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After a year offline, DISCUS returns to middle school students

Elementary access still blocked

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After nearly a year without access, middle school students in Berkeley County can now log back into DISCUS, South Carolina's Virtual Library, though elementary students remain offline.

The online resource, formally known as Digital Information for South Carolina Users, returned to district middle schools on Jan. 15, following a phased restoration that began in August 2025 with high school students. The platform, funded and vetted by the South Carolina State Library, has served students for more than 25 years, providing research materials ranging from academic journals and newspapers to e-books and multimedia tools.

DISCUS was abruptly removed from all district student devices in February 2025 after a parent raised concerns about "inappropriate content," sparking confusion among teachers and librarians. Principals, parents, and staff say no explanation was given at the time, leaving many scrambling for alternatives.

Kathleen Low, president of the Berkeley County Education Association, called the removal frustrating and unclear. "We have gotten rid of an entire library and we have yet to hear what pieces of material are not age-appropriate," she said. "It's just unfortunate that it seems to be too difficult of a task to engage in communication with the people who are just trying to get up in the morning and teach."

District spokesperson Katie Tanner explained that the pause was prompted by compliance with South Carolina Regulation 43-170, which requires districts to ensure resources are age-appropriate. She shared a message middle school principals sent to parents before the reactivation:

"Student access to SC DISCUS was temporarily restricted in February (2025) in response to parent concerns regarding age-appropriate content. District leadership collaborated with key stakeholders, including the South Carolina Department of Education and the South Carolina State Library, to conduct a review. Access to SC DISCUS was restored on high school devices prior to the start of the school year. Middle school access resumed on Jan. 15, 2026. Parents may opt their students in or out of the platform."

While the district says the resource has been reviewed, civil liberties advocates and parents remain concerned about transparency. Paul Bowers, communications director for the ACLU of South Carolina, called the original removal "highly unusual" and criticized the lack of clarity on what triggered the block. "It is absurd that they shut it off in the first place," he said. "If they conducted an investigation, we would like to see what exactly they investigated and what they found, because the public is left in the dark."

Parents like Sarah Kalil, a Berkeley County teacher with three children in the district, remain frustrated that elementary students still lack access. "Berkeley County is the only district to remove SC DISCUS in 25 years. If there was truly content of concern, other districts would have restricted access," she said.

Kalil described the impact on her students. "DISCUS contains articles with full-color images at age-appropriate reading levels and embedded read-aloud tools. My special education students were unable to research Native American tribes for a project once it was removed. This is more than inconvenient. This directly affects learning."

The district has not announced if or when elementary students will regain access, though DISCUS remains accessible outside the district network.



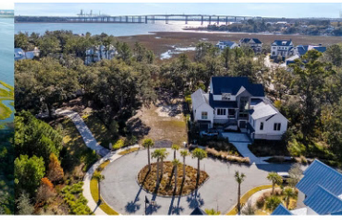
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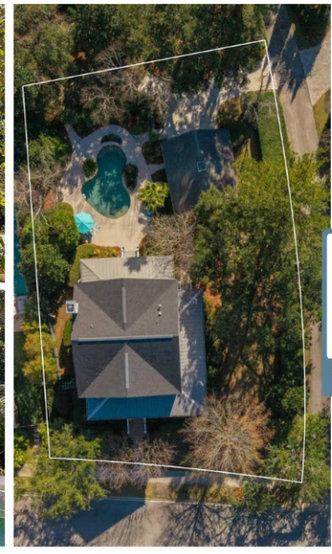


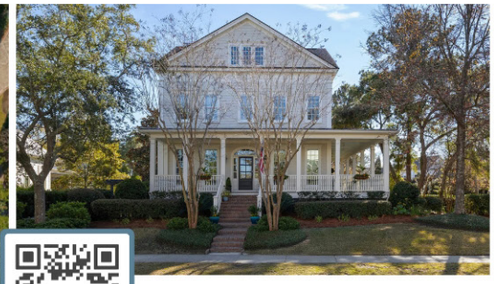
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Cainhoy native Skinner receives first Bill Payer History Hero Award

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MaeRe Skinner accepts the Bill Payer History Hero Award from Bill's son, Zach Payer, at Church of the Holy Cross.

Cainhoy native MaeRe Chandler Skinner has long been lauded for her community advocacy over the years, but now she is officially a "History Hero," according to the Daniel Island Historical Society.

The nonprofit organization presented Skinner with the inaugural "Bill Payer History Hero Award" at its first program of the 2026 season, held on Jan. 20 at Church of the Holy Spirit on Daniel Island.

"When it comes to local historic preservation, particularly on the Cainhoy peninsula, there are few stars that shine brighter than MaeRe Skinner," said Beth Bush, president of the Daniel Island Historical Society. "We have been proud to work alongside her on a number of initiatives and cannot think of a more deserving first recipient of this inaugural award!"

Skinner's efforts towards protecting and preserving the Old Ruins/McDowell Cemetery on the Cainhoy peninsula began decades ago, when she started assisting her father in taking care of the site, where generations of her family are buried.

After her father's passing in 2002, Skinner took the reins and has been a passionate supporter of the cemetery's history and preservation ever since. The sacred space dates back to 1699 and contains several graves from the Revolutionary War-era. Also located at the cemetery are the ruins of the former Cainhoy Meeting House, which served as field hospital during the war.

Skinner has sought to ensure the story of the cemetery is told far and wide – and she has also been front and center in protecting it from development.

In a nomination letter for the History Hero Award, her husband, Henry "Butch" Skinner wrote that she has been "an advocate for preservation throughout lower South Carolina, but her impact has been most notable in the preservation and protection of the Cainhoy and Huger area."

"She has an incredible knowledge of the Lowcountry and has strong working relationships with key community players. She works tirelessly with anyone who seeks to protect the Charleston and Berkeley County communities from unrestricted and overwhelming growth that has come our way," he wrote.

Her nomination letter also spotlighted the relationship Skinner forged with fellow Cainhoy resident Fred Lincoln, a strong advocate for the historic African American community adjacent to Cainhoy.

"Over the years, I watched with great admiration as she and Mr. Lincoln marshalled their neighbors to action, showing up at zoning meetings and other review boards that were taking place miles away. MaeRe's organizing skills and her strong, knowledgeable voice urged developers to do the right things and urged county and city officials to do likewise."

Skinner's work to protect Old Ruins Cemetery, and an African American burial ground beside it, has also been noteworthy, wrote Butch Skinner.

"The Meeting House itself is very worthy of National Historic status as it was used as a field hospital in 1780 by our Continental and Patriot lines during the siege of Charleston," he stated. "Being adjacent to each other, both cemeteries have been imperiled by a large residential development that has been completed. They received state and local permitting despite objections being raised by Mrs. Skinner, Mr. Lincoln, and many in the surrounding community."

The committee selecting this year's Bill Payer History Hero Award felt Skinner's contributions were more than worthy of recognition.

"We are proud to honor MaeRe Skinner with the inaugural BPHHA award for her dedication to preserving local history," said committee member Zach Payer, son of the award's namesake. "She has devoted her time and expertise for decades and is very deserving. The goal is to raise awareness of meaningful causes that preserve local history and the individuals who create a positive impact. My father would be honored to have his name associated with individuals like MaeRe Skinner, and we are excited to continue recognizing future recipients and their efforts."

For Skinner, the award was a "wonderful surprise."

"I am so very humbled and honored to be rewarded by the Payer family and the Daniel Island Historical Society for the things I have worked on over the years to defend and preserve the amazing history of our Cainhoy, Huger, and Daniel Island area and their historic sites," Skinner said. "I've never felt like it was work, but such a blessing to be born and raised in this area, aid in its preservation and the education of its future citizens."

Skinner is also a 47-year member and past Regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Rebecca Motte Chapter, in Charleston.

Inspired by the late Bill Payer, a beloved DIHS Board Member, the award pays tribute to "History Heroes" in the community, or individuals who "go beyond the call of duty to ensure the success of local history and preservation." The work can be a significant contribution to the preservation of a site or collection, and can include behind-the-scenes efforts to add to the local history story. Recipients receive both a certificate and a monetary gift.

Nominations for the 2027 award will open this fall. For more information, or to make a donation to the Bill Payer History Hero Award Fund, visit dihistoricalsociety.com/dihs-history-hero-spotlight.



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Caring for injured, orphaned wildlife during Daniel Island's cold months

JACKIE HAZLETT

Winter on Daniel Island is in full swing, for both people and animals! Squirrels are digging up buried nuts, raccoons sleep for days at a time, and rabbits take advantage of dwindling daylight in order to forage when it's warmest. But amid dropping temperatures and a higher likelihood of ice and freezing rain than in years past, it's worth sharing some important reminders of how best to care for vulnerable wildlife.

If an animal appears to be injured or orphaned, the first step is to get them inside to a safe, warm location. Using a towel or thick gloves, gently place the animal in a ventilated secure container, like a box with airholes or a pet carrier, making sure to line it with a towel first. Place the container in a quiet, dark, warm space out of reach of pets and children, and contact a licensed wildlife rehabilitator.

The Carolina Wildlife Rehabilitation Center has a 24/7 hotline (800-388-2972) to which you can text all relevant information, including a photo. They will provide species-specific care instructions and contact a local rehabber to arrange pick-up.

In the meantime, it's important to follow a few simple rules in order to give the animal the best chance of survival. Please note that these are general guidelines; any specific instructions given by an experienced rehabber supersede these and should be carefully followed.

First, do not pick-up or handle the animal any more than strictly necessary. Human interaction is incredibly stressful and should be limited only to placing it in the secure container. It's vital to keep them as calm as possible so they have a higher likelihood of healing and being released back into the wild.

Second, they will need a heat source to get their body temperature back up. Place a towel-wrapped heating pad underneath half of their container or warm a towel in the dryer and then place it close to them – do not wrap them in a warm towel unless explicitly directed to do so. The animal should be able to move closer to or away from the heat if needed.

Third, never provide any food or water to a wild animal, as this can be fatal.

Fourth, if they are wounded, do not attempt to clean or bandage the area. In the same vein, do not attempt to bathe them.

Fifth, if the animal appears to be frozen to the ground, never use hot water to free them. Instead, pour lukewarm water around the stuck areas until they are free, then place them in a container and provide a heat source.

The final rule is perhaps the most difficult: remember that no matter how cute they are, they are not pets!

If the animal in question is a cat or dog, take them immediately to a local veterinarian's office or, if after hours, to an emergency vet. For injured animals too large to be handled, such as deer, please contact the CWRC hotline or a local rehabber.

Jackie Hazlett is a Daniel Island resident and co-founder of Indigo Animal Outreach, known around the island for answering animal rescue calls. Residents in need of a quick assessment of an animal in distress can reach Hazlett at 843-732-2427.

Fangs vs. Friends: Decoding South Carolina's snake scene

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Ssssup, Daniel Island. For all of our readers with ophidiophobia (the fear of snakes), now might be a good time to slither on down to other sections of the newspaper.

If you've ever wandered through a swamp or even spotted a long, legless creature disappearing into the neighborhood, you might've wondered, "What species is this, and how dangerous are they?" Good news: in South Carolina, you're far more likely to share a story about spotting a harmless snake than about being harmed by one. In fact, of the roughly 38 snake species slithering around the Palmetto State, only six are venomous. That leaves more than 30 nonvenomous neighbors doing important work in our ecosystems.

First, a quick shout-out to the good guys. Nonvenomous snakes play pest patrol every day, gobbling up rodents, frogs, and bugs that otherwise might crash your picnic or nibble your veggies. Species like corn snakes, black racers, rat snakes, ringneck snakes, eastern indigo snakes, and water snakes are all harmless to humans. Many of these are vibrant and fascinating to observe, and most would rather flee than fight.

And now, the VIPs (Very Interesting Pit-vipers): the venomous six. South Carolina's venomous lineup includes:

- Eastern copperhead – arguably the most commonly encountered venomous snake here, with a distinctive coppery hue and hourglass-shaped bands.
- Northern cottonmouth (also called water moccasin) – often mistaken for nonvenomous water snakes, this snake's most telling (and dramatic) feature is its white mouth lining when open.
- Eastern diamondback rattlesnake – the largest venomous snake in the state, though rarely seen.
- Timber (or canebrake) rattlesnake – more common in forested and mountainous areas, but still uncommon overall.
- Carolina pygmy rattlesnake – small but venomous, with a tiny rattle that's hard to hear.
- Eastern coral snake – the rarest of the bunch, tiny but potent, and often confused with harmless lookalikes.

Venomous snakes are fascinating and play an important role in balancing natural food webs, but they're generally not out to get you. Most prefer to avoid humans and will give ample warning (think: rattles, retreating into brush, or simply sliding away) before anything else. Bites are rare, and fatalities even rarer. Still, it's wise to give any snake the space it deserves.

One of the best tricks for telling venomous from nonvenomous isn't just "don't poke it." Instead, look at patterns, head shape, pupil shape, habitat, and body build, and when in doubt, treat the mystery snake with respect and keep your distance.

For example, coral snakes have a unique banding pattern (you might've heard this rhyme: "Red touches yellow, kill a fellow; red touches black, friend of Jack") that helps separate them from lookalikes like the scarlet kingsnake.

Appreciating these slithery residents for their pest-control prowess and understanding when a snake means business can turn a "Yikes!" moment into a "Neat!" moment. And if you ever feel uncertain, remember what seasoned herpers always say: Look, don't touch.

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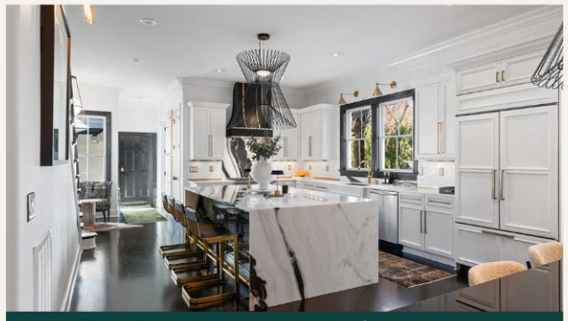
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What animal do you think is the best at surviving the winter?

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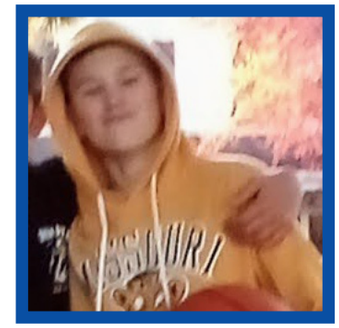
A snow leopard is the best at surviving the winter because it has camouflage.

Charlie, age 14
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Sam, age 6
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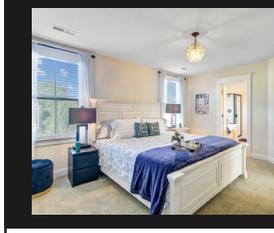
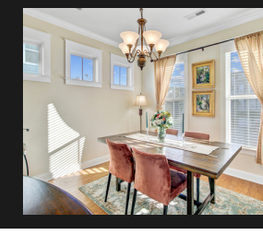
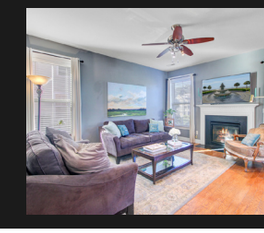
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DINA secures full board after months of vacancy

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The Daniel Island Neighborhood Association now has a full slate of elected board members after two months of concern that no one would step up to the plate to fill the seats of the outgoing officers.

Former DINA president Jarrod Brooks had urged Daniel Island residents to run for a two-year term for president, treasurer, and secretary of the volunteer organization, which bills itself as the sanctioned and recognized voice of Daniel Island in advocating and resolving issues within the City of Charleston, Berkeley County, and South Carolina.

The group had called for volunteers to run in early November, but with no candidates announcing as the filing period ended, Brooks issued a "firm caution that DINA (would) temporarily cease to function without nominees."

DINA grabbed headlines last summer when it pushed the City of Charleston to reconsider a zoning variance that would allow Holder Properties, a housing developer, to chop down more than 20 "mature" trees to make way for townhomes at Nowell Creek Village on Daniel Island Drive.



Nicholas Kalkas

The city's zoning board denied DINA's request, prompting the group to hire an attorney and file an appeal, claiming the tree removal would "cause environmental and visual harm to the residents of Daniel Island." Both sides ultimately met for mediation, with the developer agreeing to reduce its tree removal count.

Although more than 600 public comments were submitted to city officials supporting DINA and arguing against the tree removal during the July 2025 controversy, not a single person had filed to lead the group four months later when the filing period opened.

Until now.

Daniel Island resident Nicholas Kalkas of Etiwan Park won the rescheduled election in late January and will serve as DINA's president for 2026-2027. Dina Elshazly of Codner's Ferry will serve as vice president, Chase Sturgill of Central Island Square as treasurer, and John Alexiou of Codner's Ferry as secretary.

Kalkas said his first priority as president is to build on the efforts of the previous board of directors and continue working with developers to be heard.

"We do need to ensure we stay vigilant against the unanticipated errors that inevitably arise in a growing community, such as unexpected noise violations or traffic patterns not envisioned in the original plan, while continuing the strong emphasis on incredible public spaces," he said.

Kalkas, a retired U.S. Navy Commander and combat veteran of Iraq and Afghanistan, and the new board will lead their first DINA meeting Wednesday, Feb. 11, at the Daniel Pointe Retirement Community theater from 6 to 8 p.m. Police, city, and county officials will provide updates and answer questions from residents on any community concerns.

Kalkas hopes the meeting will act not only as a sounding board for residents but as an opportunity to make neighborhood connections.

"We are looking forward to emphasizing mingling before and after quarterly public meetings as a great way to get to know each other better. This is an important way to discover how we can help each other when needed and enjoy ourselves while doing so."

COFFEE WITH THE MAYOR

The City of Charleston announced in its weekly newsletter that Mayor William Cogswell will meet with residents for an "open conversation about community issues." The morning coffee chat is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 12, from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at The DIME near the DI Waterfront Park.





‘Invisible grief is often the most exhausting kind’

Daniel Island pastor explores how we handle loss in debut book

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After two decades in pastoral ministry, Drew Hensley knows a thing or two about the stories people tell and the ones they don’t.

As a pastor at ONE Fellowship on Daniel Island, Hensley has spent years sitting across from people who looked fine on the outside but felt fractured underneath. He often heard the same stories: grief without funerals, without permission, and without a clear place to land.

Those conversations eventually became “Invisible Grief.”

Released on Jan. 20 through Christian Focus Publications, “Invisible Grief” explores a kind of loss many people don’t realize they’re allowed to mourn: unmet hopes, unrealized dreams, and the pain of a future that never materialized.

The book is shaped by Hensley’s 20 years in ministry, including time as a church planter in Seattle, Washington, but it is also deeply personal.

“My wife and I walked through seven years of infertility before adopting our son,” Hensley said. “This long season stirred up real pain, real questions, and legitimate feelings of loss.”

As Hensley walked through that season, he began recognizing the same pattern in others.

“I kept noticing the same kind of grief showing up again and again – grief without funerals, without casseroles, without permission,” he said. “At some point I realized: this isn’t peripheral, it’s everywhere and unfortunately a lot of people were carrying it silently. Writing this book felt less like launching a project and more like finally saying out loud what so many of us whisper.”

That silence, Hensley believes, is part of what makes invisible grief so exhausting.

“There’s no clear loss to point to, so we minimize it,” he said. “We keep moving, keep achieving, keep serving. But grief doesn’t disappear just because we don’t name it. It just goes underground. Invisible grief is often the most exhausting kind because so many feel like they have to carry it alone.”

At ONE Fellowship, a 12-year-old church on Sportsman Island Drive, Hensley and the pastoral team aim to create space for honesty rather than performance. He describes the church as a place where people are encouraged to wrestle with faith, doubt, and sorrow without feeling the need to clean it up first, a philosophy that carries through the pages of the book.

Living and ministering in Charleston have only sharpened the message. “Charleston is beautiful, and that beauty can sometimes make grief feel even more isolating,” Hensley said. “When everything around you looks like it’s thriving, it can feel harder to admit that something inside you isn’t.”

Rather than offering quick fixes, “Invisible Grief” focuses on naming pain and learning how to hold it with faith. “More than anything, I hope it gives people language for what they’re feeling and for how God meets them there,” Hensley said.

“My prayer is that readers feel seen without being rushed, and invited to grieve without being fixed. I believe that when we stop pretending we’re fine, we often discover that God has been closer than we realized all along.”

Hensley will host a local grief workshop on March 11 at St. Peter’s Church in Mount Pleasant. “Invisible Grief” is available through major retailers, including Amazon and Barnes & Noble.





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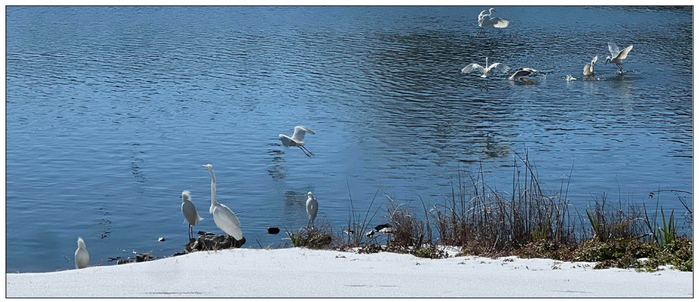
FRANK CONWAY

What a winter we are having here in the Lowcountry. It was forecasted to be absolutely frigid (and even snowy) the last weekend in January and beyond. Reading by a warm fireplace, sipping on a mug of coffee or hot chocolate, or snuggling up in a cozy bed all sound like fine ways for us humans to deal with the excessively cold weather we've been having lately. But what are the wild outdoor critters to do with temperatures like these?

Most readers are probably familiar with the word "hibernation." Several species of South Carolina bats hibernate in caves, mines and tunnels in the upstate, according to the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources. Another hibernator in the state is the black bear, but our temperatures are warm enough – especially down near the coast – that full hibernation is not really required here.

Cold-blooded creatures like reptiles and amphibians "brumate." This is something like hibernation, but while it's characterized by slowed respiration and reduced activity, the animals don't quite hibernate. Some may mostly bury themselves in mud or gather together in dens. But one might still see alligators or snakes out sunning during some of our warmer winter days, even if they are usually out of sight.

But what about fish? How do they survive in our lakes and ponds? For starters, water changes temperature much more slowly than air does. For our short-term blasts of truly cold weather, Daniel Island's lakes and ponds don't get nearly as cold as our lowest air temperatures. And due to their salinity, it's rare to see our (generally brackish) lakes or ponds frozen over. However, sustained water temperatures below 45 degrees or shorter periods in the 30s will begin to kill both our saltwater fish and the mullet, bass, bream and other freshwater species in our ponds.



FRANK CONWAY

A mix of Smythe Lake birds find easy pickings on a January morning. Note the two hawks, who appear to be after a seagull.

More frequently than dying, though, our fish enter "torpor." Torpor is a state of reduced physiological activity. Everything just slows down. This helps the fish conserve energy and requires less oxygen and food. Generally, that's good, but it does create some problems. Perhaps the biggest problem with torpor is birds. Fish elude birds with quickness and agility. Hungry pelicans, cormorants, egrets and herons work hard to catch them. When the fish can barely move they are quite easy to catch.

Birds are warm-blooded. If anything, cold weather means they need more calories, not less. It's a bit of a "perfect storm" for the fish. While they are slow and least able to avoid their avian predators, the birds are in abnormally high need of calories and more active than usual with their fishing. There can be crazy feeding frenzies when the conditions are right. If the water is cold enough, birds can practically grab a meal with no effort at all. These feeding free-for-alls might include many species of birds diving (pelicans), swimming (cormorants) or scooping up fish while flying, floating, sitting on the shore, or even hovering (gulls, egrets and herons).

Smythe Lake has seen its share of these scenes as cold weather dropped the lake's water temperatures below its winter norms. This writer didn't realize until long after taking the photos that a few shots from one of last year's bird parties even included some opportunistic raptors. What appear to be two red-shouldered hawks can be seen diving into the melee. Whether they were pursuing dropped fish or their fellow birds is unclear, but it seems more likely they were attracted by and to the birds.

So now if you come across one of these chaotic scenes during a stretch of cold weather you will understand what's going on. There may be no "free lunches," but at times the price of grabbing a meal at the local lake gets pretty low. Once word gets out and the number of patrons grows large, the fish are being pursued underwater, snatched from the surface and targeted from the air, all when they are least able to flee. One can almost see the flashing "Today's Special: Torpor Fish!" message on the sign at some waterfront seafood restaurant as flocks of hungry diners arrive for the "early bird special."

SNAPSHOTS FROM THE WILD



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Just keeping an eye on things in Smythe Lake



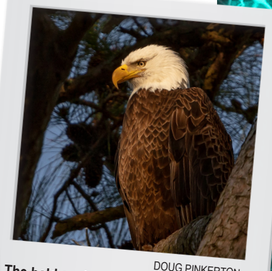
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The island's unofficial lookout – osprey on duty.



DOUG PINKERTON

Cuteness level: expert.



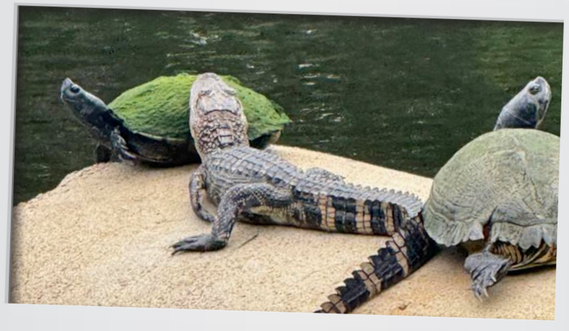
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The bald eagle – king of the skies, master of the island.



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Cormorant catching dinner in style.



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The most chill reptile hangout on the island

Hunting and firearm laws shape safety in Berkeley County

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Not every gunshot means danger, but every gunshot does come with a rulebook.

In a region where outdoor traditions and rapid development increasingly overlap, the sounds some Daniel Island and Cainhoy residents hear in the distance are often tied to a mix of hunting, target shooting, and gun ownership that is legal, but tightly regulated, under South Carolina law.

Understanding what is allowed depends largely on where the shot is fired.

"In Berkeley County, the discharge of firearms is generally prohibited in residential or densely populated areas, particularly where doing so would endanger people or property," said Corporal Carli Carr, public information officer for the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office. "Many neighborhoods, including areas around Daniel Island, Clements Ferry Road, and Cainhoy, fall under these restrictions due to proximity to homes, roadways, and businesses."

That means recreational shooting inside most neighborhoods is not permitted, even for experienced gun owners.

"Target practice in neighborhoods or residential areas is generally not permitted due to safety concerns," Carr said. "Even in less populated areas, firearm discharge may still be restricted depending on zoning, proximity to homes, and local ordinances."

When complaints about gunfire or unsafe behavior are reported, responses vary by circumstance. "Complaints are handled on a case-by-case basis. Deputies respond to assess the situation," Carr said. "Typically, all hunting calls go to SCDNR."

The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources regulates hunting statewide, including licenses, seasons, bag limits and legal methods. Anyone born after June 30, 1979, must complete a hunter education course before obtaining a license. Certain species, including deer, turkey, waterfowl and quail, may only be hunted during designated seasons, while birds of prey and endangered species are fully protected.



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Shooters practice at the Twin Ponds Rifle Range in the Francis Marion National Forest, one of two public ranges serving the area.

For residents near Daniel Island and Cainhoy, the closest large legal hunting area is the Francis Marion National Forest.

"Most areas are open for hunting except for developed recreation areas and campgrounds like Buck Hall Recreation Area," said District Ranger Jeremiah Zamora with the U.S. Forest Service. "There are also two special Wildlife Management Areas not open to the public as they have special designations for youth and mobility impaired hunts, Tibwin and Fairlawn."

For those looking to shoot without hunting, Francis Marion also offers two public ranges: Twin Ponds off Steed Creek Road and Bogey Head off Highway 41. Outside of these designated areas, target practice is prohibited on Wildlife Management Areas.

From a law enforcement perspective, Carr says the most common issues officers encounter involve unsafe or poorly planned shooting.

"Common issues include discharging firearms too close to residences or roadways, unsafe backstops during target practice, and reckless behavior that creates a public safety hazard," she said.

Safety, Carr emphasized, is the responsibility of every firearm owner. "We strongly encourage residents to always be aware of what lies beyond their target, use proper backstops, know their surroundings, and avoid any firearm use in areas where homes, people, or traffic may be nearby," she said. "When in doubt, it's best to choose a designated shooting range or lawful rural location well away from populated areas."

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Bishops, Iron Horses top soccer polls heading into the season

PSHS remain in hunt for regional basketball title

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It's a case of deja' two.

For the second straight year, the Bishop England High School girls' soccer team is ranked No. 1 in the South Carolina High School Soccer Coaches Association preseason poll, which was released on Jan. 23.

But the Bishops are far from being alone in the poll when it comes to the locals.

The Bishop England boys, the defending state champs in Class AAAA, are ranked No. 2 in their classification, while the Philip Simmons boys and girls are ranked No. 2 in the Class AA and Class AA-A polls, respectively.

The Bishop England girls, coached by Netha Kreamer, are coming off a 21-5 season that included a trip to the Class AAAA state championship. However, the Bishops were denied their 13th state crown in their illustrious history as A.C. Flora posted a 1-0 win in the title game.

The Bishop boys, who checked in at No. 2, ended a nine-year state championship drought by defeating Daniel High School 2-1 last May to win their 19th state championship, the most in state history. Daniel begins the season as the coaches' pick as the No. 1 team.

The title came in Drew Costa's second year as head coach. He also played on three state championship teams during his high school days.

The Philip Simmons girls' team, ranked No. 2 in the Class AA-A poll, has become a state power under the guidance of coach Jeffrey Collins. He was the program's third coach in four years when he took over in 2024. Since then, the Iron Horses have experienced stability and success.

Last year's team included 10 sophomores, and the experience makes the Iron Horses girls' squad a serious title contender.

The team went 13-9-1 in 2024 and followed that up with a 12-7-1 record last spring. The Iron Horses reached the Class AA Lower State championship, dropping a 4-0 decision to Academic Magnet. The Raptors begin the season in the top spot.

Patrick Gunderson has turned the Iron Horse boys' program into a state power.

The Iron Horses set a school record in 2024 when they won 20 games against four losses. The team bettered that record last spring, posting a 21-3 record. The Iron Horses reached the Class AA Lower State championship last spring but lost a 2-0 decision to Academic Magnet. The Raptors hold down the No. 1 ranking heading into the season.

IRON HORSE HOOPS

The Philip Simmons High School boys' basketball team remains in the hunt for a Region 6-AA championship title following a 73-33 victory over league leader Burke High School on Jan. 30 at the Phil.

The Iron Horses own a 13-7 record, including 5-2 in region play, heading into the penultimate week of the regular season.

The lopsided victory over the Bulldogs came 17 days after Burke posted a 70-65 victory on Jan. 13. The Bulldogs jumped to a 42-31 halftime lead in that game, and the Iron Horses couldn't recover.

The Iron Horses' other conference loss was a 53-52 upset at the hands of Academic Magnet.

The Iron Horses are scheduled to play the Raptors again on Feb. 13.

Resident-led paddling club hits the water on Daniel Island's shores

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Glenn Raus didn't set out to start a paddling club. He just wanted company on the water.

What began as a simple desire not to row alone has turned into the Daniel Island Paddling Society, a new social club inviting residents to explore the island's waterways together by kayak, canoe, or stand-up paddleboard.

"There have been times when I wanted to go kayaking and had no one to go out with me," Raus said. "Although I don't mind paddling alone, part of me realizes that it is a safer activity when there are others with you. Plus, I thought it would be a nice way to make new friends."

Raus, a Daniel Island resident and owner of Osupūre Karate, launched DIPS just a few months ago to bring together neighbors who already paddle and those curious about getting started.

"The purpose is to foster a sense of community within Daniel Island paddlers, share expertise, and help newbies explore these paddling activities," he said.

The club is still in its early stages, but momentum is building. Raus created a Facebook group called Daniel Island Paddling Society and recently hosted the first introductory meeting.



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Glenn Raus, who started the Daniel Island Paddling Society, hopes to bring more residents onto the water.

"We're still in the infancy of the club," he said, noting he plans to schedule another meeting in the next few weeks. "Hopefully we will be able to get our first group paddling by the time the weather warms up."

That first official group paddle could happen this spring. "April may be a good time to start," Raus said. "I think a nice first group paddle would be one to Sharks Tooth Beach on the Cooper River."

The group is open to any adult Daniel Island resident, 18 or older, with or without water crafts, regardless of experience.

As for turnout, Raus is keeping expectations modest while prioritizing safety. "It's too early to tell how many, but if we had 10 people on the first paddle, I'd be very happy," he said.

Raus believes a paddling-focused group is a natural fit for the island.

"We are literally surrounded by water! Paddling is a very accessible and cost effective way to enjoy our local waterways. It's relaxing, yet exhilarating," Raus said. "Daniel Island is such a great community, I thought a paddling club would be a great addition to what our town has to offer!"

DIPS hopes to include safety, technique and environmental awareness, but at its core, Raus says the club is about connection. "Sharing an interest or passion for an activity or pursuit can certainly foster a sense of family and belonging."

Residents interested in joining can follow the Daniel Island Paddling Society Facebook group, find meetings on the community calendar at dicommunity.org, or check out Save the Date on thedanielislandnews.com.

250 years later, Cainhoy students get a front-row seat to history for Liberty Day

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Fourth-graders from Cainhoy Elementary recently visited the South Carolina State House to take part in Liberty Day, a statewide celebration marking the 250th year of American independence. Ms. Jillian White's class was selected through the SC-250 program to represent Berkeley County.

Liberty Day brings students from across the state together to explore South Carolina's history through hands-on activities, presentations, and tours of the State House. School officials saod this year's event was extra special, commemorating 250 years since independence.

"We were very excited to have our students and students from all over the state to help us celebrate the start of 250," said Katy Batkins, social studies coordinator for Berkeley County School District. "We've been preparing for this for three to four years, and just to see it kick off, especially with our students, was so exciting. Hearing what they picked up and knowing a lot of it happened right in their backyard was really cool."

South Carolina Superintendent of Education Ellen Weaver said, "It was an awesome day full of fun, and full of facts and history. It really inspires our students about what makes America so special, what makes America great, and how South Carolina played a pivotal role in securing American freedom."









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A cold, snowy morning that wasn't meant for fishing



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GREG PERALTA

On Saturday morning, Elliott and I closed out the duck season. We did not see any ducks, but we did stumble upon a large school of redfish in very shallow water. I lamented that we are awful duck hunters. Elliott observed that at least we can catch fish. We agreed to come back on Sunday to catch and release a few. It was our hope to take a redfish release photo with snow in the background.

With the bomb cyclone approaching with very strong winds, Elliott and I decided to move the skiff from the floating dock to the trailer. It is easier to clear snow and ice from the skiff while it is on dry land. Sunday morning, my backyard was covered in snow. The air temperature was 25 degrees, and the wind chill was in the teens. It was sunny but bitterly cold. Thankfully, the snow was dry, and I was able to use a leaf blower to clear most of it out of the skiff.

When Elliott arrived at my house, we asked Brody (the amazing fish-finding and stock-trading dog) if he wanted to go fishing. Brody excitedly ran out the back door and down the dock. He was about halfway to the floating dock when he stopped and realized the skiff was not there. For a minute or so, Brody just stood there confused. I laughed and took a picture.

Eventually, Brody figured out that the skiff was on the trailer in the driveway. We loaded up and drove to the community boat landing. Upon arrival, the security gate was inoperable. No fishing for us!

Elliott figured it was for the best because it was really cold. I could not disagree. Brody began to howl in disbelief. He calmed down after we promised to go to breakfast at Waffle House. Brody loves waffles. No fishing. No redfish release photo with snow in the background. Brody ate his waffle so fast, I did not get a picture.

So, here is a picture of Brody looking for the skiff on the floating dock.

Thanks to all who have expressed interest in the community fishing class. I plan to hold the class in March. More details to follow. If you would like to attend, please send me an email at captgregp@gmail.com.



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A snowy dock welcomed Brody, the amazing fish-finding and stock-trading dog, as he prepared to do some bitterly cold fishing.

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Rob Mester masters the field; defeats VIP Brannon Florie of Coach's Canteen



Rob Mester

With a record of 8-4, Daniel Island resident Rob Mester clipped VIP sponsor Brannon Florie of Coach's Canteen, 7-5, to win the penultimate week of the Daniel Island News Pigskin Pick 'Em Challenge.

With the victory, Mester earned a $50 gift card to Coach's Canteen in Point Hope.

"I love playing Pigskin Pick 'Em," Mester said via email. "It brings a group of us together for fun, even if we don't know each other specifically."

With the Super Bowl set for Sunday, Feb. 8, this is the final week to play for your chance to win a $50 gift card to Wasabi restaurant, courtesy of Tyler Letson of Mount Pleasant Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram.

With the 2025-26 Pick 'Em season title still on the line, seven out of eight VIP sponsors still have a chance to earn the championship crown.

Chris Buchholz of Par Paradise leads the pack, with Florie and Carolina One's Edie Coupe just a game or two behind, respectively.

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THIS WEEK'S BALLOT:

SUPER BOWL LX
PATRIOTS VS SEAHAWKS

Team to win the coin toss: Seahawks
Team with the most passing yards: Seahawks
Leading Receiver (most yards): Jaxon Smith-Njigba
Leading Rusher: Kenneth Walker III
Team with the most tackles: Patriots
Team with the most sacks: Seahawks
Team with the longest field goal: Patriots
Team with the most punt returns: Seahawks
Team to score the first touchdown:Seahawks
MVP: Sam Darnold
Over/Under 46.5: Over
Tiebreaker (Must pick winning team):
Total Points:



Brannon Florie
Coach's Canteen

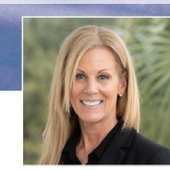
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SUPER BOWL LX
PATRIOTS VS SEAHAWKS

Team to win the coin toss:Seahawks
Team with the most passing yards:Patriots
Leading Receiver (most yards): Steffon Diggs
Leading Rusher: Drake Maye
Team with the most tackles: Seahawks
Team with the most sacks: Patriots
Team with the longest field goal: Patriots
Team with the most punt returns: Patriots
Team to score the first touchdown:
MVP: Drake Maye
Over/Under 46.5: under
Tiebreaker (Must pick winning team):
Total Points: 45



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Leading Receiver (most yards): Steffon Diggs
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Team with the most sacks: Patriots
Team with the longest field goal: Patriots
Team with the most punt returns: Patriots
Team to score the first touchdown:
MVP: Drake Maye
Over/Under 46.5: under
Tiebreaker (Must pick winning team):
Total Points: 45



Michael Patterson
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THIS WEEK'S BALLOT:

SUPER BOWL LX
PATRIOTS VS SEAHAWKS

Team to win the coin toss: Patriots
Team with the most passing yards: Patriots
Leading Receiver (most yards): Jaxon Smith-Njigba
Leading Rusher: Kenneth Walker
Team with the most tackles: Seahawks
Team with the most sacks: Seahawks
Team with the longest field goal: Patriots
Team with the most punt returns: Seahawks
Team to score the first touchdown: Seahawks
MVP: Jaxson Smith-Njigba
Over/Under 46.5 – Over
Tiebreaker (Must pick winning team)
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SUPER BOWL LX
PATRIOTS VS SEAHAWKS

Team to win the coin toss- SEAHAWKS
Team with the most passing yards: SEAHAWKS
Leading Receiver (most yards)-JAXON SMITH-NJIGBA
Leading Rusher -KENNETH WALKER
Team with the most tackles-SEAHAWKS
Team with the most sacks-SEAHAWKS
Team with the longest field goal-SEAHAWKS
Team with the most punt returns-SEAHAWKS
Team to score the first touchdown-SEAHAWKS
MVP: SAM DARNOLD
Over/Under 46.5 -OVER
Tiebreaker (Must pick winning team)
Total Points: 58



Gabe Jolly
Carolina One Real Estate

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THIS WEEK'S BALLOT:

SUPER BOWL LX
PATRIOTS VS SEAHAWKS

Team to win the coin toss: Seahawks
Team with the most passing yards: Patriots
Leading Receiver (most yards): Hunter Henry
Leading Rusher: Rhamondre Stevenson
Team with the most tackles: Patriots
Team with the most sacks: Patriots
Team with the longest field goal: Patriots
Team with the most punt returns: Seahawks
Team to score the first touchdown:
MVP: Sam Darnold
Over/Under 46.5: Over
Tiebreaker (Must pick winning team):
Total Points: 66



Garret McNally
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Daniel Island Macs Sports Bar Grill

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PATRIOTS VS SEAHAWKS

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Leading Receiver (most yards): Jaxon Smith-Njigba
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Team with the most tackles:Seahawks
Team with the most sacks: Patriots
Team with the longest field goal: Seahawks
Team with the most punt returns: Patriots



Tyler Letson
Mount Pleasant Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram

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Team with the most sacks: Seahawks
Team with the longest field goal: Seahawks
Team with the most punt returns: Patriots
Team to score the first touchdown: Seahawks
MVP: Drake Maye
Over or Under 46.5: Under
Total Points: 46

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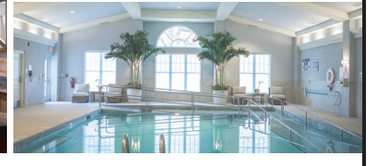
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83-lot Tuxbury Farm Subdivision goes before Technical Review Committee

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UPCOMING: TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Thursday, Feb. 5: Tuxbury Farm Subdivision – Proposed preliminary plat and road construction plans for 83-lot future development on 15.1 acres at 610 Tuxbury Farm Road, Cainhoy. TMS: B2630004042. Owner: Toll Brothers. Applicant: Hussey Gay Bell. Contact: Les Phillips at lphilips@charleston-sc.gov.

RESULTS: DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

Monday, Feb. 2 - 601-611 Brooking Square Lane, Cainhoy – Requesting preliminary approval for (3) one-story retail buildings (buildings #1,# 2, and #3). TMS# 262-00-00-028. Owner: SLS Development, LLC. Applicant: The Middleton Group / Karo Wheeler. *(No results at press time.)*

SAVE THE DATE



A LAW & ORDER UPDATE FROM THE CHIEF

Chito Walker
Charleston Chief of Police

Monday, February 16 | 8-9 am
at the Daniel Pointe Retirement Community
514 Robert Daniel Drive | Daniel Island
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UPCOMING EVENTS

MINDFUL MILES WALK CLUB
Walking club created to build community, make new friends, move with intention, and get outside. DI Waterfront Park, Saturday, Feb. 7, at 8 am. The walk will be about 1-1.5 miles at a relaxed pace. Come as you are. Free

DI GARDEN CLUB MEETING
Wed, Feb. 11, 1 pm, Daniel Pointe Retirement Center Auditorium. Guest speaker Elaine Cechak presents "Introduction to Beekeeping and Attracting Bees to Your Garden." More info at dthielfoldt@man.com.

DINA COMMUNITY MEETING
Wed, Feb. 11, 6-8 pm, Daniel Pointe Retirement Center Auditorium. Introduction of the 2026–27 DINA Board, plus updates from Charleston City Council, Berkeley County Council, and Charleston Police Team 5.

CLEMENTS FERRY CONNECTION NETWORKING NIGHT
Wed, Feb 12, 6-8 pm, Subtle & Sass Boutique Point Hope. Connect with local business owners and community leaders during this community networking night. Register at Clementsferryconnection@gmail.com.

DIHS PRESENTS: THE MEN OF THE 371ST INFANTRY
Tues, Feb. 17, 7–8 pm, Church of the Holy Spirit, Daniel Island. Learn about the remarkable 371st Infantry Regiment of WWI, an African American unit which included local soldiers from Daniel Island and Cainhoy. Guest speaker: U.S. Navy Petty Officer (Ret.) Perry James, whose grandfather served in the 371st.

GET TO KNOW THE DI ROTARY
Wed, Feb. 18, New Realm Brewery. Casual "Get to Know Rotary" event. Learn about service opportunities, community impact, and the Rotary motto "Service Above Self." Open to all. Contact ben.laaper@gmail.com.

2026 SPRING RED BALLOON YARD SALE
Sat., March 21, 7 am-1 pm. Daniel Island-wide yard sale. Look for red balloons to find participating homes. Shop for deals, treasures, and unique finds. Rain or shine. Map of participating homes coming soon. Palmetto Goodwill donation truck available 12-2 pm at the Blackbaud parking lot.

LOWCOUNTRY STREET GROCERY
Fri. at Guggenheim Terrace, 10:30 am-3 pm.

ECCO FOOD DRIVE Drop off canned goods, pasta, rice, and other nonperishables at Edward Jones 8:30am-4 pm, 895 Island Park Dr Suite A2, and at the Daniel Island Library, Mon-Thurs 10am-6pm, Fri-Sat 9 am-5 pm.

6TH ANNUAL DI FINE ART SHOW
Sat, April 25, 10 am-4 pm, Daniel Island Recreation Center. The DI Rec Center hosts an art gallery-style showcase featuring local artists exhibiting original works across a variety of styles and mediums.

REGULAR MEETINGS

AA MEETINGS - CLEMENTS FERRY
King's Cross Church: Mon. and Fri. - 7:30 pm. Women's only meeting: Tues. - 8 pm. 2011 Clements Ferry Rd. 843-723-9633.

AA MEETINGS - DANIEL ISLAND
Providence Church: Mon. - Fri., 7:30 am. Church of the Holy Spirit: Speaker Mtg. Sat., 7 pm; 12 Step Mtg. Wed. 7:30 pm.

AL-ANON
Al-Anon, a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics, meets every Thurs., 7 pm at Providence Church on Daniel Island.

STRENGTH AND BALANCE
Tuesdays, 10-11 am. All ages and levels. The class is $10 and is being held at the DI Rec Center. Contact: 843-216-6366...

CORE STRENGTH & STABILITY
Mon., 9-10 am, DI Rec Center. Improve balance, posture, and injury prevention with this all-levels class designed to support healthy movement. $10. Contact 843-216-6366.

CRAFTERNOONS
Crafternoons with Edie every 1st Fri. of the month from 1-3 pm at the Daniel Island Library. Tim Boyle at 843-471-2952 or timothy.boyle@berkeleycountysc.gov.

DANIEL ISLAND GOP CLUB
3rd Mon., 8am, Daniel Pointe Retirement Community. Free. Contact Mark Smith at 843-442-8371 or Susan Chapman at 203-512-3929 for info.

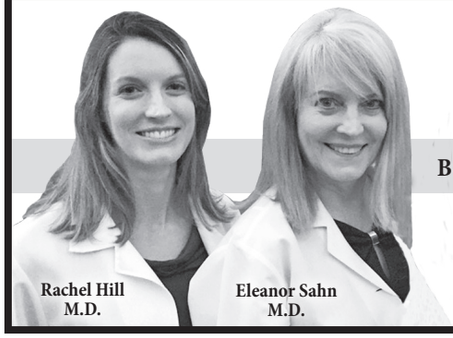
DANIEL ISLAND LIBRARY EVENTS
Capt. Daniell's Pipers Recorder Grp: Tues. 1:30-2:30 pm; Needleworkers: 2nd & 4th Tues., 11:15 am; Deepthinkers Discussion Grp: Wed., 10:30 am - noon; Social Bridge Club: every Monday 1-4 pm.; Writers Group: 1st Wed., 4:30-6 pm.

DANIEL POINTE CHAPEL
Non-denominational Christian worship services in the Theater of the Daniel Pointe Retirement Community at 1:15 pm on the 1st and 3rd Sun. each month. 514 Robert Daniel Drive. Deacon Ed Dyckman at dyckman.edward@gmail.com and 843-367-5647.

DI COMMUNITY TOASTMASTERS Meets in person on the first and fourth Tuesday at the DI Library from 6-7 pm. Enjoy speaking among friends! See how Toastmasters Pathways can help you speak your mind with confidence. Free public demonstrations Jan. 13 and 27. Email claire@eduave.com.

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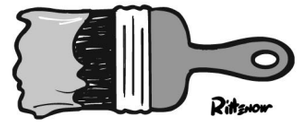

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Grammar Matters

by Patty Gibbons Saunier

Dangling Modifiers

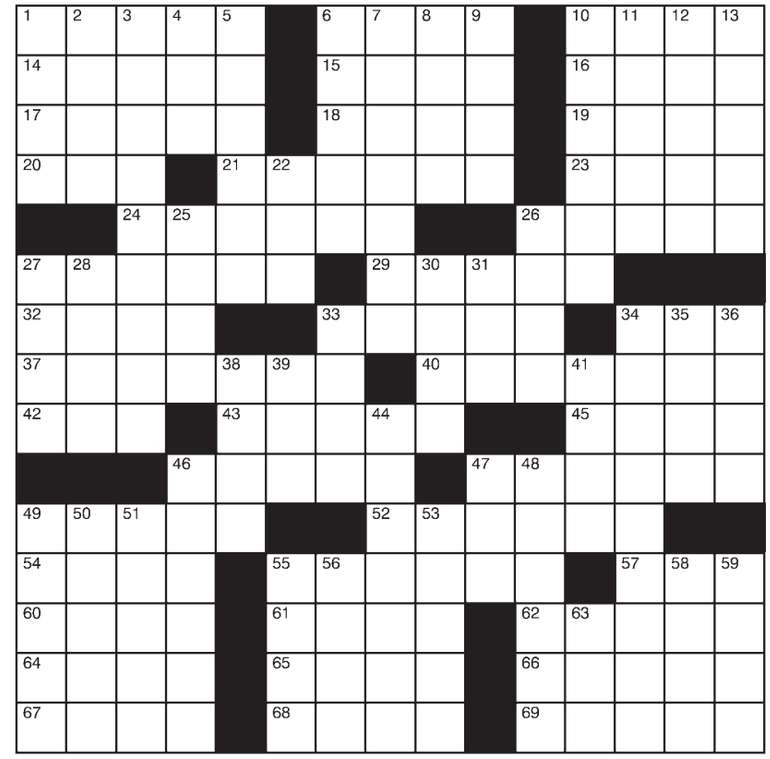


Dangling modifiers are words in a sentence that don't seem to modify another word. Readers become confused by these sentences, and the only way to fix them is to rewrite them. Can you pick out the sentences (A or B) without misplaced modifiers?

1. a. Working all weekend, the family room was finally painted.
   b. Working all weekend, I finally painted the family room.
2. a. While taking a bath, the phone rang.
   b. While Maria was taking a bath, the phone rang.
3. a. As I was carrying groceries, the bag dropped and the jar shattered.
   b. Carrying groceries, the bag dropped and the jar shattered.

Answers: 1. b 2. b 3. a

WORD PLAY



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By Neil Manausa

ACROSS

1 North African capital
6 Site unit
10 Garden party
14 Fuming
15 Busboy's need
16 Found in a scull
17 Confronts
18 Use a stopwatch
19 RBI, e.g.
20 Fraternal order member
21 Some clowns
23 It has its highs and lows
24 "Baby One More Time" singer
26 DNA material
27 Refer
29 Weasel kin
32 Knight's protection
33 Scornful look
34 Fed. agency
37 Contract ploy
40 Clad
42 Comprehend
43 Deed holder
45 Fido treat
46 Used a punt
47 Plainsongs
49 French impressionist
52 Significance
54 Special times
55 Remove from office
57 Cribbage scorekeeper
60 Savoir faire
61 Bird on a Canadian coin
62 Avoid capture
64 To be, in Brest
65 "___ Karenina"
66 Within the rules
67 Fortuneteller
68 Branch office
69 Goblet parts

DOWN

1 Abounding
2 Inland sea
3 Retrogress
4 Supped
5 Checked for aptitude
6 Essential oil
7 Alabama's ___ Tide
8 Vehicle access
9 Sizes up
10 Nurture
11 Dine at home
12 Swap
13 ___ Park, CO
22 "Norma ___"
25 "___ Fiction"
26 Ms. Ederle, to friends
27 Singing brothers
28 Place for lovers
30 Sadness unit
31 Vietnamese holiday
33 "Auld Lang ___"
34 Tabloid feature
35 Crooked
36 Roman calendar date
38 Spoils
39 Arts and crafts tool
41 Construction member
44 Thomas and family
46 Annoy
47 Tax expert, for short
48 Very accommodating places
49 Apportions, with out
50 Emulate Cicero
51 Mollusk shell substance
53 ___ work; road sign
55 ___ Bator
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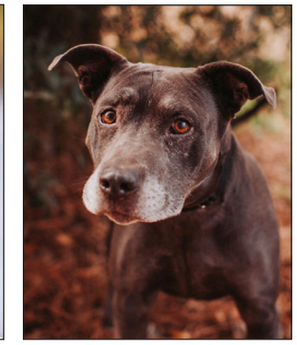
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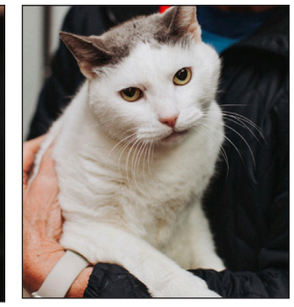
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