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ON THE MOVE IN THE MIDLANDS

The MidlandsBiz Entrepreneur Minute with Mike Davis, owner and executive chef of Terra

Chef Mike Davis and Terra are celebrating the restaurant's 10th anniversary in October. In 2006, Davis opened the doors of Terra where he's successfully making a mark on the regional and national map for his seasonal preparation of the area's most loved dishes – but always with his own update. [Read More](#)

Columbia City Councilwoman Leona Plough passes away after 2-year battle with cancer

Columbia City District 4 Councilwoman Leona Plough passed away yesterday, Wednesday, September 28th after a 2-year battle with cancer. [See More](#)

United Way opens new headquarters and community center

United Way of the Midlands, along with hundreds of community members and supporters, celebrated its new location and the grand opening of its Community Innovation Center located at 1818 Blanding Street in downtown Columbia at the organization's ribbon cutting ceremony on Tuesday, September 27. [See More](#)

Why a Degree is no Longer Enough

Brian Maynor, Style & Business Coach: "Just a couple of decades ago, when I was matriculating, earning a college degree carried a lot more weight when it came to setting yourself up for success than it does today." [Read More](#)

Kopiec joins Rogers Townsend

Rogers Townsend & Thomas, PC, has announced that Catherine Ava Kopiec has joined the Firm's litigation team in Columbia. [See More](#)

SC Chamber hires EMMY winning journalist

The South Carolina Chamber of Commerce announced Andrea Mock has joined the team as the Associate Vice President of Communications and Public Relations. [See More](#)

New Accounting Standards May Affect Whether or Not to Lease

The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) has issued new Accounting Standards Update 2016-02 “Leases (Topic 842)”. The standard requires lessees to recognize lease assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet and disclose key information about leasing arrangements. [See More](#)

Aziz Ansari, GSSM Class of 2000, wins Emmy for Outstanding Writing for a Comedy Series

Comedian Aziz Ansari, graduate of the South Carolina Governor’s School of Science & Mathematics’ (GSSM) class of 2000, was awarded an Emmy for Outstanding Writing for a Comedy Series for his original series “Master of None.” He co-wrote the episode “Parents,” with the show’s co-creator Alan Yang. [See More](#)

Northeast Presbyterian Church launches “Legacy of Faith” campaign

Northeast Presbyterian Church (PCA) senior pastor, Dr. George Crow, says, “The calling that God has welded to [his] heart in recent months” is now being realized as the church’s Legacy of Faith, a three-year capital-campaign effort aimed at paying for recent sanctuary renovations as well as getting a jump on planned renovations of the students’ and young children’s areas of the church’s six-acre campus on Polo Rd. in northeast Columbia, S.C. [See More](#)

Lisle Traywick joins Sowell Gray as an associate

Vordman Carlisle “Lisle” Traywick, III has joined Sowell Gray Stepp & Laffitte, LLC as an associate. [See More](#)

City shares protocols for filling City Council vacancies

In response to multiple inquiries, the City of Columbia is sharing the protocols for filling vacancies on Columbia City Council. [See More](#)

Scott and Company announces new senior accountant

South Carolina accounting and consulting firm, Scott and Company LLC welcomes Dallas McGuire, CPA, to their tax department. [See More](#)

SCCEBA member unveils South Carolina's largest solar powered flea market

Last week, Charleston, S.C. based Southern Current, in partnership with Coastal Carolina Flea Market and SCE&G, held an unveiling of the largest privately owned, self-financed solar-power installation on the SCE&G power grid in South Carolina. [See More](#)

Palmetto Health Richland and Palmetto Health Children's Hospital receive national trauma verifications

Palmetto Health Richland and Palmetto Health Children's Hospital receive national trauma verifications from the Verification Review Committee, an ad hoc committee of the Committee of Trauma of the American College of Surgeons (ACS). [See More](#)

Charleston Harbor Deepening Project progresses with House Water Resources Development Act passage

The passage of H.5303, the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2016 by the U. S. House of Representatives, moves the Charleston Harbor Deepening Project closer to securing the authorization necessary to begin construction. [See More](#)

Palmetto Place celebrates grand reopening

After six months of construction, the doors to Palmetto Place reopened for elementary and middle school children who have been abused or neglected. [See More](#)

CSMS counselor named finalist for School Counselor of the Year

A middle school counselor from Lexington County School District One is up for a prestigious national award. [See More](#)

City Year Columbia welcomes organization champions to the Advisory Board

City Year Columbia, an education-focused organization that unites young adults for a year of service in high-need public schools has added three new members to their advisory board: Duane Cooper, Chris Brady-Wolfe and Edward Rawl. [See More](#)

House of Raeford's "FLOCK" partners with Ezekiel Ministries to start Eze Farms

House of Raeford's non-profit organization, FLOCK, is partnering with some of Columbia's inner-city children, by donating a new farm tractor to help start Eze Farms. [See More](#)

Congaree Land Trust seeks renewal of accreditation

The land trust accreditation program recognizes land conservation organizations that meet national quality standards for protecting important natural places and working lands forever.

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S.C. Association of CPAs chooses ERG Payroll & HR as exclusive partner

ERG Payroll & HR and the South Carolina Association of CPAs (SCACPA) have announced an exclusive partnership to bring valuable HR solutions and educational opportunities to SCACPA members. [See More](#)

New logo unveiled to rebrand Broad River Road community

For many, Broad River Road is more than just a thoroughfare. It's the part of town where they grew up, where they raised their own families and where they continue to reside in tight-knit communities next to lifelong neighbors. [See More](#)

Lexington Medical Center cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation programs receive prestigious certification

Two of Lexington Medical Center's cardiac rehabilitation programs and the hospital's pulmonary rehabilitation program have received prestigious certification from the American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation. [See More](#)

Gallagher's Benefits Operation hires Brian Morris to leadership role in Columbia

The employee benefits consulting and brokerage operation of Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. (Gallagher) announced the hiring of Brian Morris as Area Vice President based in Columbia. [See More](#)

Pacific University inks agreement with Softdocs to reap organizational efficiencies

Joining a wave of higher education institutions pursuing a paperless environment, Pacific University has chosen Softdocs for its enterprise content management, e-forms and process automation platform Etrieve. [See More](#)

Crescent Communities appoints David O'Donoghue Executive Vice President, Resort and Second Home

Crescent Communities announced it has appointed David O'Donoghue as executive vice president of its Resort and Second Home Communities team. [See More](#)

NAI Avant closes ±14.50 acre land sale in Robber's Roost redevelopment

NAI Avant senior brokers Cam Kreps and Macon Lovelace recently represented the seller, Tiente Limited Partnership, in the land sale transaction on Hwy 17 in North Myrtle Beach.

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Hemophilia of SC Annual Turkey Trot 5K Run

November 5 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - The HSC Turkey Trot is the Chapter's 5K Walk/Run fundraiser which is held in the late fall during the Thanksgiving holiday season. Hosted by Hemophilia of South Carolina, the Turkey Trot is the Chapter's biggest fundraiser. [See](#)

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The Midlands Nonprofit Board Leadership Summit

October 11 @ 8:00 am - [See More](#)

USC Symphony Orchestra presents John Williams Blockbusters!

October 18 - Back by popular demand, the USC Symphony Orchestra performs music from award-winning film scores by legendary American composer John Williams. [See More](#)

26th Walk for Life and the first ever Famously Hot Pink Half Marathon

On Saturday, Oct. 22, thousands of walkers and runners will experience the 26th Walk for Life and a rebranded race—"Famously Hot Pink Half Marathon"—all benefiting Palmetto Health Breast Center. [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](#)

Robert Samuelson: The wrong immigration debate

"The conversation — or argument — we've been having on immigration has been remarkably skewed. It's been all about the estimated 11 million illegal immigrants, otherwise known as the "undocumented." Actually, what counts far more are the estimated 31 million immigrants who are here legally and the roughly 1 million who gain legal entry every year."

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Kathleen Parker: The Trump letters

"As the first presidential debate approaches, fists clench, jaws tighten and invectives giggle in anticipation. Game on!" [Read More](#)

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