Pietras & Stormer, P.A. was recently named to the "shortlist" of finalists in the CPA Firm category for the 2016 US Captive Services Awards. [See More](#)

Britax names Maria Montaña as president of the Americas

Britax Child Safety, Inc., a leading manufacturer of premium car seats, strollers and accessories, announced the appointment of Maria Montaña as president of Britax Americas. [See More](#)

Richland County terminates EMS worker after social media posts

After completing an investigation that revealed a violation of personnel policies and "erosion of public trust," Richland County terminated a senior paramedic Wednesday. [See More](#)

Georgia and South Carolina announce collaborative infrastructure project on I-20

Georgia Governor Nathan Deal and South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley jointly announced a state partnership for an estimated \$75 million project to replace the existing Interstate 20 bridges over the Savannah River and the Augusta Canal, and to widen a portion of I-20.

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NAI Avant arranges ±3,490 SF retail investment sale at Clemson Road Bojangles'

NAI Avant Senior Brokers Nick Stomski, SIOR, Ben Kelly, CCIM and Patrick Chambers recently closed the investment sale of the Bojangles' at 2800 Clemson Road. [See More](#)

CIU Alumnus named Alaska's Education Commissioner

Alaska's new education commissioner received his earliest training in education in the heat and humidity of South Carolina. [See More](#)

Call for artists for the 701 CCA Prize 2016 for South Carolina artists 40 years & younger

701 Center for Contemporary Art in Columbia, S.C., announces the third installment of the 701 CCA Prize, a bi-annual art competition and exhibition for professional South Carolina artists 40 years and younger. [See More](#)

Rosen Hagood attorney appointed to leadership position with ABA Young Lawyers Division

Rosen Hagood announced that Liam Duffy has been appointed as the 2016-2017 Chair of the American Bar Association Young Lawyers Division's Law Practice Committee. [See More](#)

Tower International establishing first S.C. facility in Upstate

Tower International, a leading integrated global manufacturer of engineered structural metal components and assemblies, is establishing its first South Carolina operations in Greenville County. [See More](#)

First Reliance makes partial redemption of TARP preferred

First Reliance Bank announced that it redeemed another 7,000 shares of its Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A that were originally issued to the United States Department of the Treasury under the Troubled Asset Relief Program Capital Purchase Program ("TARP"). [See More](#)

Kingman Airline Services establishing operations in Horry County

Kingman Airline Services, an Arizona-based maintenance, repair and overhaul company, announced plans to establish operations in Horry County. [See More](#)

Newmark Grubb Wilson Kibler wins 7th Costar Power

Brokers Award

Newmark Grubb Wilson Kibler announced that for the 7th consecutive year, the company has been selected by CoStar Group, commercial real estate's leading independent research firm, to receive a CoStar Power Broker Award for both leasing and sales transactions. [See More](#)

Barb Williams promoted to Office Manager, Columbia

Office

Mashburn Construction announces the promotion of Barb Williams to Office Manager at the company's Columbia headquarters. [See More](#)

Sierra Club challenges latest SCE&G nuclear plant cost overrun

The South Carolina Chapter of the Sierra Club filed a petition to intervene before the state Public Service Commission to challenge SCE&G's latest \$850 million cost overrun and schedule delay for its V.C. Summer Nuclear Plant, Units 2 and 3. [See More](#)

Office building sold in Columbia

Cushman & Wakefield | Thalhimer announced the sale of 221 Dawson Road in Columbia. [See More](#)

Advertisement of Vacancy on Façade Improvement

Review Committee

The City of Columbia's Office of Business Opportunities is accepting applications to fill the Architect and Commercial Loan Officer vacancies on the Façade Improvement Review Committee. [See More](#)

Advertisement of vacancies on various boards and commissions

The City of Columbia is accepting applications to fill several vacancies on the following boards and commissions. [See More](#)

JOB OPENING - Research Associate

NAI AVANT is seeking a Research Associate to work in its downtown Columbia office. [See More](#)

2016 Business Lexpo

On August 4, The Greater Lexington Chamber and Visitors Center will host more than 60 local businesses at the 2016 Business Lexpo at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Lexington from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. [See More](#)

Summer Concerts in the Park – Newberry

July 15 @ 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Flat Out Strangers / gypsy jazz featuring the awesome local guitarist, Jerry Sims. [See More](#)

State Museum hosts Multicultural Day and Community

Health Fair

Saturday, July 16 @ 10:00 am - 3:00 pm - the Multicultural Day and Community Health Fair will include a number of cultural organizations showcasing their traditional customs, dance and music. [See More](#)

2016 Palmetto Tasty Tomato Festival

This Saturday, July 16 @ 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Tasty Tomato is a celebration of locally grown food that highlights and the people who grow it. [See More](#)

Events around Columbia and the Midlands

See business and after hours events here. [Read More](#)

Political cartoons from Robert Ariail

Published on MidlandsBiz.com almost daily. [See More](#)

Kathleen Parker: For whom Trump tolls?

"Perusing the wires on a deadline morn, I was struck by a constellation of intellectuals struggling to translate the relative meanings of Brexit, Donald Trump and the West's populist surge against elites." [Read More](#)

Robert Samuelson: Getting globalization right

"Can we get globalization right? It has emerged as an all-purpose scapegoat for our economic woes — lost jobs, depressed wages, large trade deficits, greater income inequality, anxieties about the future." [Read More](#)

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