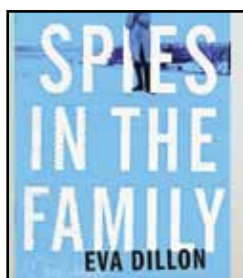


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# Charleston's Board of Zoning Appeals-Site Design tackles DI agenda items

*Recent meeting addresses requests about trees and parking*

**CHARLIE MORRISON**

Charleston is a city defined by two things: its charm and its location as the heart of the South Carolina Lowcountry. The beautiful, moss-strewn Live Oak trees, the seemingly endless marshes and creeks, the peninsula itself, surrounded by the embrace of a naturally-deep harbor and flanked by a network of wide, navigable rivers, the environment made Charleston what it is today.

As such, the topic of how the City manages its greatest resource has permeated nearly every aspect of local politics since the inception of Charlestowne in 1670. Today, our municipal government's relationship with the natural world is managed by a series of citizen-led boards that operate under the umbrella of Charleston's Department of Planning, Preservation & Sustainability.

## WHAT IS THE BZA?

When it comes to project proposals, City Council gets the final say. Projects must proceed successfully through the Planning Commission, a body made up of representatives nominated by members of City Council and whose decisions are reviewed and voted on ultimately by City Council itself. Before a



CHARLIE MORRISON

Eric Schultz, principal planner for the City of Charleston, takes a moment to show the Board of Zoning Appeals-Site Design an aerial view of the parking lot at 259 Seven Farms Drive on Daniel Island. The parking lot configuration at the site served as an agenda item at the board's May 3 meeting.

project matriculates up to those bodies, however, arguably where the rubber meets the road in municipal planning, much of the action takes place at the lower levels of city government, most notably at the City's Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA).

There are two arms of the BZA, one for zoning and one for site design. Given the Daniel Island Master Plan guides zoning policy on the

island, the BZA-Zoning, for Daniel Islanders, is a municipal body that carries little weight. When it comes to the site design arm of the BZA however, Daniel Island residents are rapidly familiarizing themselves with the body, its members and the sway it holds.

And what they have learned is that the decisions the board makes, on issues like the layout of a new development, the allowance of

an individual or company to remove a "grand" tree, or the façade of a new structure slated for Daniel Island Town Center, affect everyone in the tightly-knit town of Daniel Island.

Awareness of the importance of the BZA-SD to the quality of life on Daniel Island has grown with the island itself. Daniel Island growth has come in waves, particularly one big wave that began with the rebound of the financial markets a few years ago. That trend has driven Daniel Island developers, leaders, and citizens alike to attend BZA meetings of relevance in greater numbers, as was the case last Wednesday, when the body addressed a trio of agenda items relevant to the community.

## THE TREE DEBATE

One of the Daniel Island projects discussed at the meeting was a proposal to create a sizable subdivision slated for what is now a highly-wooded area across Fairbanks Drive from Governors Park. A request by the developer for a variance from the City's law on "grand trees" to remove four Live Oaks (with trunk diameters of 30 inches) and another special exception to remove a two-foot Water Oak, was approved after the group discussed the health of the trees.

According to a report from ISA Certified Arborist Van Adkins, who performed a survey of the land, four of the five trees in question

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## A homage to hometown happenings



**KATE JEROME**

No matter where my travels take me, I always seek out the local newspaper.

I know. My smartphone easily provides more detail about a town than I will ever need.

But the local paper does so much more. That's because it fits the many pieces of the community puzzle together. Where else can you get a glimpse of what a citizenry most values and fears - all within a few recyclable pages?

In the tiny town where I grew up, the local paper was a powerful tool - no doubt for many reasons beyond my young comprehension. However, I looked forward to the daily delivery for two simple reasons.

First, I loved to read the personal stories - from tragedy to triumph - about the people in my own community. It was the first inkling I had that I might

be part of something larger than the family who lived at 12 Parkview.

Second, I couldn't wait to hear the interesting dinner conversations that some tidbit in the paper was bound to spark. Of course, my favorites were the most heated discussions. And when my parents resorted to spelling out words? Well, let's just say the training led to considerable success in my grade school spelling bees!

Decades of educational publishing experience later, I know my hometown paper was just one arrow in the successful child-raising quiver my parents used. But it was an important tool, and the outcomes it helped produce are still of the utmost importance today.

You see, building a strong sense of place plays a key part in a child's social and emotional development. When children connect with the community around them, it helps them develop their own personal identity. An added benefit is the sense of

stewardship it often inspires.

And the value of generating meaningful conversations? In my view, it's off the charts. Too often in our busy world, dialogue with our kids tends toward the practical (Did you pick up your toys?) rather than the profound (Keep trying even when it's hard!). So any tool that inspires discussion of such issues as friendship and community should be deeply valued. Why? Because that's when our own stories of personal grit and resilience begin to flow.

And aren't those the kind of hometown happenings that we really want our children to remember?

*Kate B. Jerome is the author and series creator of two new Read Together/Do Together™ children's book series from Arcadia Kids that are designed to jump-start meaningful conversations between kids and their favorite adults. A seasoned publishing executive, an award-winning children's book author, and a recent Fellow in Stanford's Distinguished Careers Institute, Kate is a passionate supporter of intergenerational communication. See her TEDx talk and follow her on Facebook to learn more.*

## Three things your face reveals about you



Just **3** Things

**STEVE FERBER**

What does your face reveal about you? Far more than you might imagine.

A series of fascinating studies, conducted by face-readers from around the world, have drawn strong links between facial structure and a full range of human characteristics - including intelligence, extraversion, conscientiousness, cooperation, dominance, courage, cowardice, impudence, aggression and sexual orientation. We'll touch on three today.

### EXTRAVERSION (those who enjoy socializing more than being alone)

Said psychologist Vinita Mehta, in a piece for Psychology Today: "For women, extraversion was

the only significant factor that correlated with facial structure. Higher levels of extraversion were related to more protruding nose and lips, a recessive chin and masseter muscles (the jaw muscles used in chewing). By contrast, the face of those with lower extraversion levels showed the reverse pattern, in which the area around the nose appeared to press against the face. These findings suggest that perhaps psychological traits can - to some degree - be read on a person's face, though more studies would be needed to understand this phenomenon."

### LIFESTYLE

A BBC report discussed the link between skin color and lifestyle. Said the report: "... very subtle differences in skin color can also reveal your health secrets." They reported on research conducted by Benedict Jones, University of Glasgow, and Carmen Lefevre, Northumbria University, noting: "Jones and Lefevre emphasize this has nothing to do with the tones associated with ethnicity, but barely-no-

ticeable tints that may reflect differences in lifestyle. You appear to be in more robust health, for instance, if your skin has a slightly yellowish, golden tone." According to Lefevre, the report said, when you've eaten enough carotenoids (in orange and red fruit and vegetables) "they layer in the skin and dye it yellow." The glow of health, said the BBC report, "in turn, contributes significantly to your physical attraction - more so, in fact, than the more overt tones that might accompany a trip to the tanning salon." The report adds: "A blush of pink, meanwhile, should signal the good circulation that comes with an active lifestyle - and it might also be a sign of a woman's fertility."

### AGGRESSION

According to psychologist Mehta, "studies have found that the ratio of facial width-to-height (i.e., how narrow or wide the face is) is associated with aggression." She highlights two studies in which participants viewed photos of men whose "behavioral aggressiveness had been assessed." In one study,

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## Call your mom at least once a week



refrigerator  
wisdom

**SUZANNE DETAR**

With my kids spread around the country and the world, I often communicate my refrigerator wisdom via Facebook Messenger.

Several months ago, I messaged, "Write this down and post it on your refrigerators: Call your mom at least once a week."

I wrote that message because I miss my mom, who passed away a year and half ago. Now I can't call her.

I wrote it because my mother-in-law passed away the week before I sent the message. Now my husband can't call his mom.

I wrote it because I miss my kids. And I want them to call.

Within moments of sending the message, Carly

replied, "Ha Ha, Mom, I call you every day." True.

Ben's comment, also within a few minutes, "I call you pretty often."

Jackson, who didn't chime in on the group message, is in an "I'll call you when I need you" phase. So, I do hear from him!

They, and we as parents, might not always realize it - but moms learn from their kids and kids learn from their moms, even in telephone calls, and even as we get older. And it isn't just about learning. A little love, unspoken in the form of a phone call that might only revolve around the weather, lifts our spirits and connects our souls.

If you still can, call your mom today.

### CORRECTION

The article entitled "Lightning strike fires reignite safety concerns for Corrugated Stainless Steel gas tubing," which was published in our April 26 issue, contained an inaccuracy. The article states, "At least six U.S. companies currently manufacture the tubing, which has been approved by the National Fire Protection Association if it is correctly installed." The NFPA does not test, approve or endorse products in any form. Complying with an NFPA code does not equate with an "NFPA approval."





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# What do you love most about your mom?

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She is very kind and nice to me whenever I have a problem.  
Benjamin  
Age 10



I love her because she feeds me and takes care of me every day.  
Owen  
Age 10



She supports me in my sports and in everything.  
Nolan  
Age 13



I love her hugs.  
Sullivan  
Age 8



I love how she gives hugs and kisses.  
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## 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](http://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](mailto:zoning@dineighborhoodassociation.org).

**City of Charleston Technical Review Committee (TRC)** - May 11 meeting: One issue of impact to Daniel Island – proposed alley in connection with the construction of 10 townhomes on the Farr Street extension.

**City of Charleston Board of Zoning Appeals – Site Design (BZA-SD)** - Next meeting to take place May 17. Agenda not yet published.

**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 published - no issues of impact to Daniel Island

**City of Charleston Planning Commission** - Next meeting to take place on May 17. Agenda published - no issues of impact to Daniel Island

## Eyeing facial expressions

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photos were glanced for 1200 milliseconds; in another, just 39 milliseconds. Said Mehta:

“These findings support the notion that facial width-to-height ratio may be an advertisement of aggressiveness, and is consistent with research demonstrating that higher levels of testosterone are related to both wider faces and dominant behavior in men.”

Three related points of interest:

**1. Jobseekers beware!** From a businessinsider.com report: Australia “people reader” Alan Stevens “is developing a system that will match career paths to a collection of personal-

ity traits that he says can be determined from jobseekers’ facial dimensions.”

**2. Fleeting emotions.** From a New York Times article: “Dr. [Paul] Ekman’s research tool: FACS, or Facial Action Coding System, [deciphers] which of the 43 muscles in the face are working at any given moment, even when an emotion is so fleeting that the person experiencing it may not be conscious of it.”

**3. Smiles vs. Frowns.** Remember that well-traveled notion? “It takes 37 muscles to frown and 22 to smile, so conserve energy and smile.” Sorry to say, that’s an urban myth (science reveals it takes 12 to smile and 11 to frown). We do, however, still recommend smiling!



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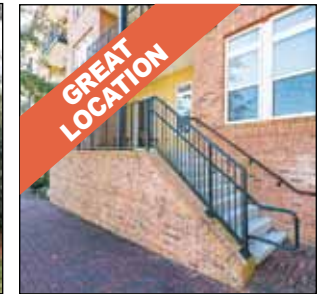
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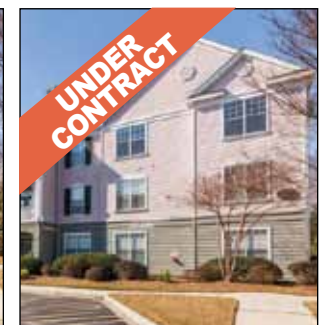
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## 2017 MOMS' RUN ON DI

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](http://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](mailto: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.dihistoricalandsociety.com](http://www.dihistoricalandsociety.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.dicommunity.org](http://www.dicommunity.org).

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## 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](mailto:tlengyel91@gmail.com)) or [charleston.younglife.org](http://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](mailto:tlengyel91@gmail.com) or [charleston.younglife.org](http://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](http://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](mailto:cpetkash@frannet.com). Register at <http://bengcharleston.eventbrite.com>.

## WILLINGWAY CONTINUING CARE MEETINGS

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Changing What's Possible

### City board considers trees and parking on DI

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could and should be removed. After settling the matter of the fifth tree, which the applicant, engineering firm Freeman Milligan successfully argued should be removed, the board voted to approve the request. Just like that, the meeting was off with a buzz.

And while the Fairbanks Drive project was important, Daniel Island's collective eye, by evidence of a spree of activity seen on various island Facebook pages, was an agenda item request submitted by Daniel Island resident Lisa Pieretti. The BZA-SD was asked by Pieretti to reconsider their April 5 decision to grant a variance to remove 12 trees on Rhoden Island, a 17-acre tract slated for a subdivision of around 100 homes. Pieretti has collected over 400 signatures in support of keeping the trees since addressing the board on the issue at the April 5 BZA meeting.

"As it says up there on the wall 'Please turn off your cell phones,'" began the City's head planner Eric Schultz, pointing to a posted sign in the room. "But I'm going to break that rule, because I'm expecting some late-breaking news from an applicant who is possibly in route... and possibly not."

That applicant was Pieretti, who ultimately did not attend the meeting but informed Schultz via email eight minutes after the session commenced that she was dropping her appeal.

"Her email reads, 'I have repealed my appeal,'" said Shultz, staring at his phone quixotically. "Ok, so that's official, the appeal has been withdrawn."

#### PARKING CONUNDRUM

Four variance applications from across the City and two full hours later, Daniel Island was again, front and center. Island developer Mike White was slated to discuss his request to reconfigure the parking lot at the building he owns at 259 Seven Farms Drive, so as to add four additional parking spaces. The request was deferred from the board's April meeting to last week's session. By the time the board took up the matter, what had been a crowd of more than 40 had dwindled down to three, two of whom being White and Jane Baker, who was in attendance to officially represent the Daniel Island

Town Association on the matter.

In White's proposal, he asked to change what is now an "H" parking lot pattern into an "I" pattern.

"This was a building on Daniel Island headed for blight," said White. "The property owner was an absentee landlord and the lot is in disrepair."

"I do want to pursue that with the Daniel Island Company, but today the people need parking on Daniel Island," he continued. "This to me is a common sense, pro-business solution to an ordinance that's perhaps misapplied on this smaller property."

Before proceeding, Schultz asked a board member to read for the record a letter from Mary Stuart Sutton of the Daniel Island Architecture Review Board (ARB) stating that her group favored deferring the request to allow White's team to pursue some alternative solutions to the issue. And while Sutton wasn't at the meeting, when asked whether there was anyone in the room who wanted to speak against the request, Baker addressed the board.

On behalf of the Daniel Island Town Association (DITA), Baker reported that she and Matt Sloan, in his capacity as chair of the DITA board, recently met with White to offer him, at no charge, a piece of "common area" property in between the parking lot and an adjacent retention pond. The green space could potentially be used for additional parking, added Baker. They asked White to defer so the project could be further vetted, she continued, but he declined.

At last week's meeting, Baker expressed her concerns about the parking reconfiguration, telling the board that Daniel Island zoning does not allow for what White is requesting.

"We support the Daniel Island ARB's recommendation that the request be again deferred," said Baker, before resting her case. "If this is done, the precedent it will set, this will be the beginning of the dominos starting to fall on Daniel Island's master plan zoning."

After the exhaustive, three-hour meeting and a lengthy discussion, the board voted to again send White and the project back through the process with yet another deferral. White will be presenting an updated proposal to the body at their next meeting on Wednesday, June 7 at 5 p.m.

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# 'Spies in the family'

*DI resident pens real life espionage thriller*

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It is a story that could easily play out in an episode of "Homeland" on Netflix, "The Americans" on F/X or in any number of intrigue-filled spy dramas on the big screen these days. A Russian spy turns to provide secrets to the United States, while working with a CIA agent based in India. Together, they avert a potential nuclear meltdown between the two superpowers. Sound far-fetched? Not to Daniel Island resident Eva Dillon. For her, in the most personal way, every word of it is true.

The CIA agent was her father, Paul Dillon, and the Russian spy was World War II hero Dmitri Fedorovich Polyakov. And Eva has written a book documenting the pair's pivotal relationship during the Cold War. Already attracting rave reviews, the narrative is entitled "SPIES IN THE FAMILY: An American Spymaster, His Russian Crown Jewel, and the Friendship That Helped End the Cold War." Eva recently shared details about her family's story, and the process she undertook in writing the book, as the keynote speaker at the April 12 Daniel Island Speakers Series event.

In the summer of 1975, when Eva was just 17 years old, a newspaper article exposed Paul Dillon as a CIA officer. In what Eva would call a "WikiLeaks scandal of the 1970s," his position was also "outed" in a tell-all book by Philip Agee. Her father died at age 53 in 1980, but she would only come to learn the full extent of his work after her mother's death in 1997.

Eva told the capacity crowd gathered in the main ballroom at the Daniel Island Club that a box discovered in her mother's attic inspired her to explore her father's past.

"...The box contained a collection of documents and papers," said Eva, who grew up believing her father worked for the U.S. State Department in a position that necessitated frequent moves around the globe. "We took it downstairs, and later, while my siblings and I were sitting around the dining room table talking about arrangements for selling the house, my husband, JL, pulled a magazine out of the box and started reading."

JL mentioned that Eva's father's name was listed in an article and that he had handled a Soviet General during the Cold War whose code name was "TOPHAT." The piece went on to report that TOPHAT was sent as a military at-



MARY WESSNER

**Daniel Island resident Eva Dillon served as the keynote speaker at the Daniel Island Speakers Series event on April 12 at the Daniel Island Club. Dillon is the author of "SPIES IN THE FAMILY: An American Spymaster, His Russian Crown Jewel, and the Friendship That Helped End the Cold War" - a real life espionage thriller about her father, Paul Dillon, and Russian Intelligence Officer Dmitri Polyakov.**

tache to India, where Paul Dillon, an ex-marine from Boston, was dispatched to serve as his CIA case officer.

"My mother, probably keeping a vow to my father not to reveal anything during their

lifetimes, hadn't wanted to tell us herself, but clearly wanted us to know by leaving behind the article and other documents," said Eva. "And that, in those pre-internet days before news found you rather than you finding it in a dusty box in an attic, is when I discovered the magnitude of my father's secret career."

The discovery prompted Eva to learn more about her father's CIA days - and about Polyakov. She wondered why he was so important, about the nature of his relationship with her father, and about the political impact of their collaboration.

"I wondered, also, what kind of life the general had led in Russia, on the other side of the Iron Curtain," said Eva to her audience. "Did he have children? What was it like for them to grow up in the Soviet Union with a spy for a father, compared to us?"

The magazine article had also mentioned a betrayal - and Eva was determined to find out more. Over the course of three years, she interviewed more than 18 of Paul Dillon's former CIA colleagues and other intelligence professionals, some of whom asked not to be identified. She poured through works written by investigative journalists and spy book writers, as well as CIA and FBI reports, and various media from Russia and the former Soviet Union. But Eva considers Polyakov's son, Alexander, to be her most "cherished source."

"What came out of all of this research is an intimate double family memoir, within a

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## A box discovered in Dillon's mother's attic inspired her to explore her father's past

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broader Cold War history, spanning 50 years and three continents,” explained Eva, while citing the similarities of concerns over Vladimir Putin’s intentions and aggressions today. “... What I strove to do with my book was to show how geo-political events between governments affect real people in profound ways. One person in particular, the book’s main protagonist and my primary motivation for writing it, and hence, the book’s dedication, to honor Dmitri Fedorovich Polyakov.”

Eva would go on to learn much more about Polyakov and the unique asset he was to the United States during a critical time in our history. He was not tempted by the luxuries of the West, she explained to her Daniel Island audience, a weakness that often compromised other Soviet assets. Although his actions clearly put his life at risk, Polyakov didn’t ask for money or political asylum.

“Rather, he was motivated by a desire to lessen the very real threat of nuclear war by helping the Americans better interpret the Soviet leadership’s thinking and intentions,” continued Eva. “He considered himself a Russian patriot, seeing the Soviet leaders as corrupt thugs, mocking the sacrifices that the Russian people had made during the war. At the height of the Cold War, Polyakov offered the CIA an unfiltered view into the vault of Soviet intelligence.”

But perhaps the most significant information Polyakov was able to convey to his American counterparts, said Eva, was that the Soviet government did not believe it could prevail in a nuclear confrontation with the U.S. That realization, she continued, served to degrade the Kremlin’s ability to threaten America and her allies, and diffuse tensions - “eventually leading to disarmament talks between the superpowers.”

Throughout much of Polyakov’s covert involvement with the U.S, he worked alongside Paul Dillon, with whom he would develop a close friendship based on mutual respect.

“It was in Burma where Polyakov and my father first met,” explained Eva. “But it was in India where they became close, after we moved there in 1973. Polyakov had a reputation inside the CIA of being unknowable and humorless. But all of that changed with my father.”

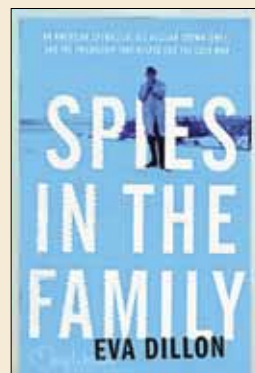
Eva described her father as “warm and sentient” - and someone who “imparted a preternatural sense of trustworthiness - traits even the KGB would later acknowledge.” She did not divulge to her audience what would become of Polyakov after he returned to Russia, and instead encouraged all in attendance to read the book.

For Eva, who spent 25 years in the magazine publishing business for the likes of Vogue, Harper’s Bazaar, Glamour and The New Yorker, writing “SPIES IN THE FAMILY” has

been a labor of love. Recently, Kirkus Reviews awarded the book a coveted “Kirkus Star,” given to only 10 percent of the review site’s books. Eva, a former president of Reader’s Digest who holds a bachelor’s degree in music from Virginia Commonwealth University, hopes the real life espionage thriller will illuminate a once secret relationship that quite literally changed the world.

“I didn’t want to write the book that a journalist or historian would, and should, write some day,” explained Eva. “I wanted to write the book by a daughter, infusing the personal, human interest aspect into an incredible Cold War story, as it revealed itself to me, and to Alexander Polyakov. So, I seized the opportunity to tell my father’s and Polyakov’s story as a journalist could not, from the perspective of a daughter, and a son, in all of its newsworthy, and human, ways.”

For more information on the book, released by Harper Collins on May 9, visit <https://www.harpercollins.com/9780062385888/spies-in-the-family>.



### “SPIES IN THE FAMILY” Upcoming Events!

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# The countdown is on for Philip Simmons High School completion

*Updates provided at school's first PTSA meeting*

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Eighty days, 16 hours, 27 minutes, and nine seconds. As of the evening of May 4, when Philip Simmons High School's new Parent Teacher Student Association held its first official meeting, that was the amount of time left until "move in day" at the long-awaited facility. Principal Dr. James Spencer has the countdown on an app on his phone and eagerly checks it every day.

"We expect to take occupancy of the building on July 28," he said. "...That's how much time we have left, so we're pretty excited about that...We are on schedule and under budget, and when you're doing construction, that's the bottom line."

Spencer, along with Assistant Principal and Athletic Director Brion Packett and new PSHS head football coach Eric Bendig, updated parents and other community members in attendance at the meeting about the school's progress.

"It's an amazing facility, but the most im-



ELIZABETH BUSH

**Patience Whitlock and Alicia Ward, both founding members of the new Philip Simmons High School Parent Teacher Student Association, proudly display some official Iron Horses' "spirit gear."**

portant thing is we are already establishing a culture of positivity, of high expectations and of academic excellence," noted Spencer.

"We're getting closer and the detail that is put into every aspect of the school, from the

athletic facilities to the buildings to the classrooms, it's unbelievable," added Packett.

Most of the exterior work is complete on the building, Spencer added, and now construction crews have shifted to finishing up the interior spaces. When it comes to athletics, the baseball field was recently sodded and asphalt has already been installed on both the track and tennis courts.

"The athletic fields are coming along very quickly," said Spencer. "All fences in the athletic area are up. It's just phenomenal how fast they are going."

As a drone video showcasing the new facility played for the audience, Spencer highlighted the building's "Technology Forest," which will be a tech-friendly gathering space complete with comfortable furniture and charging stations for students. Also adding to the "wow" factor is a Starbucks-style coffee shop planned for the media center.

During his remarks, Assistant Principal Packett informed the audience that PSHS has already established a stellar work force for the facility.

"The best of the best work at Philip Simmons High School," said Packett, who noted that they have received well over 100 applications for positions thus far. "Every person

we've spoken to, and spoken with, is a cut above the rest. And that means something. They're gonna be able to get it done in the classroom. They're gonna help us with our vision and core values."

"The staff that we've hired is second to none," added Spencer, who called his new hires "all-stars."

Packett noted that the school will be offering football, wrestling, and boys and girls soccer at the junior varsity level for year one. At the varsity level will be baseball, softball, girls and boys basketball, girls and boys golf and tennis, cross country, volleyball, track and field, swimming, and cheerleading. Students will compete in Region VI - 2A. Coach Bendig informed the crowd that football practice will begin June 5 (for additional information on all PSHS sports, visit [www.ironhorsesathletics.net](http://www.ironhorsesathletics.net)).

In addition to getting the latest news on PSHS, attendees also received an update from Berkeley County School Board Members Mac McQuillin and David Barrow on the district's superintendent search. McQuillin reported that the application process for the open position will conclude on June 10 and board

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## Parents and other community members updated on the school's progress

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members will then begin to sort through the applications and schedule interviews. They expect to announce the top three candidates by the end of July, with the goal of filling the post in August.

"By August we hope to have a new superintendent that is here for the long haul," said McQuillin. "Our teachers and students deserve some consistency. That's the goal."

"(We need) a leader that is a visionary," added Barrow. "Somebody that has experience in diverse cultures, somebody who also understands people and can communicate effectively. It's not just about what you do, it's how you do it."

The newly formed PSHS Parent Teacher Student Association also was a focus at the meeting, with volunteers who have worked behind the scenes for months sparking excitement about what is to come. The team displayed new spirit gear featuring the school's mascot, the Iron Horses, and colors, purple and black.

"I need you to get on the purple bus!" said future PSHS parent Mary Nemeth, who has been nominated to be the school's first PTSA president. "Because what we say in our homes, what we say in our community, what we post on Facebook, it all comes back to



ELIZABETH BUSH

**Cainhoy community member Lisa Mack-Watson happily staffed the Philip Simmons High School PTSA membership table at last week's meeting.**

how successful we are here. And I am a big believer in that. So I really need you and all of your friends, and anyone you talk to, to get on board and make this school great!"

After the meeting, other future PSHS parents gave the presentation and the school's progress high marks.

"We're excited!" said Nicole Michaels. "Just everybody is so excited about coming... and the whole energy that the administration



ELIZABETH BUSH

**Philip Simmons High School Principal Dr. James Spencer (left) poses with Head Secretary Cathy Chiasson, Assistant Principal and Athletic Director Brion Packett, and Head Football Coach Eric Bendig.**

brings to it."

"It made it seem like it's gonna be here sooner that we know it," added Karen Szlosek. "And it seems like there is a lot of really good energy from the staff."

"Being part of something that is so new, the comprehensive planning that's gone on is just incredible to start from day one," commented Mindy Allen. "I don't know anybody else that has done that...It's all gonna grow so much.

I'm so excited!"

The school, located off Point Hope Parkway near the Clements Ferry Road corridor, is slated to open for the 2017-2018 school year in August. For additional information, visit <http://www.bcsdschools.net/Domain/5507>. The second PTSA meeting will be held on Thursday, May 11, to elect the organization's first board.

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who has written more than 100 children's books, can now add two more book series to her long list of works. Both are part of her "Read Together/Do Together" collection.

Jerome has penned "Lucky to Live in South Carolina," part of a series in which each title serves as a cross between a storybook and a memory book. Read-aloud rhymes and fill-in-the-blank prompts are designed to capture a child's story - customized to area in which the child lives. Jerome has written additional "Lucky to Live" books showcasing other states and regions. The left-hand pages set the stage for an interesting topic and the right-hand pages invite children to record their own views to create a personal history book.

"It's no secret that kids thrive when they have meaningful conversations with caring adults," said Jerome. "But in our busy world, it's not easy to find ways to make this happen, so I developed 'Read Together/Do Together'

to help parents and grandparents create those magic moments."

Jerome has also recently released her new "Wise Animal Handbook" series, a collection designed to help parents and grandparents capitalize on the power of laughter to foster intergenerational connections. Each book features engaging color photos of animals in humorous situations while read-aloud rhymes open the door for meaningful conversations about everything from honesty and grit to perseverance and play.

"My sincere hope is the books inspire the kinds of conversations that bring out the laughter and love that already exists between kids and their favorite adults," added Jerome. "...I strongly believe these kinds of 'vertical connections' are mutually beneficial to both."

Jerome completed a Fellowship in the Distinguished Careers Institute at Stanford University in 2015, an experience that served as inspiration for her newly published works, she said. Jerome was selected to present a TEDx talk on the subject of intergenerational communication in 2016. More information can be found on both of her new book series collections, published by Arcadia Publishing, at <https://www.arcadiapublishing.com/Landing-pages/ReadTogetherDoTogether>.

**HAYNSWORTH SINKLER BOYD  
ATTORNEYS RECOGNIZED**

Thirty-two attorneys with Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd, P.A. have been listed in the 2017 edition of South Carolina Super Lawyers.

"Of the 32 attorneys recognized, our firm had 11 attorneys in the publication's Rising Star category and nine attorneys who have been listed for more than 10 years," states Nick Nicholson, the firm's managing director. "This blend of up-and-coming and established attorneys speaks to our firm's depth of resources and talent."

Each year, Super Lawyers publishes its research-driven, peer-influence rating for attorneys who have attained professional recognition and achievement. Daniel Island resident Mac McQuillin, who works in the firm's Charleston office, is recognized on the list as a "rising star" in business litigation. To see the complete list of honorees, visit [www.hsblawfirm.com](http://www.hsblawfirm.com). Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd also has offices in Columbia, Greenville, Florence and Myrtle Beach.

**BLACKBAUD ANNOUNCES  
PROMOTIONS**

Blackbaud, the world's leading cloud software company powering social good, recently announced that Patrick Hodges has been promoted to senior vice president of global sales and has joined the company's executive leadership team. Additionally, sea-

soned executive Jeff Moses has been named vice president of sales at Blackbaud for its general markets group, effective April 18.

Hodges, who will report directly to President and CEO Mike Gianoni, will lead Blackbaud's overall sales strategy and global sales operating model. He will be tasked with driving sales excellence across vertical and horizontal markets, overseeing Blackbaud's growing presence in regional engagement centers across North America, strengthening the company's international footprint and building a cohesive sales process and experience across market groups to optimize performance and customer experience.

"To fully capitalize on Blackbaud's rapid growth and recent expansion into adjacent markets, we intend to increase our focus on sales velocity and effectiveness," said Gianoni. "Patrick brings nearly two decades of sales acumen and a deep understanding of our customers to this role. He has the depth and breadth of experience to increase market share and drive healthy topline growth while delivering a leading customer experience."

Moses, who brings more than 25 years of sales experience to Blackbaud, will lead the general markets sales business. He will report to Kevin Mooney, president of Blackbaud's General Markets Group. For more information, visit [www.Blackbaud.com](http://www.Blackbaud.com).



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# Is your leadership adrift?



## management moment

**Doug Dickerson**

*Set your course by the stars, not by the lights of every passing ship. - Omar N. Bradley*

One of the dangers I have observed over my years in leadership is the leader who tends to stray off course. It's an easy trap to fall victim to and I have been there myself a few times.

It tends to happen when we are not focused on our "one thing" and are chasing rabbits down trails where we have no business going. And because we are distracted and we didn't say "no" when we should have, we drift off course. It's usually never intentional, but we are adrift nonetheless and we need to correct our course.

Writing in his book "Simplify," author Bill Hybels poses an intriguing set of questions that started me thinking about this. He writes:

"Are you in the right race? Or have you accidentally drifted into a race that is mostly in vain? Are your best efforts going toward a race that results in fleeting applause? Or do you strive for material gain, which rusts, rots, and depreciates? Or for passing pleasures that don't amount to a hill of beans in the eternal scheme of things?"

Those are some powerful and thought provoking questions. Staying on course requires intentionality on your part as a leader. What does being adrift look like as a leader? How do you know? Let's explore five possibilities.

### YOUR LEADERSHIP IS ADRIFT WHEN YOU TRY TO RUN SOMEONE ELSE'S RACE

When the race ceases to be your own you are adrift. This happens when you are not being true to yourself. Each of us has our own race and our own lane in which to run it. Quit trying to be the person in the lane next to you and be the person God created you to be. When you do this you will stop drifting.

### YOUR LEADERSHIP IS ADRIFT WHEN YOU MISTAKE ALL THAT GLITTERS FOR YOUR TRUE NORTH

As the statement above mentions, you must not set your course by the lights of the passing ships, but by the stars. Leaders who are adrift are frustrated because they didn't keep their sights set on the star that is guiding them in their race. Forget about the other glimmering lights and get your focus back to where it belongs.

### YOUR LEADERSHIP IS ADRIFT WHEN YOU FAIL TO SET PROPER BOUNDARIES

Leaders drift when they think they can be all things to all people and fail to set realistic, proper, and necessary boundaries. Without boundaries, there is no buffer in place to steer you back on course. You have to establish boundaries and stick by them. Otherwise, you will be drawn off course by every glittering light that comes along.

### YOUR LEADERSHIP IS ADRIFT WHEN YOU CHASE APPLAUSE AND APPROVAL

This is one of the easiest traps to fall for as a leader. After all, who doesn't enjoy the applause and approval that stokes our ego? But if this is your motivation for being a leader, you are setting yourself up for disappointment and you will always be adrift. When your focus is on developing your character and integrity you will never have to worry about approval.

### YOUR LEADERSHIP IS ADRIFT WHEN THERE IS NO ACCOUNTABILITY

Accountability is crucial to your success as a leader. It's also what will keep you from drifting. When you have someone that has permission to speak truth into your life, that person can be an invaluable benefit to you as a leader. Do you have such a person? If not, let me encourage you to find one. The writer in Proverbs 22:15 said, "Refuse good advice and watch your plans fail; take good counsel and watch them succeed." (The Message).

As a leader, there is nothing more frustrating than being adrift. The good news? You don't have to be when you know the warning signs. Stop drifting and get your focus back on what matters most.

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# It's all about Mom!

**MARY ANN WERNER**  
-Submitted by her son, Tom Werner

Note: My mother, Mary Ann Werner, passed away earlier this spring with all six of her children gathered together. During her final days, she reflected on her many accomplishments and what she wished she had done differently. Her regrets – though minor in our eyes, reminded us that though she wished she had been a “better mother,” we wished we had been better sons and daughters. I wrote this for her memorial service.

*Family and friends are gathered to celebrate a life complete and share with one another stories we oft repeat.*

*One thought I think, but cannot say, “I wish I was a better son.”*

*Memories we hold of times so dear - when we were seldom well-behaved. We tell these tales to laughs and cheer, as if time alone will dispensate.*

*But deep inside that thought persists, “I wish I was a better son.”*

*For memories have a fickle way of filling to the brim. Contentment then cedes to emptiness, from these thoughts that slither in.*

*I wish, I wish, I wish, I wish - I wish I was a better son.*

*Regret, regret, now stay behind - do not follow where you go. Let your deathbed be the resting place of druthers, ifs and woe.*

*Forgiveness, you asked of me, I know not why. “I wish I was a better son.”*

*Imperfect you saw your time with us - But that is not the case. For perfect is what we see in you - today and every day.*

*Forgiveness is what you granted me, before you slipped away. but still, but still, but still, but still, I wish I was a better son.*



MANDY HOESTETLER

Virginia native Mary Ann Werner shares a special moment dancing with her son, Tom Werner, at Pierce Park Pavilion, after his wedding.

love

**SHIRLEY FINGER**  
-Submitted by her son, Peter Finger

My wonderful mom just celebrated her 90th birthday in March here on Daniel Island. She visits for several months every year in the winter to enjoy the warm weather Daniel Island has to offer. You may have seen her walking in Smythe Park or at the library because she loves to meet people, and she loves books. She also loves the dogs she met on her walks and can tell you the name of every single one. She recently battled a broken hip, spine issues, and even a bout with cancer. Always the fighter and optimist, she is doing very well and never complained about the issues and certain pain she must have endured. She raised five children with endless care and love. My mom loves her 15 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren. Give her a piece of paper and a few minutes, and she will write down all their names. Mom is the one we have gone to for love and support. She is the mom who always seems to say exactly the right words to put everything into perspective. Everyone who meets my mom, even if just for a few minutes, tells me the same thing: “We love your mom!” Yeah, me too!



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Shirley Finger, Peter Finger's mother, is shown here visiting with a friend's dog.

**CARRIE LYNDRUP**  
-Submitted by her husband, Jay Karen, and their children, Marley and Jonah

The full-time dedication of being a mother can sometimes cause a woman to forget who she is beyond just being a mom. I don't know how she does it, but Carrie has beautifully been mother to Marley and Jonah and maintained an admirable sense of self. By showing our children that she can have deep, meaningful friendships, that she can launch and maintain a successful business, and that she values time away with just Daddy, the kids have an amazing role model. And yet, she is the one in our house who maintains the highest standards and goals for Marley and Jonah. Carrie makes sure they are eating the right foods, brushing their teeth TWICE a day, stretching themselves by learning and growing and always leaving room for affection and love. I don't know if Carrie feels like she has it all, but she certainly looks like she can do it all. And we are all better off and love her dearly for it.



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Carrie Lyndrup, wife to Jay Karen and mother to Marley and Jonah.

**ELIZABETH BUSH**  
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With Mother's Day coming up this Sunday, May 14, we thought it would be fitting to invite our readers to share messages for or about their moms! We asked you to tell us what makes your mom special? Is it the way she makes you laugh? The perfect pancakes only she can prepare? The extra hugs she dispenses on days when you're not feeling your best? As you will see on these pages, some mothers have passed on and others are still with us, but each of them continue to touch the lives of their loved ones in meaningful ways.

**ANOLA DEWITT HOGAN**  
-Submitted by her daughter, Pat Richards

My mother was a very special lady. She was loved by all who knew her for her kindness, gentle manner and thoughtfulness. Outwardly she was very happy. But she had some unfinished business to attend to. Neither my mom nor my dad was able to finish high school due to family obligations. Dad was a successful businessman and never looked back at his lack of formal education. Mom had gotten as far as junior year when she had to leave high school but was always quietly bothered by not having a high school diploma. She proudly watched both my brother and me graduate high school and then college. One day, when mom was in her mid-60s, she announced that she had decided to get her GED. She studied very hard. She befriended, inspired and mentored many much younger women in her class, and, happily, passed her GED in record time. We were all so proud of her accomplishment! It took a very special woman to work so hard to attain a life-long goal. Sadly, she died just a couple of years later and her determination to get her GED is a legacy for all of us.



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Anola deWitt Hogan, mother to Daniel Island resident Pat Richards, is pictured here at her 8th grade graduation.

**MARY DEBONA**  
-Submitted by her daughter, Mariann Chambers

I have been blessed to have my special mom, Mary DeBona, in my life for 66 years. The simple thing that makes her special is the way she has lived her life with gratitude to God, a smile for everyone, and unconditional love for her family.

For my mother the cup has always been overflowing, and she starts every day thanking God for her family, health, and the gift of another day.

Even at 93, living in a nursing home with dementia as her daily companion, mom greets people with a smile.

Today we often sit together in silence, but when I look at her smiling face my heart fills with joy. She may not remember my visits, but will be heard telling anyone within earshot, “She is my precious daughter.” Mom never forgets to tell me, “I love you more.” I know she has not always agreed with my decisions, but I always knew I had her love.

What more can any mother give a child than the example of gratitude for every day, the lesson to smile through life, and her unconditional love. I am grateful that I still have mom to tell me I'm loved.



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Mary DeBona, mother to Mariann Chambers of Daniel Island.

HAPPY  
MOTHER'S  
DAY!



# Annual 'Golf Ball' to benefit ECCO

*Fundraiser aims to raise \$230K to support families in financial distress*

East Cooper Community Outreach (ECCO) will hold its 5th Annual "Golf Ball" this month with two fundraising events to benefit local families in financial distress.

Presented by the Medical University of South Carolina, ECCO's 2017 Gala, dubbed "A Night to Shine," will take place at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 12, at the Daniel Island Club. The evening will feature creative food stations, complimentary wine and beer, music, and a range of activities including a Wine Pull sponsored by Bottles

Beverage Store, Spirit Ring Toss, Diamonds Direct Champagne Raffle, and a silent auction with more than 80 customized packages. The night will conclude with a live auction hosted by Benefit Auctioneer Tom Crawford, who will offer guests the chance to bid on vacation packages, airline tickets, unique local experiences, a hand-crafted diamond necklace by Skatell's and more. The full list of auction items can be viewed at [www.bidr.co/events/eccogala17](http://www.bidr.co/events/eccogala17).

Dress code for the event is cocktail attire with sparkles and shine encouraged. New

this year, ECCO is offering a VIP reception, sponsored by Daniel Island Real Estate, with early check-in starting at 6:30 pm. General admission tickets to the Gala are \$150 per person or \$250 for reserved seating. Table sponsorships are still available for a donation of \$1,850 to accommodate eight guests. All guests will have access to complimentary valet parking thanks to Mercedes-Benz of Mount Pleasant.

The 2017 Golf Tournament, presented by Nucor Steel Berkeley, will take place at noon on Monday, May 22, with a shotgun start on both of Daniel Island's nationally-ranked private courses. Beresford and Ralston Creek courses are a unique pairing of Tom Fazio and Rees Jones championship designs. Golfers will have the chance

to win the Ultimate BMW Driving Experience, the lease on a brand new Lexus, and other tournament prizes. Foursomes and select sponsorship levels are still available.

Proceeds from the Golf Tournament and Gala will go directly to support ECCO's programs that serve low-income households throughout the Lowcountry. ECCO assists those in need by providing food, clothing, financial assistance, dental and medical services, financial literacy training, and other educational programs.

Lead corporate sponsors include MUSC, Nucor Steel Berkeley, Wando River Marina & Grill, Southern Eagle Distributing, and Daniel Island Real Estate. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [www.ECCOcharleston.org/GolfBall](http://www.ECCOcharleston.org/GolfBall).

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# BE and HHS sprint to track and field state meet

PHILIP M. BOWMAN

Hanahan coach David Morbitzer is hoping to ride the wave of momentum – and talent – as the Hawks prepare for the Class AAA State Track and Field Championships this weekend in Columbia.

The Hawk boys won the Lower State championship Saturday over Bishop England, scoring 119 points. Bishop England was second with 93 and Waccamaw third with 67.

The Hawks used a speedy veteran, a crafty rookie and some impressive relay runners to capture the title.

The speedy veteran is Quincy Mitchell, who shone brightly Saturday with 28 points in the individual sprints. The crafty rookie is Noah Ward, an eighth-grader who was good enough to win the 1,600- and 3,200-meter runs.

“We did really well,” Morbitzer said. “Quincy had a great day and Noah was outstanding. The relay teams got the job done as well.”

Hanahan finished second at last year’s state meet, but Morbitzer feels this could be the year the Hawks swoop down and grab the biggest trophy that the High School League awards at the end of the day.

“We hope we can win the whole thing,” Morbitzer said. “If everything goes well and we run like we’re capable of, we can do it.”



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Track and field team members from both Bishop England and Hanahan will head to Columbia this weekend for the State Championships. This photo was taken at the Lower State Meet, held on May 6.

Mitchell will conclude his track career Saturday. He hit full stride Saturday and hopes to end it with an exclamation point this weekend.

He won the 100-meter dash with a national elite time of 10.46 and just missed breaking Sam Denmark’s school record in the 200-meter dash with a time of 21.45, just .03 seconds off the mark. Mitchell claimed second in the 400-meter dash in 50.42.

“He’s running really well,” Morbitzer said.

“He’s gotten stronger in the weight room and has worked hard on getting out of the blocks.”

Ward won the 1,600 in 4:34.86 and the 3,200 in 10:13.77.

The Hawks finished second in the 400-meter relay, third in the 1,600 relay and second in the 3,200 relay.

The Hawks’ Jamie Watson won the triple jump with a leap of 44-7 and finished second in the high jump.

Bishop England won the 1,600-meter relay in 3:32.16 while the Bishops’ Aiden Richter captured first in the 800-meter run, with a clocking of 2:92.90.

The Bishops collected 16 points in the discus as Joseph Storey and Jacob Wilkins finished 1-2. Luke Vettel cleared 12 feet to win the pole vault.

In the girls’ meet, Bishop England won the Lower State with 118 points. Waccamaw was second with 88 and May River third with 59.5. Hanahan was sixth with 49 points.

The Bishops won the 1,600 relay with a time of 4:13.04, which was more than four seconds better than second-place finisher Bluffton.

Carla Malark cleared 8-6 to win the pole vault while freshman Emma Albano continued to have an impressive spring. She won the discus with a heave of 102-9 and placed third in the shot put.

Tony Colizzi, who coaches both Bishop England teams, expects Saturday’s state meet to be extremely close.

“The state meet is going to be a battle for both the boys and the girls,” he said. “The boys will be in a battle with Hanahan, which is very strong. The girls will be in a battle with several teams and it may come down to the 4x4 to determine who wins the state meet. I am really looking forward to the girls 4x800, 800m and 4x4 as those should be exciting races.”

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# The best catch of all



## fishing trends

GREG PERALTA

As summer approaches, the waterways will become increasingly more crowded. Being on the water (even if you are not fishing) is great fun. However, heavy boat traffic can negatively impact fishing. So, in the summer, I tend to fish very early in the morning or late in the evening. This keeps me out of the heat of the day and in optimal fishing conditions.

Recently, my son, Elliott, and my brother, David, joined me for an early morning fishing trip. We launched the skiff well before the sun cleared the tree line. The air was crisp and a bit cool. It made for a chilly run to our first fishing location (a large submerged oyster bar). The tide was falling and formed a current seam as it passed over the bar. As I positioned the skiff (using the trolling

motor), we saw Trout busting baitfish in the seam. Elliott and David cast Chug Bug poppers into the current seam and were rewarded with crushing strikes from hungry Trout. As they were fighting their fish, I cast a Lucky Craft Sammy into the current seam. After a few iterations of a twitch and pause retrieve, my lure was inhaled by a slot-size Redfish. The sunrise was magnificent. The top water bite was even better.

After photographing and releasing the fish, the three of us took a moment to appreciate the new day. We exchanged no words. We simply looked at one another, nodded and smiled. Over the years, I have come to realize that fishing is not about catching fish. It is about the experience you share with your family and friends. Summer is almost here. So, gather your family and friends and go fishing. You will be rewarded with a lifetime of memories and that is the best catch of all.

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A sunrise Redfish release photographed by Captain Greg Peralta while on a recent early morning fishing excursion with his son, Elliott, and brother, David.

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## For BE siblings, lacrosse is a family affair!

PHILIP M. BOWMAN

She's arguably the best female high school lacrosse player in the Palmetto State, and is a member of the National Honor Society to boot.

But Bishop England student-athlete Emma Pizzo's best attribute just might be her modesty.

Just ask her coach, Jeff Weiner.

"She's very modest," Weiner said.

"I'm surprised that she even agreed to do this interview. She doesn't like to be in the limelight or stuff like that. Last year, when she was named the state player of the year, I had to convince her to sit on the dais."

"She's very bright, very studious," Weiner continued. "She worries about academics more than anything else."

Pizzo, who has a 4.7 GPA, is one half of South Carolina's first family of lacrosse. Her brother Andrew, who graduates in a few days from Bishop England, is equally talented and humble. He should repeat as an all-state selection and will continue his athletic and academic careers at the University of Tampa.

It's not unusual to see brother rooting on sister and vice versa when the BE LAX machine plays the same opponent on the same field on the same day.

"He'll come over from his game to watch my game," Emma said. "He will ask, 'How many did you score?' If he did better, he will rub it in a little."

Both have plenty to celebrate as the proud owners of state championship rings. Emma has two of them, including the one she and her Bishop teammates just won on April 29.

The Bishop girls went 14-2 on the season and outscored four playoff foes 81-10. They beat Chapin 15-6 in the state final as Emma scored three goals. She finished the season with 113 points, which led the state. She scored 80 goals and handed out 33 assists.

Andrew, equally impressive, helped the Bishops post a 14-3 record as the Bishop boys won their first state title on the same day as his sister's recent championship game.

"That was something she had that I wish I had," Andrew said of the elusive state title.

The Pizzos grew up in Long Island,



PROVIDED

**Daniel Island siblings Emma and Andrew Pizzo both helped their Bishop England lacrosse teams score state championships last month.**

which was more of a lacrosse hotbed than the Lowcountry. The family moved south and that's when the siblings became serious about South Carolina's fastest growing prep sport.

Andrew was one of the team's leaders, a role he gladly accepted. He knows firsthand that underclassmen can be in awe of the older players.

"I like being a role model," Andrew said. "We can learn from each other. A freshman can improve his skills by working hard and by watching how the experienced players handle situations. It really helped me when I was a freshman and I hope it has helped the younger kids this year."

Andrew will matriculate to Tampa because he likes the school, the good weather and the LAX program.

"I wasn't sure how far lacrosse would take me when I first started playing," he said.

His journey started in Long Island and continued in Charleston - with southern Florida slated as his next destination. And while the trip has gone south, he's also been north, to the top of the high school lacrosse mountain.



# High school playoffs recap

**PHILIP M. BOWMAN**

The Bishop England baseball team enters Wednesday's Class AAA Lower State Championship against Aynor with an 11-game winning streak, some rested pitching arms and confidence.

The Bishops host Aynor at Father Kelly Field and the visiting Blue Jackets have a tough chore. They must beat the Bishops two times Wednesday night to remain alive. The Bishops have to win only one game to advance to the Class AAA State Championship Series, which commences Saturday.

Bishop England coach Mike Darnell plans to stay the course as his team prepped for the showdown and aims for its first state title since 2011.

What does he tell his team?

"Probably nothing different than we have

talked about before every game," Darnell said. "Pitching and defense...try to put pressure on the other defense. We (coaches) really try to get out of the way once playoffs start."

The Bishops haven't lost since they dropped a 3-2 decision against Class AAAAA foe Fort Dorchester in mid-April in the Hanahan Invitational Tournament. The Bishop pitchers have been very effective in the postseason, allowing only nine runs (eight earned) in five games.

Darnell is pleased – but not surprised – by his hurlers.

"We knew we had a bunch of arms coming back and thought a few of them have a chance to be special," he said.

Aynor defeated Lake City 4-2 in eight innings Monday night in an elimination game to remain alive and set up the show-

down against Bishop England. Aynor enters Wednesday's game with a 19-10 record.

The Bishops, perched in the winner's bracket, didn't have to play a game Monday and have their pitching staff rested and ready.

"We plan on taking the same approach as if it were one game...throwing the guy who is up next in the rotation with the same guys coming out of the bullpen," Darnell said. "Not having to play the extra game (Monday) gives us everyone available for Wednesday."

The state championship series will begin Saturday at the Upper State winner's field.

Game 2 will be played at the Lower State winner's field on Tuesday. Game 3, if necessary, will be played at a neutral site on May 20.

## TENNIS

The Hanahan and Bishop England boys'

tennis teams will play Wednesday in the Class AAA Lower State championship.

Bishop England advanced with a 6-0 victory over Brookland-Cayce Monday night. The Bishops, who received a first-round bye, beat Bluffton 6-0 in the second round.

Hanahan also received a first-round bye. The Hawks beat Gilbert in the second round and advanced to face the Bishops with a 5-0 victory over Waccamaw.

## SOCCER

The Bishop England girls' soccer team's season came to an end Monday night with a 2-1 defeat at Brookland-Cayce in the Class AAA Lower State championship.

The Bishops, who won the Class AA state title last May, entered the match with a six-game winning streak and had won 10 of their last 11 matches. They closed the season with a 15-6-1 record.

Meanwhile, the Bishop boys' team was scheduled to play at Bluffton Tuesday night in the Lower State championship.

The Bishops entered the showdown with a 16-game winning streak after dropping their first two matches of the season.

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# Local soccer players score big with championship wins!



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Randy Richardson's Cainho Strikers team won the U14/U15 girls division of the 2017 Publix Open Cup, held April 29-30 in Lexington. Over the course of four games, the Strikers didn't allow a point to be scored against them. The Strikers also finished as regular season champions of the U15G division of the South Carolina Youth Soccer Open League. They are part of the Cainho Athletic Soccer Club. Pictured (left to right) are: Back row - Caroline Caron, Macey Brooks, Randy Richardson, Emily Scharnitzky, Anna Musselwhite (in front of Emily), Mason Yost, Sophia Ludman, Alexandra Ugan, and Valentina Mosquera. On the ground are Ella Jones, Avery Stanley, Gracie Canon, Shae Baldwin, Marissa Canberg, Julie Copenhaver. Anna Musselwhite, Alexandra Ugan, and Sophia Ludman all attend Daniel Island School.



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The U14 Boyz won State Cup and will be off to Tulsa, OK to represent the state June 13-18. Players (left to right): Front row - Charles Carper, Noah Hinson, Joseph Wenger, Roger Swanson, Aaron Rosendary, Zachary Michel, Henry Linder, Lucas Cate, Leo Blair, Rasheem Neloms, Porter Quantz, and Coach Jonathan Caratells. Back Row - Coach Khouri, Charles Maxwell, Ethan Cooper, Ty Schaafsma, Michael Caton, Allen Myers; and lying in front of banner, Matthew Michel.

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# Biggest ship ever to visit East Coast coming to Wando Welch Terminal

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Wide, deep channels and big-ship infrastructure will earn the South Carolina Ports Authority the desired position as last port of call when the biggest ship ever to visit the U.S. East Coast, the COSCO Development, arrives May 13 at Mount Pleasant's Wando Welch Terminal across from Daniel Island.

"SCPA has worked aggressively for years to ensure we can efficiently work 13,000 twenty-foot equivalent unit (TEU) vessels and be the last Southeast port of call with no navigational issues," said Jim Newsome, SCPA president and CEO. "Our naturally wide and deepwater harbor, soon to be the deepest on the entire East Coast at 52 feet, can handle vessels the COSCO Development's size loaded heavy with cargo. Coupled with our landside capacity and infrastructure, including new super post-Panamax cranes, we offer our export customers the opportunity to load their goods in Charleston before the vessel departs for its return to Asia. We also offer excellent transit times for import cargo bound for consumer markets across the Southeast. It's ironic to say, but this is a case in which we've worked very hard to be last."

The ship, which measures 1,200 feet long and 158 feet wide, can transport up to 13,092 TEUs. It is deployed on the weekly OCEAN Alliance South Atlantic Express (SAX) service connecting Charleston with Hong Kong, Yantian, Ningbo and Shanghai via the Panama Canal. The SAX service is comprised of 11 vessels ranging in size from 11,000 to 13,000 TEUs.

Today, 18 of SCPA's 24 weekly container vessel services are comprised of ships too large to transit the Panama Canal prior to its expansion.

"The arrival of the COSCO Development at East Coast ports marks a new



IMAGE PROVIDED BY SPA

The COSCO Development is scheduled to arrive at the SPA's Wando Welch Terminal in Mount Pleasant, across the Wando River from Daniel Island, on May 13. The ship is the biggest ever to call on the U.S. East Coast. It is approximately 1200 feet in length - which equates to the height of two Washington Monuments, eight Statues of Liberty, or one Eiffel Tower.

era," Newsome said. "Seeing a 13,000 TEU vessel in our harbor is a tangible reflection that our vision and capital investments to be big-ship ready are absolutely critical."

The COSCO Development's visit is the first of many milestones ahead for SCPA. This fall, dredges in the Charleston Harbor will mark the beginning of the construction phase of the Harbor Deepening Project. Within the next year, a \$44 million project to modernize and strengthen the wharf at SCPA's Wando Welch Terminal will be completed and two new ZPMC super post-Panamax cranes will be delivered from China, complementing the two cranes of this size already in operation.

The ship is currently scheduled to arrive in Charleston on May 13. To track the vessel real-time as it sails to the Panama Canal and ultimately to Charleston, visit [www.scspa.com/big-ship-ready](http://www.scspa.com/big-ship-ready).

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# DI Moms' Run helps new mothers struggling with mental health

*Annual event set for May 13 at MUSC Health Stadium*

**DEBORAH BAILEY**

It is estimated that one in seven new moms will experience maternal mental illness. According to local nonprofit Postpartum Support Charleston (PSC), this means that more women will suffer from illnesses like postpartum depression (PPD), anxiety and obsessive compulsive disorder (OCD) in one year than the combined number of new cases of leukemia, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, Alzheimers disease, lupus, tuberculosis and epilepsy in the U.S.

On Saturday, May 13, Mother's Day weekend, PSC will host the 14th annual "Moms' Run + Family Fun Day" at MUSC Health Stadium on Daniel Island.

According to their website, PSC is a volunteer-run organization dedicated to eradicating the stigma surrounding maternal mental illness, which includes psychosis during and after pregnancy, to ensure that all women who suffer receive support. PSC offers free peer-to-peer support groups, educational programs, as well as grants to women who are unable to afford treatment.

"We want new mothers to know they don't have to suffer and they are not alone," says

Holly Fisher, a board member of the organization and a postpartum depression survivor herself.

Fisher says events like the Moms' Run not only raise funds, but can help raise awareness and promote education.

"PPD can happen anytime during the first year after childbirth," she explains. "And many women do not realize it can also begin after struggles with breastfeeding or during hormonal shifts that occur with weaning. It's important for families and communities to understand the illness as well."

"Many moms have a sense of shame or guilt because they are unhappy during what they think is supposed to be a blissful time," Fisher continues. "PSC encourages women to reach out and seek help as soon as possible if they feel something's not right."

"In my case, I had this beautiful baby and I'm thinking 'What have I done?' It was as though I was in a black hole."

Families don't always know where to go for help, adds Fisher.

"I think PSC provides a tremendous service in this way," she says. "The volunteers at our organization make private phone calls. We have a private Facebook site. We give moth-



**Holly Fisher, pictured here with her daughter Kate, sits on the board of Postpartum Support Charleston.**

ers a safe place...It took more than a year for me to feel I'd come out of the fog, even after I received treatment."

For her, Fisher says, that treatment included medication, therapy and peer-led support groups. "It's a treatable condition, but it also takes time."

Today, Fisher is a happy, busy working mother to nine year old Kate. She says one of her passions is advocating for postpartum

health and promoting events like the Moms' Run.

The Moms' Run - PSC's largest fundraiser - is a 5K run/walk open to all ages, followed by free activities for families. Festivities begin at 7 a.m. while the race itself begins at 8 a.m. The course runs through Daniel Island and will end back at MUSC Health Stadium. The event's "Family Fun Day" includes food and music, a jump castle, face painting, crafts, games and a post-race awards ceremony. The cost of all activities is included in race registration.

"Our race not only provides important funds for our work in the Charleston area, but also is a way for all of us to join together and raise up mothers in our community," said PSC board president Elaine DeaKyne.

Registration for the Moms' Run is currently open online at [www.ppdsupport.org/events/momsrun](http://www.ppdsupport.org/events/momsrun). Participants may also register beginning at 7 a.m. on the day of the race.

Fees are as follows: \$30 per adult; \$35 per stroller (includes one adult and one child in the stroller); \$5 for each additional child in stroller; \$20 for children 10 and under. A \$25 "support the cause" option is available for non-runners who would like a t-shirt and race bag.

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# It takes a village: DI parent puts moms on the same page

## *Local Facebook group hits nearly 3000 members*

**DEBORAH BAILEY**

“Have you checked DI Moms?” is a question heard often on Daniel Island, when a parent finds herself in need of up-to-date information.

The “Daniel Island Moms” Facebook page has been the go-to source of current information for many local parents for more than six years. The popular forum was started by Jessica Taylor in 2011 when she moved to the island from New Jersey with her three small children.

“A friend and I were looking for a way to connect with other moms and get to know people, a way to connect this unique island,” Taylor says.

Starting with just three members, the page’s readership has grown exponentially.

“I remember when I would go up to moms at the pool and ask if they were on Facebook and (if they) would like to join this forum,” says Taylor. “Now we have almost 2800 members. Requests come in multiple times a day to join the page.”

“When my young daughter and I moved here from New England a year ago, we knew almost no one in the

Charleston area,” says Daniel Island resident and mother Kristina Wilmot. “What Jessica created was a wonderful welcome wagon and continues to be an invaluable resource.”

Taylor, a stylist at Envy Salon on the island, says she tries to confirm that all of the members are linked to Daniel Island somehow, whether it is through residence, school or work.

“I think it’s become an effective forum for Daniel Island moms to ask questions, share opinions, stress concerns... a way to find out information,” she explains. “It takes a village so this is one way we can all keep in contact and work together in important situations.”

Recent posts on the page vary widely in content - from information about community events to sharing baby-sitter recommendations, even sharing warnings about poisonous snake sightings.

“I love being a DI Mom because I know we are all on the same page and watch out for each other and our children,” adds Taylor.

To inquire about joining the page, search “Daniel Island Moms” on Facebook.



“Daniel Island Moms” Facebook page creator Jessica Taylor says she is “a proud DI Mom.”

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# DI 'Junior Girls Day Out' program gets down to business

KATE MAAS

On Tuesday, May 2, the entrepreneurial spirit was in full force upstairs at Laura Albert's on Daniel Island and in select locations around the town center area. The cacophony of soprano-high voices, interrupted by occasional giggles, confirmed that this was not a random meeting of the Women's Island Network (WIN), a group of Daniel Island women in business. At least, not quite yet.

This special event, part of the Junior Girls Day Out Business Start Up program, was, however, a big step in the entrepreneurial direction. The session featured established business owners in the community willing to impart important business skills to nearly two dozen elementary and middle school girls. An audience of legal minors, to be sure. But after a full afternoon of thinking like a boss, they'll soon be as savvy about the business of business - and ready to take their seat at a future WIN meeting.

Junior Girls Business Start Ups is part of Junior Girls Mathematics, Economy and Money, a broader initiative with a focus on teaching young girls financial literacy and solid math skills, a must-have to run any business successfully. This program, in turn,



Eric Pfunter, assistant bakery manager and frosting pro at Publix, instructs aspiring bakery shop owners in the art of applying frosting to cupcakes with a professional touch.

KATE MAAS

was developed by the Junior Girls Day Out Community Project (JGDOCP), an organization dedicated to encouraging girls, ages 4 through 14, to achieve great goals in life by developing social, cultural, educational and

financial skills and strengths.

"We try to infuse fun into the curriculum," points out Kathy Jackson, JGDOCP founder. "These young girls go through so much. You have to give them something that's going to

grab their attention...something that's got that 'wow' factor."

Jackson started the JGDOCP in 2007 in response to her own frustration seeing women featured in news reports, both locally and nationally, end up in prison as a result of poverty, powerlessness, lack of education and an all-important vision for their future. Jackson wanted to help turn the tide. But she knew that any effective education had to begin early. Armed with a defined goal and business plan of her own, Jackson turned her vision into a reality with the JGDOCP. Thanks to her efforts, thousands of girls across 15 cities in 12 states recognize their collective "girl power" and are on the road to constructive, fulfilling and joy-filled lives.

The afternoon's keynote speaker was Charleston native Carolyn Hunter, owner of three McDonald's franchises in Berkeley County and a self-made millionaire. Hunter shared her own story, beginning as a reluctant teen-aged job applicant at McDonald's. She pursued the job only at the insistence of her uncle. Hunter started at the bottom - flipping burgers in the kitchen (a task, she admits, she learned to enjoy) and working her way up.

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## Junior girls learn savvy business skills

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Hunter developed a vision of one day owning her own McDonald's franchise. But, she insists, realizing that dream did not come without sacrifices. The aspiring business owner went in search of a mentor at the company who encouraged her to keep going despite challenges. Hunter enhanced her already positive attitude, built up her determination, tenacity and financial discipline, and kept herself on track while continuing to scoop fries, wash tables and work the register.

"I had to save \$50,000 to open a franchise," says Hunter. "I may not have had pretty clothes and shoes, but at the end of five years, I had \$75,000 saved up. Thank goodness for automated savings!"

Soon, Hunter was able to purchase her own piece of the famous Golden Arches.

"It took ten years to turn a profit," she admits. "But I've learned so much along the way...and I've enjoyed every step of my journey."

The May 2 event also featured non profit organization "YesCarolina," which implements youth-oriented business programs that complement those of Junior Girls Day Out. Austin Stone, Executive Director, and Molly

Crete, Vice-President of Programming, were on hand to talk about the organization's mission to teach middle and high school-aged students about the principles of entrepreneurship and free enterprise. "Summer Biz Camp," a Yes-Carolina program, was also spotlighted during the session, as Biz Camp alums and high school students Clara Pilley and Sophie Estoppey enthusiastically shared their entrepreneurial experiences with the program.

Next on the JGDO agenda: participants learned about the role an architect plays in building the world around us with a discussion led by Steve Coe, co-founder of Rosenblum Coe Architects, and Emma Souder and Joellen Rogers of Red Iron Architects.

Elliott Elsey, Truphonic Recording Studio's Chief Engineer and Studio Manager gave participants a behind the scenes peek at the equipment as he detailed - and demonstrated - the digital know-how that's involved in making attention-getting radio and TV commercials right here in Charleston. Participants then split up into smaller groups to attend hands-on workshops, some of which were delivered off-site at various locations



KATE MAAS

**"Who knew that decorating cupcakes could be this much fun?"** Participants Rihanna Eldell, 3rd Grade, Oakland Elementary School and Addison Harty, Addison Miller and Kennedy Keene, all 4th graders at Whitesides Elementary School, admire their handiwork. Swooooo!

on Daniel Island. Session presenters included Indie Books Unleashed Founder Crystal Klimavicz, Eric Pfuntner and Tia Orebaugh of the Publix bakery, jewelry maker Robin Fisher, and Jodi Moylan of White, a bridal and formal gown dress shop on Daniel Island.

The next Junior Girls Day Out event on Daniel Island, set for late July, will focus on the theme "Pitch the Business"

- including lessons on public speaking by Toastmasters, etiquette, self-esteem and confidence-building, and how to pitch your business and negotiate business transactions in a fun learning activity dubbed "Junior Girls Shark Tank," inspired by the popular TV show. For more information, visit <https://juniorgirlsdayout.wordpress.com>.

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## 'Sounds of Summer' Concert Series debuts at Townsend Park

photos by Katie Conley



Francis, Mary, James, Emma, Lily, Riley, Sophia and Mille enjoy the first event in a new "Sounds of Summer" concert series on April 28 at Townsend Park in the Edgefield Park neighborhood.



A young concert-goer gets his groove on! Sydney and her Aunt.



## A program to dye for... DIHS celebrates indigo!

photos by Elizabeth Bush



Mixed Media Artist Kristy Bishop leads a discussion about the history of indigo at a recent program on the topic hosted by the Daniel Island Historical Society at Church of the Holy Cross on Daniel Island.



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## Ten and Five Years Ago in THE DANIEL ISLAND NEWS

### TEN YEARS AGO

#### The Daniel Island Library opened its doors

In the May 10, 2007 issue of the Daniel Island News, the opening of the Daniel Island Library was featured. With a small crowd attending the ribbon cutting, Dan Davis, who was the Berkeley County Supervisor at the time, said "I just want to say what a great thing this is for Daniel Island and we're so proud that Berkeley County was able to respond to the request for a facility here."

In 2007, Mrs. Erin Wiseman, then a fourth grade teacher at the Daniel Island School, and her class won an ice cream party for being the top fundraisers in the school's "Loose Change for Leukemia" campaign. The students collected \$299.53 of the school's \$1,944.73 total.



In 2007, then Berkeley County Library Board Chair Tom Ryan and Berkeley County Supervisor Dan Davis cut a white ribbon to mark the official grand opening of the new Daniel Island Library.



This photo of Mrs. Erin Wiseman and her happy charges was taken just before the yummy frozen treats were passed out.

### FIVE YEARS AGO

#### Celebrating Philip Simmons' 100th Birthday

In the May 10, 2012 issue of the Daniel Island News the Daniel Island Historical Society's celebration of the 100th Birthday of Master Blacksmith Philip Simmons was featured. The event, which recognized Simmons as a 'A Poet of Ironwork,' was a proud nod to a remarkable figure in the history of the island, and also served as a fundraiser for the DIHS. It connected the memories of a tremendous Lowcountry artist with the dream of sharing the history of an island he once called home.

It was also reported in this issue that seven endangered sea turtles had made their way back to the ocean. Released by the Sea Turtle Hospital of the South Carolina Aquarium downtown, the turtles had spent several months receiving rehabilitative care for a variety of ailments, including cold-stunning and injuries sustained



Several rescued turtles from New England were flown to Charleston in 2012 for medical care. The turtles were released in late April of that year and were named after those involved in the rescue and relocation, including after Holland, the pilot and his plane.

from boat propellers. Six of the seven, including the Kemp's ridley sea turtles and one rare, loggerhead-green hybrid sea turtle, were rescued from the waters of Cape Cod and flown to Charleston thanks to assistance provided by Daniel Island businessman Mason Holland and his state-of-the-art Eclipse jet.



Philip Simmons passed away in 2009, just days after his 97th birthday. He would have turned 100 years old on June 9, 2012 and the Daniel Island Historical Society celebrated that milestone in the venue that upholds a marriage of remembrance and aspiration: the Daniel Island Real Estate Sales Center. It is in that space that Simmons' original design for the Daniel Island logo hangs above a history display, conveying to visitors that there is more to this island than meets the present-day eye.

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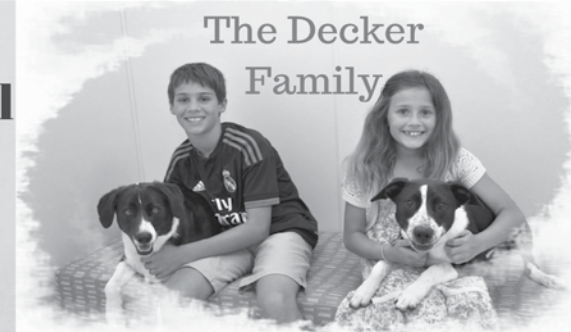


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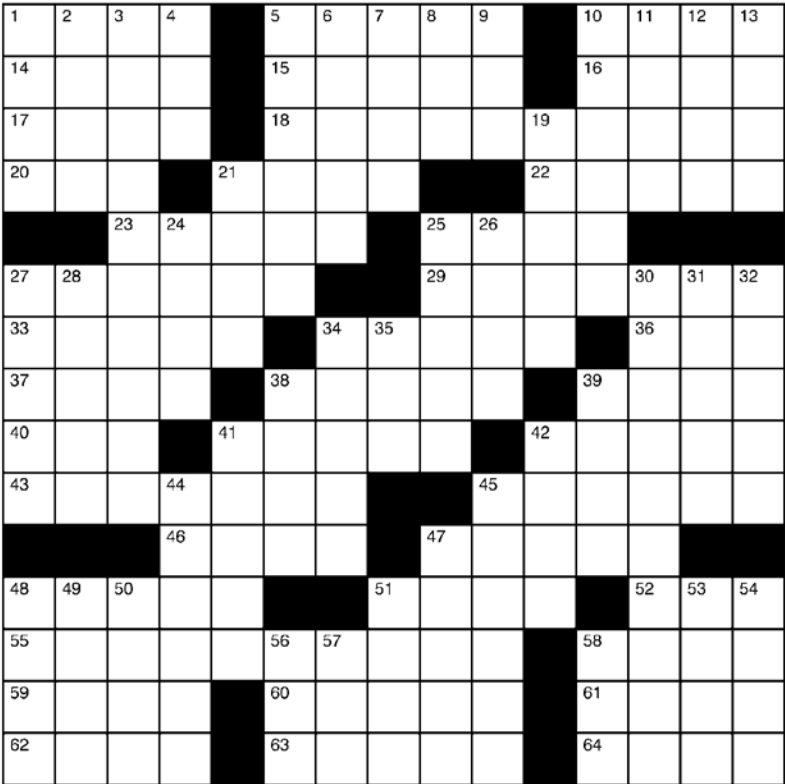
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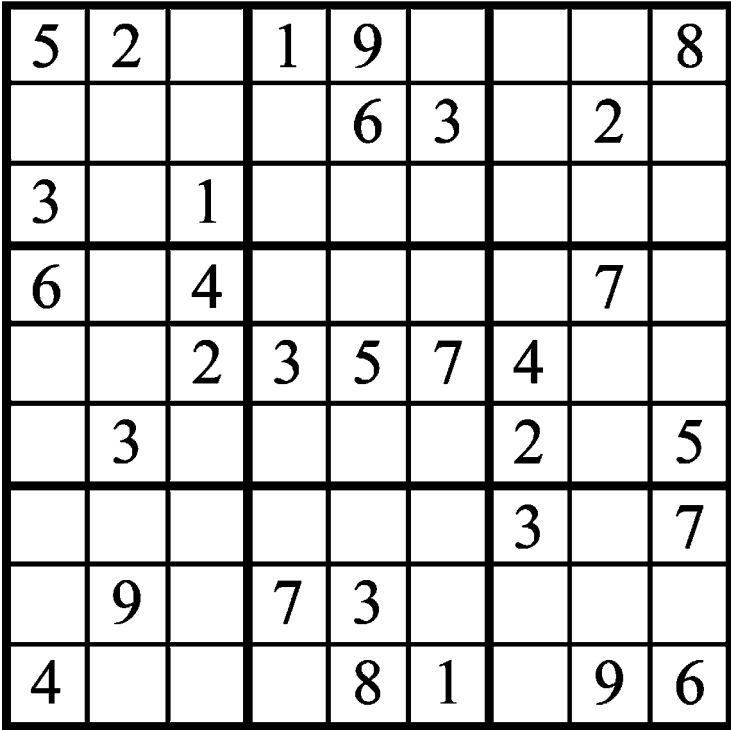
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Grammar

Matters

by Patty Gibbons Saunier

Counting Commas



Read the sentences below and insert commas where they are needed. Then on the line before each sentence, write the number of commas you used. At the end, add them up. What is the number?

- \_\_\_\_ 1. Charlotte the girl who cuts my hair is opening her own shop.
- \_\_\_\_ 2. Well I think you have some explaining to do Mary.
- \_\_\_\_ 3. For her report Marcie interviewed a scientist a chemist and a pharmacist.
- \_\_\_\_ 4. Wes James the famous soccer star donated all his money to charity.

Answer: 8 total  
1. Charlotte, the girl who cuts my hair, is opening her own shop.  
2. Well, I think you have some explaining to do, Mary.  
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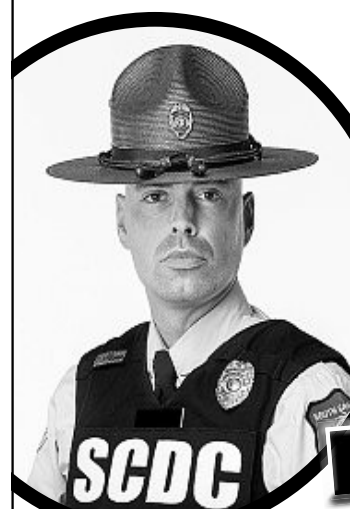
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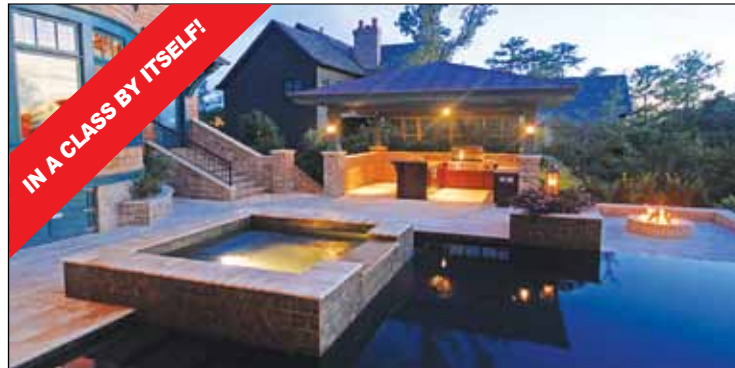


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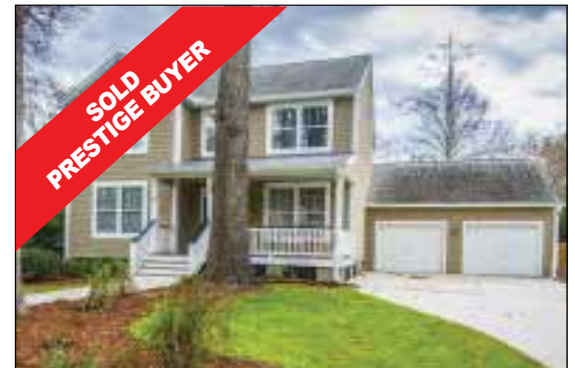
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