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ON THE MOVE IN THE MIDLANDS

Lexington-based First Community Bank establishes Greenville presence

First Community Bank, headquartered in Lexington, South Carolina, is expanding its loan production office in the Greenville market with the addition of commercial bankers Coleman Kirven, Trey Werner and David Ramseur. [Read More](#)

Kathleen Parker: Farewell, prince of tides

"Soon after "The Prince of Tides" became a blockbuster movie in 1991, People magazine put the film's leading man, Nick Nolte, on its cover as the "Sexiest Man Alive." Conroy, I wrote, was the sexiest man alive." [Read More](#)

John Griffin joins Bobbitt team as Project Developer

Bobbitt Design Build welcomes new team member John Griffin as a project developer in the Columbia office. [See More](#)

Public Funds for Public Purposes

Columbia attorney Danny Crowe presented to city council Tuesday night his analysis of just what exactly is public money and what is private money and for what purposes can public money be distributed by the city. [See More](#)

How To Keep Yourself Together When Dealing With Conflict

Brian Maynor, Style Coach: "Conflict happens. Here are a few tips to help you regain control over fear and maintain your composure so you can articulate and resolve conflict neatly and cleanly." [Read More](#)

Nexsen Pruet attorney, William Floyd, recognized for legal writing

Three Nexsen Pruet attorneys have been recognized by a leading legal content provider. JD Supra named Rachael Anna, Molly Cherry, and William Floyd among its top authors in its new Readers' Choice Awards. [See More](#)

Business-friendly bill standardizes business licensing practices

Businesses in South Carolina would find it easier to renew their business license because of legislation introduced this week. [See More](#)

NAI Avant closes sale of Columbia gas station

NAI Avant Director of Retail Services Patrick Palmer, CCIM recently facilitated the sale of a Shell Gas and Convenience Center. [See More](#)

Gov. Nikki Haley, Director Susan Alford announce "Champions For Children" Foster Care recruitment campaign

Governor Nikki Haley, Director Susan Alford of the South Carolina Department of Social Services, and foster parents and child advocates from across the state announced DSS' "Champions for Children" foster care recruitment campaign. [See More](#)

Graham on Supreme Court nominee

U.S. Senator Lindsey Graham (R-South Carolina), a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, made this statement on President Obama's Supreme Court nomination. [See More](#)

Nickelodeon Theatre hosts Science on Screen

The Nickelodeon Theatre, South Carolina's only non-profit art house film theater, will host Science on Screen this spring. [See More](#)

NAI Avant consummates sale of ±68.72 acres of land in Lexington

NAI Avant senior brokers Tom and Tombo Milliken recently represented the seller, Timmons Pond Property, LLC, in the sale of ±68.72 acres of land at 1535 Old Barnwell Road in Lexington, SC. [See More](#)

Transportation, Distribution and Logistics (TDL) Council to host 6th Annual TDL Summit

The 6th Annual South Carolina TDL Summit will be Tuesday, March 22 and is hosted by the Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics (TDL) Council and the South Carolina Council on Competitiveness. [See More](#)

Repko to lead Duke Energy's fossil/hydro organization

Regis Repko, Duke Energy's senior vice president of nuclear governance, projects and engineering, has been named the company's senior vice president and chief fossil/hydro officer, effective April 1, 2016. [See More](#)

Starting a conversation on sexual assault

As part of a statewide initiative on bringing attention to sexual assault and teen dating violence, Richland Library is teaming with Richland County Councilwoman Julie-Ann Dixon to host a series of book clubs, focusing on *Speak* by Laurie Halse Anderson. They will run through the end of April, which also marks Sexual Assault Awareness Month. [See More](#)

Richland County statement on Gov. Haley's Executive

Order

Richland County received a copy of Governor Haley's Executive Order issued today (March 16) vacating the County Council seat held by Kelvin Washington. [See More](#)

RBC Heritage grants two more sponsors exemptions

Jeff Maggert and Ryan Ruffels have been given sponsors exemptions into the 48th annual RBC Heritage Presented by Boeing. South Carolina's only PGA TOUR event is taking place April 11-17, 2016 over the famed Harbour Town Golf Links. [See More](#)

Statement regarding the Obama Administration's plans to cancel Offshore Exploration in the Atlantic

Stephen Gilchrist, President of the South Carolina African American Chamber of Commerce speaks on Obama Administration's plans to cancel Offshore Exploration in the Atlantic. [See More](#)

South Carolina celebrates Ag Day

Governor Nikki Haley has proclaimed March 15, 2016 as Ag Day in South Carolina. [See More](#)

5th Annual Commissioner's Cup BBQ Cook-off and Festival to Benefit Harvest Hope

The 5th Annual Commissioner's Cup BBQ Cook-off and Festival, one of the Midlands most anticipated annual events, returns this year on Saturday, March 19 from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the State Farmers Market in West Columbia. [See More](#)

Spring Valley Rotary awards Community Impact Grant to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Columbia

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Columbia announced they received a Community Impact Grant from the Rotary Club of Spring Valley. [See More](#)

Districts target underaged drinking

Richland School District Two's The Project CARE Coalition and Lexington School District Two's Rise Above It Community Coalition are all too familiar with the statistics and the impact drinking booze has on young people. [See More](#)

BioHealth Magnet student becomes a National Merit

Finalist

Out of 1.5 million students around the nation who take the PSAT, Ridge View High School Senior Chandler Bailey is one of the 15,000 students to be recognized as a National Merit Finalist. [See More](#)

Statement from Richland County Council Chairman Rush

The following is statement from County Council Chairman Torrey Rush in reference to Gov. Nikki Haley's Executive Order. [See More](#)

Public talk on aging, health and same-sex marriage - March 17th

The University of South Carolina will host University of Texas at Austin scholar Debra Umberson who will give a public talk March 17. Umberson, director of UT's Population Research Center, is an expert on aging, family, gender and health disparities. [See More](#)

Free Seminar – Employment Law Issues - March 17 @ 6:30

pm

The SC Bar Pro Bono Program will sponsor two free legal clinics in Columbia in March. [See More](#)

Historic Hoppy Hour joins Suds Week, explores history of beer in Columbia - March 18th

Historic Columbia hosts this month's Historic Hoppy Hour in solidarity with Soda City Suds Week at the Hampton-Preston Mansion on Friday, March 18, at 5:30 p.m. [See More](#)

[Events around Columbia and the Midlands](#)

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

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[Robert Samuelson: Up with political “bosses”!](#)

"What we are seeing in the continuing march of Donald Trump toward the Republican presidential nomination is the power and significance of political entrepreneurship." [Read More](#)

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