

## **Heartland Publications LLC announced its intention to buy four daily newspapers and other properties in four southern states.**

The deal, which is set to close in June, includes four daily newspapers, three triweeklies, two biweeklies, seven weeklies, a wine magazine, and several shoppers and niche publications. The papers are currently owned by Spartanburg-based Mid-South Management Co. Inc.. Heartland, based in Connecticut, is owned by a New York equity firm and is an investing subsidiary of Wachovia Corporation. Among papers affected is the Jefferson Post in West Jefferson.