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South Carolina News Stories

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[SC News](#)

[Scammers are out for everyone - Here's how to avoid their schemes](#)

[Jada Kirkland](#)

June 29, 2023

If you own a phone, you have likely received a call labeled "potential scam." Well, you are not alone. Data from the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs cites 485 scam reports this year. In May alone, consumers in the state lost over \$1.2 million to scams. Bailey Parker, the Communications Director at South Carolina's Department of Consumer Affairs, believes this number is likely higher. "We know that there are probably thousands, if not tens of thousands, of people probably being affected by scams every single month here in South Carolina," she says. "It's just that people don't report because they're embarrassed, or they don't know to report."

[SC News](#)

[Charleston's International African American Museum reflects on bondage, bravery and resilience](#)

[Victoria Hansen](#)

June 29, 2023

The new International African American Museum in Charleston shares the untold stories of enslaved Africans in America at the site where nearly half first set foot in this country.

[SC News](#)

[Chester County reports the first fentanyl trafficking arrest under a new state](#)

[law. Some worry what that law will really bring](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

June 29, 2023

A law signed in mid-June by Gov. Henry McMaster imposes steep prison sentences on large-scale fentanyl movers. While some in law enforcement see a new tool to fight a deadly scourge, some in the addiction and recovery space see echoes of crack cocaine sentencing in the 1980s.

[SC News](#)

[CAUCUS WARS - Recent court ruling roils SC House of Representatives](#)

[Russ McKinney](#)

June 23, 2023

Even though the General Assembly isn't in session this summer the Republican controlled House of Representatives finds itself in turmoil following a recent federal court ruling which may have un-intentionally blown a hole in the state ethics act.

[SC News](#)

[A pair of retirees weigh in on social isolation among South Carolina seniors](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

June 20, 2023

Last week, the South Carolina Institute of Medicine and Public Health issued a report showing the scale of the state's senior isolation. Here's a taste of what it looks like from those living through it.

[Music](#)

[Inon Barnatan shares the keys to his artistic approach](#)

[Bradley Fuller](#)

June 16, 2023

"Let go, in some ways, of the idea of perfection," the pianist says. "Make the thing in front of you the best it can be."

[SC News](#)

[SC General Assembly adjourns with new budget and bond reform](#)

[Russ McKinney](#)

June 16, 2023

This year's session of the General Assembly officially ended this week. The Republican led legislature was able to enact a number of G-O-P priorities this session, such as a new six-week abortion law, reform of the state's bail- bond system, combatting the fentanyl epidemic, streamlining DHEC the state's public health agency, and approving a record-setting state budget.

[SC News](#)

[Charleston's International African American Museum celebrates opening with public events](#)

[Victoria Hansen](#)

June 15, 2023

Museum honoring the untold stories of African Americans announces plans for community involvement prior to opening.

[SC News](#)

[SC Mobile Crisis expands to include peer support](#)

[Jada Kirkland](#)

June 15, 2023

Mental health has become a much-discussed topic in recent years. Those experiencing a mental health crisis often need someone who understands and has been where they are. A grant to the South Carolina Department of Mental Health aims to do just that.

[SC News](#)

[Charleston man sleeps where his enslaved ancestors did and shares the experience in new book](#)

[Victoria Hansen](#)

June 13, 2023

An historic preservationist, who's slept in more than 200 slave dwellings across the country, teams up with a Charleston journalist for a new book, "Sleeping with the Ancestors".

[SC News](#)

[New report looks at isolation in South Carolina's senior population](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

June 13, 2023

The South Carolina Institute of Medicine and Public Health and the state Department on Aging say the medical community needs to screen more thoroughly for isolation among seniors as a social determinant of health.

[SC News](#)

[The story behind 'The Book of Life' at Spoleto Festival USA](#)

[Victoria Hansen](#)

June 8, 2023

"The Book of Life" explores healing through letters written to the victims of the Rwandan genocide from widows, orphans, even the killers.

[Music](#)

[Conductor Mei-Ann Chen celebrates American voices at Spoleto Festival USA debut](#)

[Bradley Fuller](#)

June 7, 2023

The Chicago Sinfonietta Music Director looks forward to playing "the biggest instrument in the room" for one of her favorite programs: orchestral works by Florence Price, Michael Abels, and Antonín Dvořák.

[SC News](#)

[Crab Bank is back as a beacon for saving seabirds](#)

[Victoria Hansen](#)

June 6, 2023

Declining populations of sea and shorebirds are finding their way back to Crab Bank for the island's second nesting season since being restored following decades of erosion and hurricanes.

[Music](#)

['Vanessa' star rises to the challenge of a rarely staged opera at Spoleto](#)

[Festival USA](#)

[Bradley Fuller](#)

June 5, 2023

Soprano Nicole Heaston shares insights into the musically and psychologically intense title role she's singing in Charleston through June 10th.

[SC News](#)

[As food need grows in South Carolina, an Aiken church collective helps feed its neighbors](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

June 2, 2023

[SC News](#)

["Beautiful, entertaining and urgent"- says Spoleto Festival USA director of 2023 season](#)

[Victoria Hansen](#)

May 26, 2023

From opera to chamber music and Scottish ballet, this year's Spoleto Festival USA includes more than 120 performances over 17 days.

[SC News](#)

[Spoleto Festival USA 2023: a stage for retelling stories](#)

[Bradley Fuller](#)

May 26, 2023

Festival General Director Mena Mark Hanna shares about the staggering breadth and uniqueness of the 17-day performing arts festival, touching on a few of the experiences and themes audiences can expect from its 47th season.

[SC News](#)

[Second SC Republican offers alternative to Trump in 2024](#)

[Victoria Hansen](#)

May 25, 2023

Sen. Tim Scott joins a growing list of GOP presidential primary contenders and is the second from South Carolina.

[SC News](#)

[Oconee County Sheriff's Office rolls out livestreaming 9-1-1 program](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

May 24, 2023

OCSO is the first local law enforcement agency in the Upstate to adopt Prepared Live. Officers say it has the potential to be a game changer for public safety.

[SC News](#)

[SC House passes 6-week abortion bill](#)

[Russ McKinney](#)

May 19, 2023

South Carolina is a step closer to having a six-week abortion law again.

[SC News](#)

[SC General Assembly heads to special session](#)

[Russ McKinney](#)

May 12, 2023

This year's regular session of the General Assembly ended late Thursday, May 11, 2023. It ended where it began with Republicans attempting to enact a new, restrictive abortion bill. A House committee this week approved and sent to the full House a six-week, heartbeat bill similar to a law the state Supreme Court overturned in January. Gov. McMaster plans to call lawmakers back to Columbia next week, and House Speaker Murrell Smith vowed the House will pass the bill which has already been approved by the Senate.

[Music](#)

[Pianist and Newberry College professor illuminates Philippa Duke Schuyler's musical legacy](#)

[Bradley Fuller](#)

May 11, 2023

"She was performing for kings and queens internationally," Dr. Sarah Masterson says of 20th century American pianist and composer. "But in the U.S., she had trouble booking gigs outside of churches and auditoriums—African American sororities would host events—that sort of thing."

[SC News](#)

[Rock Hill man shot at multiple times sues York County Sheriff's Office](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

May 10, 2023

A lawsuit claims officers fired approximately 50 rounds at a despondent man on what was supposed to be a wellness check. The sheriff's office claims officers reacted appropriately to a man with a gun.

[History](#)

[Clemson professor Drew Lanham: the "genius" in his MacArthur Foundation grant is freedom to "do me"](#)

[Walter Edgar](#)

May 8, 2023

Edgefield native Drew Lanham was not entirely sure what the phone call from Chicago was about. And, after he heard what the person on the phone had to say, he wasn't altogether sure he believed the news: Drew had just won a MacArthur Fellowship, commonly known as the "genius grant." The MacArthur Foundation says that "The 2022 MacArthur Fellows are architects of new modes of activism, artistic practice, and citizen science. They are excavators uncovering what has been overlooked, undervalued, or poorly understood. They are archivists reminding us of what should survive." Drew Lanham, Alumni Distinguished Professor of Wildlife Ecology at Clemson University, talks with Walter Edgar about his life, his work, his writing, and about what may lie hopes to achieve through his work.

[SC News](#)

[Online portals and AI background checks: How tech affects South Carolina renters](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

May 5, 2023

Technology makes managing properties easier, but it's having other effects on residents who rent. You might not be able to easily resolve your issues with your landlord, or you might not even get an apartment because of an error you can't see.

[SC News](#)

[In a community prone to flooding, now sits the South's first environmental justice training center](#)

[Thelisha Eaddy](#)

May 2, 2023

Local pastor and activist Rev. Leo Woodberry opened an environmental justice training center in the rural, unincorporated community of Britton's Neck in Marion County. He's hoping the small community can make a big impact in helping people live resilient lives.

[SC News](#)

[Former SC Governor, US Secretary of Education Dick Riley reflects on 90 years of service to South Carolina and the nation](#)

[Tut Underwood](#)

May 2, 2023

Richard W. "Dick" Riley was South Carolina's first two-term governor and also served two terms as U.S. Secretary of Education.

[Transgender rights activists and families await end of tense legislative year](#) [Victoria Hansen](#)

April 28, 2023

As more than a dozen states pass bans on transgender healthcare for minors, South Carolina activists hope they've won the battle here another year.

[SC News](#)

[Sc General Assembly finally passes school choice bill total abortion ban again fails to pass SC Senate](#)

[Russ McKinney](#)

April 28, 2023

With just six legislative days remaining in this year's session of the General Assembly, Republican lawmakers are scrambling to pass as much of their agenda as possible. This week they claimed a long-sought victory for school choice but saw a new restrictive abortion bill scuttled in the State Senate.

[Podcasts](#)

[InDebted Solutions: Resources for South Carolina](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

April 19, 2023

Several nonprofits and agencies exist to help you navigate your way through debt and financing in South Carolina. And for free.

[Podcasts](#)

[InDebted: Episode 8 — The 36% Solution](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

April 19, 2023

South Carolina's debt situation is bad. But all is not lost. In this episode of InDebted, we wrap up the series with a look at what some of South Carolina's greatest thinkers, lawmakers, and lenders are doing to address the Palmetto State's ecosystem of debt.

[SC News](#)

[Turning Pages changes lives through literacy](#)

[Tut Underwood](#)

April 18, 2023

All across the Midlands, volunteer reading tutors meet students at public libraries, parks and other locations to help them improve their reading. The students are not in school, however. They are adults who, through a variety

of circumstances, never learned to read well. The volunteer tutors are matched with learners by Turning Pages, a nonprofit organization formerly known as the Greater Columbia Literacy Council, that helps adults who have low levels of reading skills.

[Podcasts](#)

[InDebted: How RIP Medical Debt bailed a Spartanburg woman out of hospital debt](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

April 17, 2023

RIP Medical Debt, a nonprofit based in New York, buys medical debt through donations, then wipes those debts clean. It's a solution rooted in its CEO's impatience with waiting for the system to fix itself.

[SC News](#)

[Bond reform bill on way to passage in SC General Assembly](#)

[Russ McKinney](#)

April 14, 2023

With less than a month to go in this year's session of the General Assembly it appears lawmakers will enact legislation they view as a priority under the broad description of judicial reform. Specifically, reducing the number of illegal weapons used in violent crimes, and tightening-up the state's bond system to deny repeat offenders the opportunity to commit crimes while already out on bond for an earlier crime.

[Podcasts](#)

[InDebted: Super-sophisticated, overcomplicated, and extra-obfusatory. \(Or, how financiers convolute contracts to cash in on people with assets\)](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

April 13, 2023

Debt is not just a poor person's plight. People with good credit and equity are like a buffet to lenders who want a piece of your wealth. And they have fantastically complicated contract language to distract you with.

[Podcasts](#)

[InDebted: Episode 7 — Eat The Rich](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

April 12, 2023

You do not need to be poor to get caught in the cycle of debt. On this episode of InDebted, a look at how even those with good credit and successful businesses can fall victim to predators and end up in financial trouble.

[SC News](#)

[After an unexpected diagnosis, a Rock Hill family works to help heart patients by helping students in a niche medical program](#)

[Thelisha Eaddy](#)

April 11, 2023

Five years ago, when Rock Hill couple Eric and Tia Brown were expecting their first child, an abnormal anatomy scan put the family on course to work with MUSC to help students in the small medical program, making big impacts in the lives of heart patients.

[Podcasts](#)

[InDebted Explainer: Poverty, health insurance, TANF, and medical debt in South Carolina](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

April 10, 2023

South Carolina has a high percentage of uninsured residents. That's not helping the state's place among the most debt-burdened.

April 7, 2023

bill to eliminate the state sales tax on feminine hygiene products has passed the South Carolina House. Representatives voted unanimously Wednesday to get rid of the so-called "period tax," exempting the 6% state sales tax and extra local tax from items like tampons, pads and sanitary napkins. The bill now heads to the Senate. Supporters say it is unfair to tax a small group of the population for items they need when other necessities like medicine, food and utilities are not taxed.

[Podcasts](#)

[InDebted: South Carolina's medical debt is 2nd-worst in the US \(and hospitals don't always make it better\)](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

April 7, 2023

South Carolina is second only to West Virginia in the share of residents with medical debt in collections. The why is a tangle of healthcare costs, disproportionate incomes, and low insurance rates. For starters.

[SC News](#)

[How Richland County's economic boom foreshadows South Carolina's future](#)

[Finn Carlin](#)

April 7, 2023

Most South Carolinians are no strangers to change and growth in their areas, a natural process for most any place with plans to expand. But, in recent years, a developing trend permeating the Midlands has been giving its longtime residents a particularly harsh headache. It's undergoing growth at a far faster rate than it's used to.

[Podcasts](#)

[InDebted: How to lose your home by getting sick](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

April 6, 2023

'Michelle Strickland' has been hit about as hard as anyone could get hit financially. Her full story is not exactly commonplace, but her plight navigating South Carolina's medical debt environment is.

[Podcasts](#)

[InDebted: Episode 6 — The Sick and The Debt](#)

[Scott Morgan](#)

April 5, 2023

For many South Carolinians, large medical expenses can change their lives completely. In fact, the Palmetto State currently has one of the highest levels of uninsured of any state. On this episode of InDebted, we look at medical debt in South Carolina and the very high cost of falling ill.

South Carolina Business Review

@ 7:51 a.m., Monday thru Friday

All shows 5:50 in length.

Shows listed in reversed order.

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[SC deputy commerce secretary receives community award](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 30, 2023

13 years ago, the South Carolina Community Capital Alliance was formed with the mission of increasing capital resources for our state's underserved and undercapitalized communities with the hope that the additional funding would lead to valuable new jobs. And each year, the Alliance recognizes individuals or organizations that have made a difference toward that end. And one of those persons is our next guest. Mike Switzer interviews Ashely Teasdel, Deputy Secretary of Commerce of the South Carolina Department of Commerce and recipient of the Alliance's 2023 Community Champion Award.

[Business](#)

[Lowcountry printer named fastest growing business in SC by Inc.com](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 29, 2023

With a growth rate of almost 1,600% over the past two years, our next guest's software and swag printing company was recently named the fastest growing business in South Carolina (and #17 in the entire Southeast Region) by Inc.com. Mike Switzer interviews Jayson Tompkins, CEO and co-founder of Print Your Cause, based in Mount Pleasant, SC.

[Business](#)

[Mobile sawmill finding plenty of work in SC](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 28, 2023

Most people know, or at least are not surprised to learn, that timber is our state's number one cash crop. And all of that timber is owned not just by big forest products companies, but also by individuals. A market that our next guest has found lucrative through his mobile sawyer business. Mike Switzer interviews Ted Bullock, owner of Carolina Sawyers in Charleston, SC.

[Business](#)

[Teenagers with summer jobs can start contributing to an IRA](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 27, 2023

Building a retirement nest egg is one of the most important financial activities you can engage in. And the earlier you can get started on that task, of course, the better. Our next guest says that even teenagers with summer jobs can start contributing to their own IRAs. Mike Switzer interviews Alex Chastain, a certified financial planner with Abacus Planning Group in Columbia, SC.

[Business](#)

[SC Business News Update from SCBiznews](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 26, 2023

An update of the news, events and issues that are trending right now across South Carolina's business community. Mike Switzer interviews Jason Thomas, executive editor of SCBizNews, the company that publishes the Columbia Regional Business Report, Charleston Regional Business Journal, GSA Business and SCBizNews magazine.

[Business](#)

[Company fleets switching to EV](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 23, 2023

More and more individuals are making the switch to electric vehicles these days and so are companies. In fact, our next guest's Upstate company fleet recently logged over one million EV miles. Mike Switzer interviews Chris Russo, co-owner of Elite Home Care, Day Centers and Transportation in Spartanburg, SC.

[Business](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

[Lowcountry skin and hair care entrepreneur wins award from SBA](#)

June 22, 2023

Our next guest's story involves the Gulla Geechee culture, a rare disease, a passion for science and creating, a chemistry degree, and entrepreneurship. All of which recently resulted in her attaining the honor of being named the SC Female Small Businessperson of the Year by the US Small Business Administration. Mike Switzer interviews Abenaa Moore, founder of Naturally Geechee in North Charleston, SC.

[Business](#)

[Upstate bra company lands TV appearance](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 21, 2023

It's not too often that a small business gets to have its product featured on a national television show but that's exactly what happened to our next guest when her innovative undergarment recently appeared on the Today show on NBC. Mike Switzer interviews Erin Mehagan, founder of Livi Lu Lane in Greenville, SC.

[Business](#)

[Stocks seem to be recovering from 2022 losses, why aren't bonds?](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 20, 2023

You've probably noticed that your 401k balance has been looking better over the last few months. If you don't have any bonds in your portfolio, that is. While the stock market has been recovering, the bond market is still suffering. What gives? After all, the Fed stopped raising interest rates. Mike Switzer interviews Wes Johnson, a certified financial planner with ACT Advisors in Charleston, SC.

[Business](#)

[Can SC win a federal innovation grant for economic development?](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 19, 2023

Mike Switzer interviews John Warner, a serial entrepreneur and founder of Innoventure in Greenville, S.C. John tells us about an innovation ecosystem grant from the federal Economic Development Administration that is taking applications through August 15th.

[Business](#)

[Upstate cybersecurity firm receives funding boost](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 16, 2023

The South Carolina Research Authority's investment affiliate, SC Launch recently added another company to its portfolio with a \$250,000 investment into an Upstate start-up in the cybersecurity market. Mike Switzer interviews Martin White with Ruffian Software in Mauldin, SC.

[Business](#)

[SC hog farmer wins award](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 15, 2023

Humanely raised livestock is becoming more and more important to consumers, especially after recent year's reporting regarding hog farms in eastern North Carolina. It's important to our next guest as well, who has turned that passion into a profitable and growing business that has earned him the honor of being named the SC Minority Small Businessperson of the Year. Mike Switzer interviews Marvin Ross, owner of Peculiar Pig Farm in Dorchester, SC.

[Business](#)

[Upstate company still happily growing in SC](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 14, 2023

We often hear about our state being an in-migration state where many more people are moving here than leaving here. But, as you may have heard in our interviews over the years, this has been happening with companies for a while. Today we have another example: a 103-year-old manufacturing company that relocated here from New York in 2007. Mike Switzer interviews Kevin Fee, president of Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co. in Liberty, SC.

[Business](#)

[Preparing finances for a divorce](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 13, 2023

Last week, we interviewed a financial planner about the fact that women are making and managing an increasing percentage of our country's wealth these days due to a number of factors: hard work, death of a spouse, and, according to our next guest, divorce. And she agrees with last week's guest that many women still find themselves uncomfortable with investments which can add further complications to divorce. Mike Switzer interviews Stephanie Vokral, a certified divorce financial analyst with The Financial Knot in Columbia, SC.

[Business](#)

[Upstate SC noticed for unrealized potential](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 12, 2023

Mike Switzer interviews John Warner, a serial entrepreneur and founder of Innoventure in Greenville, S.C. John talks about the unrealized potential a national entity sees in the Upstate.

[Business](#)

[Upstate company wins exporter award](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 9, 2023

Today we are continuing our coverage of the recently announced Small Business Week awards from the US Small Business Administration. An Upstate chemical mixing and blending company was named the South Carolina Small Business Exporter of the Year. Mike Switzer interviews Joseph Wilson, Jr. is president and CEO of Toll Solutions in Duncan, SC.

[Business](#)

[Lowcountry apron maker wins award](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 8, 2023

The US Small Business Administration recently announced their annual awards. And our next guest was named the South Carolina Rural Small Business Person of the Year who has become known for his leather work aprons. Mike Switzer interviews Michael Williams, owner of Calavera Tool Works in Johns Island, SC.

[Business](#)

[The importance of getting a good night's sleep](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 7, 2023

If you're a new parent and your child is having trouble sleeping at night, your performance at work the next day could certainly be affected. Actually, lack of adequate sleep for any reason could certainly affect your work life and in fact, your entire life. Which is exactly what happened to our next guest and why she decided to enter the sleep business. Mike Switzer interviews Kim Rogers, founder of Sleeping Well Consulting in Lexington, SC.

[Business](#)

[Understanding the financial challenges faced by women](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 6, 2023

Women are making, and managing, an increasing amount of wealth. One contributing factor is that as aging baby-boomer men pass on, they are also passing on the household wealth to their female spouses who tend to be younger and live longer. But our next guest says that women, in general, continue to feel uncomfortable managing these investments. So today, she is going to share some recommendations. Mike Switzer interviews Beth Jeter Hrubala, a certified financial planner in Spartanburg, SC.

[Business](#)

[AI, SC, and healthcare](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 5, 2023

Mike Switzer interviews John Warner, a serial entrepreneur and founder of Innoventure in Greenville, S.C. John talks about a new artificial intelligence initiative for the healthcare industry in the state.

[Business](#)

[Nonprofits and the business community](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 2, 2023

By now, most people have heard of the Ronald McDonald houses which provide housing for families with seriously ill children so they can stay

together near the child's medical care. Our state has three locations and today we are going to check in with one to see how they are working with the local business community. Mike Switzer interviews Beth Lowrie, executive director of the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Columbia.

[Business](#)

[National magazine looking for business award nominees](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

June 1, 2023

Between now and June 20th, a southern lifestyle magazine based in the Lowcountry is continuing to take nominations for their fourteenth annual Made in the South Awards. Mike Switzer interviews Caroline Clements, associate editor of Garden and Gun magazine in Charleston, SC.

[Business](#)

[US debt concerns and the SC economy](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 31, 2023

The most talked about topic in economics these days is the US debt default talks between two houses, the White House and congressional House. Has all this uncertainty caused any economic harm to our state? Mike Switzer interviews Frank Hefner, Director Office of Economic Analysis and Professor of Economics at the College of Charleston.

[Business](#)

[SC Business News update from Alan Cooper](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 30, 2023

An update of the news, events and issues that are trending right now across South Carolina's business community. Mike Switzer interviews Alan Cooper, founder and editor of three online business news websites in South Carolina: MidlandsBiz, UpstateBizSC, and LowCountryBizSC. Disclaimer: Alan Cooper's company has a business relationship with Voterheads.com, an affiliate of Magnolia Media, which is the producer of the South Carolina Business Review.

[Business](#)

[Reversing military suicide trends](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 29, 2023

(Originally broadcast 3-9-23) - Suicide continues to be a very serious problem within our military community but there is a crisis mapping program available now in one county in our state that hopes to turn that tide. Mike Switzer interviews Jessica Varney, a collaboration manager with Pickens County, which recently won the community service award from Innovision.

[Business](#)

[Students create personal digital portfolios](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 26, 2023

Founded in 2016, our next guest's nonprofit organization is working to connect our state's next generation to career opportunities in our state by helping them create personal digital portfolios. Mike Switzer interviews Elisabeth Kovacs, executive director of SC Future Makers, an initiative of the SC Manufacturers Alliance.

[Business](#)

[Three investments that could give your small business a boost](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 25, 2023

Every entrepreneur knows that you have to spend money to make money, and although that may feel a little risky sometimes, our next guest says that there are some ways to get a lot of bang for your buck. Mike Switzer interviews Adriana Fominaya, a small business community engagement consultant with Wells Fargo.

[Business](#)

[Collaborative effort brings major bike manufacturer to the Upstate](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 24, 2023

A French bicycle company whose bikes have won Olympic gold, multiple world championships, and numerous stages of the Tour de France will soon be operating in the Upstate the nation's largest carbon fiber bicycle factory. Mike Switzer interviews John Lummus, president and CEO of the Upstate SC Alliance about TIME Bicycles about their move to Spartanburg County.

[Business](#)

[Is the US Dollar losing its status as the reserve currency?](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 23, 2023

You may have seen stories recently mentioning the possibility that the US dollar is in jeopardy of losing its reserve currency status, whether that is because it has been weakening relative to other currencies, or because of trades between other nations like China and Russia that are denominated in non-dollar currencies. What could this mean for our money here at home? Mike Switzer interviews Anthony Colancecco, a certified financial planner with Ballentine Capital Advisors in Greenville, SC.

[Business](#)

[Improving the supply chain](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 22, 2023

Mike Switzer interviews John Warner, a serial entrepreneur and founder of Innoventure in Greenville, S.C. John talks about how applying artificial intelligence and quantum computing to the supply chain could provide significant opportunities in SC.

[Business](#)

[The challenges of getting a college degree late in life](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 19, 2023

When we last interviewed our next guest, he was very busy with his construction business. But when most people would be pretty content with a successful 20-year career, he decided to complete his PhD from Clemson University. Mike Switzer interviews Todd Usher, president of Addison Homes Greenville, SC.

[Business](#)

[SC Football Hall of Fame celebrates 10 years](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 18, 2023

Careers in football are the dreams of many high school and college students across our state. But only a small percentage of them realize those dreams. Our next guest's organization celebrates those careers, as well as its own 10th anniversary this year, and does its best to prepare those who participate in that sport, for success not only in football but other careers, as well. Mike Switzer interviews David Wyatt, president of the South Carolina Football Hall of Fame in Greenville, SC.

[Business](#)

[Lowcountry entrepreneur named Small Business Person of the Year](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 17, 2023

Our next guest was recently named our state's Small Businessperson of the Year by the US Small Business Administration. She earned this award by successfully operating and growing a gift shop in the Lowcountry. Mike Switzer interviews Jennifer Megliore, owner of ArtWare in Hilton Head Island, SC.

[Business](#)

[Can charitable strategies help cut tax bill?](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 16, 2023

With the lifetime estate and gift tax exemption, currently \$12.92 million for individuals, scheduled to sunset in two years and decrease to around \$6 million starting in 2026, our next guest says now is a good time to make the most of your charitable giving strategies. Mike Switzer interviews Ashton

Lawrence, a certified financial planner with Mariner Wealth Advisors in Greenville, SC.

[Business](#)

[SC orgs receive cybersecurity grants](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 15, 2023

Mike Switzer interviews John Warner, a serial entrepreneur and founder of Innoventure in Greenville, S.C. John tells us about two area organizations each recently receiving \$1 million grants for cybersecurity research.

[Business](#)

[Midlands company accepted into Techstars - Part 2](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 12, 2023

Today we continue our discussion from yesterday about a company that was recently accepted into the Austin, Texas location of Techstars, a leading startup accelerator program. They are only the third Midlands-area company in our state to participate in the program, and their business model involves the sneaker resale market. We found this topic quite interesting and so we invited our guest to return for part two. Mike Switzer interviews Brett Nilsen, CEO and co-founder of Copyt in Columbia, SC.

[Business](#)

[Midlands company accepted into Techstars - Part 1](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 11, 2023

Our next guest's company was recently accepted into the Austin, Texas location of Techstars, a leading startup accelerator program. They are the third Midlands-area company to participate in the program, which in itself indicates they may have something special. But what's really interesting is that their business model involves the sneaker resale market. Now that's a specialty. Mike Switzer interviews Brett Nilsen, CEO and co-founder of Copyt in Columbia, SC.

[Business](#)

[How augmented reality is furthering productivity](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 10, 2023

The tight labor market continues to push companies toward finding more efficient ways to operate with fewer employees. Our next guest's company has been busy developing augmented reality software for just this purpose and that has moved them onto the radar of SC Launch and a \$250,000 investment. Mike Switzer interviews Angela Ortiz, co-founder of New Forge Technologies in Lake Wylie, SC.

[Business](#)

[Is crypto back?](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 9, 2023

The cryptocurrency market has been on a steady rebound this year. Ok, well maybe steady is not the right word because it has certainly continued its traditional volatility. So where does it go from here? Mike Switzer interviews Allen Gillespie, chief investment officer at FinTrust Capital Advisors in Greenville, SC.

[Business](#)

[The intersection of industry, universities, local govt, and econ dev](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 8, 2023

Mike Switzer interviews John Warner, a serial entrepreneur and founder of Innoventure in Greenville, S.C. John talks about the importance of the intersection of industry, universities, local government, and economic development.

[Business](#)

[Bringing the “job-challenged” into the labor pool](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 5, 2023

As the tight labor market continues to pressure business growth, organizations like those run by our next guest are becoming increasingly important as pipelines for talent. Mike Switzer interviews Anne Walker, president and CEO of the Alston Wilkes Society in Columbia, SC.

[Business](#)

[Upstate market research company winning grants](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 4, 2023

Two years ago, our next guest’s company received \$75,000 in grants from SC Launch and just recently, they received another \$300,000. All to help them continue to penetrate the market research industry. Mike Switzer interviews Michael Donofrio, co-founder and CEO of TestedHQ in Mauldin, SC.

[Business](#)

[Culinary entrepreneur succeeding in Upstate SC](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 3, 2023

For the past 40 years, our next guest’s Upstate family-run bakery has been shipping seven-layer cakes across the country and receiving national recognition. Today, we’re going to look into their secret to success. Mike Switzer interviews Richard Reutter, president of Caroline’s Cakes in Spartanburg, SC.

[Business](#)

[Recession on the horizon?](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 2, 2023

Many stock market analysts and economists continue to predict an economic slowdown later this year, maybe even a recession. So let's check in with one of our resident economists to get his thoughts. Mike Switzer interviews Bruce Yandle, Dean Emeritus at the College of Business & Behavioral Science and Alumni Professor of Economics Emeritus, both at Clemson University. He is also the Distinguished Professor of Economics at George Mason University's Mercatus Center which publishes his Economic Situation Report.

[Business](#)

[SC business news update from SCBiznews](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

May 1, 2023

An update of the news, events and issues that are trending right now across South Carolina's business community. Mike Switzer interviews Jason Thomas, executive editor of SCBizNews, the company that publishes the Columbia Regional Business Report, Charleston Regional Business Journal, GSA Business and SCBizNews magazine.

[Business](#)

[Are higher interest rates affecting mergers and acquisitions?](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 28, 2023

Over the past few years, we have seen a lot of mergers and acquisitions among small to medium-size companies. Our next guest says that the higher interest rate situation is beginning to slow down this activity. Mike Switzer interviews David Moore, CEO at BlueChip Mergers and Acquisitions in Charleston, SC.

[Business](#)

[Getting students interested early in healthcare careers](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 27, 2023

The job market continues to remain tight, with none tighter than the healthcare industry. For more than 10 years, our next guest's organization has been working to engage and interest students in healthcare careers through actual experience. As a result of this work, they were awarded the recent Innovision Education Award. Mike Switzer interviews Al Squire, executive director of the MedEx Academy, part of Prisma Health in Greenville, SC.

[Business](#)

[Preparing SC business for recession](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 26, 2023

The recent increases in inflation and interest rates, and the continued tight labor market have created an operating climate that many current business leaders have never experienced. And now with a potential economic slowdown on the horizon, our next guest says some creative financing solutions may be necessary to help some of these companies meet their goals. Mike Switzer interviews Thomas Anderson, a commercial banking executive with Wells Fargo in Charleston, SC.

[Business](#)

[Graduations, new grade levels, and finances](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 25, 2023

We are one month into the spring season now which means we're about a month away from the end of another school year and for some, that also means graduation. Our next guest says this is also a good time to talk about how these milestones in our children's lives could affect our and their finances. Mike Switzer interviews Jon Robertson, a certified financial planner with Abacus Planning Group in Columbia, SC.

[Business](#)

[New "ideas festival" coming to SC this fall](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 24, 2023

Mike Switzer interviews John Warner, a serial entrepreneur and founder of Innoventure in Greenville, S.C. John tells us about a new event he has put together: Innoventure Ideas Festival 2023.

[Business](#)

[The backstory about Scout Motors coming to Richland County, SC](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 21, 2023

By now, most everybody has heard about the Scout Motors plant coming to Blythewood, SC, bringing a multi-billion-dollar investment by both the company and the state, and a goal of 4,000 jobs. We have learned that this deal was one of the fastest tracked in our state's history with necessary legislation moving through the statehouse in only 10 days. And there's a backstory we found pretty interesting, too. Mike Switzer interviews Jeff Ruble, director of the Richland County Economic Development Office in Columbia, SC.

[Business](#)

[Recycled glass making a comeback](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 20, 2023

Recycled glass used to be a hot item, in demand for various uses. Then used glass became so abundant that local government waste collection agencies were forced to give it away due to the resulting price collapse. But now, demand is back as companies such as our next guest runs, are very busy turning glass into sand. Mike Switzer interviews Zeb Parsons, president of Bricolage Dynamics in Pickens, SC.

[Business](#)

[Artist establishes NFT museum in Newberry, SC](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 19, 2023

You've probably heard of NFTs, non-fungible tokens that are usually in the form of digital art. But you may not know that our state is now home to a museum dedicated entirely to NFTs. Robert Matheson is an artist and director of the NFT Museum in Newberry, SC.

[Business](#)

[Tax efficient investing](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 18, 2023

Even though the dreaded tax deadline is now behind us, many people are still going to have taxes on their minds and how to make next year's situation better. Our next guest says there are many strategies you can employ now that may help. Mike Switzer interviews Garet Strange, a certified financial planner with Hobbs Group Advisors in Columbia, SC.

[Business](#)

[The importance of college grads to economic development](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 17, 2023

Mike Switzer interviews John Warner, a serial entrepreneur and founder of Innoventure in Greenville, S.C. John talks about the continuing challenge our state faces in retaining college graduates, referencing a recent report from the Greenville Development Corporation.

[Business](#)

[Responding to active shooters in the workplace](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 14, 2023

Sadly, gun violence continues across the country. FBI data in fact, shows active shooter incidents have more than doubled in the U.S. between 2019 and 2021. While mass shootings at schools dominate the news, many more are occurring at other workplaces. Which is why our next guest's organization will be presenting response solutions at a conference for our

state's human resources professionals in Greenville April 26-27. Mike Switzer interviews Chad Ayers, owner of Proactive Response Group in Greenville, SC.

[Business](#)

[Small Business Week is April 30-May 6](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 13, 2023

Every year during the first week of May, the US Small Business Administration names a national small businessperson of the year, as well as one for each state. At the same time, the agency hosts events that expose small businesses to new business strategies, networking opportunities, and educational sessions. This year, National Small Business Week is April 30-May 6. Mike Switzer interviews Gregg White, the SBA's district director for South Carolina.

[Business](#)

[Native American art project documentary winning awards](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 12, 2023

Our next guest and her husband are filmmakers who recently relocated to our state's Lowcountry. Their documentary about a Native American youth art project and its role in revitalizing their language and culture has won multiple awards across the country, most recently the Susan A. K. Shaffer Humanitarian Award at the Beaufort International Film Festival. Mike Switzer interviews Heather Steinberger, producer of Waniyetu Wowapi: Winter Count.

[Business](#)

[Adjusting your financial plan to a life crisis](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 11, 2023

Most financial plans are customized to a person's unique situation and goals and are framed within an average set of assumptions. But you can't put life into a spreadsheet. Sometimes unexpected and even dramatic things happen. What does a person do then? Mike Switzer interviews Rick Van Der Noord, a certified financial planner in Greenville, SC.

[Business](#)

[Important business events coming soon to SC](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 10, 2023

Mike Switzer interviews John Warner, a serial entrepreneur and founder of Innoventure in Greenville, S.C. John talks about upcoming events of importance to our state's business community: DigSouth Tech Summit, SCRA Summit, and Furman Center for Innovative Leadership.

[Business](#)

[Helping small companies find research grant money](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 7, 2023

You may have heard us interview companies who have received SBIR or STTR grants to help them fund the research that their young companies depend on to continue to grow and validate their business models. However, applying for these grants or practically any grant can be a daunting process. And that's why the SC Department of Commerce is now making available free services to companies and entrepreneurs in our state to help them with these grant programs. Kyle Salazar is with the department's 3PhaseSC program in Columbia.

[Business](#)

[Biomedical waste facility opens in Lowcountry](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 6, 2023

As the population continues to age and the healthcare economy continues to grow, so does the need to properly dispose of medical waste. Which is why our next guest's company decided to invest over \$3 million to build a 13,000 sq ft facility in the Lowcountry. Mike Switzer interviews David Squalli, chief operating officer at EcoSteris in Summerville, SC.

[Business](#)

[Artfields celebrates 11 years with 11-day art festival](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 5, 2023

Art galleries, art education, public art, art crawl, art competition with a \$50,000 first prize, in other words - art madness. Certainly, sounds like a big city event, yet a small town in our state has been doing this type of art festival for a decade now. Mike Switzer interviews Carla Angus, director of community engagement for the 11th annual edition of Artfields in Lake City, SC, coming April 19-29, 2023.

[Business](#)

[Economic uncertainties continue...but for how long?](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 4, 2023

The recent news regarding some regional bank failures has definitely added to the economic confusion that so far has dominated financial news in 2023. Is there any reason to believe that the skies will clear before this year moves too much further along. Mike Switzer interviews Joey Von Nessen, chief economist at the Darla Moore School of Business at USC in Columbia, SC.

[Business](#)

[SC celebrates Innovation Month](#)

[Mike Switzer](#)

April 3, 2023

Mike Switzer interviews John Warner, a serial entrepreneur and founder of Innoventure in Greenville, S.C. John talks about April being designated as Innovation Month in our state and what the state's challenges are in this area and what is being celebrated.

Health Focus

WRJA/WJWJ/WLJK/WHMC/WNSC/WLTR/WEPR/WSCI

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WHMC-FM, WLJK-FM) 2:30 p.m. (WEPR-FM, WSCI-FM,
WLTR-FM), Thursdays 5:44 p.m.; Saturdays 8:35 a.m.,
Sundays 5:35 p.m.**

Shows listed in reverse play order.

All shows 4:00 (Four Minutes) in length.

[Health](#)

[Autoimmune disorders & cardiovascular risk](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

June 27, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Kathleen McKinnon about reducing the risk of cardiovascular disease in patients with autoimmune disorders. Dr. McKinnon is a rheumatologist and Director of the Center for Vasculitis Care & Research at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Managing lymphedema](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

June 26, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Katie Schmitt about managing lymphedema, Dr. Schmitt is a Doctor of Physical Therapy and a certified lymphedema therapist at Hollings Cancer Center at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Lifestyle changes to reduce risk of heart failure](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

June 20, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Thomas Di Salvo about lifestyle changes to reduce risk of congestive heart failure. Dr. Di Salvo is a Professor of Cardiology and he's the Director of the Heart and Vascular Center at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Health risks from a high consumption of ultra-processed foods](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

June 19, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Janet Carter about health risks from a high consumption of ultra-processed foods. Janet is a registered dietician, clinical lipid specialist, and program manager at the MUSC Children's Health Wellness Works Program.

[Health](#)

[Swimming for children and teens](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

June 13, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Matthew Sherrier about children and teens participating on a swim team. Dr. Sherrier is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Orthopaedics and Physical Medicine and he's a non-surgical orthopaedic and sports medicine physician at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[AIDS treatment update](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

June 12, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Eric Meissner about the impact of effective treatment for people with AIDS. Dr. Meissner is an Associate Professor of Medicine and Director of HIV and Hepatitis Clinical Care and Research, in the Division of Infectious Diseases at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Benefits of a personalized walking program for cancer patients & survivors](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

June 6, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Katie Schmitt about the benefits of a personalized walking program for cancer patients and survivors. Dr. Schmitt is a Doctor of Physical Therapy at MUSC Hollings Cancer Center.

[Health](#)

[Help for babies born dependent on opioids](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

June 5, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Julie Ross about help for babies born dependent on opioids. Dr. Ross is an Associate Professor of Pediatrics and she's a neonatologist in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at MUSC Shawn Jenkins Children's Hospital.

[Health](#)

[Diagnosis & treatment of chronic kidney disease](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

May 30, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Ruth Campbell about diagnosis and treatment of chronic kidney disease. Dr. Campbell is a Professor of Internal Medicine and Nephrology and a kidney disease specialist at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Water safety and drowning prevention for children and teens](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

May 29, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Elizabeth Greer about water safety and drowning prevention for children and teens. Dr. Greer is a Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellow at MUSC Shawn Jenkins Children's Hospital.

[Health](#)

[Running for fitness and health](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

May 23, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Alec DeCastro about running for fitness and health. Dr. DeCastro is an Associate Professor and Chief of Primary Care Sports Medicine in the Department of Family Medicine at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Tickborne diseases](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

May 22, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Terry Dixon about the symptoms, diagnosis and treatment of tickborne diseases. Dr. Dixon is a Clinical Associate Professor of Pediatrics and a pediatric infectious disease specialist at MUSC Children's Health.

[Health](#)

[Brief talk therapy for head and neck cancer patients](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

May 16, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Stacey Maurer about talk therapy tailored to head and neck cancer patients, related to body image distress. Dr. Maurer is an Assistant Professor in the College of Medicine and a Clinical Psychologist at Hollings Cancer Center at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[School based telehealth for asthma care](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

May 15, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Claire MacGeorge about school based telehealth for asthma care. Dr. MacGeorge is an Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Director of the School-Based Telehealth Program at MUSC Shawn Jenkins Children's Hospital.

[Health](#)

[Vitamins and lifestyle to delay progression of macular degeneration](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

May 9, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Jeffrey Blice about vitamins and lifestyle to delay progression of macular degeneration. Dr. Blice is an ophthalmologist who specializes in diseases of the retina, at Storm Eye Institute at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Robotic assisted living donor kidney transplant](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

May 8, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Tracy Rice about robotic assisted living donor kidney transplant. Dr. Rice is a surgeon in the Division of Transplant Surgery and she's Director of the Living Donor Transplant Program at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Health benefits of strong social connections for older adults](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

May 2, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Mary Hart Bryan about the importance of strong social connections in the older adult years, and the impact on health and wellbeing. Dr. Bryan is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences and a geriatric psychiatrist at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Environmental and seasonal allergies in children](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

May 1, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Kelli Williams about environmental and seasonal allergies in children. Dr. Williams is an Associate Professor of Pediatrics and a pediatrician specializing in allergies, asthma and immunology conditions at MUSC Children's Health.

[Health](#)

[Managing Parkinson's disease in the first year after diagnosis](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

April 25, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Vanessa Hinson about managing Parkinson's disease in the first year after diagnosis. Dr. Hinson is a Professor of Neurology and the Director of the Movement Disorders Program at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Health benefits of swimming](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

April 24, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Matthew Sherrier about the health benefits of swimming. Dr. Sherrier is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Orthopaedics and Physical Medicine and he's a non-surgical orthopaedic and sports medicine physician at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Connection between gum disease and rheumatoid arthritis](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

April 18, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Kathleen McKinnon about the connection between gum disease and rheumatoid arthritis. Dr. McKinnon is a rheumatologist and Director of the Center for Vasculitis Care and Research at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Managing stress during pregnancy](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

April 17, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Claire Smith about managing stress during pregnancy. Dr. Smith is a perinatal psychiatrist in the Women's Reproductive Behavioral Health Clinic at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[BRIGHT research related to body image distress](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

April 11, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Evan Graboyes about the BRIGHT research related to body image distress for head & neck cancer survivors. Dr. Graboyes is a head and neck cancer surgical oncologist and he's the Director of Survivorship and Cancer Outcomes Research at Hollings Cancer Center at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Updated standards for diabetes care](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

April 10, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Aundrea Loftley about updated standards for diabetes care, recommended by the American Diabetes Association. Dr. Loftley is an Associate Professor of Medicine and an endocrinologist at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[Healthy aging](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

April 4, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Heather Boger about healthy aging and super-agers, who have the mental and or physical capability of people decades younger. Dr. Boger is a Professor in the Department of Neuroscience and she's Education & Outreach Director of the Institute for Healthy Aging at MUSC.

[Health](#)

[New guidance for the treatment of transient ischemic attack \(or TIA\)](#)

[Bobbi Conner](#)

April 3, 2023

This week Bobbi Conner talks with Dr. Parneet Grewal about new guidance from the American Heart Association about the importance of seeking immediate treatment for a transient ischemic attack (or TIA). Dr. Grewal is an Assistant Professor of Medicine and a neurologist in the Comprehensive Stroke & Cerebrovascular Disease Center at MUSC.

Walter Edgar's Journal

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FINAL ON-AIR BROADCAST

[History](#)

[Walter Edgar's Journal, past and future](#)

[Walter Edgar](#)

May 26, 2023

Someone once said, "All roads lead to Rome." Maybe...But longtime historian, author, and radio host Walter Edgar believes it's a safer bet that all roads pass through South Carolina. And a lot of them start here! For almost 23 years Walter Edgar's Journal has been exploring the arts, culture, and history of South Carolina and the American South, to find out, among other things... the mysteries of okra, how many "Reconstructions" there have been since the Civil War, and why the road through the Supreme Court to civil rights has been so rocky.

[History](#)

[Carolina's lost colony: Stuarts Town and the struggle for survival in early South Carolina](#)

[Walter Edgar](#)

May 15, 2023

In his new book, Carolina's Lost Colony: Stuarts Town and the Struggle for Survival in Early South Carolina (2022, USC Press), historian Peter N. Moore examines the dual colonization of Port Royal at the end of the seventeenth century. From the east came Scottish Covenanters, who established the small outpost of Stuarts Town. Meanwhile, the Yamasee arrived from the south and west. These European and Indigenous colonizers made common cause as they sought to rival the English settlement of Charles Town to the

north and the Spanish settlement of St. Augustine to the south. However, as Moore tells Walter Edgar, religious idealism and commercial realities came to a head setting in motion a series of events that transformed the region into a powder keg of colonial ambitions, unleashing a chain of hostilities, realignments, displacement, and destruction that forever altered the region.

[History](#)

[Clemson professor Drew Lanham: the "genius" in his MacArthur Foundation grant is freedom to "do me"](#)

[Walter Edgar](#)

May 8, 2023

Edgefield native Drew Lanham wasn't entirely sure what the phone call from Chicago was about. And, after he heard what the person on the phone had to say, he wasn't altogether sure he believed the news: Drew had just won a MacArthur Fellowship, commonly known as the "genius grant." The MacArthur Foundation says that "The 2022 MacArthur Fellows are architects of new modes of activism, artistic practice, and citizen science. They are excavators uncovering what has been overlooked, undervalued, or poorly understood. They are archivists reminding us of what should survive." Drew Lanham, Alumni Distinguished Professor of Wildlife Ecology at Clemson University, talks with Walter Edgar about his life, his work, his writing, and about what may lie hopes to achieve through his work.

[History](#)

[C. Vann Woodward: America's historian](#)

[Walter Edgar](#)

May 1, 2023

In his fresh and revealing biography, *C. Vann Woodward: America's Historian* (2022, UNC Press), James Cobb shows, explores how Woodward displayed a rare genius and enthusiasm for crafting lessons from the past that seemed directly applicable to the concerns of the present—a practice that more than once cast doubt on his scholarship. Dr. Cobb talks with Walter Edgar about Woodward and the changing interpretations of Southern history.

[History](#)

[Citadel professor redefines key battle that changed the course of the Hundred Years War](#)

[Walter Edgar](#)

April 24, 2023

With his book, *Crécy: Battle of Five Kings* (2022, Osprey), Michael Livingston, professor of medieval history at The Citadel, has authored a remarkable new study on the Battle of Crécy, in which the outnumbered English under King Edward III won a decisive victory over the French and changed the course of the Hundred Years War. The repercussions of this battle, in which forces led by England's King Edward III decisively defeated a far larger French army,

were felt for hundreds of years, and the exploits of those fighting reached legendary status. Michael Livingston talks with Walter Edgar about how he has used archived manuscripts, satellite technologies and traditional fieldwork to reconstruct this important conflict, including the unlocking of what was arguably the battle's greatest secret: the location of the now-quiet fields where so many thousands died.

[History](#)

[The South Never Plays Itself - a history of the Deep South on screen](#)

[Walter Edgar](#)

April 17, 2023

Since *The Birth of a Nation* became the first Hollywood blockbuster in 1915, movies have struggled to reckon with the American South—as both a place and an idea, a reality and a romance, a lived experience, and a bitter legacy. In *The South Never Plays Itself: A Film Buff's Journey Through the South on Screen* (2023, UGA Press), author and film critic B. W. Beard explores the history of the Deep South on screen, beginning with silent cinema and ending in the streaming era. Beard talks with Walter Edgar about what the movies got right, and what stereotypes they created or perpetuate.

[History](#)

[Revolutionary revelations: remains of soldiers from the Battle of Camden to be re-interred with honors](#)

[Walter Edgar](#)

April 10, 2023

In 1780, Camden was the oldest and largest town in the Carolina backcountry. It was strategic to both the British Army and the Patriots in the Revolutionary War. Following a series of strategic errors before and during the Battle of Camden, the Patriot army under command of Major General Horatio Gates was soundly defeated, ushering in changes in military leadership that altered the war's course. In November of 2022, the South Carolina Battleground Preservation Trust announced a significant, historic discovery at the battlefield. The Trust, acting on behalf of Historic Camden Foundation, contracted with the South Carolina Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, University of South Carolina, to excavate a number of bodies of soldiers killed in the August 16, 1780, Battle of Camden. Artifacts from the burial sites are being studied; and the remains will be reentered with full, military honors, following ceremonies April 20-22, 2023, in Camden.

[History](#)

[Saving a legacy, one fish fry at a time](#)

[Walter Edgar](#)

April 4, 2023

Mable Owens Clarke is the sixth-generation steward and matriarch of Soapstone Baptist Church in the rural Pickens County community of Liberia. In 1999, a few days before she died at the age of 104, Mable's mother, Lula

Mae, made her daughter promise never to let the historically Black church close. Mabel, along with Carlton Owen, President of the Soapstone Preservation Endowment, join Walter Edgar this week to tell the remarkable story of how she set out to keep that promise through her monthly, fundraising fish fries held at the church - and how word of her delicious, traditional foods spread the word about Soapstone Church around the world.