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Subject: MidlandsBiz: USC, IBM Extend collaboration with \$25 million Joint Center for Applied Innovation; New mural in progress downtown at Taylor and Main

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ON THE MOVE IN THE MIDLANDS

USC, IBM Extend collaboration; apply cognitive computing for IoT solutions

\$25 million Joint Center for Applied Innovation Opens Doors in South Carolina's Innovista Research District — The University of South Carolina and IBM today announced a broadening of their collaboration, applying cognitive capabilities and the Internet of Things (IoT) to develop new solutions for predictive analytics and maintenance. [Read More](#)

New mural in progress for Indie Grits, downtown at Taylor St. and Main St.

Piece entitled Tokamak leaves a “digital watermark” on Taylor Street. One Columbia for Arts and History, Indie Grits and Tapp’s Arts Center announce a new mural to be painted on Taylor Street at the corner of Main. The mural space is a joint project of Indie Grits, Tapp’s Arts Center and One Columbia for Arts and History. [Read More](#)

DEW Business Intelligence director joins national advisory board

S.C. Department of Employment and Workforce Business Intelligence Director Brenda Lisbon has been invited to serve on the national Workforce Information Advisory Council for a three-year term. [See More](#)

Studio 2LR, Inc. Architecture + Interiors relocating to new location on Main Street

Studio 2LR, an architecture and interior design firm with an emphasis on sustainable contemporary design, will be relocating their offices from 801 Gervais Street to 2428 Main Street in late Summer, 2016. [See More](#)

Want to be an All-Star Employee? Follow These Simple Steps

Brian Maynor, Style Coach: “Close your eyes; think about your office for a moment and picture an all-star employee. Chances are they will immediately jump to mind. Here are the most common behaviors exhibited by truly great employees that everyone can adopt.

Souper Bowl of Caring Tackle Hunger Columbia Luncheon

The first Souper Bowl of Caring Tackle Hunger Columbia Luncheon will be held on April 28th, 11:30am at Seawell's. We will join together to honor our founder Rev. Dr. Brad Smith for his decades long dedication to those in need. [See More](#)

Governor's military employment initiative hosts first of three regional summits this week

Operation Palmetto Employment, a statewide military employment initiative comprised of several state agencies and veteran service organizations, will host the first of three regional summits this Thursday, April 14 at Sysco of Columbia. [See More](#)

CREW Coffee

April 19 @ 8:30 am - 9:30 am - Join us for CREW Coffee for networking and your morning caffeine fix at McWaters [See More](#)

S.C. Chamber statement on house amendment to roads bill

State Chamber of Commerce President Ted Pitts today released the following statement after the House amended the Senate passed roads bill. [See More](#)

Opera House looking for more tour guides

Love meeting people from around the world? Love history? Love being a part of the success of the Newberry Opera House? Come out and become a part of the Opera House Ambassador team as a Tour Guide. [See More](#)

NAI Avant closes ±6,615 square feet of office Space for S. C. Whitmore School

NAI Avant broker Peyton Bryant recently represented the buyer S.C. Whitmore School in the purchase transaction of 501 Commerce Drive in Columbia, SC. [See More](#)

Improvements planned for Summit Parkway and Summit Ridge Drive intersection

Improvements for local intersections will begin through the Richland County Transportation Penny Program. [See More](#)

Richland County to receive state's first Charters of Freedom Monument

The grounds at the Richland County Administration Building soon will feature a monument with replicas of the nation's most revered documents – the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights. [See More](#)

South Carolina Medicaid dental provider surpasses \$5 million in uncompensated care for uninsured patients

Kool Smiles, a leading provider of quality dental care for underserved children and families in South Carolina, today announced its affiliate dentists have provided more than \$5 million in uncompensated dental care since 2005. [See More](#)

NAI Avant welcomes three new tenants to Synergy Business Park

NAI Avant senior brokers Jeff Hein, SIOR and Roger Winn represented the landlord in facilitating three new leases in the Enoree Building at Synergy Business Park. [See More](#)

50.25 Acres in Lexington Sells

Newmark Grubb Wilson Kibler, a leading real estate services firm, is pleased to announce the recent sale transaction of 50.25 acres off Pilgrim Church Road in Lexington, SC. [See More](#)

TransformSC leaders share success at National School Boards Association Annual Conference

TransformSC, an education initiative of the South Carolina Council on Competitiveness, is a collaboration of business leaders, educators, students, parents and policy makers transforming the public education system so that every student graduates prepared for careers, college and citizenship. [See More](#)

SC Commission for the Blind celebrates 50 years

May 2016 marks the beginning of a yearlong celebration as the South Carolina Commission for the Blind celebrates its 50th year of "Leading the Way to Independence" for South Carolina citizens who are blind or visually impaired. [See More](#)

Columbia Campus accepting applications for new Software Development degree

ECPI University announced that it is now offering a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer and Information Science with a concentration in Software Development at its Columbia campus. [See More](#)

Employee Relations Law Series

April 14 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm - Learn practical knowledge about complex employment laws in Midlands Technical College's Certificate in Employee Relations Law Series. [See More](#)

Indie Grits 2016

Indie Grits, hosted by the Nickelodeon Theatre, the Southeast's premier film and culture festival for DIY media-makers, will take place April 14-17, 2016 in Columbia. [See More](#)

6th Annual Rainbow International Charity Golf Classic and Auction

Our mission is "to create an entertaining event that allows individuals and companies to join together with the common goal of raising funds for two or three local young mothers with late stage cancer and their families, so they can focus on their battles more and financial issues less". [See More](#)

Vivid, enchanting music closes S.C. Phil season

Music that evokes vivid mental imagery ranging from fairytale fancy to frightening closes the South Carolina Philharmonic season at the Koger Center Saturday, April 16, 2016 at 7:30 p. m. [See More](#)

Irmo Chamber Golf Tournament

April 21 @ 8:30 am - 1:30 pm - The Irmo Chamber annual Golf Tournament will be held at Mid-Carolina Club on April 21st. [See More](#)

2016 Administrative Professionals Conference

Midlands Technical College presents an exciting lineup for the 2016 Administrative Professionals Conference. [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: Trumpanomics: fantasies over facts

Trumpanomics doesn't compute. The media keep piling on Donald Trump, because he keeps saying things that are controversial, impractical, undesirable and — in some cases — simply impossible." [Read More](#)

Kathleen Parker: The people's race

"The spectacular strangeness of this presidential election may require a new display in Ripley's Odditorium of believe-it-or-nots." [Read More](#)

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