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ON THE MOVE IN THE MIDLANDS

USC budget to address strategic needs, state pay package

The University of South Carolina Board of Trustees approved the \$1.5 billion budget for the state's flagship university system that covers FY17 operations at USC's eight campuses and Palmetto College online. With 50,000 students enrolled throughout the system preparing to enter the workforce as highly employable graduates and a \$4.1 billion annual economic impact on the state, USC is one of the key drivers of South Carolina's economic and overall well-being. [Read More](#)

What You Need to Know About Britain's Vote to Exit the

EU

By Kate Warne, Ph.D., CFA: Britain voted on June 23 to leave the European Union (EU). In response, stocks dropped, bond prices rose (lowering interest rates further), and the value of the British pound fell sharply. Markets hate surprises and uncertainty, and this vote provided both. However, keep in mind, the impact of Britain's vote isn't likely to be as big as the market reaction. [See More](#)

Main Street buildings awarded by SC Historic Preservation

On June 17, Lambert Architecture + Construction, Agape Senior and Mashburn Construction accepted the Honor Award for 1614, 1620 & 1626 Main Street. [See More](#)

Is Your Face Leaking Microexpressions?

Brian Maynor, Style Coach: "When it comes to negotiations reading someone's body language, tone, jesters and facial expressions are crucial to achieving your desired outcome, even if they last only a split second." [Read More](#)

Lambert Architecture + Construction Services receives two honor awards

Lambert Architecture + Construction Services announced their most recent awards received at the 2016 South Carolina Historic Preservation Awards sponsored by the Palmetto Trust for Historic Preservation, the SC Department of Archives and History, and the office of the

District Five announces new principal for the Academy for Success

District Five announces Dr. Terrance Alridge as the incoming principal of the District Five, Academy for Success. [See More](#)

SCDA introduces new tool to assist farmers with SC Farm Aid application

In advance of the application period, farmers can visit a new web page to determine eligibility and find a complete list of necessary documentation that must accompany the application. The application period will open early next month. [See More](#)

National Park Service awards over \$1M to preserve American battlefields

The National Park Service announced \$1.19 million grants to support 20 projects at significant battlefields across the country. See which four South Carolina entities received money here. [See More](#)

Graham backs measure to prevent terrorists from purchasing weapons

U.S. Senator Lindsey Graham made this statement after voting in support of the Collins amendment to prevent terrorists from buying guns. [See More](#)

Richland Two high schools accepted to innovative program

All five Richland School District Two high schools – Blythewood, Richland Northeast, Ridge View, Spring Valley and Westwood – have been accepted to TransformSC's network of innovative schools. [See More](#)

Scott and Company LLC named among Best Places to Work in South Carolina

Scott and Company LLC, one of South Carolina's leading accounting and consulting firms, announced that the firm has been named as one of the "Best Places to Work in South Carolina" for the fifth consecutive year. [See More](#)

District Five announces new leadership assignments

In District Five, some leaders are being moved to new positions and a veteran school leader is being added to the District Five team. See who here. [See More](#)

Local CPA firm, BPS, named a Best Place to Work

Bauknight Pietras & Stormer, P.A. was recently named one of the Best Places to Work in South Carolina. [See More](#)

City of Columbia | 2015 Water Quality Report

The City of Columbia, SC has released the 2015 Water Quality Report. This report is provided to all City of Columbia water customers to comply with the Consumer Confidence Reports Rule of the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments. [See More](#)

Sexual Trauma Services of the Midlands welcomes new board member, Katherine Watts

Sexual Trauma Services of the Midlands is honored to welcome Katherine Watts, LMSW, ACM to the Board of Directors. [See More](#)

12-yr-old Blythewood girl is SC winner for Michelle Obama's "Healthy Lunchtime Challenge"

First Lady Michelle Obama announced the winners of the Healthy Lunchtime Challenge, a nationwide recipe challenge for kids that promotes cooking and healthy eating as part of the First Lady's Let's Move! initiative. [See More](#)

Pet Pals program gets boost from Meals on Wheels America grant

Meals on Wheels America has awarded a \$2,500 grant to Senior Resources to support the agency's Pet Pals program. The grant will buy dog and cat food for the pets of Meals on Wheels clients. [See More](#)

Saluda River Club welcomes three new families after 2016 Tour of Homes

Saluda River Club welcomed almost 200 families during the 2016 Tour of Homes organized by the Building Industry Association of Central South Carolina. [See More](#)

City of Columbia establishes Columbia Cares Fund to support the Orlando community after Pulse tragedy

In response to the tragic events that have occurred in Orlando, the City of Columbia announced the establishment of the Columbia Cares Fund, a fundraising effort that allows the people of Columbia to collectively support cities across the nation during times of

Richland Library Friends accepting donations for upcoming book sales

Members of the community have an opportunity to let countless stories live on through their donations. The Richland Library Friends are welcoming gently used books, CDs and DVDs for their upcoming summer and fall book sales. [See More](#)

Your Fragrance – What It Says About You And Why You’re Drawn To It

Brian Maynor, Style Coach: Fragrances may be a taboo in the office when you have to deal with close quarters and various tolerance levels to smells, but on our own time colognes and perfumes are a regular part of daily routines. Here are some of the most common and popular fragrance notes and a little of what they reveal about the wearer. [See More](#)

A Legend Lost In Time – The Smokehouse

Tom Poland: From it “came the sweetest smoke a man was ever to smell.” The late Harry Crews wrote that as he recalled his Uncle Alton’s smokehouse deep in South Georgia, down Bacon County way. I remember Granddad Walker’s smokehouse. [See More](#)

Herb-Marinated Pork Loin

By Kay MacInnis: New government label to make shopping for healthier products easier. Last month, the federal Food and Drug Administration finalized a new Nutrition Facts label for packaged foods. This new government label will make shopping for healthier products easier. [See More](#)

Healthy Recipe of the Week – Classic Toasted Western Sandwich

By Jan Pinnington: Easy enough for kids to make! [See More](#)

Stay Active This Summer in Columbia

By Jesa Culy: It’s summer time! Don’t waste your summer sitting at home, get out and be active while having fun. Columbia provides lots of fun opportunities, so don’t miss out on all the action! [See More](#)

Summer Concerts in the Park – Newberry

June 24 - Bring your lawn chairs and your friends to enjoy free concerts in Memorial Square in downtown Newberry-Weather Permitting. [See More](#)

Summer Movies Series at Finlay Park

June 24 - Movies will be shown on Friday nights from now until July 29. The following movies are free and open to the public [See More](#)

Soda City Market

June 25 - Soda City is a weekly market focused on brain, body and belly. Each Saturday from 9am – 1pm on the 1500 block of Main Street in Columbia, SC, Soda City features local and regional food and craft vendors. [See More](#)

Free Gardening Workshop

June 25 - The City of Columbia Parks and Recreation Department is hosting a series of Gardening Workshops beginning Saturday, June 25 at the Earlewood Park Community Center located at 1113 Parkside Drive. [See More](#)

Councilwoman Invites Public to Enjoy Music and More at Annual Community Festival

June 25 - Residents are invited to join in some summertime fun and fellowship at this year's Community Festival hosted by Richland County Councilwoman Julie-Ann Dixon. [See More](#)

Taste of the World Dinner

June 28 - The Taste of the World Dinner at Cecilia's Mexican Restaurant is only a few days away! Please register so we know to save you a seat at the table. [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: Brexit triumphant?

"Brexit is winning — that is, Britain's exit from the European Union. As the June 23 referendum approaches, public opinion has swung toward "Leave" the EU as opposed to "Remain" in the EU — and this has fueled anxieties about the global economy and the fate of Europe." [Read More](#)

Kathleen Parker: There he goes again

"From Shanghai to Paris to Moscow, the world has been watching to see how the U.S. election is affected by the latest terrorist bloodbath on our soil, this time in the shadow of Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck." [Read More](#)

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