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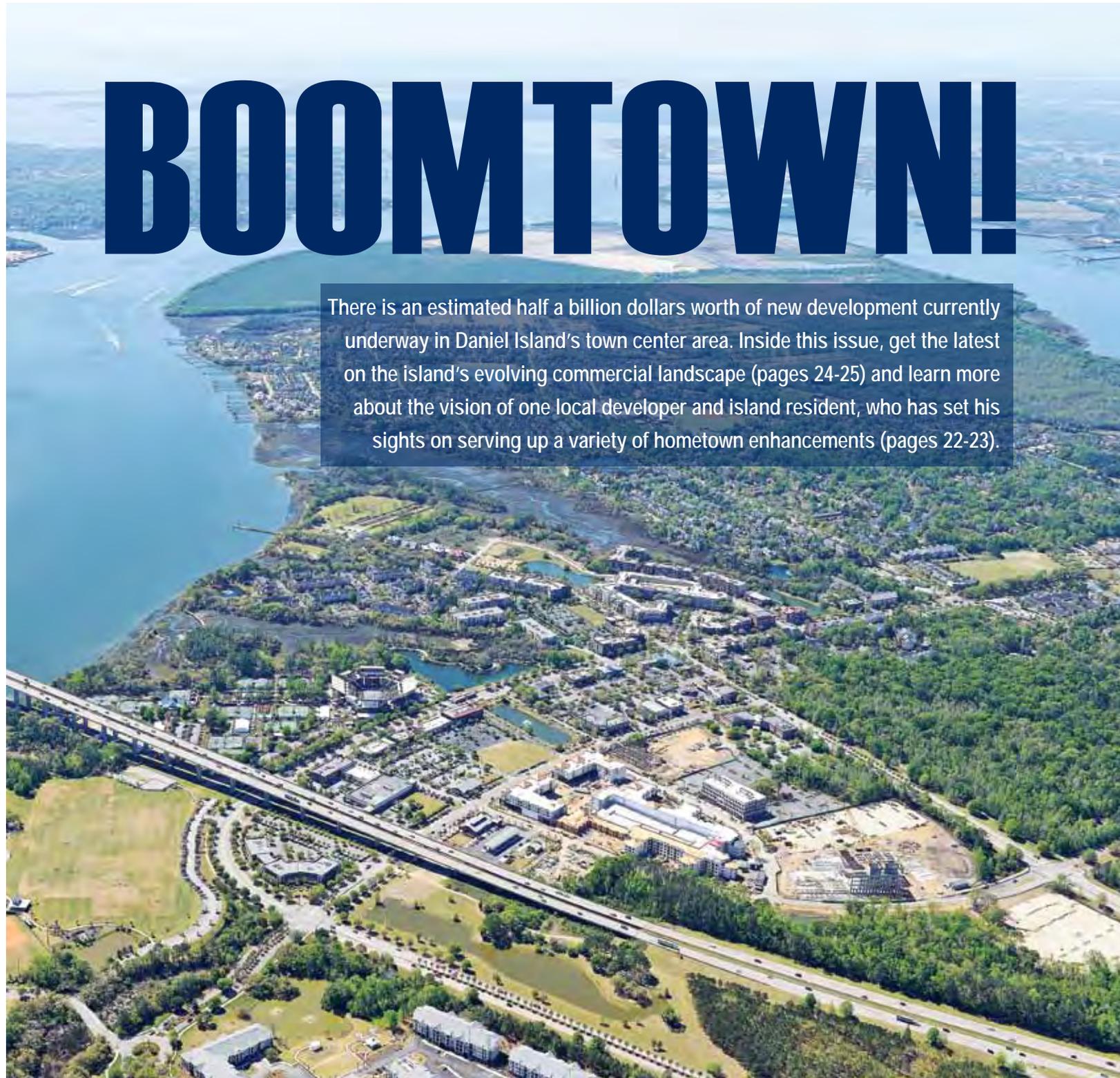
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There is an estimated half a billion dollars worth of new development currently underway in Daniel Island's town center area. Inside this issue, get the latest on the island's evolving commercial landscape (pages 24-25) and learn more about the vision of one local developer and island resident, who has set his sights on serving up a variety of hometown enhancements (pages 22-23).

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Rep. Jim Merrill's constituents to file suit regarding his suspended seat

Petitioners call on Governor to appoint temporary replacement

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Four Daniel Island residents in S.C. House District 99 are expected to take legal action this week against Governor Henry McMaster, Attorney General Alan Wilson, and others regarding the General Assembly seat held by Rep. Jim Merrill.

Last December, about a month after being re-elected to a ninth term, Merrill was indicted on two counts of misconduct in office and 28 counts for violations of the Ethics, Government Accountability, and Campaign Reform Act of 1991. In an article in The Daniel Island News, he called the charges against him “unfounded and misleading.” As dictated by state law, Merrill was suspended from his seat pending the outcome of the case.

Connolly Dittrich, Sophia Latto, Laurie Steinke and Louis Steinke are listed as “petitioners” in the new legal filing about Merrill’s position. They argue that Governor McMaster may have a legal obligation to appoint a temporary replacement for Merrill during his

suspension. Local attorney Jim Davis of Daniel Island, who is representing the group, said he expected to submit the suit to the South Carolina Supreme Court by Friday.

“The most basic principle of American democracy is that the citizens have the right to representation,” wrote Davis in his argument for original jurisdiction by the court. “This public interest is plainly involved in this action, because the Petitioners, and the other 45,000 residents (approximate) of South Carolina District 99 are being deprived, through no fault of their own, of representation by a state representative duly elected by them.”

Davis went on to state that these issues “go to the very heart of constitutional governance” and that the people’s will “has been and will continue to be thwarted if there is no timely replacement of state legislators indefinitely suspended from their office due to their indictments for crimes.”

On December 22, during his first court appearance regarding the string of indictments, Merrill stated he would defend the charges against him. Daniel Island resident Laurie Steinke, and those joining her in the suit, feel that defense could take years.

“We believe we have standing and evidence sufficient to ask you to appoint a

temporary state representative for District 99...until such time as the charges against Rep. Merrill are resolved,” she stated, in a letter to Gov. McMaster included in the filing. “There are very important issues concerning education, infrastructure spending, health care, jobs, and more that are presently being considered, debated and voted upon in the General Assembly, in which we have no representation.”

According to the filing, per state law (Section 8-1-100) “any state or county officer who is indicted in any court of any crime may, in the discretion of the Governor, be suspended.” The statute goes on to say that if a suspension occurs, the Governor “shall appoint another in his stead until he shall be acquitted.” In the event of a conviction, a suspended seat would be considered vacant and could be filled “as provided by law.”

The petitioners in the suit are asking the court to determine if the Governor has the authority and obligation to appoint a replacement for Rep. Merrill to represent the residents of House District 99. Davis called the matter an issue “of great public importance.”

The case is similar to one filed recently by ethics watchdog John Crangle, who has asked the S.C. Supreme Court to rule on whether or

not Governor McMaster can appoint a temporary replacement for suspended Senator John Courson.

According to state law (8-13-560), “A member of the General Assembly who is indicted in a state or federal court for a crime that is a felony, a crime that involves moral turpitude, a crime that has a sentence of two or more years, a crime that violates election laws, must be suspended immediately without pay by the presiding officer of the House or Senate,” not the governor. And therefore, some contend, since the state’s top executive did not suspend Merrill, he may not have the power to appoint a temporary replacement.

“The Governor’s office is of the opinion it does not have the legal authority to make such an appointment,” stated Brian Symmes, press secretary for Governor McMaster.

The Daniel Island News spoke with Rep. Merrill about the filing prior to going to print, but he declined to comment. Also named as respondents in the case (in their official capacities as public officials) are S.C. Senate Pro Tem Hugh Leatherman, Merrill, Speaker of the House Rep. James Lucas and the state of South Carolina. The General Assembly is officially in session between January and May. The current session ends on May 11.



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letter to the EDITOR

When my wife and I made the decision to move to Charleston one of the key reasons was its deep roots in American history. Prior to moving to DI, I had taken up the hobby of Vexillology (the study and appreciation of flags). The how and why I took this up is a story too long for your pages, but, since taking it up I have collected well over 50 flags. Most are related to American history and or world events directly effecting America.

Every day there are two flags flying from my front porch. When the date of a significant event occurs, the flags are changed. For example, on April 9, 1865, Robert E. Lee surrendered to Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox Court House...virtually ending the bloodiest conflict in American history...the Civil War. In reverence to this monumental date, and after seeking advice from several SC natives, an American flag with 36 stars (the number of Union states at the time) and the Third Flag of the Confederacy (yes, the Stars & Bars are on the flag in the upper corner) were flown from my front porch.

Several days later, the historical event ended, the flags were taken down and replaced because new historical events occurred and different flags were put up.

Later that week, a letter (see box on right) appeared in my mail box. I am interested in reaching out to the person who mailed it... unfortunately they did not sign it or leave a return address on the envelope...honestly I was disappointed they took this path. Had they been open to "talking" I would gladly explained WHY those particular flags were flown.

We cannot change history. We must learn from it and we must teach others. It is only through addressing tough issues head on, without fear of being ridiculed, that we move forward and not repeat the mistakes of the past. In my opinion, flags are a great learning tool. They capture attention and raise our curiosity and are a fun way to learn.

Nicholas Pappas
Daniel Island

Nicholas Pappas of Daniel Island received the following anonymous letter in his mailbox after flying the Third Flag of the Confederacy outside his home:

Dear Resident,

Thank you for taking down your confederate flag. We know it is the third confederate flag. It is still a symbol of hate and bigotry. That flag is disrespectful to all Daniel Islanders and residents of Charleston. We are fast approaching the two year anniversary of the Mother Emanuel Church murders where 9 peace loving people participating in bible study were assassinated by a white supremacist who reveled and wrapped himself in the confederate flag. The state of SC had the good grace to take down the confederate flag from the state house capital after the Mother Emanuel Church murders as a sign of respect and a strong statement that the hate embedded in the confederate flag will no longer represent who we are as a people. Your flying of the confederate flag hopefully was just an oversight, not insensitivity and bigotry. We thank you for taking down that flag!

Land use and zoning activities on Daniel Island

Below are issues being brought before the various City of Charleston boards and committees that are specific to land use and zoning on Daniel Island. For more information on any of these proposed actions, visit dineighborhoodassociation.org (click on Land Use and Zoning Activity). All of the meetings are open for public comment except the TRC meetings. For the location and time of meetings, visit the DINA website or send an email to zoning@dineighborhoodassociation.org.

City of Charleston Technical Review Committee (TRC) - May 4 meeting: One issue of impact to

Daniel Island - Road construction plans for a new roundabout on Daniel Island (Seven Farms Drive and Daniel Island Drive) and associated improvements.

City of Charleston Board of Zoning Appeals – Site Design (BZA-SD) - Next meeting to take place May 3. Three issues of impact to Daniel Island: (1) 259 Seven Farms Drive - Request a variance from Sec 54-343.1 to omit required parking lot islands in a surface parking lot. (2) Rhoden Island - Request reconsideration of the Board's decision on April 5 to approve a variance from Sec 54-327 to allow

the removal of 12 grand trees. (3) Fairbanks Drive - Request a variance from Sec 54-327 to allow the removal of four grand trees. Request a special exception from Sec 54-327 to allow the removal of one grand tree.

City of Charleston Board of Zoning Appeals – Zoning (BZA-Z) - Next meeting to take place on May 16. Agenda not yet published.

City of Charleston Design Review Board (DRB) - Next meeting to take place on May 15. Agenda not yet published.

City of Charleston Planning Commission - Next meeting to take place on May 17. No issues of impact to Daniel Island

Want to live longer? Try these three things!



Just 3 Things

STEVE FERBER

If you're interested in hanging around for a while, and who isn't, you might want to give these three a try, according to a recent piece by Jeffrey Kluger for Time magazine.

Stay Curious. Kluger quotes Laura Carstensen*, psychology professor and director of the Stanford Longevity Center: "There is evidence that curiosity has longevity benefits...

Asking questions and discovering new things keeps you engaged with the world and with other people."

Eat More Plants. No surprise here, says Kluger: "The healthiest diet is the one in which you eat a lot of plants...A Harvard University study found that people who ate eight or more servings of fruits and vegetables a day were 30 percent less likely to have a heart attack or stroke than people who ate less from the plant group."

Change Your Mindset. When you think about aging, do you focus on the positive or the negative?

Kluger quotes Becca Levy, associate professor of epidemiology and psychology at the Yale School of Public Health: "Our research has

shown that when more positive beliefs about older individuals are held earlier in life, they can lead to health advantages."

A study co-authored by Levy, Yale colleagues Martin Slade and Stanislav Kasl, and Miami University's Suzanne Kunkel found that "older individuals with more positive self-perceptions of aging, measured up to 23 years earlier, lived 7.5 years longer than those with less positive self-perceptions of aging. This advantage remained after age, gender, socioeconomic status, loneliness, and functional health were included as covariates. It was also found that this effect is partially mediated by (a) will to live. . . . The findings suggest that the self-perceptions of stigmatized groups can influence longevity."

* Carstensen is author of "A Long Bright Future: Happiness, Health, and Financial Security in an Age of Increased Longevity."

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Riley
Age 12



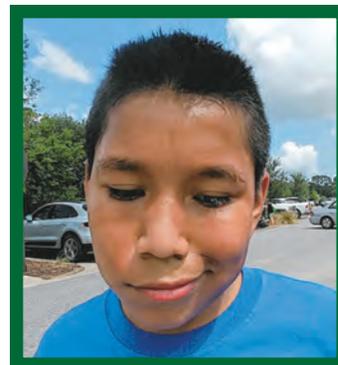
A Frankie's Fun Park because it is awesome and a lot of people will go to it.
Isabella
Age 10



Chick-fil-A because I have always wanted to work there.
Jose
Age 9



An art museum because I want to see cool art and so children can draw pictures.
Nathalie
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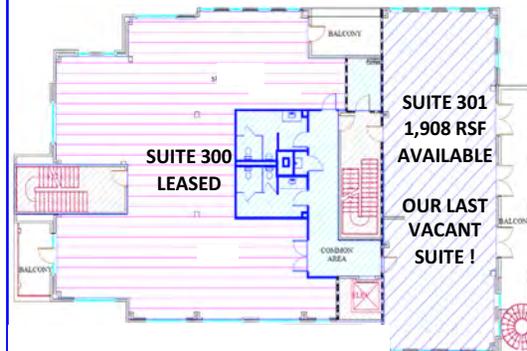
Rotary inducts new members



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Two new members were inducted into the Rotary Club of Daniel Island during the organization's April 26 meeting at the Daniel Island Club. President Gray Ives called the new members, Dr. Brantley Meier and Ms. Katie Giebel, along with their sponsors, to the podium and confirmed they were ready and willing to join the ranks of over 1.2 million Rotarians worldwide. Dr. Meier received his Rotary pin from his sponsor Mr. Michael Patterson and Ms. Giebel received her Rotary pin from her sponsor Mr. Michael Cole.

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The 12th Annual Daniel Island Kids' Triathlon will be held on Sat., June 17. Registration for the event will be held from May 1-26. Those interested in signing up can register during office hours (12 pm to 5 pm) at the City of Charleston Recreation office on Daniel Island, located at 235 Seven Farms, or online at <http://sc-charleston.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/10918>. Questions can be directed to Jen Nelson at (843) 216-6366 or nelsenj@charleston-sc.gov.

BCSD SUPT. FEEDBACK SESSION

The Berkeley County School Board has planned multiple public input sessions throughout the county over the next two weeks to gather feedback on the search for a new superintendent. One to three board members are expected to attend the Philip Simmons High School PTA meeting on Thurs. May 4, from 7 to 8:30 pm to solicit comments on the types of characteristics community members would like to see in a new superintendent. For more information, visit <http://www.bcsdschools.net/Page/27810>.

HIBBEN BIKE COLLECTION DRIVE

Members of the Hibben United Methodist Church Youth Group are collecting youth and adult bikes for those in need in our state and around the world. Clean out your garage and donate your old bike (with a \$10 tax deductible handling donation). Bikes can be dropped off on Sat. May 6 at Hibben UMC, 690 Coleman Blvd, Mt. Pleasant, from 9 am to noon. Contact Cathy Musselwhite at cmusselwhite@hibbenumc.org.

NATIONAL BIKE TO SCHOOL DAY!

Join members of the Charleston Police Department and the staff of Cooper River Cycles for a police-escorted bicycle ride to Daniel Island School on May 10, which has been designated as National Bike to School Day. Meet at the Pierce Park Pool for pre-ride snacks and free bicycle safety checks from Cooper River Cycles. The group will depart at 7:30 am for school. Helmets are required. All family members are encouraged to join in.

THANK GOODNESS IT'S FIRST FRIDAY (TGIF)

TGIF is an informal social gathering open to all Daniel Island residents the first Friday of every month (except January and July). Get-togethers are held at the Daniels Landing Clubhouse, 230 River

Landing Drive, 6:30 - 9 pm. Bring a hors d'oeuvre to share and your favorite beverage. Questions: Call Walter or Barbara Jenner 843-216-2573.

SCOUTS SUPPORT OF LOCAL FOOD BANK

Daniel Island Boy Scout Edward Snyder is assisting the Lowcountry Food Bank (LFB) as part of his Eagle Project. He and his fellow scouts will be collecting food items for LFB on Daniel Island on May 6, 9 am-12 pm. Residents interested in donating items can leave them in a plastic bag on their front porch by 9 am. Items needed include canned proteins, canned fruits, dry goods (baking mix, cereal, rice, etc), shelf stable milk, evaporated milk or powdered milk. Items without labels, open products, and anything in a glass container cannot be accepted.

2017 MOMS' RUN ON DI

Local nonprofit Postpartum Support Charleston invites the community to stand up for mothers suffering from maternal mental illness by taking part in the 14th Annual Moms' Run + Family Fun Day on Sat. May 13 at MUSC Health Stadium on Daniel Island. To register, to become a sponsor, or for more information, visit www.ppdsupport.org/events/momsrun.

ST. CLARE OF ASSISI MEN'S GROUP

Monthly dinner meeting will be held May 15 at 6:30 pm at Ristorante LIDI at 901 Island Park Dr. The guest speaker is Dr. Barbara Boatwright, Clinical Psychologist and Executive Director of Life Resources. She will present "Created for Connection with God and One Another," with emphasis on how to better connect with your spouse. Open to the public, men and woman alike. Tickets \$20 at the door. RSVP to Dr. Jim Wasson at jimwasson58@aol.com or call 607-727-4727.

DIHS TO PRESENT 'SACRED HARP' PROGRAM

Join the Daniel Island Historical Society on Tues., May 16 at 7 pm for "The Sacred Harp: An American Tradition of Harmonic Singing" at Church of the Holy Cross on Daniel Island. The event will feature Stephen Jones and Members of the Lowcountry Sacred Harp. Free. For more information, visit www.dihistoricalociety.com.

CONCERT IN THE PARK

The annual "Concert in the Park" at Smythe Park on Daniel Island will be held on Sat. May 27. The free concert will feature Jeremy Davis and The Equinox Jazz Orchestra. Prizes will be awarded for most elaborate and creative picnic spreads. Judging begins at 6 pm, followed by the concert at 7 pm. Vendors will be on site for those who wish to purchase

food. For more info, visit www.dicomunity.org.

7TH ANNUAL DI KIDS FISHING TOURNAMENT

Sponsored by the Daniel Island Inshore Fishing Club and presented by Scout Boats. To take place on Sat. June 17 at Smythe Park Lake. Children ages 4 to 15 of families who reside or work on Daniel Island are eligible to enter as anglers in the tournament. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Eligible species are largemouth bass, panfish, and mullet, all catch and release. Awards will be given for the first, second, and third longest fish of these species caught, plus an award for the longest "Mystery Fish" caught and for any tagged largemouth bass. A Grand Champion Award will be given for the longest fish of the three eligible species. To register, or for more information, visit www.danielislandinshorefishing.com or contact Fred Danziger at (516) 524-2208.

PHILOSOPHY CLASS

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 at the Daniel Island Library. Join Prof. Hillyer Rudisill for this free college-level course. Participants can attend at any time since each session stands on its own. For more information, call (843) 471-2952.

CODEPENDENTS' ANONYMOUS

Codependents' Anonymous (CoDA) 12-Step meeting. Mondays. 7 pm. Church of the Holy Cross, 299 Seven Farms Dr., Daniel Island. Co-ed. Side door entrance.

DANIEL ISLAND WALK/RUN GROUP

A walk/run group meets in the Pierce Park parking lot on Wednesdays at 8:30 am. This group offers a great way to get some exercise and socialize.

YOUNG LIFE

Every Mon., high school students gather for a night of crazy fun and fellowship at Anna Kate Gardner's house, 7:47-9 pm (851 Dunham St.). Tracey Lengyel Thomas (tlengyel91@gmail.com) or charleston.younglife.org.

WYLDLIFE

Every Mon. middle school students meet 7-8 pm for night of fun and fellowship at the home of Kevin and Catherine Brookes (1712 Doldridge St.). Tracey Lengyel Thomas: (412).852.2123 or tlengyel91@gmail.com or charleston.younglife.org.

BENG

"Business Executive Networking Group" meets the first Tues. of every month at the Berkeley County Library on Daniel Island, from 5-6:30 pm. BENG (www.thebeng.org) is a multidiscipline group for mid- to senior-level executive professionals who are

seeking a new career. Cathey Petkash, cpetkash@frannet.com. Register at <http://bengcharleston.eventbrite.com>.

WILLINGWAY CONTINUING CARE MEETINGS

Every Monday 6:30-7:30 pm at The Church of the Holy Cross, 299 Seven Farms Dr. Provides a community for addicts, their family and friends to talk about their experiences and find ways to connect with 12-step recovery. Free. Contact Rhett Crull 843-323-7111.

RUN CLUB

Gaia Fit Run Club meets on Fridays 5:30 am and Sundays 7:30 am for group runs as well as First Friday Happy Hour Runs at DI restaurants. Email mary@gaiafit.com.

WOMEN OF FAITH

DI ladies of all denominations gather Wed. mornings at 9 am for an hour of prayer and sharing. Call Joan Vitalo, 843-884-1484, or Kay Uhler, 843-971-1445.

TOASTMASTERS

Toastmasters of Daniel Island meets on the first and third Fri. of every month, 12 to 1 pm at Summit Place, 320 Seven Farms Dr. For more information please contact claire@eduave.com or Brian Richards (843) 884-5987.

AA MEETINGS ON DI

Daily M-F 8 am at Providence Baptist Church, 294 Seven Farms Dr., and Sat. at 8 pm at Holy Cross Church, 299 Seven Farms Dr.

DANIEL ISLAND EXCHANGE CLUB

Meets the second and fourth Tues. of each month, 5:30 pm (social) and 6 pm (meeting), Daniel's Landing Clubhouse, 130 River Landing Drive. The club centers its service initiatives on Americanism, youth programs, community service and the prevention of child abuse. Contact PresidentDIExchangeClub@gmail.com or visit their Facebook page.

MOM'S PLAYDATE

Join local Moms and kids for playdates twice a month. Meets at the Center Park (train side) playground on the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at 10:30am. Contact Erica Elmenhurst (ericaelmenhurst@gmail.com) and/or Marie Corbin (mariefw@gmail.com) for more information or let us know you're coming.

MEN'S FITNESS GROUP

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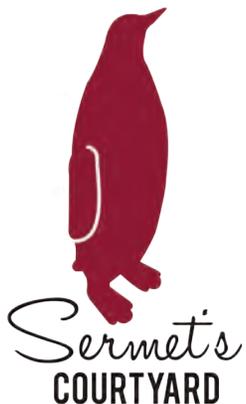
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Response to DI News "101 ways to improve our community" - Part 2

KATE MAAS

In last week's issue, we reported the responses from Jane Baker, vice president of community services for the Daniel Island Property Owners Association, to several of the suggestions made by readers in our "101 Ways to Improve the Community" survey. The survey was conducted last January. In this edition of the paper, Baker provides her take on suggestions that fall under the purview of the City of Charleston or Berkeley County.

BERKELEY COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES

"Bring back recycling!"

Jane Baker (JB): Berkeley County is working on plans to build a modern recycling plant. Stay tuned for more details.

"Seven Farms Drive needs the sidewalk reconfigured near Daniel Island Drive. And the grass is getting torn up!"

JB: Berkeley County is currently looking at a crosswalk improvement project.

CITY OF CHARLESTON RESPONSIBILITIES

"Golf carts should be eliminated."



FILE

A roundabout or traffic circle for this intersection at Daniel Island Drive and Seven Farms Drive was suggested by a reader in the Daniel Island News "101 ways to improve our community" survey, conducted last January. Plans for the project are currently in the works.

JB: Golf Carts are allowed by city law, but the police might want to increase enforcement of traffic rules where golf carts are concerned, such as underage drivers.

"Signs at roundabout crosswalks that remind drivers to stop or at least yield BEFORE the crosswalks."

JB: A good idea! It's the responsibility

of the City of Charleston. Residents should encourage DINA to push this initiative through.

"Complete the bike path to MUSC Stadium and Shell Ring."

JB: According to Councilman Gary White, the City of Charleston and SC-DOT have already signed an agreement to proceed and will shortly be reviewing potential contractors, making final selection in October. Upon SCDOT and City of Charleston approval of contract (end of year), project to get underway by January, 2018.

"Put in more crosswalks!"

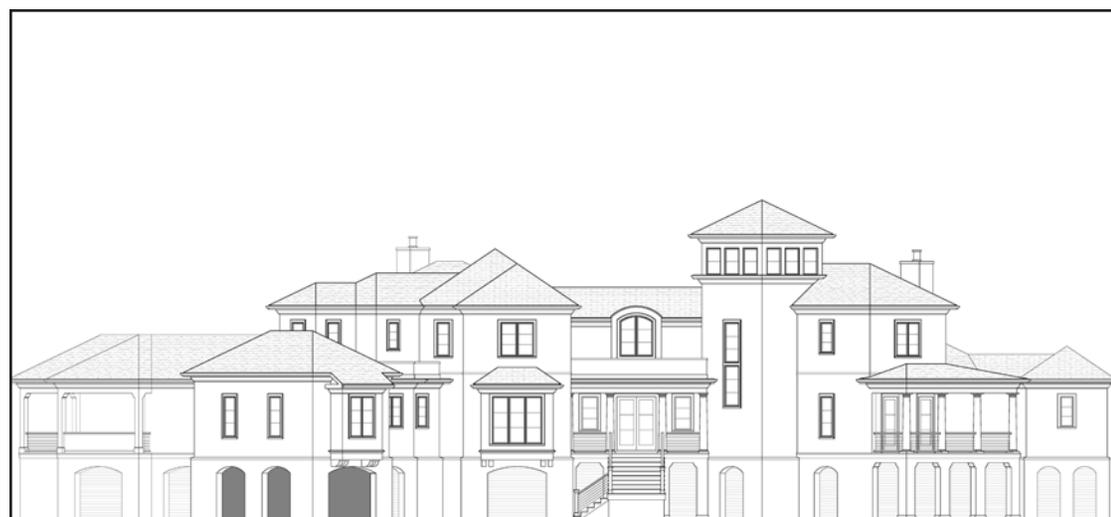
JB: The City of Charleston is working on this.

"Put in a roundabout at the intersection of Seven Farms Drive and Daniel Island Drive."

JB: The City of Charleston makes decisions about roundabouts. All concerns should be addressed through the Daniel Island Neighborhood Association.

(Note: Berkeley County Councilman Josh Whitley reported in his column in

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Navigating Clements Ferry Road's four-lane future

Berkeley County updates residents on Phase 2 of the busy roadway's widening project

CHARLIE MORRISON

The last half-decade has born witness to a continuous debate between elected officials, South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) officials and members of the Daniel Island, Cainhoy and Clements Ferry Road communities over the future of highly-trafficked Clements Ferry Road. With discussion of Phase 1 of the project completed, plans made, and construction underway, the attention of Berkeley County and the public has shifted to the second phase of the project.

While the first phase targets widening Clements Ferry Road from I-526 to its intersection with Jack Primus Road, the second phase will focus on widening the roadway from Jack Primus to Highway 41. In addition to expanding the latter stretch from two to four lanes, plans call for a center two-way left-turn lane or raised landscaped median, intersection improvements and the creation of a shared-use bicycle and pedestrian path, which will line the extent of the roadway.

In that vein, Berkeley County invited the community to attend a public information meeting last Thursday, April 27, to present the proposed project design. Attendees to the drop-in style session were invited to view various displays of the proposed construction plan and speak to County and consultant representatives in attendance about the project. Additionally, they were encouraged to submit comments to the County on the proposed plan, which is still subject to change.



CHARLIE MORRISON

Infrastructure Consulting & Engineering's Peter Valiquette and his team were on hand at the meeting, appearing with representatives from Berkeley County who answered questions from residents at the "drop-in" style information session at Philip Simmons Middle School.

Comments can be emailed to Berkeley County Public Information Officer Hannah Moseley or submitted by mail (see addresses at end of story) until the cut-off day of May 11, but that didn't stop many community members from expressing

themselves at the meeting.

"I think it's a good thing. It's about convenience," said area resident Jackie Alston. "I've been here 30 years and I've seen so much change. Change is always resisted, people get used to the way things

are and that's just human nature, but times change."

Fellow longtime Cainhoy resident Sybil Mitchell agreed, but felt the planners of the project needed to do more to make that

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Planning for Phase 2 now underway

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change palatable to locals.

“Change is inevitable but how it is done matters,” said Mitchell. “You have to take into account how the people are living in the community presently and what those changes are going to do to impact the lives of those people.”

“It’s a rural area, so I think it would have been nice for them to incorporate as part of the design the feel and spirit of the area,” she continued. “So, you have the expansion in terms of change but you also maintain the flavor of the community. I promise you if they had done that it would have won awards all over the place.”

For others, the widening of Clements Ferry Road is a long time coming. For them, the road’s safety is the prime factor. The SCDOT currently estimates that over 14,000 cars use the road per day, but of that number a large percentage are industrial vehicles and semi-trucks.

“That road is waiting for someone to get killed,” said Jim Hasbrouck who serves as president of the nearby River Reach Point neighborhood association.

“The road is dangerous,” added Sammy Sanders, a 56 year resident of the Clements Ferry Road community. “You’ve got trucks and cars going side by side and it’s just not safe. Something has to be done. It’s just that it should be done in a way that respects our future.”

Another official public meeting for the proposed \$36 million project is slated for later this year, with right-of-way acquisition set to take place beginning in 2018 and construction to begin in late 2019.

Citizens interested in submitting comments on the proposed plan may do so by emailing Berkeley County Public Information Officer Hannah Moseley directly at hannah.moseley@berkeleycountysc.gov. Comments may also be sent by regular mail to Hannah Moseley, Berkeley County Government, P.O. Box 6122, Moncks Corner, SC 29461. For more information on the Phase 2 plan to widen Clements Ferry Road see Berkeley County’s dedicated project website at www.berkeleycountysc.gov/drupal/engineering/onecent/clem-ferry2.

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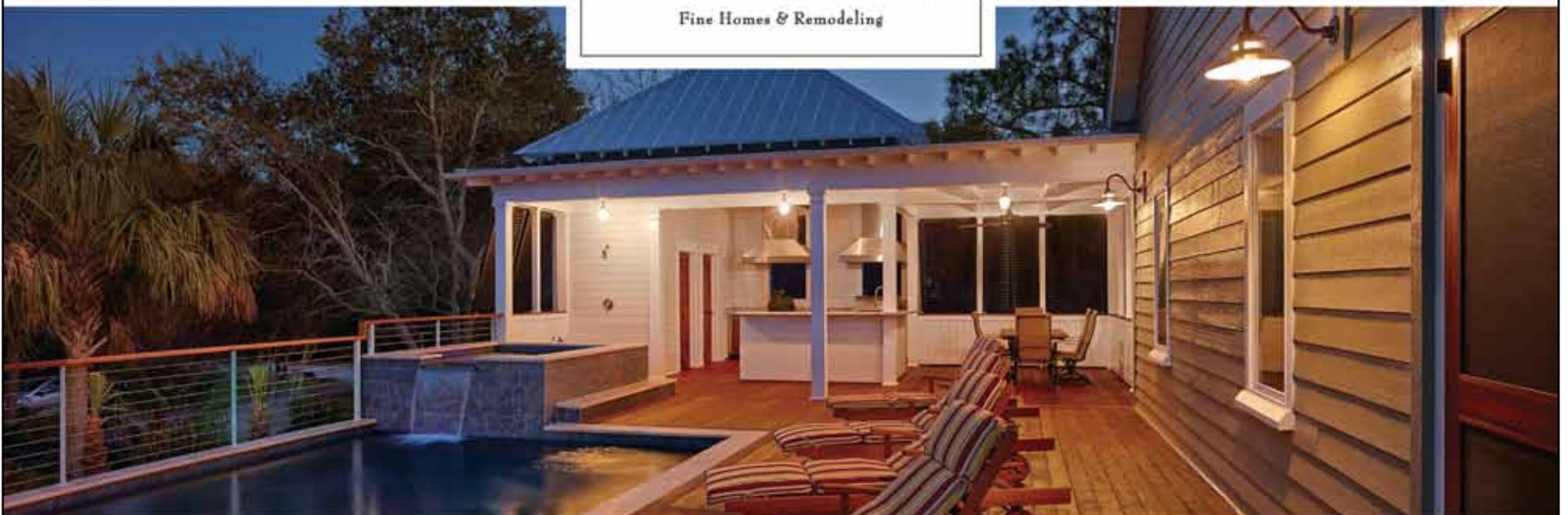


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Baker responds to "101 ways to improve our community"

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The Daniel Island News last week that construction on a new round-about for this intersection is slated to begin in the summer of 2018. The City of Charleston Technical Review Committee is expected to review plans for the project at their May 4 meeting. A date for a community meeting on the initiative will be announced soon, according to Whitley.)

"Add crosswalk lines in the road between Volvo Stadium and Publix/Town Center."

JB: This is a City of Charleston issue. Generally, mid-block crossings are not supported due to federal/state safety standards. Crosswalks are at their most effective when they are placed at intersections, rather than by driveways or commercial entrances, which are not true intersections. The sections of Seven Farms near Daniel Island Drive and even near Family Circle, are not conducive to crosswalks as traffic flows most steadily (and at 30 mph most rapidly) at these points.

Also the City is studying pedestrian crosswalk improvements to be made at Pier View Street.

"Add a swing set at Governors Park."

JB: Governors Park is the bailiwick of City of Charleston, as is Etiwan Park and Freedom Park (behind Daniel Island School). The POA handles all the other parks.

"Make the current left turn lane going from Fairchild Street (side with new construction in town center area) across River Landing towards the Benefitfocus campus and the Islander a left turn/straight lane."

JB: This is a City of Charleston concern and is being studied.



FILE

One responder to the Daniel Island News "101 ways to improve our community" survey suggested golf carts on the island should be eliminated.

ANNUAL 'CONCERT IN THE PARK' SET FOR MAY 27

The annual "Concert in the Park" at Smythe Park is quickly approaching! The Daniel Island Property Owners Association is encouraging island residents to get their picnic-themed ideas in order for this year's event, scheduled for Saturday, May 27. Jeremy Davis and The Equinox Jazz Orchestra will be back for a free concert on the island in Smythe Lake from 6 to 10 p.m. The lake provides a stunning backdrop for this popular, family-friendly island tradition. Once again, prizes will be awarded for most elaborate and creative picnic spreads. Picnic/Tent Judging begins at 6 p.m. with the concert beginning at 7 p.m. This event is a "bring your own picnic" style, however, should you wish instead to purchase food at the event, the following vendors will be on site: Dashi, Damiano's Wood Fired Pizza, Lucky 17, BKed Pretzel Cart, Holy City Homemade Italian Ice, King of Pops and Wich Cream. The event is presented by the Daniel Island Community Fund. For more information, visit the POA website at www.dicomunity.org.

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Earth Day activities take root at DIS Community Garden!

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The Daniel Island School and Community Garden celebrated Earth Day on Saturday, April 22 with the first annual Daniel Island Earth Day Fair. The garden, located at Daniel Island School, was the back drop and the focal point for the festivities showcasing earth-friendly garden practices such as community gardening, composting, rain water collection, butterfly way stations, hummingbird and pollinator gardening and much more.

The Daniel Island School and Community Garden volunteers work year round to create this beautiful bountiful and educational garden. Volunteers gave tours of the garden, demonstrating to the visitors the sustainable, natural and healthy vision the gardeners share with each other and the Daniel Island School children who participate in the educational garden programs. Children enjoyed environmentally-friendly activities, such as planting seeds in recycled newspaper containers and re-purposing denim from cut-off jeans to make Earth

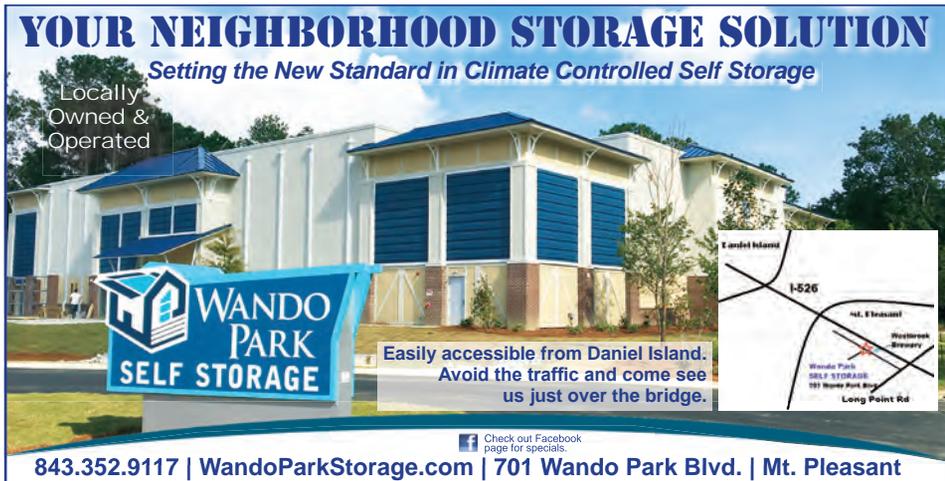
Day bags. The youngest children shared in the fun by watering plants with water from the rain barrels.

There was a native plant sale featuring indigenous plants from David Manger's Roots and Shoots nursery in West Ashley, a wholesome bake sale with treats from Saveur du Monde in Mount Pleasant and a homemade lemonade stand run by Daniel

Island School Beta Club students. The Lowcountry Street Grocers' bus made a stop to invite attendees to climb aboard and shop for local farmers' goods and produce. The Daniel Island School and Community Garden Earth Day Fair was sponsored by the Daniel Island Community Fund and gifts from Publix and Saveur du Monde.

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Talking balls and strikes with the “buzz saw”

S.C. gubernatorial candidate Catherine Templeton discusses life, Columbia, and ‘leaning in’ to politics at local speaker series event

CHARLIE MORRISON

Longtime businesswoman, former state government leader and recently declared South Carolina gubernatorial candidate Catherine Templeton dropped in at the Holy City Collective on Thomas Island last week in one of her first official campaign appearances.

Templeton was invited to speak at the inaugural event in the Sands Leadership Speaker Series, a newly-formed discussion and speaker series launched by Daniel Island resident and business leader Ben Sands. The series is dedicated to highlighting “business and community leaders who are doing brave things,” and in his introduction of Templeton, Sands made it clear her run at the governorship is emblematic of the spirit of action his series seeks to provoke in Daniel Island and greater Charleston.

“Daniel Island is filled with so many smart, driven people,” began Sands. “Men

and women who have been given so many advantages in life. My hope is that we can create an environment where this community can listen together, learn together, and ultimately lead together.”

Templeton’s talk, titled “Why Politics Matters: Now More than Ever,” focused on the idea Sands touched on, that individuals and communities need to lead together. The candidate introduced the room to her own story and what led her to becoming politically active. Her talk came just weeks removed from her April 3 declaration of her candidacy for the Governor’s seat, vacated by former governor and current U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. Nikki Haley, and currently held by her successor, former Lt. Governor Henry McMaster.

Templeton used the opportunity to focus the room’s attention on the need for new blood in American politics, particularly from private sector leaders who have built

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CHARLIE MORRISON

Gubernatorial candidate Catherine Templeton gave a talk last Wednesday evening at the Holy City Collective titled “Why Politics Matters: Now More than Ever.” Templeton took time to talk with attendees one-on-one about her choice to enter the 2018 race for the Governorship as well as the role of the politically-minded citizen in 2017 and beyond.

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Templeton's talk focused on the idea that communities need to lead together

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their professional reputations through their focus on results. But she began her address with a reminder of why she entered public service and politics in the first place.

"It was an accident that I was even there," laughed Templeton, on her December 2010 appointment to the S.C. Department of Labor, where for a year she waged a successful fight to keep labor unions from coming with Boeing to South Carolina. "I accidentally became an unelected bureaucrat."

"I used to be in private business...I didn't have to deal with the government, but then I started dealing with the government and there's just so much, it's ridiculous," she continued. "I started to realize that I have this perspective, again by accident."

"And when I got to the Department of Labor I had no idea I was supposed to worry about politics, I thought I was just supposed to run my agency, do the math," added Templeton.

One of her tasks there was to reform the agency from the top down. That task re-

quired her to fire one of every four Department of Labor employees at the time, over 100 people. Still, the organization needed to approve a number of reform programs that in previous years, she asserted, had become outdated or obsolete.

"Not only did we approve all the programs but we saved money doing it, and when you do that in state government you get hit," she continued. "I earned the reputation for being a buzz saw, because again, no good deed goes unpunished, but we are sending a lot of our tax dollars up to Columbia and we are not getting what we are paying for."

"We send our money up there and they're supposed to give us certain things," added Templeton. "Right now, in Columbia they are not because everyone is afraid to call balls and strikes. Everyone is afraid to do the math. Everyone is afraid to make a decision that's unpopular. If you do math and call balls and strikes in government, it's brave... or naive."

"The gas tax," she said, with a mock

gasp. "Everyone wants to know where I am on the gas tax. I'm not going to tell you where I am on the gas tax issue but let me ask you this, if I told you that you could get home faster, it would be safer and your car would not be as banged up as much as it is now, and you can stop paying the \$1,000 that you're paying right now and just pay \$50, what would you say?"

"But if you say the word 'tax,' you can't get elected," she continued. "So, it's all politics... it's all politics and I've had enough of it."

When Templeton left state government in 2015, people would call her to ask questions about how to navigate the system.

"I started dealing with the government as an outsider," she said. "The government plays by a whole different set of rules, but I have a unique perspective, I can't 'unsee' what I saw in Columbia, and I think I can help."

In wrapping up her talk, which was followed by a forum-style, one-on-one interview between Sands and Templeton,

and a question and answer period involving the audience, she turned to the role she feels every American should play to be truly involved in the democratic process. Templeton termed the act "leaning in" to public life.

"It's me and one other fellow running and he's been in politics for 30 years...that's not okay with me. As painful as it is and as hard as it is to be involved in politics, if something's not okay you don't defer that decision to someone else."

"We have to get involved, we have to call balls and strikes, we have to do math and we have to not be afraid," she continued. "...It's about leaning in."

For more information on Catherine Templeton's candidacy for Governor, see her campaign website at RightGov.com. You can find the Sands Leadership Series on Facebook, and for more information on the Holy City Collective, see their website at HolyCityCollective.org. The shared working space is located at 142 Sportsman's Drive on Thomas Island.



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dealership.

Through their campaign, Crews Subaru generated over \$145,000 through sponsorships, events and donations.

"It's a lot," added Robert, "and there are some that say it has a negative impact on our bottom line. Well, this is the way we choose to compete. To us, giving back and being involved in our community is critically important. It is how we chose to operate our business."

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The 'I,' 'we,' and 'you' of teamwork



management
moment

Doug Dickerson

In order to have a winner, the team must have a feeling of unity; every player must put the team first - ahead of personal glory. - Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant

A team, business, or organization that desires to attain any degree of success must reconcile basic understandings of teamwork with practical application. There is an abundance of information available on the topic. But how do we make it applicable? What attitudes should a leader adopt that will cause people in your organization to buy-in to your leadership and commit themselves to its team environment?

One such approach I discovered is found in a statement attributed to the late Paul "Bear" Bryant, the legendary football coach at the University of Alabama. He said:

"I'm just a plowhand from Arkansas, but I have learned how to hold a team together. How to lift some men up, how to calm down others, until finally, they've got one heartbeat together, a team. There are just three things I'd ever say: If anything goes bad, I did it. If anything goes semi-good, then we did it. If anything goes real good, then you did it. That's all it takes to get people to win football games for you."

This attitude is a reflection of his coaching and leadership style. Bear Bryant coached football teams for 38 years and in that time he had a 323-85-17 record including 29 bowl game wins. In the interest of full disclosure, I am not an Alabama football fan. I am a proud Tennessee Volunteer. But that aside, Coach Bryant's insights into teamwork are worth serious consideration. Here are what I call the 'I,' 'we,' and 'you' approach to his teamwork model.

I - "If things go bad, I did it." This approach speaks to his accountability as a leader. Most leaders would prefer to throw themselves into the spotlight rather than under the bus. Leaders who have developed the teamwork mindset know

who deserves the spotlight when things go well and who deserves to catch the spears when they don't.

Coach Bryant knew that in order for his teams to play at the level of his expectations he had to earn their trust. The same principle applies to you as a leader. You have to earn the trust of your people in order to build a cohesive teamwork environment. This takes a leader who knows how to coach his or her people then get out of the way and let them perform.

We - "If anything goes semi-good, then we did it." This speaks to a balanced approach of how he saw his role as a leader and what amount of credit he felt he deserved. If things went reasonably well then it was safe to say "we did it." If not, then, of course, we know how it felt.

Coach Bryant knew that "semi-good" successes were good for morale and are what led to the "one heartbeat" he described. The road to the National Championships was paved one play, one-quarter, one-half, and one game at a time. It was in the grit and grind of the "semi-good" that his great teams came together. And it was in those moments for the players that the transition from "I" (look at how great I am, etc.) to "we" transformed them into a team. Coach Bryant was the example the players needed to make that transition.

You - "If anything goes real good, then you did it." This statement speaks volumes about the heart and character of a great leader. When a team has come together, when they've left it all on the field, and together they have won a victory - the leader does not say, "look at what I did," the true leader says, "you did it."

"A leader is best," said Lao Tzu, "when people barely know he exists, when his work is done, his aim fulfilled, they will say: we did it ourselves." This is at the core of the leader who sets out to build a team.

Are you developing the heartbeat of a team?

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Revitalizing Daniel Island: Developer Mike White seeks to leave his mark

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There are certainly a number of reasons why commercial real estate developers would want to invest in a place like Daniel Island. But for Mike White, it's being able to see the "big picture" each and every day. From the fourth floor of his building at 225 Seven Farms Drive, White is on top of the world - or, more specifically, the Daniel Island world.

"You want to see something really cool?" he asks, as we walk into the large, open room dotted with desks and displays that make up his Charleston Industrial, LLC headquarters. And with the simple touch of a button, a series of thin shades covering a vast wall of windows begins to rise, revealing a breathtaking view of the beautifully landscaped condominium complex behind his building, marshlands, the bridge over the Wando River, and in the distance, Mount Pleasant.

"You just get reminded constantly of how lucky we are to live here, and how beautiful this is," said White, SIOR, CCIM, broker-in-charge for Charleston Industrial. "And I just look for opportunities to make things a little better and put my stamp on it where I can."

And clearly he has. White moved to Daniel Island from Texas 10 years ago with his wife, Alice White, PhD, who runs the Roper St. Francis employee assistance program, and their three daughters. He is not one to tout his well-appointed resume, but a quick visit to his company website offers a glimpse into his impressive background. White is a 1983 graduate of West Point Academy, where he earned a B.S. in engineering. He was a military intelligence officer in the U.S. Army for 10 years, an experience that resulted in a Meritorious Service Medal for his activities in support of Operation Desert Storm. After leaving the military, he accumulated over 21 years of experience in manufacturing and industrial real estate, a career he continues today on Daniel Island.

"I think it's one of the greatest places to live,



ELIZABETH BUSH

Mike White (right), SIOR, CCIM, broker-in-charge for Charleston Industrial LLC, poses with partner Bill Hoffman (left). White and Hoffman are developing a 10,000 square foot building on Fairchild Street that will house a new Starbucks and BIN 526, a wine and spirits store that will include a tasting bar. Both spaces are set to open later this year.

certainly to raise a family," said White. "And to be in business, it's even better."

Daniel Island, he believes, is on the cusp of an exciting new frontier.

"We're the next generation if you will. If a generation is measured in 20 years, the island is about 20 years old, and you can see that the master plan originally envisioned by Matt Sloan and Frank Brumley has now come to fruition in a beautiful way and it's time for the second generation to come in and maybe fill in some end spots or improve some buildings... But we're doing it all under the umbrella of what I thought was a beautifully conceived plan."

225 SEVEN FARMS DRIVE

White's company has occupied the top floor at 225 Seven Farms Drive for the last six years, after he purchased the space in 2011. A year

later, he bought the third floor. He and his partners would spend the next four years seeking to acquire the balance of the building.

"We finally did and we were able to bring a lot of new life to it," he said, with obvious pride. "It was owned by a receiver down in Dallas who could care less and never stepped foot on Daniel Island, and didn't appreciate what they had and didn't invest in the property. I immediately rallied all the owners and co-owners and we got everybody together."

They put together a professional budget, hired a property manager (Tim Wood), made structural improvements, completed the unfinished spaces (coordinated by local contractor and Daniel Island resident Jim Garvey), added a new roof and parking lot, new artwork in the lobby, and started funding a reserve account.

"We really started creating a building like

the gem that it was," added White. "We're now 100 percent leased."

White points to specific tenant success stories as examples of the building's appeal. When tenant Ameriprise moved out to lease space in another of White's Daniel Island properties (259 Seven Farms Drive), the Taylor Agency, an existing tenant, decided to take advantage of the newly available space to expand their firm's presence.

"They bought the suite the week after they moved out," said White. "That just tells you what a premier location we have, how busy the island is, how strategically important Seven Farms Drive is to the island, and how this building really fit in well, once it was taken care of properly."

259 SEVEN FARMS DRIVE

When an opportunity came about for White to take ownership of another building just down the street, 259 Seven Farms Drive, he jumped at the chance. The building's first floor tenants, Daniel Island Grille and WHITE, seemed to be successful, but the second and third floors appeared vacant for years.

"Literally, I drove by it for 10 years and just kept looking at it," said White. "I thought 'Why is it vacant? Boy, it could be better.' It just needed some love and quite frankly some local sponsorship."

White enlisted help from his Charleston Industrial team and made the purchase. They immediately got to work making improvements to the structure, such as finishing out the second and third floors, painting the outside railings and stairwells a bright red to match the brick exterior, and adding a main sign for the building. In the space of three months, they invested \$3 million into the property. Ameriprise now occupies the second floor and the Maron Law Firm (Maron Marvel Bradley Anderson & Tardy LLC) occupies the third floor after relocating to Daniel Island from downtown Charleston.

"It was an opportunity to create value,"

See WHITE on PAGE 23



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White believes Daniel Island is on the cusp of an exciting new frontier

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he said. “Within three months it went to 100 percent occupancy, so that just tells you the strength of the draw of Daniel Island when you put quality real estate in his location, you’re going to attract quality tenants.”

“...There is certainly an element of risk involved,” continued White. “At the end of the day, we ended up with a great asset that I think services Daniel Island, and takes a building that had been neglected and on its way to blight and put it back into life. I think a lot can be said for that.”

245 SEVEN FARMS DRIVE

White is expected to close this month on the purchase of suite 100 in the building next door, located at 245 Seven Farms Drive. The space was formerly occupied by the Juice Bar.

“They made a business decision that the business was not going to be sustainable,” he said. “...That space has never really worked for a sit down restaurant-type place. The parking is the achilles heal.”

White is in negotiations with a potential new tenant for the space, a company he believes will be a perfect addition to the island’s commercial offerings. He hopes to make an announcement about the business very soon.

STARBUCKS AND BIN 526

Perhaps the project generating the most excitement for White and his business partner Bill Hoffman, also a Daniel Island resident, is the new Starbucks and BIN 526 complex planned for 20 Fairchild Street in the island’s town center area. White and Hoffman are developing the 10,000 square foot structure, which will be located behind the new Refuel gas station and convenience mart. The “super size Starbucks” will feature a larger store than most of the company’s other locations, said White, and also an expansive outdoor patio and seating area.

“This has been a labor of love,” added White. “I tried to do the Starbucks about four years ago (in a different Daniel Island location) and it would have been great. But by the grace of God it didn’t work and I ended up with a much better location... Starbucks was so excited about all of the growth on Daniel Island. Almost half a billion dollars of investment and development is going on around us in about a one mile radius.”

“What’s interesting to me regarding the population growth, and I’ve had offices all over the country, is the percentage increase on Daniel Island right now,” said Hoffman, managing partner of BIN 526. “...It’s probably about a 25 percent increase in a two year period. That’s just amazing. Obviously the population has

been moving here and loves it... And now the services are going to come in, which we all want.”

While Starbucks will lease space in the new building, White and Hoffman will own BIN 526, a space that will include a spirits store, a retail wine shop and wine bar, comfortable seating areas, and a tasting room that can accommodate up to 50 people.

“What we tried to do was create a retail wine shop that was great in and of itself, but then place on top of it a wine bar that can function on its own and would be a destination place for people on the island,” said Hoffman.

“We could have easily just been a landlord investor like we are in this (225 Seven Farms Drive) building and the other buildings and found businesses,” added White. “But he loves wine, I love wine, the (Daniel Island) Club will fill a ball room for a wine tasting. There is clearly a demand on the island. We love educating people about wine, so we just said ‘let’s go for it!’”

For Hoffman, who has spent much of his adult life seeking our wine bars when traveling, it was a natural fit.

“I’ve always had a passion for it,” he said. “This is everything I have seen over the years coming to fruition, and Mike has just been wonderful (to work with)... We feel like we’re aligned and that what we’re going to build is going to be very unique and something that the

island does not have.”

They anticipate a ground-breaking for 20 Fairchild Street in May with an opening planned in late fall.

“We see this as a bit of a ‘gift back,’”

White added. “...Are we paying more than we should? Yes. Is it much more expensive than it needs to be? Yes. But again this has become a statement back to say Daniel Island has given us a lot and we want to give back, too. This is going to be a real asset to the community. And if we can have fun doing it, even better.”

As for future plans, White says he and his team at Charleston Industrial will spend the rest of this year focused on getting his latest project up and running, but his eyes are always open to new possibilities.

“I’d much rather invest on Main Street than on Wall Street,” said White. “I’d much rather be involved with projects where I live, and be able to drive by them and check on them and just have that personal touch, and do it in concert with fellow Daniel Islanders like Bill (Hoffman), who cares as deeply and passionately about the betterment of the island as I do.”

“There are always opportunities,” he added with a smile, his world view a window away. “And there are certainly opportunities to make existing places better. That’s what I’d really like to focus on.”



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- BIN 526 to include spirits store, wine bar, wine retail shop, wine education sessions, tasting room, and comfortable seating areas on outdoor patio.
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- Eco-friendly campus
- Company also owns parcel across Fairchild Street for future expansion.
- Anticipated completion to come in phases – first phase expected to be completed in 2018.

J. PAD BESIDE PUBLIX FOR POSSIBLE EXPANSION

- Purchased by Publix in the fall of 2016. Company has not yet announced intentions for property.

K. CURRENT PUBLIX STORE

L. VOLVO CAR STADIUM

What’s new in Charleston’s island town?

ELIZABETH BUSH

Within the next six to seven months, Daniel Island residents and visitors should be able to grab a cup of freshly brewed Starbucks coffee on the island, take part in a new wine tasting experience, become a charter resident in a luxurious senior

living facility, grab a haircut at a local barber shop, or move in to a swanky new apartment steps away from a flagship restaurant with live music and an on-site brewery.

And that’s not all. By the fall of 2017, a variety of new developments in Daniel Island’s town center area will spring to life as months of construction on several

projects comes to an end, ushering in what businesses hope will be a plethora of new tenants and customers. Below is a list of most of the projects currently underway on Island Park Drive, Seven Farms Drive, River Landing Drive, and Fairchild Street - with updates on progress (where applicable) and anticipated completion dates.



CHARLESTON INDUSTRIAL LLC/AERIAL PHOTOS ELITE LLC



CHARLESTON INDUSTRIAL LLC/AERIAL PHOTOS ELITE LLC

M. 225 SEVEN FARMS DRIVE

- Most of building now owned by 225 SFD Investors LLC (Mike White and several partners)
- Improvements include hiring of property manager, new roof, new parking lot, new artwork in lobby, structural enhancements, funding of reserve account.
- 100 percent occupied/leased
- Multiple tenants, including Charleston Industrial, Hudson Automotive Group, Graybill, Lansche, Vinzani Law Firm, The Daniel Island News, Commonwealth Financial, Sideline Sports, Home Telecom, Sahn Dermatology, St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Church (administrative office), and more.

N. RIVER LANDING APARTMENTS

- Located at 210 River Landing Drive
- Plans call for approximately 56 units
- Developer: Daniel Island Apartments LLC
- Status of project unknown at press time. Anticipated completion - 2018

O. FOUR CORNERS APARTMENTS

- Located at 251 River Landing Drive
- Plans call for approximately 68 units
- Developer: Daniel Island Apartments LLC
- Status of project unknown at press time. Anticipated completion - 2018

P. 259 SEVEN FARMS DRIVE

- Building recently purchased by 259 SFD Investors LLC (Mike White and several partners)
- \$3 million in improvements made, including exterior painting, finishing of 2nd and 3rd floors
- Now 100 percent occupied/leased
- Tenants: Daniel Island Grille, WHITE, Ameriprise, and the Maron Law Firm (Maron Marvel Bradley Anderson & Tardy LLC).

Q. DANIEL’S CORNER

- 18,000 SF high-end, mixed use
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Another state championship crown for BE girls lax team!

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Thankfully for Bishop England High School, Jeff Weiner is a girls' lacrosse coach – and not a weatherman.

The affable Weiner was concerned about Saturday's forecast as his team prepared to play Chapin at 4 p.m. for the top prize in Class AAAA.

"We played well," said Weiner, whose team picked up a 15-6 victory to gain its second straight state title. "The thing is, I was more worried about the weather. We were playing during the hottest time of the day. It was 89 degrees and the field was a lot hotter on the turf. We don't have a lot of subs. I didn't know how we would respond."

Respond, the Bishops did. They used an offense that relied on their skills: long passes to move the ball downfield rather than a combination of running and on short passes. This saved the Bishops' legs and sunk the Eagles.

"I think they were tired at the end," Weiner said. "We rotated our midfielders and we were fresh."

The Bishops capped the season with a 14-2 record under Weiner, a transplant from the North who is a walking encyclopedia of



DENISE CAMPBELL

lacrosse knowledge. He's been at the school for eight years and the first two seasons were lean. They had a transitional year and since then, they have become a fighting machine, posting a 72-13 record, reaching the state finals four times and bringing home the biggest trophy down Interstate 26 the last two years.

Weiner said the final reading on the scoreboard wasn't an indication of Chapin's talent.

"I tell you, they are a good team," Weiner said. "They were good enough to beat J.L. Mann, and J.L. Mann won the (Class) AAAA state championship."

The Bishops had five players enter the scoring column, led by Ava Ward, who tallied five goals.

"Ward took a beating," Weiner said. "She played well. She had a great game. She scored, caused turnover and came up with a

lot of ground balls."

Emma Pizzo and Morgan Roberts both tallied three goals while Grace Ann Carlson scored two times. Sydney Campbell and Camille Garner tallied a goal apiece.

Goalie Molly Niermann gave up five goals and saved 10 shots.

"Anytime you save more than 50 percent, that's really good," Weiner said. "Most of the shots come four meters in. It's not like the boys, where the shots are longer, 20 meters and out."

Weiner said this championship was just as satisfying, but pointed out it's always toughest to get that first title under your belt.

"To be honest with you, that first state championship, you have to get over that hump," Weiner said. "We've been there, a lot of girls have played in three of these. That's a big advantage. That experience is a big advantage."

While Weiner thought the weather might be ominous, it wasn't. But here is something that future opponents might find ominous.

"We (only) lose two of our goalies and one of our fielders," Weiner said, referencing his line-up for next season.

That might be a dark cloud for foes, but a bright future for the Bishops.

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Last week, Paul Speranza told me that he had never caught a Redfish on a top water lure. Paul is an excellent angler. So, this revelation surprised me. Wanting to set this situation right, I asked Paul to join me on an early morning top water expedition.

After meeting at the boat landing in complete darkness, we were on location (a shallow area with lots of oysters) at sunrise. The wind was forecast to be near gale force later in the morning. It was our hope to catch a Redfish on top water before that happened. However, the wind came up with the sun and we found ourselves in less than optimal conditions. Undeterred, we kept on casting our lures. In the choppy conditions, we did manage to catch a few Trout but the Redfish

eluded us. We considered switching to sub-surface lures (which was the right thing to do based upon the conditions) but stayed committed to our Redfish on top water plan. An hour passed. We were fishing in a gale. Yet, we continued. In my head, I was thinking it was not going to happen today. Then, I spotted a school of Redfish milling around an oyster bar. Paul cast his lure well past the fish (so as not to spook them) and slowly reeled the lure into position. When the lure was a few feet ahead of the school, Paul began a slow walk the dog retrieve. A Redfish shot forward and crushed the lure. I glanced at Paul with a “did you see that?” look. He was doing the same to me. The Redfish was not particularly large but we were jubilant.

Targeting a specific fish with a specific lure takes commitment. Especially in a gale. I am glad to have been there for Paul’s first Redfish on a top water lure. A shared memory between good friends. In my mind, the very essence of fishing.

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Paul Speranza displays his first Redfish catch on a top water lure.

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High school track and baseball updates

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Bishop England and Hanahan, two of the Lowcountry's premier track and field programs, will be well represented at Saturday's Class AAA Lower State Championships, which will be held at Richland Northeast High School.

Both teams fared well in the recent 6-AAA meet, the first step toward the State Championships, which will be held May 12-13 at Spring Valley's Harry Parone Stadium.

The Hawks' Quincy Mitchell swept the sprint events at the region meet, winning the 100-meter dash (10.90), the 200-meter dash (22.55) and the 400-meter dash

(51.57).

Hanahan also swept the relay races, winning the 400x100-, 4x400- and 4x800-meter relays.

Other first-place finishers for the Hawks included Jamie Wilson (shot put), Jamie Watson (high jump), Noah Ward (1,600-meter run) and Brett Kelly (3,200-meter run).

First-place finishers for Bishop England included Adam Richter (800-meter run) Jacob Wilkins (discus) and Luke Vettel (pole vault).

In the girls' meet, Bishop England's Emma Albano, Emma Lawrence and Allison Seney all won two individual events.

Albano won the shot put (31-21/2)

and discus (103-11) while Lawrence captured first in the 800 (2:30.00) and 1,600 (5:59.04). Seney won the 100-meter hurdles (16.17) and the pole vault (9-0).

The Bishops won the 1,600 and 3,200 relays.

Camryn Deames won the 3,200 and Mary Grace Furnachik captured gold in the high jump.

Hanahan's Tiara Daniels won the 400 dash.

BE BASEBALL

The Bishop England baseball team used some outstanding pitching to capture the Class AAA District 7 baseball championship.

The Bishops allowed only four runs in

three games to sweep the bracket play.

They opened play with a 6-2 victory over Loris and then topped Brookland-Cayce 2-1. Brookland-Cayce advanced from the loser's bracket to face the Bishops again, but BE proved to be too much, posting a 4-1 victory.

The Bishops begin Lower State Championship play Thursday, hosting District 6 champion Waccamaw. Waccamaw advanced with a 3-0 victory over Strom Thurmond.

Hanahan went 0-2 in District 5 play. The Hawks dropped a 5-4 decision to Aynor and were eliminated when Gilbert posted a 3-0 victory in an elimination game.

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BE boys' lacrosse team captures first state title!

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They came. They saw. Then, they conquered.

The Bishop England boys' lacrosse team won the Class AAAA state championship Saturday with an 11-4 victory over A.C. Flora. The team traveled to Chapin High School to accomplish the feat and before their match, they watched their girl compatriots at BE pick up their second straight state crown.

Did boys' coach Sean Keiper and his team feel the pressure of great expectations?

"No, I don't think we felt pressure," said Keiper, who capped his first year at the school with a 14-3 record and the ultimate prize. "We saw opportunity ... to see the girls win their title and then be able to bring both trophies home - it was an exciting opportunity."

The High School League sanctioned lacrosse as a sport in 2010, and the Bishops have eyed the prize for quite a while. This season, the team seemed primed for a run at the title because the HSL split the sport



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into two divisions, meaning the Bishops didn't have to compete against schools with four and five times the enrollment numbers. Another number, 12, also aided the Bishops' run. That's how many seniors were on the roster.

"From the beginning of the season, everyone was aware of how big our senior class was. The seniors helped bring in the underclassmen, who bought into the program.

The seniors have played for a while and did a good job of setting the bar high for future teams. It was great that they ended their careers with a state championship."

The Bishops began the postseason with a 13-5 victory over Bluffton and followed that up with a 17-3 decision over Waccamaw. The Bishops survived a 9-8 match over Hilton Head in the Lower State championship to advance against A.C. Flora, a team they

defeated 12-5 in the regular season.

"We knew, coming in, that they were a good team, well coached with good athletes," Keiper said. "Anytime, you are in a state championship, you know you're going to be in a fight. We knew we had our work cut out for us. But the team has worked since day one. It's never easy to play at that level at that time of the year."

The Bishops made it look easy against A.C. Flora, scoring three goals in just over the first minute of the match. The Bishops were in control, 8-0, at halftime. Connor Malark and Michael Gaffney both recorded hat tricks to lead the Bishops.

Keiper said winning a state title in his first year will help make it easier to get students interested and involved in the team.

"We have such great kids who worked hard and deserve this," Keiper said. "When you win, people notice. That makes it easier to get more players out and help keep the momentum moving forward. Now, we can say we have been there. I am already looking forward to next season and to continue making great things happen."

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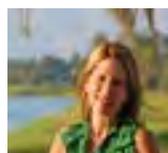
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Philip Simmons H.S. names new girls basketball coach

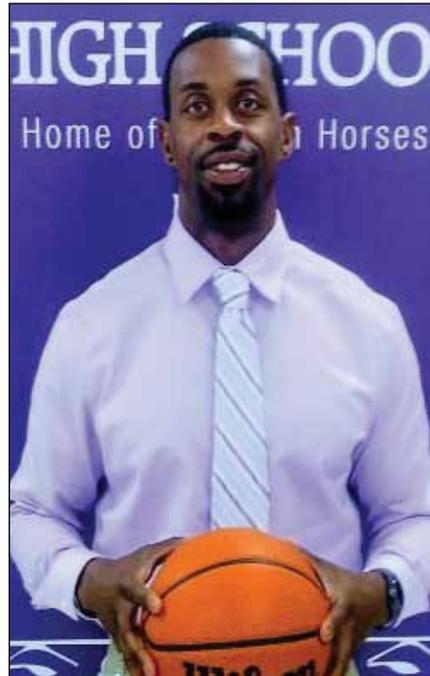
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Mount Pleasant native Dustin Williams has been named the new head girls varsity basketball coach at Philip Simmons High School. Williams is a 2005 graduate of Wando High School, where he competed in football, basketball, and track. After finishing his high school playing career, he had interest from a few division III programs to play basketball but opted to pursue a college football career at South Carolina State University in Orangeburg, S.C. He graduated in 2010 with a B.S. in physical education with a concentration in sports communications.

Coach Williams started his basketball coaching career at Wando in 2014 as an assistant under Coach Mikey Hunter. Throughout his time at Wando, he helped change the atmosphere and mentality of a program that ended up going 17-8 overall and 7-3 in conference play. He also played a critical role in the players' overall development. From 2015 to 2017, Williams was under the tutelage of Coach Jeff Emory and the two combined to go 34-14 overall and 20-4 in conference play. Since then, he has helped turn Wando into one of the most competitive girls' basketball teams in the Lowcountry.

Coach Williams comes to Berkeley County to serve as one of several newly appointed career specialists. He will help oversee the career readiness for the Philip Simmons High School feeder schools and will collaborate with counselors, teachers, and administration and work with grades 3-12 with a focus in CTE programs.

Coach Williams stated, "I'm honored to have the opportunity to build the framework and put a stamp on the girls' basketball



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Dustin Williams is the newly appointed head girls' varsity basketball coach at Philip Simmons High School.

program at Philip Simmons High School. The community has been long overdue to have a school that they can call their own and take pride in. I'm excited for the school, parents/guardians, teachers/staff and administration, and anyone else involved with the girls' basketball program. This is going to be a great place to be. Go Iron Horses!"

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1955 Cannon Street All-Stars visit DIS

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On Friday, April 28, the Daniel Island School 4th and 8th grade students enjoyed a special presentation that brought to life their learning about baseball as an important chapter in the story of the Civil Rights movement. Members of the original 1955 Cannon Street YMCA All-Stars, whom former Little League Baseball President Creighton Hale called “the most significant amateur team in baseball history,” shared with their young audience a unique story of resilience - and success.

On hand to kick up some baseball season spirit - as well as give away souvenirs and free game tickets - were Scott Bush, vice president/business and marketing manager for the Charleston River Dogs, and the team’s mascot, Charles T. Riverdog.

Students in both grades had been analyzing a variety of primary and secondary sources to uncover the story of this unique team composed of fourteen 11 and 12 year-old African-American boys. Additionally, the Daniel Island 4th grade students had created a class-generated newspaper that highlighted their research about baseball icons who broke



KATE MAAS

Daniel Island School Principal Kori Brown with members of the Cannon Street YMCA All-star team (right to left): Vermont Brown, Leroy Major and Augustus Holt.

race and gender barriers, such as Jackie Robinson, and native South Carolinian Larry Doby. Daniel Island School’s Curriculum Coach Kelly Stello shares that learning about the story and the significance of the

Cannon All-Stars has been a perfect catalyst for teaching the standards for writing, ELA and social studies. What’s more, the team’s unique story also inspires students to build positive character traits.

The Cannon Street All-Stars team historian Augustus Holt reminded his young audience: “Kids and their dreams are important. You all are important. The Cannon Street All-Stars prepared the path so you can fulfill your dreams.”

Referencing a poem by Langston Hughes, Holt rhetorically asked “What happens to a dream deferred?” Gesturing to the two septuagenarian former ball players seated behind him, he continued: “These kids on the All-Star team just wanted to play baseball. But they couldn’t pursue their dream because of the color of their skin. In spite of their disappointment, they went on to become successful and good human beings.”

Indeed, just one year before the Cannon All-Star team was getting ready to go to bat, the U.S. Supreme Court made its historic ruling against segregation. As a result, widespread resentment - and a lot of push-back - quickly began to build momentum in the south - especially in South Carolina. The young boys with a dream to play ball became casualties of a battle they knew nothing about.

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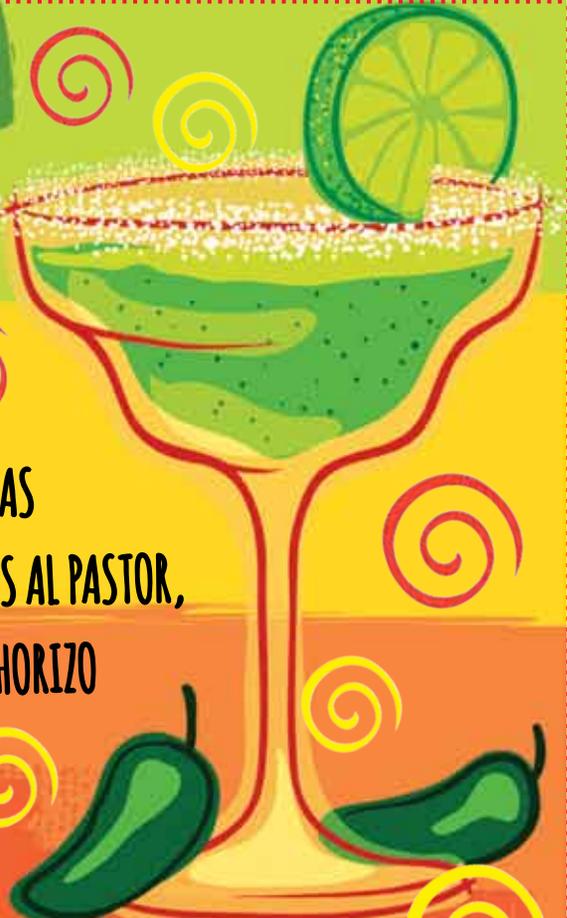
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Teams unique story inspires students to build positive character traits

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Leroy Major, the team's pitcher and center fielder, now a retired teacher, recalls, "Here in South Carolina, they told us 'you can't play because you're black.' That was very hard for us to understand, because we played with white kids in the sandlots all the time. It's not the kids that mess up the world, it's the adults that do."

Major advises students, "You may face discrimination in your life. But don't ever let discrimination come from you. Your generation can make a difference!"

Vermont Brown, the All-Stars' first baseman and pitcher, who went on to a successful career at Lockheed, recalls the day he first had a glimmer that trouble might lie ahead. "We were practicing in a lot in Charleston, when I saw Danny Jones, Director of the Little League in South Carolina, watching us. He saw that we played well and I could tell by the look on his face he did not like what he saw."

Brown was right. Jones called all 75 all-white teams in the state and told them not to play against the Cannon Street All-Stars. As a result, the team "won" the city, state and regional tournaments only by forfeit. As Brown suggests, the team never got a chance to demonstrate a level of skill that would have, in all likelihood, sent them straight to the top.

While the Cannon Street All-Star team was, ultimately, invited to attend the 1955 Little League World Series in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, they would not be allowed to play there either. The ruling, League officials insisted, had nothing to do with skin color; it was solely based on a policy that barred teams that won games by forfeit.

The young African American team was, however, invited to participate in a warm-up game. When the crowd of spectators saw

the team's superb ball-playing skills, they shouted repeatedly "Let them play!" Unfortunately, League officials turned a deaf ear. The talented Cannon Street All-Stars never got their chance to play ball.

Yet, despite the biggest disappointment of their young lives, every member of the team moved on with grace, goodwill and even a dose of gratitude.

"I got my first pair of real pajamas to take to Williamsport," recalls Major. "It was a big deal!"

Brown shares that the team's resilience, like its ball-playing skills, came with time and effort.

"Discipline was the most important thing in playing on the team," he says. "We had to follow the rules set by the coach, mind what our parents said and do well in school. Our coach would tell us, 'keep your mind on what you're supposed to be doing. Stay focused.' If we didn't, we weren't allowed to play."

Brown explains that the team couldn't afford regular equipment, and relied on homemade equipment like mop handles for bats, mitts made of cardboard and pink rubber Spaldings for balls.

"Our coach used to cut the balls in half, to unbalance them. They'd fly all over the place. They were hard to hit, hard to catch, but that lesson really taught us to work with any kind of ball. 'Control the ball,' he always instructed us. 'Don't let it control you.'"

In 2002, the Cannon Street YMCA All-Stars finally had their day on the Williamsport, PA ball field when the Little League organization recognized the team as the official "1955 South Carolina State Champions." Indeed they are true champions who know how to hit a home run on the ball field - and in the game of life.



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DIS 4th grader Aidan Lentsch demonstrates a homemade catcher's mitt used by the Cannon All-Star team.



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Margot Raven's popular picture book "Let Them Play" recounts the team's poignant and powerful story.

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On Saturday, April 29, at Pierce Park Pavilion, local volunteers put up flags from around the globe for the first annual “Around

the World in 80 Minutes.” The free community event aimed to celebrate the different backgrounds of Daniel Island families. Islanders

set up tables representing various nationalities while Black Tie Music Academy and DI Diners were on hand for music and food. While

there was no cost of admission, donations were accepted to benefit “Camp Happy Days,” a camp for children fighting cancer.



Adriene Araujo and Culture Care Au Pairs celebrate Brazil.



A colorful crowd at Saturday’s “Around the World in 80 Minutes” held at Pierce Park Pavilion.



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Participants received “passports” at the USA Greeting tent hosted by DI Girl Scout Troop 705.

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Daniel Island resident, mom, and published author seeks to shake up publishing industry with new company - Indie Books Unleashed

CHARLIE MORRISON

Anyone who has ever thumbed through an Amazon Kindle device knows the publishing industry is changing. Long the realm of the agents, reviewers, and publishing houses that for centuries have served as the filter for our literary consumption, the industry’s “gatekeepers” as it were, the publishing industry has democratized and with self-publishing resources on the rise, these days literally anyone can do it.

But there’s a difference between simply publishing and doing it right, says Daniel Island resident, author, mom, and former sales dynamo Crystal Klimavicz. Klimavicz, a successful self-published author in her own right, recently thrust herself into the self-publishing world when she, in February, introduced her brand new concept to the market, a new company called Indie Books Unleashed (IBU). Formed

to fill the gap many newly self-published authors overlook, that of promoting their work, IBU offers an affordable sales and marketing option to self-published authors through a unique delivery system Klimavicz created and is now building out.

For self-published authors, IBU is essentially a membership service. Once members, authors receive a package from Klimavicz with both IBU and “Buy Me” stickers for authors to stick to the front of display books, three IBU posters for authors to bring to three book signings Klimavicz herself sets up at locations of their choice, a listing of their work on the company’s website, and additional marketing support, such as exposure from book marketing firm BookTweet.

Additionally, authors receive a customizable letter for them to include with their books stating, and this is where the magic happens, that they are free to take the book as long as after they’ve read it, they return

it to a designated IBU location for the next reader to enjoy. All readers are asked to do in addition is fill out an online review of the book at the site of their choosing.

The goal of the program is for authors to organically grow reviews of their work and then let those reviews do the job of marketing their book for them. The business model is unique in the way it delivers books to market, but also in the way it recognizes the situation most self-published authors come from, and adapts to that, instead of forcing writers to adapt to expensive review services.

“Most writers are not sales people,” said Klimavicz. “They’re not marketing driven. They are not extroverts. They’re oftentimes people who like to sit at home and write. So, the program requires writers go find locations to participate. And for me, the phone is no big deal, I used to do telemarketing and sales. So, I decided to offer this extra value added and do three local book signings. I’m just starting to get the word out, but so far it’s been great.”

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In addition to starting her own book marketing and sales company Indie Books Unleashed, Daniel Island resident Crystal Klimavicz, author of three novels (*Falling Through Trees*, *This Side of Perfect*, and *The Days of Not So Long Ago*), is currently working on the manuscript for her fourth book.

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Klimavicz recently thrust herself into the self-publishing world

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“And most self-published authors can’t do their own marketing,” she continued. “They’ve already paid for so much already. By the time a self-published author gets their book out they are spent, literally and figuratively.”

“But if there’s one thing I’ve learned, writers who want to better themselves will invest a lot of ‘little monies.’ And that’s what led me to this, I said ‘if it’s not expensive, if its reasonable people will do this.’ What I want to do is provide something very economical and very worthwhile. Right now, its \$47... nothing.”

Klimavicz is working to build out her Charleston IBU locations over the next couple of weeks before moving on to Atlanta, her former home and building the network there. Klimavicz hopes that IBU locations will someday be located around the country.

And as for what locations in their community they would want their books displayed, she leaves it up to the authors themselves. For her, the key is that each location plays its part as a piece of a larger

network.

“What I really want is for each book to be visible to hundreds of people, with an opportunity for the book to be seen, discovered and picked up and read,” she said. “They can borrow it if they want, and they can bring it back, but hopefully they’ll buy it and it will be reviewed.”

On Daniel Island, Klimavicz has already secured Crescent Moon Orthodontics as an official IBU distribution point, with many more to follow.

“Ideally, in my perfect utopian world there are 15 locations in every major city and five locations in every small town,” she continued. “My goal by the end of this year is to have a hundred people signed up and to have more than 100 locations.”

“What I would love eventually is for IBU to be the location that self-published authors go to get their book out, that’s what I want.”

For Klimavicz’s program to work, she needs to get both authors and potential IBU locations on board. Each city would need first a network of locations for the

program to function correctly, as the system mandates readers, once they’ve reviewed a book, return it to any designated IBU location. Finding a host location, she says, it not the problem.

“The locations that I’ve talked to about the program absolutely love it, the businesses who are on board who are already sponsoring us absolutely love it, getting authors to sign up has been my challenge so far,” continued the affable Klimavicz. “The only way the program will not succeed is if I can’t get authors to sign up, that’s it.”

“What I’m working on now is trying to get this in the waiting rooms at the hospitals and doctor’s offices. I need to marry my understanding of healthcare because I have a Master’s in healthcare management,” Klimavicz continued. “It is so difficult but I want to give people that opportunity. If their book is maybe in a doctor’s office for example, a publisher could walk in, see it and say ‘oh my gosh, this is the best thing, how could I not know about it?’”

Klimavicz was a businesswoman before she ever dotted her “i’s” and crossed her “t’s” as an author, and she remains a businesswoman now as she leads IBU into the publishing market. That said however, there is a hint of altruism in her work as there is determination to better the reputation of self-published authors.

“Self-published authors have a stigma attached to them because any Joe Schmo can do it,” began Klimavicz, before shutting her laptop in conclusion. “But that doesn’t mean you cut corners, it doesn’t mean you don’t have someone read your work, it doesn’t mean you don’t hire an editor, it doesn’t mean you don’t have a professional cover.”

“But everybody has a voice, everybody has a story inside them and that story should be read by someone - but it needs to be presented in a professional way.”

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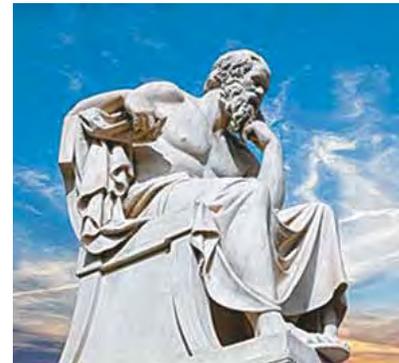
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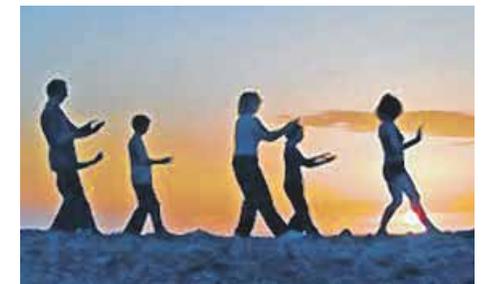
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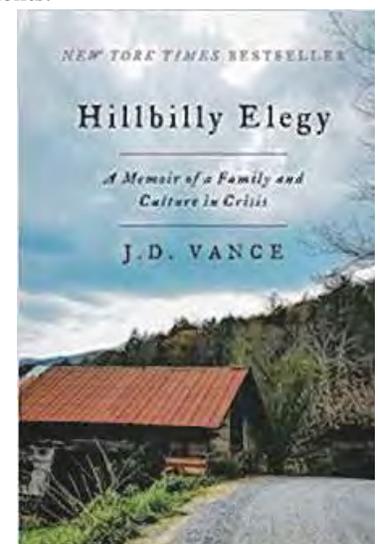
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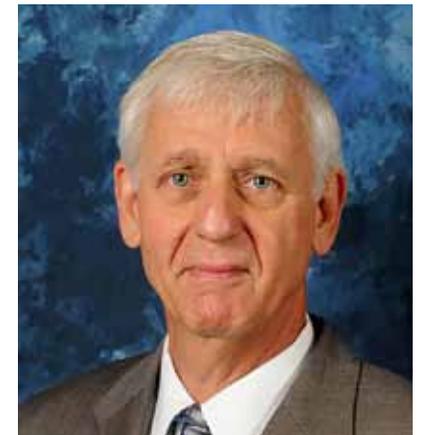
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Ten and Five Years Ago in THE DANIEL ISLAND NEWS

TEN YEARS AGO

New buildings coming to Guggenheim Plaza

In the May 3, 2007 issue of the Daniel Island News, pictures were published of the island's first (and only) version of the Amazing Race. Teams worked together to complete 10 challenges around the island. Daniel Island Mortgage was the presenting sponsor of the event. The Jones family won the competition.

In business news, it was announced that

three new buildings would be added to the Guggenheim Plaza (aka Publix Shopping Center). One building would house Carolina First Bank, which has since relocated off the island, and Ali Baba had signed a lease to occupy a space in another building across from Family Circle Tennis Center. Ali Baba is still a vibrant restaurant on Daniel Island today.



Daniel Island Mortgage team members at the time worked together to build a puzzle at one of 10 challenges the team encountered during the race.



Amazing Race teams worked together to complete 10 challenges around the island.



The Jones family won the Amazing Race on Daniel Island back in 2007. Mathew, Greg, Kathy, Justine and Huston proudly wore their blue ribbons.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Hotdog ministry takes off in Downtown Charleston



Summerville resident Doug Boehme, a certified sport diver with an interest in maritime archaeology, is shown with his diving partner, George Pledger, as they conduct research at the site of "The Helen B" shipwreck off the coast of Daniel Island.

In the May 3, 2012 issue the feature story was about the Hotdog Ministry in downtown Charleston. Volunteers, including the Brookes family and many in their WyldLife/YoungLife groups, participated in the ministry by serving hundreds of folks who find themselves in and out of homelessness. Leland and Sarah Brown took over the ministry when it was handed to them by a pastor at St. Michael's Church in downtown Charleston.

Also, in island news, it was reported that research was being conducted on a possible shipwreck off the shores of Daniel Island, called the Helen B. You can only see it at low tide and even then, the 200 year-old timbers poke ever so slightly above the pluff mud. The football-shaped impression, a little more than 60 feet long, sits just off the Daniel Island shoreline north of I-526 near Governors Park, and has been the subject of much curiosity among those who have spotted it. Is

this mysterious structure, which consists only of the lower third of a boat, the shipwreck of a Jeffersonian-era gunboat? That is one possibility, according to sport



diver Douglas Boehme, a Summerville resident who discovered the site some 20 years ago. The site "The Helen B" after his daughter.

Then Daniel Island Wyldlife leader Tracey Lengyel (Thomas), and island residents Avery Erickson and Jordan Johnstone, were happy to serve up help at the Hot Dog Ministry dinner on April 10, 2012. At the time the program offered a warm meal to the homeless and others in need each week, in a vacant lot on Meeting Street.



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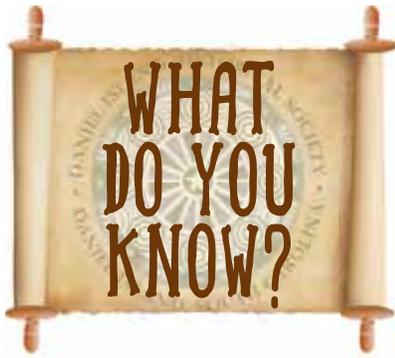
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Question: Starting in 1905, there were three piers located along the Wando River and one on Bellinger Island. All were used to ship produce from the truck farming industry off Daniel Island. Can you name them? (Hint: some of our streets today are

named for them.)

Answer: Scott Pier (Bellinger Island), Acme Pier, Mitchell Pier and Pole Grove Pier. A. F. Young Company would install these piers shortly after they purchased the land in 1905. The piers were essential to the trunk farming business on Daniel Island. It was the most efficient way to get the vegetables off the island to the railheads, which then would take them north to be sold. The piers are named after the farms they served.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: Where on Daniel Island is the land formerly known as the Codner Plantation (named for Richard Codner one of the island's eight early land-owners)? (Hint, it is not where the Codner's Ferry Park neighborhood is

located today.) Please email your answer to DIhistoryquiz@gmail.com by May 10 and include your first and last name.

Note: By participating in the Daniel Island Historical Society Trivia contest, you are giving the Daniel Island Historical Society permission to add your email to their email list. You will only receive informational emails about current activities and events. Your contact information will not be shared with anyone outside the Daniel Island Historical Society. To learn more about DIHS, please "like" the Daniel Island Historical Society Facebook page or visit their website at www.dihistoricalsociety.com.

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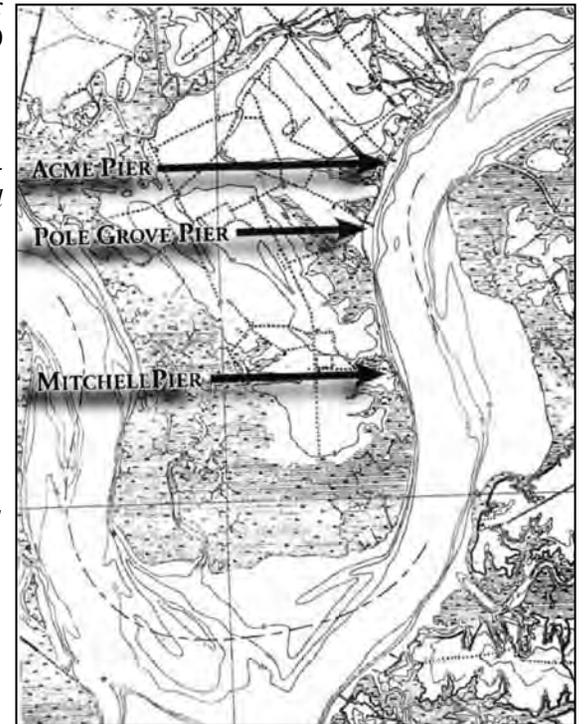


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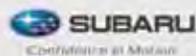
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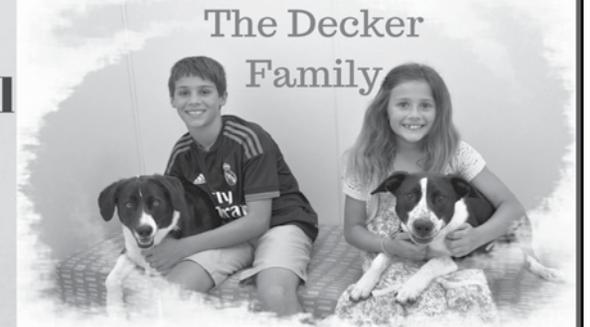


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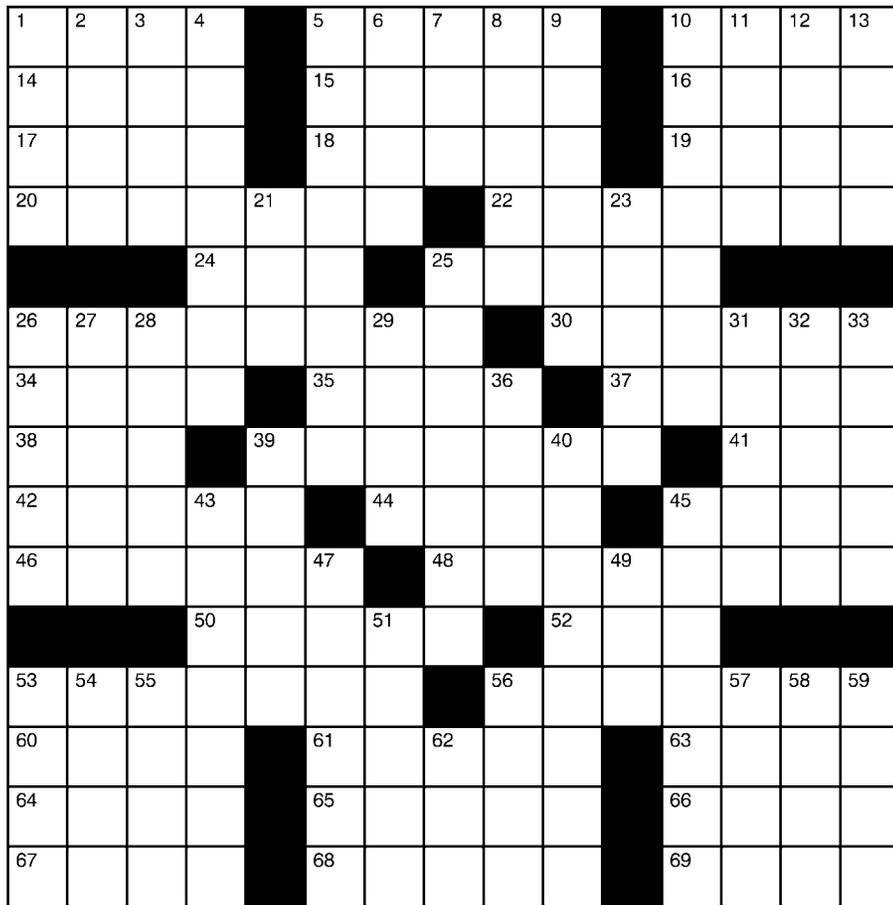
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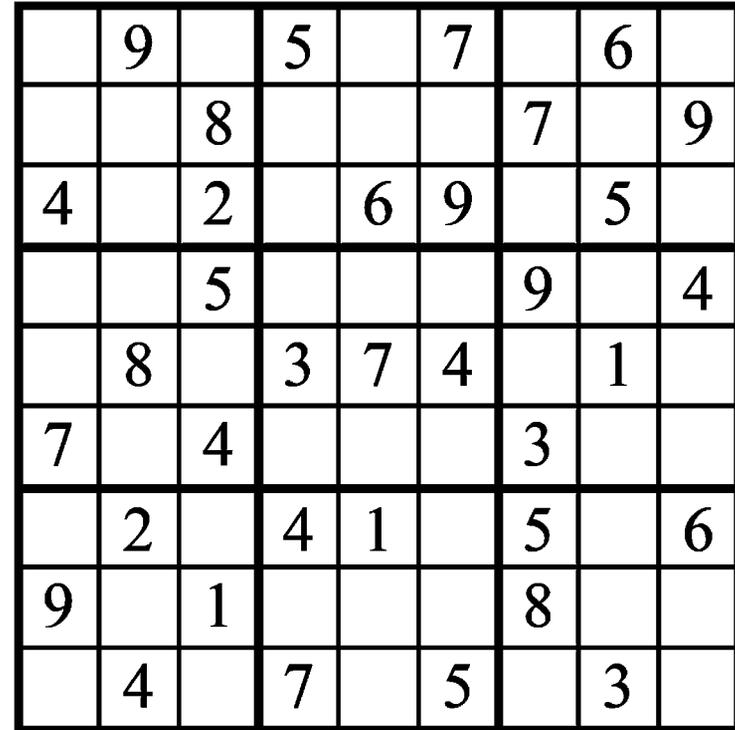
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Grammar Matters

by Patty Gibbons Saunier

Who Is It?

Choose the correct form of **who** in the following sentences.

1. **Who's/Whose** calling at this hour?
2. **Who/Whom** borrowed my cellphone?
3. With **who/whom** did you wish to speak?
4. All of these long-distance calls were made by **who/whom**?
5. **Who's/Whose** phone number is this?



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