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## Home care deeply rooted in compassion and personalized care

Hands and Hearts Home Care, a beacon of excellence in Lexington, has been recognized in Lexington's Best 2024 magazine for its outstanding service and dedication to the community. This locally owned agency, deeply rooted in the values of compassion and personalized care, has been honored with six prestigious awards, showcasing its commitment to being the best in the industry.

With a nurturing environment that values each employee, Hands and Hearts has been named Best Place to Work, reflecting its belief that exceptional care begins with happy and empowered caregivers. This philosophy extends to their clients, where they provide not just in-home care but a comprehensive experience that caters to the



holistic well-being of each individual, earning them the Best In-Home Care award.

The agency's impact on the senior community has not gone unnoticed, as they've been awarded Best Senior Care for their unwavering commitment to enriching the lives of the elderly with dignity and respect. Their innovative approach to home health has also earned them the Best Home Health Company title, setting a gold standard in the field.

At the heart of this success is James Moore, a leader whose vision and guidance have been instrumental in cultivating an environment of excellence at Hands and Hearts Home Care. His recognition as the Best Boss in Lexington's Best 2024 is a testament to his leadership and the agency's commitment to its employees and the community. Under his guidance, Hands and Hearts Home Care has become an integral part of the Lexington community and is recognized as the Best Locally Owned Business.

As we celebrate these achievements, we recognize that the true measure of Hands and Hearts' success is the trust and peace of mind they've provided to countless families, making them a deserving recipient of such honors in Lexington's Best 2024. Congratulations to the entire team at Hands and Hearts Home Care for setting a benchmark in service and care.

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Whether a death is sudden or expected, the loss of a loved one is profound. The overwhelming feelings of despair, disbelief, shock and numbness cannot be expressed by mere words. When you are in a heightened emotional state, even the most basic decisions can seem staggering. What funeral home do I choose? How much is this going to cost?

In truth, no one is completely prepared for the death of someone close to their heart.

In South Carolina, the average funeral cost is \$8,300 and the average cremation cost is \$6,100. Corporate funeral homes tend to be more expensive and less personal than local, family-owned funeral homes, and families are becoming more aware of the differences.

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I've often heard, "Lexington is just part of Columbia." And while we are in close proximity to Columbia, it's important to remember Lexington's distinct identity.

Sure, it's close to Columbia, the University of South Carolina, Fort Jackson, etc., but Lexington County is much more than that. And this "Best Of" contest helps us to keep that in the forefront of our minds.

We're proud of the Lexington name, all it stands for and the organizations, businesses, places and people that make this a beautiful, community-oriented place to live and work.

This contest highlights businesses and industries that operate here in the county. It puts a spotlight on beloved neighborhood spots in towns from Swansea to Batesburg-Leesville to Chapin. This contest encourages us to embrace the ways to have fun here and grow our pride in our community.

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 guite a response this year. We received 34,337 nominations and 143,700 votes on the way to crowning the winners compiled in this magazine.

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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 guarterly Lakeside magazine, and that you'll keep your eyes peeled to the regular updates posted to lexingtonchronicle.com.

Cheers to Lexington's Best!

Bryn Eddy, Editor



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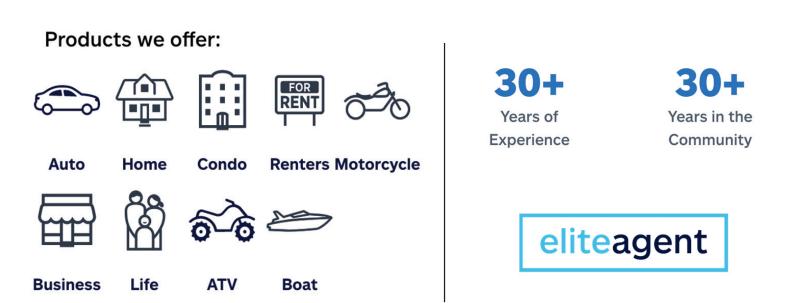
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In September of 2011, Northside Christian Academy opened its doors as a ministry of Northside Baptist Church. Northside Christian Academy is the result of much prayer, fasting and vision on the part of those whom God called to launch a distinctively different Christian school in the Lexington community. The school was birthed on behalf of the children and families in Lexington and the greater Columbia area, in order that they may believe, defend and proclaim the truth of Jesus Christ which is the Holy Bible from Genesis to Revelation. "So that the generations to come might know Him..." - Psalm 78

We believe that by God's divine providence, the school came into existence. Jeremiah 33:3 says, "Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know." Years ago, we began to call to God for a Christian school in Lexington, South Carolina. We formed a team of prayer warriors and began to meet and pray. Through this incredible journey of seeking God for a Christian school in the Columbia area, God has been "Faithful and True" (Revelation 19:11). God has made the impossible possible! NCA was established in 2011.

Since 2011, the Lord has allowed NCA to continue to grow exponentially. We started with 115 students, and we now have

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The Lord continues to bless and grow His kingdom at Northside.

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#### COMMUNITY

Art Gallery State of the Art Gallery and Pottery Studio

**Charity Event** American Cancer Society "Real Men Wear Pink"

**Civic Club** Carefree Boat Club Lake Murray

**Community Event** Soirée on State **Elected Official** Mayor Elise Partin

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**Event** Entertainment Hagan Williams DJs

**Event Venue** Icehouse Amphitheater

Family Entertainment Riverbanks Zoo & Garden

**Library** Lexington County Public Library

**Live Theatre** Village Square Theatre

**Music Venue** Icehouse Amphitheater

Networking Group BNI-RRG

Non-profit Mission Lexington

**Park** Cayce Riverwalk Park **Place for kids to have fun** Horse Crossing Farm

Place to take a visitor Riverbanks Zoo & Garden

**Sports Complex** Blowfish Baseball

**Sports Leagues** Lexington County Recreation & Aging Commission

**Summer Camp** Legacy Martial Arts

Wedding Venue Hartley House Event Venue

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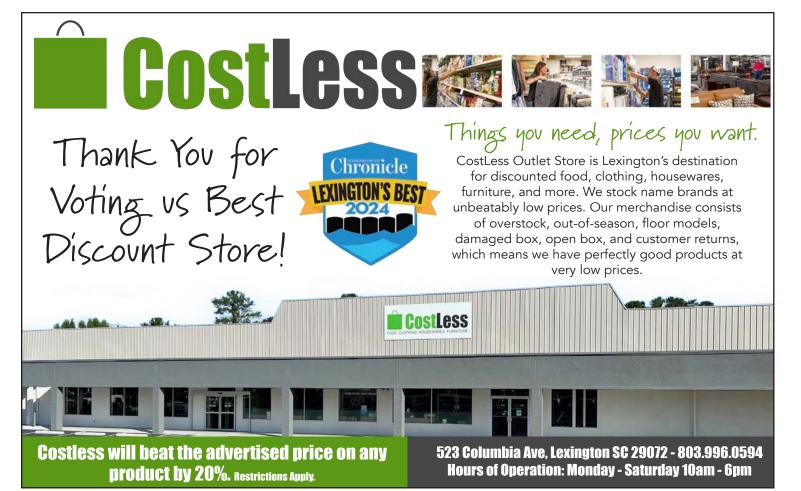
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# **History of the Soiree**

The Soiree on State was an idea Cayce Mayor Elise Partin had after attending the Mayor's Institute on City Design. Mayor Partin wanted to attract residents and visitors to the city's

original downtown core, State Street, to hopefully revitalize the area. In

June 2017, the empty buildings on State Street were cleaned and opened for local artists to feature their work inside the spaces and local bands performed in the street with local food and craft vendors lining the streets. Seven years later, there are thriving locally owned businesses on State Street. Soiree on State is the city's most popular annual event and has grown into a street festival with arts and crafts, food trucks, and live music. Now in its sixth year, the "Party in the Streets," as its fondly known as, has grown

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to include even more local arts and craft vendors and the city has partnered with the

Avenues Neighborhood Association to combine the Cayce Festival of the Arts with Soiree on State. There are more bands, a free kids' area with balloon artists, face painting and bounce courses, and a huge variety of food trucks and exhibits by local businesses. Come enjoy this annual experience on March 22, 2025.







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**Burger** Zesto of West Columbia

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**Butcher** Ole Timey Meat Market

**Cakes & Desserts** Buttercream Dreams **Catering** Shealy's Catering

**Chicken** Zesto of West Columbia

Chinese Blossom Buffet

**Coffee Shop** Loveland Coffee

**Country Cooking** Crossroads Café

**Deli** Groucho's Deli

**Delivery** Erin's Errands Cola

Family Restaurant Shealy's BBQ

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Happy Hour Barrio Lexington

**Health Food** Cayce Farmer's Market

Hot Dog Rushs

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**Italian** Travinia Italian Kitchen & Wine Bar

**Japanese** Miyabi Jr Express

**Korean** Phat Fingers

**Liquor Store** Murray Town Spirits

**Local Produce Farm** Cayce Farmer's Market

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# **AND THE WINNERS ARE...**

**Snow Cones** Pelican's SnoBalls Lexington

**Mexican** Don Pepe Mexican Grill & Cantina

Night Spot LJ's Par and Grill

**Pizza** Nicky's Pizzeria of Lexington

**Produce** Clayton Rawl Farms

**Restaurant Drive-Thru** Chick-fil-A

Romantic Restaurant Private Property

**Salads** Grecian Gardens

Sandwiches Groucho's Deli

**Seafood** Catch Seafood

**Smoothie** Tropical Smoothie Cafe **Soup** Cribbs Sandwich Shop

**Speciality Foods** TLC Sweets, LLC

**Sports Bar** Bubba's Pub N Grub

**Steak** Kingsman Restaurant

**Sub Sandwiches** Groucho's Deli

**Sushi** Konnichiwa

Sweet Tea Rushs

**Takeout Food** Diablo's Southwest Grill of Lexington

**Thai** Duke's Pad Thai

Wine Selection (Restaurant/Bar) Tavern on 6 Wine Selection (Store) Total Wine & More

**Wings** D's Wings

**EDUCATION** Adult Education Lexington Two Adult Education

**Driving School** Lexington Driving Academy

**Elementary School** Springdale Elementary School

**High School** Airport High School

**High School Coach** (Men's Sports) Casey Bradwell, Airport High School

**High School Coach** (Women's Sports) Keith Morris, Airport High School

Middle School Cyril B. Busbee Creative Arts Academy **Preschool** Holland Avenue Baptist Church

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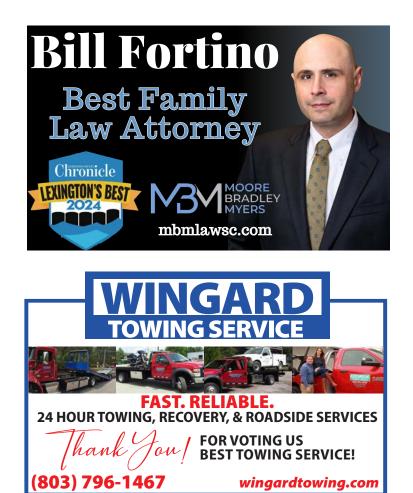
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**Fence Company** Palmetto Fence Pros, LLC

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Flooring Installation Company Door to Door Floors

**Garage Doors** Precision Overhead Garage Door Service

Glass & Mirrors Central Glass

**Grading & Hauling** EGM Services LLC Gutter Installation/ Maintenance Beaver Roofing & Gutters

Heating and Air Service Richardson's Heating & Air

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Nursing Home Still Hopes Episcopal Retirement Community

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**Real Estate Closing Attorney** Amy Cofield, Attorney at Law

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**Roofing Company** Beaver Roofing & Gutters

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**Lasik Surgery** Envision Family Eyecare

**Nurse** Melissa Sprouse, Lexington Family Practice Gilbert

**Obstetrics and Gynecology** Lexington Women's Care

**Occupational Therapist** Jordan Piper, Lexington Medical Park Otarre Pointe

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**Outpatient Therapy Clinic** FYZICAL Therapy & Balance Centers

Pediatric Dentist Palmetto Smiles

**Pediatric Practice** SouthernMED Pediatrics

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**Psychiatrist** Melanie Lobel

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**Consultant** Ben Byxbe, The Work Better Team

**Counselor** Amanda Barefoot, Pelion Elementary School

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**Electrician** The Lighthouse Electrical

**EMT/Paramedic** Brittany Rininger, Lexington County EMS

# AND THE WINNERS ARE...

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**Loan Officer** Rebecca Barnhart, Movement Mortgage

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Carpet/Flooring Store Door to Door Floors

**CBD Retailer** Rava Life



Lexington Medical Center Best Hospital

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Lexington Women's Care Lexington Best OB/GYN Practice

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**Computer Store** That Computer Store

**Consignment Store** Magnolia Boutique & Resale

**Cosmetic Store** Ulta Beauty

**Department Store** TJMaxx

**Discount Store** CostLess Outlet

Feed Store Locklair's Farm Supply

**Fishing Store** JC's Outdoors

**Fitness Store** Fleet Feet Columbia - Irmo

Flea Market Barnyard Flea Market **Furniture Store** Marty Rae's of Lexington

Gas Station Murphy Express

**Gift Store** 335 West Third, LLC

Guns & Firearms Store Palmetto State Armory

Hardware Store Fairview General Supply

Jewelry Store Tidwell Jewelers

Local Cellular Company Verizon

Mattress Store Economy Furniture

Men's Clothing Store Craig Reagin Clothiers

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Nursery Wingard's Market **Office Equipment** Rowin Partners -Rob Winchester

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**Outdoor Furniture** & Accessories Tropic Aire Patio Gallery

**Paint Store** Sherwin-Williams Paint Store

Party Rentals/ Services The Party Spot

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Pawn Store White Knoll Gold & Pawn LLC

Pet Store Lazy Creek Pet Food Center

Pharmacy Rileys Drugs Inc

**Shoe Store** Amick's Shoe Shop

**Sporting Goods** JC's Outdoors

**Thrift Store** Thrifty Paws Boutique **Tire Store** Karl Crapps Tire Services

**Tobacco Store** 20 Tobacco & Vapor, LLC

**Tool/Equipment Rental** B-L Rental & Inflatables

**Tuxedo Rental** Tylar Rose Pageant Prom and Special Occasion

Vape Store Essential Vapors & CBD

Vitamin/ Supplement Store 14 Carrot Whole Foods

Wig Store Merle Norman Cosmetic Studio

Window Company Pella Windows & Doors - Jason Page

Women's Clothing Store Saluda Rose Boutique





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Best Customer Service Chick-fil-A

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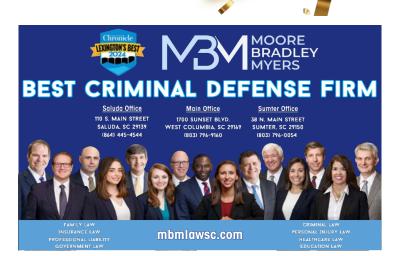




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## **Gail Clark leads Lexington County pick for Best Law Firm**

Geneva M. "Gail" Clark was born and raised in Rockingham, North Carolina. She married her high school sweetheart, Brian Lee Clark, of Rockingham, N.C., a road foreman of engineers with CSX Transportation. They have three daughters, Breleigh, Haleigh and Carleigh Clark, and they 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. She then 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, she obtained 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 fulltime 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 requests 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 fulltime 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, S.C. 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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