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ON THE MOVE IN THE MIDLANDS

Columbia Fireflies Unveil Team

Mascot, Mason

The Columbia Fireflies unveiled their team mascot on Thursday, only a few hours before their inaugural game in Charleston against the RiverDogs. The team's mascot, Mason, came with a one-of-a-kind story and was unveiled in a unique way. [See More](#)

Midlands Technical College strikes agreement with Coker College to saves students money, ease transfer

Coker College and Midlands Technical College have formalized a bridge agreement that will give MTC students access to programs and services to facilitate their transfer to Coker College. [See More](#)

Neil Jones promoted to Colliers International's Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Colliers International, South Carolina announced the promotion of Neil Jones to the position of Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. [See More](#)

Palmetto Health and USC selected for national professional development program

Palmetto Health and the University of South Carolina (USC) have been chosen to take part in an innovative national learning collaborative with eight other institutions across the country. [See More](#)

Robert Wood appointed to Accountancy Board

Rogers Townsend & Thomas, PC, announced that Columbia shareholder Robert P. Wood was appointed by Governor Nikki Haley to serve on the South Carolina Board of Accountancy. [See More](#)

Ridge View High School's Institute for Health Sciences Magnet Program named National Magnet School of Distinction

Ridge View High School's Institute for Health Sciences has been named a National Magnet School of Distinction by Magnet Schools of America, the national association for magnet and theme-based schools. [See More](#)

NFL Star to Present Check for \$100,000 to Blythewood High School

Blythewood High School graduate and NFL Pro-Bowl defensive back Justin Bethel will be at the BHS campus Friday, April 8 at 2 p.m. to present a check for \$100,000 to the Blythewood High School Education Foundation. [See More](#)

What Should You Carry In Your Work Bag?

Brian Maynor, Style Coach: "I love to be nosey and see what people are carrying around in their bags, especially their work bags. So aside from the essentials like your wallet, phone, sunglasses, and keys what should you be carrying in your work bag, and how should you be organizing it?" [Read More](#)

Ramos, Ingram Shine On Opening Night

Shortstop Milton Ramos collected two singles and drove in a pair of runs on Opening Night on Thursday, but the Fireflies fell short, losing 5-4 to the Charleston RiverDogs at Joe P. Riley, Jr. Park. [See More](#)

Taylor Self joins Newmark Grubb Wilson Kibler

Newmark Grubb Wilson Kibler, a leading commercial real estate services firm, is pleased to announce that Taylor Self has joined Newmark Grubb Wilson Kibler as the Marketing Director in the Columbia office. [See More](#)

Updated "Yard Ordinance" gives owners more time to remedy problems

An updated Richland County ordinance gives residents more time to get weeds and other rank vegetation under control before citations are written. [See More](#)

Congaree National Park becomes first Poo-Poo Project east of the Mississippi

With the installation of 4 Poo-Poo Screens, Congaree National Park becomes Teton Raptor Center's first Poo-Poo Project partner east of the Mississippi. [See More](#)

Lexington County Sheriff's Department recognized for DUI enforcement efforts

The South Carolina Department of Public Safety has recognized the Lexington County Sheriff's Department for its efforts in 2015 to enforce the state's DUI laws and remove impaired drivers from roadways. [See More](#)

SC Chamber applauds Senate approval of bill to shorten legislative session

State Chamber of Commerce President Ted Pitts released the following statement applauding Senate approval of S.267, a bill that would shorten the legislative session. [See More](#)

James E. Clyburn Golf Center accepting registrations for girls golf clinics

The James E. Clyburn Golf Center, a LPGA-USGA Girls Golf site, will host free golf clinics for girls ages 5-17 beginning in April. [See More](#)

The punctuation marks of life

By Reba Hull Campbell: I'm a word nerd. I admit it. ElementsI recently bought the new edition of the Elements of Style not only because the clever artwork on the cover caught my eye, but also because I love the writing in it. [See More](#)

The Thin Line Between Epic White Jeans & A Fashion Failure

Brian Maynor, Style Coach: White jeans may be all the rage for spring and summer, and while they sound like an easy alternative to blue jeans, they are in fact one of the hardest jeans to pull off. [See More](#)

Keeping The Heat At Bay

Tom Poland: On March 22, I journeyed across Georgialina to Washington, Georgia, to speak to the Kiwanis Club. Prior to speaking, Mr. Steve Blackmon gave me a tour of seven historic homes that had something unique in common. All had been moved in total or in part to their current location. Expect a column on that soon. [See More](#)

A one-pot meal that's served cold: Spicy Kale and Quinoa Salad

By Kay MacInnis: One-pot meals can be wonderful in the cooler months, with their hearty warmth and comfort-inducing flavors. But now that spring has sprung... how about a one-pot meal that's served cold? [See More](#)

Wordless News

By Maria Fabrizio: Country Legend Merle Haggard Dies At 79 [See More](#)

Healthy Recipe of the Week – Veggie Rice and Egg Stir Fry

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

Am I Losing Fat or Muscle?

By Dominique Francis: What Causes Fat loss? Weight loss, generally speaking, happens when there are more calories being burned than there are calories being taken in. [See More](#)

2016 Gardening Symposium

April 9 @ 8:30 am - 2:30 pm - For centuries, the South has been known for its amazing gardens. Increasingly unpredictable climatic conditions, however, are presenting new challenges for the Southern gardener. Join us as we look to our storied horticultural past,

Pawmetto Lifeline's 2016 Bark To The Park

April 9 @ 9:00 am - 6:00 pm - The Avenues Neighborhood Association announced the second annual Cayce Festival of the Arts, a one-day arts and crafts show held on April 9, 2016 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the grounds of the historic Brookland-Cayce High School.

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Pawmetto Lifeline's 2016 Bark To The Park

April 9 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Pawmetto Lifeline's 8th Annual Bark To The Park Walk for the Animals will be Saturday, April 9th, at Finlay Park in downtown Columbia, SC. [See](#)

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Epworth Children's Home 8th Annual "Cookout for Kids" BBQ Fundraiser

April 9 @ 11:00 am - 4:00 pm - This Saturday, April 9, The Epworth Children's Home Alumni Association will host the 8th annual Cookout for Kids BBQ Fundraiser. [See More](#)

Create IT Discovery Day

April 9 @ 12:30 pm - 5:00 pm - Registration is now open for the Create IT Discovery Day to be held on Saturday, April 9 from 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. at IT-oLogy, 1301 Gervais Street, Columbia. [See More](#)

Opera at USC presents the Lanny and Sidney Palmer One-Act Opera Series

April 9 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Speed Dating Tonight!, a comic opera, explores the culture of the modern dating world and reveals humanity in all its awkwardness in the search for a suitable match. [See More](#)

Events around Columbia and the Midlands

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

Political cartoons from Robert Arai

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

Robert Samuelson: Solving the productivity mystery

"A paradox of our time concerns productivity. We are awash in transformative technologies — smartphones, tablets, big data — and yet the growth in labor productivity, which should benefit from all the technology, is dismal. This matters." [Read More](#)

Kathleen Parker: Trump learns that thinking is hard

"Donald Trump is learning how hard it is to pretend to be something he's not. Case in point: Since deciding to run for president — and maybe before, but who knows? — Trump has insisted he is pro-life." [Read More](#)

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