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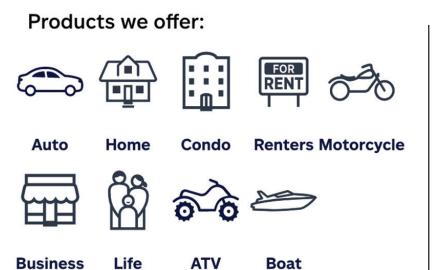
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If you are looking for a reliable and compassionate inhome care agency in the Lexington area, check out Hands and Hearts Home Care. This family-owned business has provided quality care for seniors and special needs clients for over 15 years and has recently won two prestigious awards: BEST PLACE TO WORK and BEST IN-HOME CARE of 2023.

Hands and Hearts Home Care was founded by two business professionals who had the same need for services for their family members and wanted to make a difference in their community. They started with a small office and a few caregivers and gradually expanded their services and staff to meet the growing demand. Today, they have a team of over 100 professional caregivers who offer a wide range of services, such as assistance with personal care like bathing, dressing, and toileting, as well as companionship, meal preparation, medical reminders, running errands, housekeeping, relief care, Alzheimer's care, and more.

But what makes Hands and Hearts Home Care stand out from other agencies is their genuine care for their clients and employees. They treat each client as a member of their extended family and tailor their care plans to suit their individual needs and preferences. They also value their employees as their greatest asset, providing them competitive pay, flexible schedules, training opportunities, recognition programs, and a supportive work environment.

In addition to providing excellent care, Hands and Hearts Home Care is also involved in their community and gives back in countless ways. They partner with local charities, such as the Shriners Circus, Alzheimer's Association, Families Helping Families, New Hope Mentor Program, GF3 (Good Foot, Good Feet, Good Friday), and more. They believe that by helping others, they are fulfilling their mission and vision. Giving back is the best way to say thank you!

Hands and Hearts Home Care is honored to win this year's Best Place to Work and Best In-Home Care. Even today, they believe you can make a difference if you treat people how you want to be treated and have an understanding heart. Their goal has always been to influence the lives of all their clients and employees. If you are interested in learning more about them or becoming a client or an employee, you can visit their website or call them at (803) 926-1669.

Laurie Griner helps you live a life well protected

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My knowledge and understanding of the people in this community help me provide customers with an outstanding level of service. I look forward to helping families like yours protect the things that are important - your family, home, car, boat and more. I have worked in the midlands for over 25 years. As a business owner myself, I care about the community of business owners around me.

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Lexington County is more than bedrooms. Too often, our home is viewed purely through its proximity to other places – Columbia, the University of South Carolina, Fort Jackson, etc. – seen as a spot for people who work in those other places during the day to hang their hats during the night and weekend.

But Lexington County is much more than that. And it deserves a "Best Of" contest that keeps that in mind.

One that highlights businesses and industries that operate here in the county. One that puts a spotlight on beloved neighborhood spots in towns from Swansea to Batesburg-Leesville to Chapin. One that embraces that there are more ways to have fun here than to get out on Lake Murray.

(And one that never forgets that the lake is still a mighty big deal around here.)

That's the Lexington County Chronicle's intention with the Lexington's Best contest – to highlight the restaurants, stores, businesses, hair stylists, mechanics, cultural institutions (and on and on) that make this county special.

And it seems that our readers are equally invested in that idea.

Our reader poll identifying the best Lexington County has to offer in more than 300 categories after weeks of nominations and votes got quite a response this year. We received 39,054 nominations and 98,961 votes on the way to crowning the winners compiled in this magazine.

We hope the result helps you identify great places to find products and services you require. We hope it helps you find new things to explore and



enjoy in the place where you live. And we hope it gets you talking about the things you love about Lexington County.

Because that is, at the heart of it all, the point of Lexington's Best. To highlight what you, the reader, love about your home.

To keep learning more about the latest local happenings, we hope you'll keep picking up the Chronicle and the free Wrapper each week, that you'll look out for our quarterly Lakeside magazine, and that you'll keep your eyes peeled to the regular updates posted to lexingtonchronicle.com.

Cheers to Lexington's Best! Jordan Lawrence, Editor

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Vision therapy helps improve the connection between the eyes and brain, improving vision. Many people can see well, but their eyes lack coordination, leading to vision problems. Vision therapy's purpose is to help the eyes work as a team.

Your optometrist helps better your vision by assigning weekly exercises to train weaknesses in your eyes. They identify your struggles and schedule regular sessions to retrain the eyes. Your exercises become more difficult with time until you reach your vision goal.

Depending on your vision struggles, your optometrist may have several goals for your vision therapy program, including:

- Improving visual comfort
- Helping you improve essential visual skills and abilities
- Changing how you process visual information

During treatment, your eye doctor assigns exercises that use movement, balance, auditory processing, and other cognitive abilities to improve your vision. Additionally, they use several supportive tools, including:

- Therapeutic lenses
- Prisms
- Filters

- Optometric phototherapy
- Balance boards

When Can You Expect Results?

There is no specific timeline for vision therapy because each patient's program is customized for their needs. You may see improvements in months while someone else only requires weeks of treatment.

After assessing your vision, your optometrist will have an idea of your treatment timeline. What's important is staying dedicated to your exercises—persistence pays off when it comes to vision therapy.



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At Solara, our aim is to create unforgettable personal experiences for our valued guests, ones that they will cherish for a lifetime. Our team is composed of accomplished professionals in the hospitality industry, many of whom began their journey as front desk agents and have worked their way up the ladder through dedication and hard work. We have a wealth of expertise in developing, acquiring, and operating hotels, and our passion for hospitality runs deep in our veins.

We are a vibrant and sociable group of individuals, united by our shared love for family, technology, culinary delights, and travel adventures. Our unwavering commitment to serving our guests is evident in everything we do. Solara Hospitality embraces the role of being a beacon of light and warmth in the world of hospitality, while also prioritizing the well-being and fulfillment of our associates. This unique approach sets us apart and ensures that our guests have an exceptional experience at our hotels.

By harnessing the passion and dedication of each member of our team, combined with the expertise and drive of our partners, Solara Hospitality consistently delivers a superior level of customer service. We take great pride in our award-winning properties, which are renowned for their exceptional guest experiences. "Despite our modest size, we are fueled by the core principles of treating our staff with the utmost respect and sincerity. This, in turn, fosters a strong sense of camaraderie and mutual commitment. We consider our staff to be integral members of our team, just as they consider themselves fortunate to be a part of it," shared Clancy Cipkala of Solara Hospitality in a conversation with Mike Pallerino, editor of Commercial Construction and Renovation.

Our overarching philosophy revolves around two guiding principles: firstly, we believe in embodying the essence of hospitality by providing genuine warmth and care to our associates, ultimately leading to delightful experiences for our guests. Secondly, we strive to create memories that will resonate with our guests, ensuring that their time with us is cherished and cherished forever.

At Solara Hospitality, our mission is clear—to make a positive difference in the lives of those we serve by delivering exceptional hospitality and creating lasting connections.

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Solara is comprised of hospitality industry leaders, many of which have started as front desk agents and moved our way up the hospitality ladder. We have experience developing, acquiring and operating hotels. We bleed, breathe and sweat hospitality. We are an extremely social group of family-focused, techies, foodies and travel fanatics with the every lasting spirit to serve our guests.



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Mission Lexington is the hub of care for those in crisis in Lexington County. We assist families and individuals with life essentials (food, clothing, shelter), resources, and guidance. In 2022, we met over 31,800 needs in Lexington County ranging from rehousing a blended family of six to providing interview clothes to a dad trying to provide for his family. Our partner network includes local businesses, government agencies, corporations, organizations, individuals, and 54 member churches that help sustain our vision daily.

Mission Lexington has served the county from multiple locations over the years, moving as our needs have expanded. Today we offer a thriving thrift store, food pantry, mobile food pantry, donation center, social services and administration offices at 216 Harmon St. in downtown Lexington, SC.

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Upon her graduation from law school, Amy began working in private practice with her father in Anderson, South Carolina, concentrating in the areas of real estate, workers' compensation, and probate matters, and continued that practice after his death in 1994.

Amy is currently in private practice at 605 East Main St., Lexington, SC. Amy is licensed to practice in state and federal court and is a member of both the Lexington County and South Carolina Bar Associations. She serves on Lexington Medical Center's Board of Directors and is on the board of the South Carolina Workers & Compensation Educational Association. Amy is a member of Mt. Horeb United Methodist Church. Amy is married to Jimmy Terrapin and has two sons both attending the University of South Carolina.

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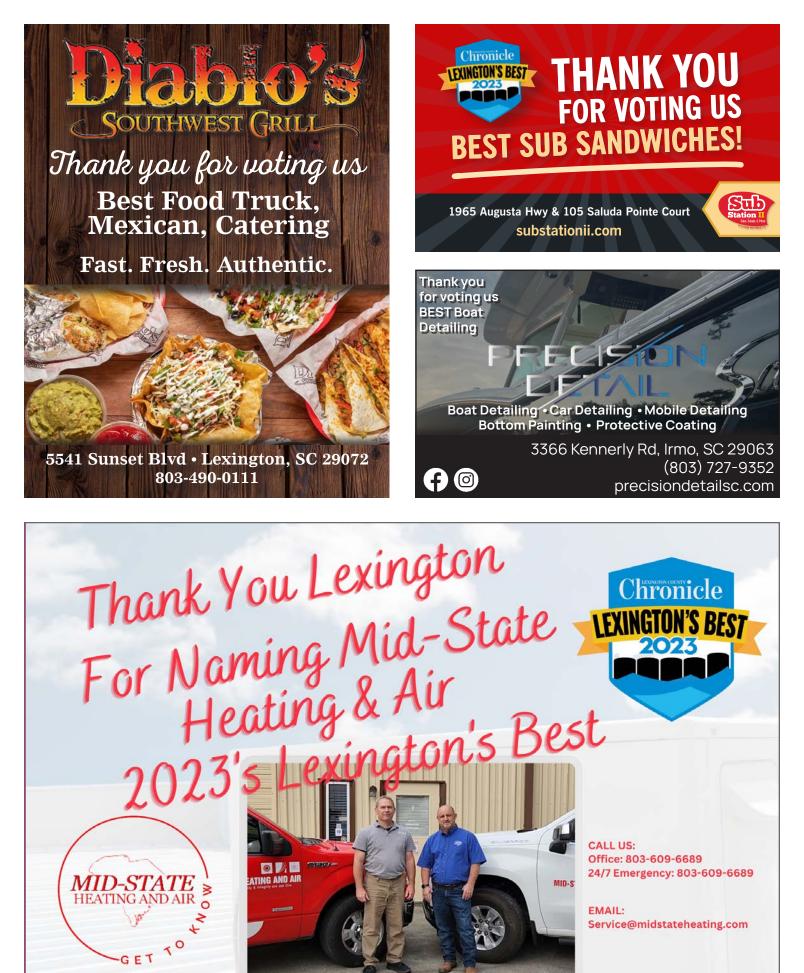
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Buffet Shealy's Bar-B-Que

Burger Rush's

Business Lunch O'Hara's Public House

Butcher Ole Timey Meat Market

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We formed a team of prayer warriors and began to meet and pray. Although our faith has been tested along the way, God has been "Faithful and True" (Revelation 19:11). The valleys have been exalted and the mountains have been brought low; the crooked places have been made straight and the rough places smooth, so that the glory of the LORD may be revealed... (Isaiah 40:4-5).

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In January of 2022 we began Phase 1 of our Legacy Campaign to expand our elementary school. We added 5,784 additional square feet to include 9 classrooms, 3 bathrooms and a covered outdoor area. We also opened a second campus offering K4 and K5 in September 2022. The Lord is continuing to bless and grow his kingdom with Northside. We are currently praying for Phase 2 funding that will include a Student Life Center, Fine Arts space, and cutting-edge Science and Computer labs. Our vision for Athletics continues with a Field House to include locker rooms, team facilities, and a weight room overlooking the current fields.

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Gail Clark leads Lexington County pick for Best Law Firm

Geneva M. "Gail" Clark was born and raised in Rockingham, North Carolina. She married her high school sweetheart, Brian Lee Clark, of Rockingham, NC, a Road Foreman of Engineers with CSX Transportation. They have three daughters, Breleigh, Haleigh and Carleigh Clark and attend Kittiwake Baptist Church in West Columbia. Other than her love of family, Gail enjoys spending her downtime on beautiful Lake Murray.

Gail graduated from Richmond Senior High School in 1996. Following High School, she attended Wingate University where she earned a B.S. in Business Administration with an emphasis in Management in 2000, graduating with Dean's List recognition for her academic accomplishments. Her eagerness to engage in the process of learning continued as she acquired a Master of Arts in Teaching in 2006 from Wingate University. During this time, Gail acquired a North Carolina Real Estate Sales License in April 1999. Additionally, obtaining Broker status in July of 2001 and Broker-In-Charge eligibility in August of 2007.

Except for a brief break to obtain her master's degree Gail worked full time in the business field until May of 2015. Examples

of her career experiences include working with residential and commercial developers; and working in collaboration with local government department heads to interpret and assist in development of program policies, review grant applications, personnel actions, and budget request on an agency wide scale for compliance with federal, state and agency guidelines. A 2015 job transfer for her husband resulted in the relocation of her family to South Carolina and an opportunity for her to go back to school full time and pursue a law degree. The logistics of the move in conjunction with helping her three young daughters adapt to their changing circumstances was without a doubt extremely challenging at times. However, she was determined to succeed and committed to making the daily drive to Charleston, South Carolina where she attended Charleston School of Law. Gail graduated from Charleston School of Law with her Juris Doctor in May of 2019. While attending Charleston she received the CALI Award of Excellence in Contracts I, and Upper-Level Writing.

Gail started the Clark Law Office, LLC in the fall of 2020.



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