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Family friend seeks aid for Charleston boy caught in crossfire

JENNIFER JOHNSTON

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You likely recall the story of Tyreik Gadsden, the five year-old boy who was errantly struck – and ultimately paralyzed – by a bullet from a gunfight in downtown Charleston on May 22 of this year. You may also be familiar with the fundraising efforts that took place in the weeks following the incident, from local celebrity-attended soirees to "Go Fund Me"-type collection efforts. What you couldn't possibly know, however, is that Tyreik has received relatively little of the funds raised to go toward the mounting expenses of a child with special needs.

At the October Charleston City Council meeting held at Providence Baptist Church on Daniel Island, Mayor Joe Riley invited forward the young boy and the woman who has stepped in to help him, so that they could tell that part of the story.

Bonnie Sempier met Tyreik when she, with the assistance of a colleague connected with the family, paid a visit to his school to bring him a donation of clothing and an electronic tablet. Sempier, like so many others who had followed his story through the news, expected to see a boy getting accustomed to a wheelchair and enjoying being back at school. What she found instead stopped her in her tracks. "He had dried



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At the October Charleston City Council meeting held at Providence Baptist Church on Daniel Island, Mayor Joe Riley invited Tyreik Gadsden and Bonnie Sempier who has stepped in to help him.

urine and blisters on him," she recalls, "and I found a bullet in the school parking lot."

Sempier was spurred to action. She reached out to Tyreik's mother, Lashaunna Jones, who had returned to work immediately upon returning to Charleston following her son's two-month medical treatment in Charlotte. Sempier learned that, despite Jones' drive to

earn an income to support her family, additional bills and expenditures related to the tragic incident far outpaced her take-home pay. And though the National Action Network (NAN) had established the Tyreik Gadsden Benefit Fund through a state credit union, and approximately \$45,000 had been donated to that fund, Sempier states NAN had put a hold on all

withdrawals until the boy turned 18 years old.

Though the bulk of Tyreik's rehab has been covered by insurance, Sempier lists the many other expenses that are not: a wheelchair-accessible vehicle and other transportation to and from physical therapy, counseling for his post-traumatic stress disorder and, perhaps most pressing, a safe place to live. The apartment in which the boy lived downtown was on a second floor, and there was no way for him to get upstairs in his wheelchair. He was also terrified to return there, fearing he would be shot again.

So Sempier located an apartment for Tyreik and his mom in Mount Pleasant, and has paid several months rent for them. She was also able to convince NAN to permit a \$13,500 withdrawal from the benefit fund to purchase a properly-outfitted van for the family. The fund has since been closed, and the remaining money awaits the child's 18th birthday.

In the meantime, Sempier has set up a fund through Wells Fargo to accept contributions for Tyreik's current care and living expenses, and she is reaching out to the community – as she did at the October 13 City County meeting – to make donations that are accessible to him and his family today. For information on how to help, contact Bonnie Sempier at (843) 478-7933.



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from the EDITOR _

Finding gratitude in sorrowful situations leads to unexpected joy

Thanksgiving is, by definition, a time when we reflect on being thankful. In this week's edition of the paper, we asked our readers to share their gratitude by asking them: "For what are you thankful?" You can read their answers in the Kids Say section on page 6 and in the centerfold, pages 20-21.

I, too, reflected on this question. Each day as part of my morning routine, I write down five things for which I am thankful. Typically, they include specific instances of gratitude for family, friends, pets, the marsh, my church, and my amazing co-workers. But lately, my journal entries reflect a different kind of gratitude.

My mother is in hospice care as pancreatic

cancer spreads throughout her body. I've been blessed to visit with her in Pennsylvania several times over recent weeks. And it is in these sad times that I find myself being especially thankful as I witness my parents in new, special and unexpected ways. My mom's spirit and faith are strong and so very gentle. She is sharing stories, memories, and love in ways she never did before. My dad is so attentive, caring and loving toward her, that writing about it brings tears to my eyes. And, yes, I'm thankful for their laughter too, as they share bits of humor between themselves. My favorite being my mom's retort over my dad's constant urging that she eat to keep regular, "No ones' obituary ever read died from constipation."

In keeping with the paper's Live a Better Life: Focus on Wellness theme for 2015, I am happy to report that thankfulness does indeed serve as a positive influence on our overall wellness, contributing to improved mental and physical health. Recent studies have linked improvement in heart conditions to journaling about things for which we are thankful. Older studies, as well as Oprah Winfrey, have reminded us of the mental improvements thankful journaling brings. My own experience with gratitude journaling mirrors these studies. But my life experience also brings forth this simple observation: finding gratitude in sorrowful situations leads to unexpected joy.

Do real men get flu shots?



unconventional wisdom

STEVE FERBER

It's not too late.

No, it's not too late to go and get a flu shot. If you know someone – a relative or friend, perhaps – who has not yet been vaccinated, please encourage them to make the call today. And here's why:

It's not about them. It's not just about protecting themselves. It's about protecting their family, their friends, their work colleagues, babies, infants, children and the elderly (not to mention the checkout crew at Publix). It's called "herd immunity" and it means that if everyone works together, we end up protecting one another.

Said the good folks at massmed.org: "If you get the flu, you put people around you at high risk for serious illness. [By minimizing your risk], you can help ensure that they stay healthy this winter."

Will certain people be harder to convince?

No doubt. In a highly unscientific sampling (drawn from early morning queries at our local gym), it appears that certain members of the male species may be more reluctant than others to take action. And national data from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) support this notion indeed, nationally, females are more likely than

males to get the shot (45% vs. 38%).

So, what's the holdup? Without question, it's the widespread myths that continue to persist (e.g., that the vaccine itself can actually cause the flu). And while logic may not carry the day, we'll take a shot nonetheless. So here then are a few key facts about the vaccine that you and your reluctant friend should know.

Don't like the needle? Not a problem, flu shots are available in several different forms. There's the intradermal flu shot (much smaller needle, injected into the skin instead of the muscle), and there's the nasal spray vaccine, approved for most people ages 2 to 49.

Can the flu vaccine actually give you the flu? No way. The CDC explains: "The flu vaccine cannot cause flu illness; however, it can cause mild side effects that may be mistaken for flu. For example, people vaccinated with the flu shot may feel achy and may have a sore arm where the shot was given. People vaccinated with the nasal spray flu vaccine may have a stuffy nose and sore throat. These side effects are not the flu. If experienced at all, these effects are usually mild and last only 1-2 days."

Full proof? No, it's not, but vaccines, increasingly, are providing more coverage. Explained Rachael Rettner in an article for livescience.com: "Flu shots protect against three or four strains of flu virus. Trivalent flu vaccines protect against two influenza A strains, H1N1 and H3N2, and

one influenza B strain. Quadrivalent flu vaccines — offered for the first time in the 2013-2014 flu season — protect against the same strains as the trivalent vaccine, as well as an extra influenza B

Is it too late? It's true that cases of flu are already popping up, but the season typically doesn't peak until January, so there's still time. But remember, it takes two weeks for the vaccine to reach full effect.

Should I wait until I turn 65? Probably not. It's true that the elderly are more susceptible, but the CDC reports that 10-20% of flu-related deaths occur in adults ages 18-64.

So, please, ask around. Find out who in your friend circle has yet to be vaccinated, and urge them to take action soon.

And let them know they can add it to their resume under "Community Service."

WHAT IS HERD IMMUNITY? (ALSO KNOWN AS "COMMUNITY IMMUNITY")

"When a critical portion of a community is immunized against a contagious disease, most members of the community are protected against that disease because there is little opportunity for an outbreak. Even those who are not eligible for certain vaccines—such as infants . . . or immunocompromised individuals—get some protection because the spread of contagious disease is contained. This is known as 'community immunity'."

- vaccines.gov



Ten and Five Years Ago in

THE DANIEL ISLAND NEWS

Five Years Ago – Thanksgiving Blessings

In the November 24, 2010 edition of the paper our cover featured local islanders giving back to their community: DI based Structures Building Company teamed with ECCO and Operation Home, with help from the DI Community Fund, to help Cainhoy resident Maria Fishburne with much needed home improvements; Charleston Basket Brigade (formed in part by islander Pam Hartley) raised over \$48,840 to feed 1600 families for Thanksgiving, and DI residents worked to launch the Volunteer Center of Charleston.

In business news, Dustin Welch and Jacob Irvin opened Buzz Delivery, a delivery service to exclusively serve Daniel Island residents; John Cogan opened GoodNoise, a digital marketing company; DI retailer Thera M opened a second

store on King Street; CrossFit Discovery doubled its gym space on Island Park Drive; and, Karsen's Kloset re-located its shop from Daniel Island's Publix Shopping Center to Wando Crossing.





CrossFit Discovery broke through the wall to the right to double it's size. The morning crew shows off their muscle. (L-R) Nicole Evans, Carlos Oryan, Craig Bennett, Dave Vroman, Mark Combs, Andy Vanderveen and Jennifer Roberts.

Ten Years Ago – Daniel Island Blessings





Camille Fey tossed a ball at a target last Friday at the Tiny Tot Olympics at Etiwan Park.

In the November 23, 2005 edition of the paper our cover and centerfold featured examples of Daniel Island Blessings: Residents and ministers gave thanks at the 9th Annual Blessing of Daniel Island, held at Providence Baptist Church; and two families shared their adoption stories – the Emerson family and the Stelljes family.

In other news, the Tiny Tot Olympics were held at Etiwan Park and were organized by Amy

Parr of Stroller Striders and the Charleston City Park staff.



Colin Rudolph, left, and Quinn DeWitt engaged in their own spontaneous demolition derby in the Etiwan Park sandpile.

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I am thankful for being a part of a community and having a good life. Griffin Age 13



I am thankful for my family because they do a lot for me. Henry Age 11



I am thankful for my family because they let me do a ton of sports.
Aiden
Age 10



I am thankful for my Mommy and I love everyone in my whole family. Ariel Age 5





Anthony Dixon named principal of Philip Simmons Middle School

STAFF REPORT

Anthony Dixon has been named the new principal of Philip Simmons Middle School, to be located in Cainhoy Plantation off of Clements Ferry Road. The Berkeley County School Board approved the appointment at their meeting on Tuesday, November 10. Dixon will begin his new assignment in January 2016 to prepare for the opening of the school in August 2016.

Dixon began his career as a Special Services educator in both Charleston and Berkeley Counties. Dixon has eight years of experience as a principal, leading Memminger School of Global Studies, Sanders-Clyde Elementary/Middle and, currently, Cainhoy Elementary/Middle School. He also served Berkeley County School District as an assistant principal at Boulder Bluff and Daniel Island School.

"I am completely honored to be given the opportunity to serve as the first principal of the new Philip Simmons Middle School," said Anthony Dixon. "This is an opportunity to create a world-class educational program and provide each student with a learning experience that incorporates the STEAM concepts. I look forward to working with the faculty and staff, students, parents and the greater community."

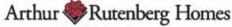
Aside from his role in Berkeley County School District, Dixon serves his community by working with area non-profits such as Wings for Kids, college and career readiness programs and directing GEAR UP at the College of Charleston.

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TOTALLY FIT ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

Join Totally Fit on Fri., Dec. 4, 10 am to noon for community caroling at 1179 Rivershore Rd. Beresford Creek Landing. Bring a favorite, healthy, holiday dish to share. Your minimum donation of \$10 will go to a Totally Fit charitable event. Please RSVP at www.totallyfit.org.

Thank Goodness It's First Friday, an informal social open to all Daniel Island residents, will be on Fri. Dec. 4, at Daniel's Landing Clubhouse 6:30- 9 p.m. Bring an hors d'oeuvre to share and your favorite beverage. Also this month bring and unwrapped children's toy for the US Marine Corp Reserve Toys are Tots Program. Florence and Tom Neary, and Dan and Trish McGee will be the hosts. Contact: Walter and Barbara Jenner 216-2573.

HOLIDAY FESTIVAL & TREE LIGHTING

Holiday Festival, Saturday, Dec. 5, 11 am - 4 pm at the Family Circle Tennis Center. Shopping, activities and events for the whole family! Tree lighting at 6 pm with music by Chamber Music Charleston, Charleston County School of the Arts and a Christmas Carol Sing-Along.

HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST

The DI Garden Club will be selecting a home in each neighborhood for the best holiday decoration displays. Judging will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. on the evenings of Dec. 12 and 13, so be sure to have your holiday lights on and your decorations dazzling and looking their best on both nights. Once the judging is complete, winners will be notified and homes will be announced in the Daniel Island News. Judging will be based on "curb appeal" as viewed from the street only. Therefore only those decorations located on the street side of the property will be judged (corner lots will be judged from both streets). Judges will not enter the property to view back or side yards. Judging criteria will include: Unique design and creative use of lights and decorations, display and placement of decorations, animated objects, etc., and overall presentation.

DI CHANUKAH CELEBRATION

The fourth annual public celebration of the Jewish Holiday of Chanukah on Daniel Island will take place on Sat., Dec. 12, 4 - 5:30 p.m. at the entrance gate of the Family Circle Tennis Center. This event will provide education and awareness about the Jewish Holiday of Chanukah for adults and children of the Daniel Island community. Traditional Chanukah food and beverage will be served. Participate in traditional Jewish games. Entertainment provided by Black Tie Music Academy. The Menorah lighting ceremony at 5:15 p.m. The event is free and open to the entire Daniel Island Community and persons of all faiths are encouraged to attend. In case of rain the event will be held under cover of the stadium. Contact: Fred Danziger at fred.danziger13@ gmail.com or 516-524-2208.

FREE FAMILY AND INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Shari Chavez Ergle is providing a free family and individual photo session for Seven Farms Apartment residents on Tues. Dec. 22, 10 am - 2 pm at Providence Baptist Church (across the street from the apartments). Appointments only. Please call 843.408.1997 to schedule your session.

TAI CHI CLASSES

Free Tai Chi classes. Tuesdays and Fridays, 8:30-9:30 am at Providence Baptist Church. Call Gwen for more information 843-718-5454

WILLINGWAY CONTINUING CARE **MEETINGS**

Every Monday 6:30-7:30 pm at The Church of the Holy Cross, 299 Seven Farms Dr. Anyone with addiction issues-you, a family member, a friend regardless of whether you've been a patient of Willingway, is invited. Continuing Care provides a community for addicts, their family and friends to talk about their experiences and find ways to connect with 12-step recovery. Just show up, there is no charge. Contact Rhett Crull 843-323-7111 with questions.

RUN CLUB

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

GROUP RUN/WALK

Every Wednesday morning at 8:30 am from Pierce Park Pavilion: Enjoy a 3-mile walk or run along the Wando River and share your thoughts and input with the Daniel Island News' writers and advertising executives. This is part of the Live a Better Life series sponsored by The Daniel Island News.

"Business Executive Networking Group" meets the first Tuesday of every month at Benefits & Health Marketplace, 130 Riverlanding Dr., Suite 1D, 5 to 6:30pm. BENG (www.thebeng.org) is a multidiscipline networking group for mid to senior level executive professionals who are seeking a new career. Contact Cathey Petkash, cpetkash@frannet.com. Register at http://bengcharleston.eventbrite.com

WOMEN OF FAITH

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

WOMEN'S ISLAND NETWORK (WIN)

Join professional women for a networking luncheon, which is held the last Wednesday of each month at The Islander, from 11:45am – 1pm. Contact Sheila Underwood - 843.849.3820 or email Sheila.underwood@ suntrust.com. RSVP is required.

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TOASTMASTERS

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

AA MEETINGS ON DI

Daily M-F 8 am, Tue. 7pm, Fri 7pm at Providence Baptist Church, 294 Seven Farms Dr.; Sat. 8 pm at Holy Cross Church, 299 Seven Farms Dr.

DANIEL ISLAND EXCHANGE CLUB

Meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month (with some exceptions) at 5:30 pm at The Church of the Holy Cross, 299 Seven Farms Drive and centers its service initiatives on Americanism, youth programs, community service and the prevention of child abuse. For questions about meeting dates and programming, contact PresidentDIExchangeClub@gmail.com or visit their Facebook page.

MOM'S PLAYDATE

Join local Moms and kids for playdates twice a month. @ Center Park (train side) on the 1st Tues. of every month at 10am and the 3rd Wed. of every month at 11am. Erica Elmenhurst (ericaelmenhurst@gmail.com) and/or Marie Corbin (mariefw@gmail.com) for more information.

MEN'S FITNESS GROUP

F3, a free men's workout group, meets every Saturday morning starting at 6:30 am at Governors Park and at 5:30 am on Wednesdays. F3 workouts are always free of charge, open to all men over age 17. The group will meet at 6:20 am with the hour workout beginning promptly at 6:30 am. Visit www.f3nation.com or email to F3Charleston@gmail.com.



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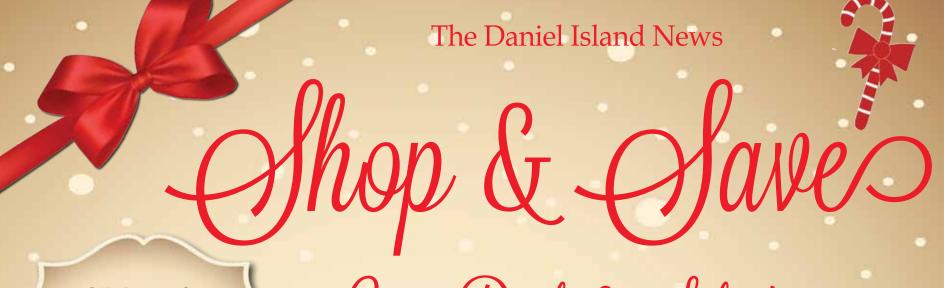


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Don't throw wipes in the toilet!

So called 'flushable' wipes cause major problems at DI pumps

ELIZABETH BUSH

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Let's be honest. No one really wants to think about what happens to the contents of the toilet bowl after it's flushed. But there are some hardworking folks in our community who do need to spend time considering such matters. And they have issued a warning to

Just because the package says "flushable" doesn't mean it is. The record rainfall event and subsequent flooding problems experienced in Charleston in October brought to light a rather stinky and messy situation on Daniel Island, according to the very capable staff at the Charleston Water System. Communications Director Jenny Craft tells us that the island suffered several sewer overflows caused by "masses of wipes that clogged pumps" at the wastewater pump station on Daniel Island Drive. They even provided a photo to show us the evidence.

"We're trying to get the word out to our customers to not flush wipes - even those labeled 'flushable' - as they don't break down



After clogging the system and causing sewer overflows during the record rainfall event last October, this massive collection of wipes was extricated from a pump on Daniel Island.

in the water like toilet tissue does and can clog our sewer system," said Craft. "Utilities across the country are experiencing costly problems caused by 'flushable' wipes."

The problem was exacerbated on Daniel Island, explained Baker Mordecai, director of the CWS wastewater collection department,

because of the island's oversized lines.

"The system over there is really sized for 20 years out for our master plan," he said. "And that development really hasn't been realized, so we have a lot of oversized lines and there are a lot of areas where these wipes can settle out in our pipes. When the heavy

rain hit, we were really surprised at the sheer volume and amount of wipes that were flushed through the system."

Much of the volume traveled down sewer lines along Clements Ferry Road and into the CWS regional pumping station on Daniel

"On October 3 we started seeing really high levels at our pump station," said Mordecai. "... Two of the three pumps were clogged with these rags...We haven't had a history of overflows out there until this event."

To remove the clogs, workers had to physically remove the wipes from the system's impellers, which required a tremendous amount of manpower.

"If nobody puts wipes down the toilet, you're really solving the problem at the source," added Mordecai. "It's so much more expensive to handle it once it gets into the system. It impacts our efficiencies on the pumps, and it's a costly thing for utilities to deal with."

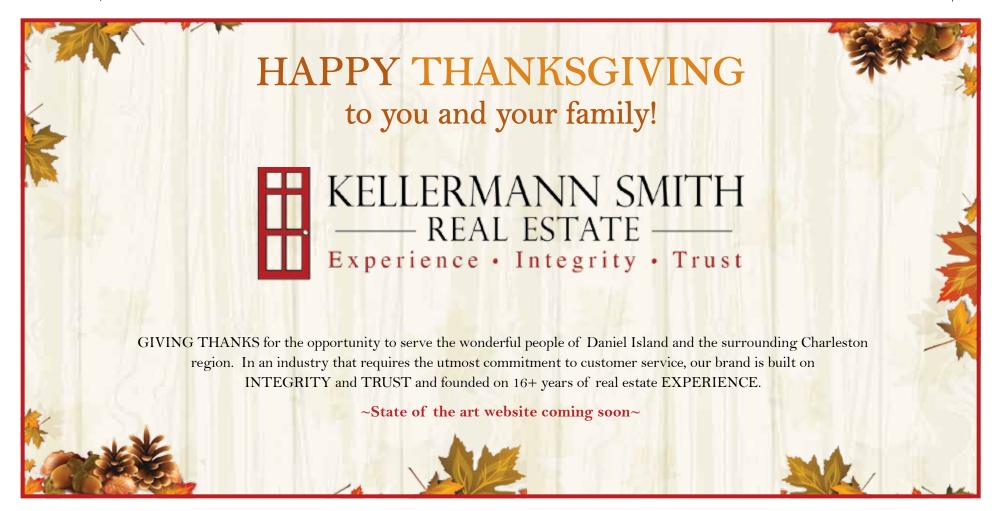
Mordecai said the problem certainly isn't unique to Daniel Island. In fact, nationally there is a push by the water and sewer industry to redefine the term "flushable." In the meantime, he recommends not disposing of any wipes into the toilet. If you need reminding, here's a catchy campaign message to help you go with the flow: "Only flush number one, number two, and toilet tissue!"



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Reading Partners program debuts at Cainhoy Elem/Middle School

Additional 60 volunteers needed to reach all students in need

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Kendrick focuses intently on the words and pictures on the page, as volunteer Christine Messick reads aloud a story about a boy who puts together a wind machine in his village.

"Was he successful?" asked Messick, referring to the character in the book.

"Yes," responded Kendrick, flashing a smile in her direction. "Because he made a windmill

And with that, Messick dives back into the story, her pupil eager to hear and see what happens next. Beside them in this well-appointed classroom at Cainhoy Elementary Middle School are other pairs of volunteers and students equally engrossed in their own tales. It's all part of a new one-on-one initiative at CEMS called Reading Partners, a proven evidence-based program that pairs volunteer tutors with students whose reading skills are anywhere from one month to two and a half years below their grade level peers. The



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Reading Partners volunteer Christine Messick reads with Kendrick, a student at Cainhoy Elementary Middle School who is taking part in the program.

program debuted locally in Charleston County Schools in 2012. Thanks to a grant from the Daniel Island Community Fund, CEMS is the first facility in Berkeley County to implement

"I think we've got the perfect opportunity here for our students," said CEMS Principal Anthony Dixon, who started at the school last

After seeing Reading Partners in action at his former school in Charleston County, Dixon knew about 50 of his identified students at Cainhoy could benefit from it as well.

"When I got to Cainhoy, we definitely off the bat saw that we had a good number of volunteers for a rural school, as well as partnerships," he said. "But we did not necessarily have the resources to match the students with the needs, or with the interventions that they needed to improve."

Many schools have "reading buddy" programs in which volunteers come in and read with students, but Reading Partners is different, explained the program's South Carolina Executive Director Kecia Greenho.

"It's pretty structured," she said. "... We evaluate four times during the year and we continue to monitor and give feedback on students' progress to principals and teachers."

The other main difference is that each program has its own full-time site coordinator who is there during sessions to support the volunteer tutors and make sure resources are

readily available. Each student also takes home a complimentary book each week. But it's not just a book distribution, Greenho explained. Tutors talk with students the following week about the book and what they learned.

"They get that one-on-one attention," she said. "And they just soak it up!"

Statistics provided by Reading Partners paint a clear picture of why the program is so desperately needed in schools with at-risk kids. In South Carolina, eight out of 10 fourth graders from low-income families cannot read at grade level. And those who can't read proficiently by then are four times less likely to graduate on time. That can lead to a host of other problems in college, careers or life in

"If you're not reading on grade level by third grade, there's an 88 percent chance you won't ever catch up," said Kecia. "... Elementary school is where we have to get the work done. The gaps just keeps getting bigger and bigger after that."

The students targeted by Reading Partners are not the ones with the greatest needs, or those "at the bottom of the list," added Greenho. Those students receive special attention from school interventionists. The kids

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Volunteers needed for reading program

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the Reading Partners program attempts to help are those who may otherwise go unnoticed. Currently, there are about 1000 students in Berkeley and Charleston Counties who would benefit from the program, she said.

"We're talking about kids that are at risk of reading failure... And what happens is they slip through the cracks. We send them on to high school and you can imagine trying to do your best when you can't read. It's too bad because these are the kids that actually have the greatest chance of success...If we can get them into middle school reading proficiently, then we're building up a work force."

The Reading Partners curriculum focuses on three important areas: reading comprehension, fluency, and sight-word reading. Students, who meet with tutors twice a week, are assessed throughout their participation and utilize hand-picked materials based on their needs. So far, the data obtained by the Reading Partners program in Charleston shows promising results. After participating in the program, some 77 percent of target students increased their monthly rates of literacy learning, and 67 percent narrowed their literacy gaps with their peers who read at grade level.

"I think the piece that a lot of people don't

realize is what makes these kids at risk is the poverty situation they are in," added Greenho. "So even if we do an incredible job getting them to great proficiency, they are still at risk because of the poverty....so we need to constantly support them, and Reading Partners is an easy program to do that because it's using volunteers. It's not a heavy lift, it's very affordable for the school district. It's only two days a week for these kids, but it's just exactly what they need."

But to make it all possible, the program needs volunteers - and lots of them. Currently, there are about 740 weekly Reading Partners volunteers working in schools throughout the local area. At CEMS, they now have about 20 students matched with volunteers, but close to 30 more are on a waiting list. With each student needing two weekly sessions, both Greenho and Dixon are hoping to recruit another 60 volunteers to make sure that all kids who can benefit from the program are able to take part.

"I feel like the volunteers may feel a little more rewarded because they can actually see the progress," he said. "Because our volunteers stay with those kids...It's been a good mar-

"It's a strategic use of volunteers," added Greenho. "We want to move them from a feeling good standpoint, to feeling good and doing

When it comes to a student's success, the power of a volunteer cannot be underesti-

"When we're able to meet the needs of students with the resources we have in the community, we will begin to see the needle move and the future impact on high school graduation rates and students who are college and career ready," said Greenho.

Messick has been a Reading Partners tutor for over a year and is sold on its benefits.

"It's very rewarding," she said. "Especially with kindergartners. They're like sponges and they are definitely excited to be here!"

She is also enjoying her sessions with Kendrick, who clearly shares her enthusiasm for the program.

"He's amazing! The opportunity to spend a good 45 minutes one-on-one with him is wonderful. I get more out of it than I think he

As the pair closed their recent session, Messick posed a question to her attentive pupil about the boy in the book.

"How do you think he's feeling?" she asked. "Happy!" beamed Kendrick.

For more information on Reading Partners,

or to inquire about becoming a volunteer, please visit www.readingpartners.org, email Kecia Greenho at kecia.greenho@readingpartners.org or call (508) 561-3537.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Cainhoy Elementary Middle School **READING PARTNERS** PROGRAM

Can you spare an hour or two per week? Consider volunteering for the CEMS Reading Partners Program, a structured initiative that pairs tutors in the community with students in need of reading help. The program is in need of 60 additional volunteers to match with students on a waiting list. To inquire about becoming a volunteer, please visit www.readingpartners. org, email Kecia Greenho at kecia. greenho@readingpartners.org, or call (508) 561-3537.

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Incumbent Gary White wins District 1 seat in run-off

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Daniel Island resident Gary White will return to Charleston City Hall as the City Council member representing District 1.

White, who has held the seat for the last eight years, was challenged by fellow Daniel Island resident Shawn Pinkston. The two were forced into a run-off election on November 17, after neither received 50 percent of the vote, plus one vote, as required by state law, in the November 3 election.

According to the official run-off results. released on November 19. White finished at the top with 1,134 votes (51.66 percent) over Pinkston's 1,061 (48.34 percent). The November 3 results were much closer for the candidates, with Pinkston receiving 49.95 percent of the vote, compared to White's 49.58 percent.

White expressed excitement over his win and attributed much of his success at the polls to a vigorous surge in campaign volunteers over the last two weeks, as well as better voter turnout in four of the Daniel Island/Cainhoy area precincts.

"We actually had a higher voter turnout than we did in the general election," said White. "A lot of people who had voter fatigue or apathy chose to come out and vote. It was also beautiful weather, which we didn't get the first time. And we had quite a bit of people who said 'Wow, we didn't think it was going to be that close so we really made an effort to get out this time.' All those things really pushed the higher voter turnout...and that was good news."

The day his campaign found out there would be a run-off race. White said he received a number of calls from folks offering to help.

"Our volunteer group probably tripled overnight," he said. "I spent 12 hours a day for three days in a row with people calling me asking me what they could do and how they could help. People from all over the city...who were very interested in making sure we had all the resources we needed...The support was overwhelming and it was really humbling, when that many people came out, not just friends and family, but people I see from time to time, who felt a big desire for me to be re-elected. That was great."

White also thanked six of his fellow City Council members for endorsing his campaign prior to the run-off.

"It's very rare for council members to endorse each other in races," he said. "The reason is regardless of the outcome ultimately those people have to come and work together... It shows the support I had, and really worked hard to gain, over the last eight years in work-



Newly re-elected City Councilman Gary White took some time to celebrate his win on Election Night with his family at LIDI on Daniel Island. Pictured with Gary (far right) are his wife, Holly, children Regan, Emma, and Conor; his parents Debra and Gary White, Sr; and his sister-in-law Allison Yeager.

ing with them."

After all the ballots were counted, Pinkston saw his initial victory on November 3 overturned in the run-off. He told The Daniel Island News he was thankful for all the support he garnered throughout his campaign and was honored by each and every vote he received.

"It was a close and hard-fought run-off," he said. "For all of those people who came out and voted for both of us, thank you. It was truly a special election. Mr. White won and congratulations to him...I look forward to working with him and all of our community leaders to make sure that the people of Daniel Island and Cainhoy area are properly represented."

MAYORAL CANDIDATE TECKLENBURG WINS DANIEL ISLAND/CAINHOY VOTE

In the City of Charleston Mayoral race, candidate John Tecklenburg earned the highest number of votes over opponent Leon Stavrinakis in each of the Daniel Island/Cainhoy area's seven precincts. Tecklenburg, a former Daniel Island resident, won the citywide race overall, becoming the first new mayor in 40 years. He will be sworn into office in January 2016.

White said he received a congratulatory voicemail message from Tecklenburg after his win and reported that the two will be meeting in the coming weeks to talk about the needs of

"It was good to spend time with him on the campaign trail," added White. "And I'm looking forward to working with him."

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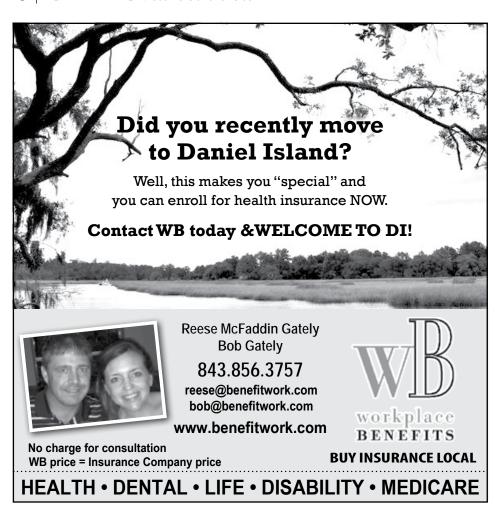
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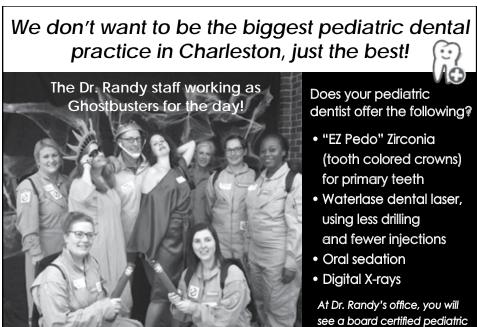
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Election Results

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DANIEL ISLAND/CAINHOY Run-Off Election Results November 17, 2015

CITY COUNCIL RACE Gary White - 1,134 (51.66%) Shawn Pinkston - 1,061 (48.34%)

Precinct Breakdown:

DANIEL ISLAND 1 Registered Voters = 1163 Ballots Cast = 407 Voter Turnout = 35%

Mayor of Charleston John Tecklenburg - 260 (64.20%) Leon Stavrinakis - 145 (35.80%)

City Council District 1 Gary White - 273 (67.57% Shawn Pinkston - 131 (32.43%)

DANIEL ISLAND 2 Registered Voters = 1119 Ballots Cast = 305 Voter Turnout = 27.26%

Mayor of Charleston John Tecklenburg -185 (61.46%) Leon Stavrinakis - 116 (38.54%)

City Council District 1

Shawn Pinkston - 174 (57.62%) Gary White - 128 (42.38%) DANIEL ISLAND 3 Registered Voters = 1524 Ballots Cast = 419 Voter Turnout = 27.49%

Mayor of Charleston John Tecklenburg - 251 (60.19%) Leon Stavrinakis - 166 (39.81%)

City Council District 1 Shawn Pinkston - 229 (55.45%) Gary White - 184 (44.55%)

DANIEL ISLAND 4 Registered Voters = 1856 Ballots Cast = 479 Voter Turnout = 25.81%

Mayor of Charleston John Tecklenburg - 300 (63.03%) Leon Stavrinakis - 176 (36.97%)

City Council District 1 Shawn Pinkston - 267 (56.21%) Gary White - 208 (43.79%)

THE VILLAGE
Registered Voters = 953
Ballots Cast = 100
Voter Turnout = 10.49%

Mayor of Charleston John Tecklenburg - 57 (57%) Leon Stavrinakis - 43 (43%)

City Council District 1 Gary White - 59 (64.13%) Shawn Pinkston - 33 (35.87%)

YELLOW HOUSE Registered Voters = 562 Ballots Cast =101 Voter Turnout = 17.97%

Mayor of Charleston John Tecklenburg - 67 (67%) Leon Stavrinakis - 33 (33%)

City Council District 1 Gary White - 64 (64.65%) Shawn Pinkston - 35 (35.35%)

CAINHOY Registered Voters = 3 Ballots Cast = 2 Voter Turnout = 66.67%

Mayor of Charleston John Tecklenburg - 2 (100%) Leon Stavrinakis - 0

City Council District 1 Shawn Pinkston - 2 (100%) Gary White - 0

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 PRECINCTS IN CHARLES-TON COUNTY

CHARLESTON 2 Gary White - 38 (55.07%) Shawn Pinkston - 31 (44.93%)

CHARLESTON 6 Gary White - 56 (50.45%) Shawn Pinkston - 55 (49.55%

CHARLESTON 7 Gary White - 88 (53.33%) Shawn Pinkston - 77 (46.67%)



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Home Telecom launches Gigabit Internet speed to Daniel Island residents and businesses

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STAFF REPORT

Lightning fast Internet, streaming video, online gaming with no lag, uploads to the cloud for backup and transferring large files instantly are among the benefits of Velocity Gigabit, according to William S. Helmly, President and COO of Home Telecom, "Access to gigabit Internet speed improves quality of life for Daniel Island residents by allowing them to have a virtual business or to work at home in one of the most beautiful communities in the Charleston region."

Since 2004, Home Telecom has been investing in future-proof fiber infrastructure. Today while only 1 in 5 households in the United States is serviced by fiber, Home Telecom currently serves 50% of their 22,000 customers and 100% of Daniel Island homes and business with fiber. With fiber going all the way to every home and business on Daniel Island, Home Telecom is able to provide services as robust and dependable as those available anywhere in the world, the company boasted in a recent press release. Beyond the benefit of super fast Internet, the fiber infrastructure is more reliable than other technologies for delivering telecommunications, allows symmetrical (equal upload and download) speeds, and keeps Daniel Island looking beautiful by not needing large pedestals throughout every neighborhood.

"Our corporate vision is to be the best and the 'easy to do business with' company to globally connect the communities we serve," says Helmly. "We strive to live our vision by continuing to be the first to introduce the latest and greatest products, such as gigabit Internet, coupled with local customer service. We feel living our vision is how we maintain a 91% customer satisfaction rating with our customers."

Just how fast is a Gigabit? Here's some real world examples: Download 100 songs in 3 seconds, download an HD movie in 7 seconds, upload 1000 photos in 10 seconds and send a 5 GB backup to the cloud in 40 seconds.



The Rotary Club of Daniel Island demonstrated their giving holiday spirit by preparing over 100 holiday gift bags for homebound neighbors in the community. The gifts will be distributed through East Cooper Meals on Wheels, sharing holiday spirit with individuals who are homebound due to illness, injury or other physical limitation. Daniel Island Rotarians: (from left) Gerry Hall, Jerry Bacon, Billie Bacon, Fred Klare, Connie Klare.



Five Traits of Extra Mile Leaders



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Doug Dickerson

There are no shortcuts on the extra mile – Zig Ziglar

Bob Kuechenberg, the former Miami Dolphins great, once explained what motivated him to go to college. "My father and uncle were human cannonballs in carnivals. My father told me, "go to college or be a cannonball." Then one day my uncle came out of the cannon, missed the net and hit the Ferris wheel, I decided to go to college."

The way you tap into your motivation as a leader may not be as drastic for you as it was for Bob Kuechenberg, but tapping into it is necessary nonetheless. Going the extra mile as a leader is what will set you apart from the rest of the pack and will take you farther than you could have without it

So what traits do "extra mile" leaders possess? Here is a sampling of a few that I believe are essential. It's not an exhaustive list but is a good place to start.

EXTRA MILE LEADERS ARE **PROACTIVE**

Extra mile leaders take the initiative in getting things done. They prefer to tackle issues head-on rather than assume a reactionary posture. Extra mile leaders are out front on understanding the culture of their organization and the needs of the people they serve. They don't wait to be told or asked, they see what needs to be done and they do it.

EXTRA MILE LEADERS POSSESS A CONTAGIOUS ENTHUSIASM

What sets extra mile leaders apart from mediocre leaders-every time, is a passion and enthusiasm for what they do. Their attitudes are positive and their temperament is even-handed. An extra mile leader in your organization with enthusiasm and passion will be the benchmark for the rest of your team. Without extra mile leaders your work will be hard but with them your team can see extra-ordinary results. Extra mile leaders bring out the best in those they serve.

EXTRA MILE LEADERS PUT THE **TEAM FIRST**

Extra mile leaders by and large are selfless in that their motivation and their

proactive ways are done with the intent of benefitting the team. Yes, there can be exceptions when what motivates an individual is selfish in nature. But by and large, extra mile leaders have a broad understanding of the mission and vision of the organization and their extra mile sacrifices are for the benefit of the group. Of course, it pays dividends in the long run as all hard work and effort does, but it's not the prime motivation. Extra mile leaders put their colleagues first.

EXTRA MILE LEADERS HAVE AN ATTITUDE OF EXCELLENCE

Extra mile leaders are not satisfied with the status quo nor do they settle for what is merely acceptable. Extra mile leaders have a compelling desire to be the best personally and professionally. At times it can be misinterpreted by those without the extra mile mentality as self-serving, grand-standing, or posturing, etc. but at their core, the extra mile leader cares deeply and truly wants to advance the team in the right direction.

EXTRA MILE LEADERS HAVE FOUND THEIR PURPOSE

Extra mile leaders have not only tapped into their passion but have taken it a step further in discovering their purpose. Extra mile leaders intuitively understand that it's not about what they "do" that defines them or motivates them to go the extra mile. Extra mile leaders are those who have embraced the blessing and gift of their Creator and have committed themselves to living their life in such a way that honors it.

Danish philosopher Soren Kierkegaard said, "There is nothing with which every man is so afraid as getting to know how enormously much he is capable of doing and becoming."

What you are capable of becoming as an extra mile leader is realized when you worry less about what you do and care more for the life you have to live and the ways in which you can serve others. When you do, the results will speak for itself.

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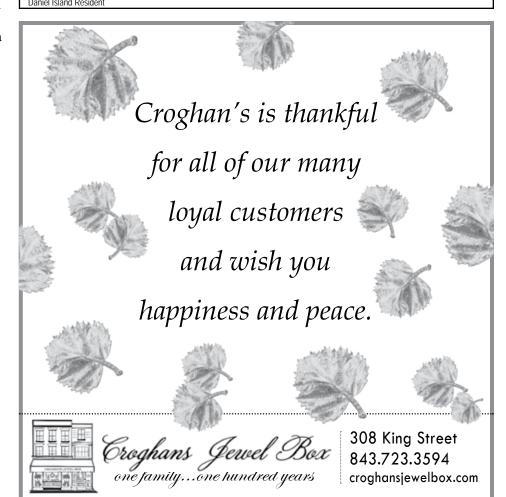
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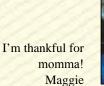
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I am thankful for being blessed to have another day! Trevor Griffin Mount Pleasant

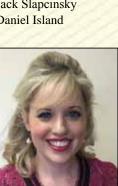








I'm thankful for my walking buddy, Ronda! Jack Slapcinsky Daniel Island



I am thankful that God has blessed me with an amazin family and wonderful frier Courtney Kerce Daniel Island



I'm thankful for my sissy. Emma

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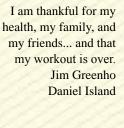
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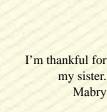


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I am thankful for the my family and for our way of life. Kemper Campbell Daniel Island



I am thankful for God's forgiveness, grace, mercy and love in my life. I am also thankful for my wife and two incredible kids. Last but not least I am thankful for family, friends and close meaningful relationships! Kerrick Keenan Daniel Island

I am thankful that I'll be able to join my family to celebrate Thanksgiving in Atlanta. Bill Thielfoldt Daniel Island



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I am thankful to be an American; I am thankful for all the wonderful opportunities I have had in this country and I am thankful that I can live without fear. I am also thankful for the sacrifices our military families make so we all can enjoy living in this country. Considering the events in the Mideast and Europe, we are all truly blessed. Larry Berger Daniel Island



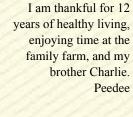
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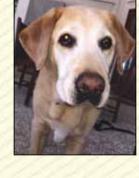


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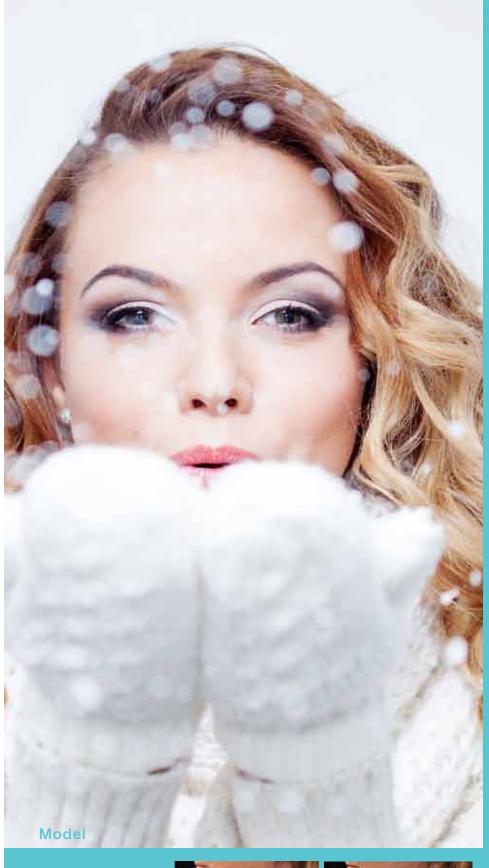
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Bishop England girls' basketball enter season ranked No. 1

Last year's state champs look strong with 5 starters returning

PHILIP M. BOWMAN

The resume is more impressive each passing year. The roster has just about every player back from last year's memorable team. And then there's Runey: Paul Runey, the basketball coach.

Welcome to the world of Bishop England girls' basketball.

The Bishops begin the 2015-16 season with the No. 1 ranking in Class AA, according to the initial state coaches' association poll, and rightfully so.

The Bishops clinched their second consecutive state title last March with a 50-39 decision over Pendleton to cap a 23-4 season.

The victory also gave the Bishops three state titles in four years, a feat only two other Class AA teams have accomplished in the history of the High School League.

So, with all five starters and 11 roster players back for more after posting a 101-9 record the past four seasons, the Bishops have reloaded.

Runey, who enters the campaign with 613 career victories, know this team has its work cut out for it. The Bishops play Class A power Carvers Bay in the season-opener and then will find some tough competition in the Carolina Christmas Classic, which will be contested at many venues in the Lowcountry, including Bishop England.

"That field is loaded," Runey said. "There are more than 100 teams. We could go 0-3. Last year, we were 1-2 in the tournament."

ter. Having talent also helps quite a bit.

The team will have a different look this

But strong competition makes a team bet-

season. The team in past years has been topheavy in backcourt players. This season it's just the opposite.

"We have our top three guards back, but we're not quite as deep," Runey said. "Three-fourths of the team are 4s and 5s, occasionally a No. 3. The main thing is that we expect our taller players to handle the ball. Everyone will be expected to dribble and make the passes. It's just not going to be a case of our front-court players going down there and getting a rebound."

JoJo Tompkins directs the team from the point-guard position. She's a three-year starter and the one player the Bishops can't afford to lose.

Rhetta Moore and Hannah Corbett are just as valuable.

Last March, Moore entered the state championship game as the Bishops' leading scorer, but it was her classmate, Corbett, who took scoring honors against Pendleton with 17 points, thanks to a 2 of 4 effort from 3-point land.

Caroline McQueeney, added 10 points. Anna Marie Penninger collected eight points and nine rebounds to give the Bishops the title.

That's pretty much the Bishops' starting five this winter.

The Bishops' continued success could qualify them for dynasty status in a few years – just like the tennis and volleyball teams.

"I don't know how much the girls worry about that," Runey said. "They know they've had success, know they have a target on their collective backs. I remind them of that at practice. But I don't shove it down their throats. I ask them where they want to be in March, and what will it take to get there."

And if the past is prologue, the Bishops will be on top of the Class AA mountain when March rolls around.

Local athletes sign letters of intent

PHILIP M. BOWMAN

Some of the area's most elite athletes recently signed scholarships in the NCAA's early National Signing Day period.

Bishop England's Jamie Wilson and Montana Swanson signed their letters of intent. Wilson signed to play golf at the University of South Carolina while Swanson will matriculate to USC Upstate to play volleyball.

At Hanahan, baseball players Malcolm Van Buren and Parker Futrell signed with North Carolina State and Charleston Southern respectively.

Another Hawk athlete, football player Samuel Denmark who will matriculate to Virginia Tech, took part in the ceremony but did not officially sign. Football players are not allowed to sign scholarships until the first Wednesday in February, but Denmark won't be around much

longer because he will enroll at the school, which is located in Blacksburg, in January.

Nov. 12 marked the first day of the early signing period for sports other than football and soccer. The early window ended Nov. 18. Football and soccer players can sign beginning Feb. 3. All other sports become eligible to sign on April 13.

Wilson has an impressive resume. He has won two consecutive Class AA individual state golf championships and is a good bet to make it three when the state championship is held in May.

He will golf for the Gamecocks, who finished 13th at the NCAA championships last year.

Swanson has been the Class AA player of the Year for 2014 and '15 and has had a key role in the Bishops' recent success, which includes

16 straight state championships, which ties a national record.

At Hanahan, Van Buren, a right-handed pitcher helped lead the Hawks to a district final last spring with a 4-1 record and a 2.38 ERA as a junior. He pitched 32 innings and allowed just 15 hits while striking out 46.

Futrell was the Hawks' closer last spring and boasted impressive statistics, including two victories and three saves. He pitched 27 1/3 innings and tallied a 1.28 ERA and 19 strikeouts.

Coach Brian Mitchell said Futrell has great control and is calm in intense situations.

BISHOP ENGLAND TENNIS

Bishop England junior Camryn Deames finished with the silver medal in the state in the Class AA individual state tennis championships. Deames lost to Elise Mills of Mid-Carolina by a 6-3, 6-0 decision in the finals to finish the season with a 15-7 record, which includes playoff and invitational action.

Deames topped Kaylee Jordan of Green Sea-Floyds 6-0, 6-1 in the opening round and bested Maddie Middleton of Waccamaw, 6-0, 6-1.

Deames defeated Lauren Allen of Christ Church 6-3, 6-7 (10-7) in the semifinals to advance.

Deames is a three-year starter for the Bishops and split her time playing Nos. 1 and 2 singles.

Meanwhile senior Gabrielle Dacuba was selected to play in the North-South all-star matches, which were scheduled for the Pavillion in Taylors.

"Cameron and Gabrielle are great players, great competitors who worked hard," coach Kristen Fleming Arnold said. "Both will do whatever it takes to make the team better. Both have a great sense of the team concept."





Learn the 'jiggly and wiggly' retrieve



fishing trends

GREG PERALTA

Thanksgiving is a time for family and friends. It is also a great time to catch fish. So when I ran into Jack Gardner at the gym, I invited him and his dad (Jason) to go fishing. On the morning of our trip, it was windy and cool.

Subsequently, our ride up the Wando (in my little technical skiff) was a bit sporty. We arrived at the first fishing spot chilly and wet. However, our dedication was rewarded with a solid Trout bite. We were casting Z-Man MinnowZ Houdini lures on quarter ounce jigs into the current and slowly bouncing them along the channel bottom. Initially, I was catching most of the fish. However, when Jack and Jason began using my "jiggle and wiggle" retrieve (a slight shaking of

the rod tip as the lure moved along the bottom), everyone caught lots of

The jiggle and wiggle retrieve was so effective, we decided that it needed a name. After much consideration, we settled on the "jiggly wiggly" retrieve. For some unknown reason, we found this name to be hilarious. Whenever one of us would catch a fish, the others would ask what retrieve they were using. The response of "jiggly wiggly" would send all of us into uproarious laughter. As were enjoying a solid bite from Trout and Redfish, we spent a lot of time laughing. We would have caught many more fish if we were not laughing so much.

The best catch when fishing is time with your family and friends. This week, go fishing. You will be thankful vou did.

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ise Myers wins in tiebreake

Denise Myers is this week's Pig Skin Pick 'Em Challenge winner. Denise was tied in head to head play with Beth Noding with 8-3 records. Denise was closest in the score tiebreaker for the Denver game to beat Helen Girly Brown (Clyde Hiers' dog) (5-6) to earn a \$50 gift card to Wasabi Daniel Island.

We did have one sponsor correctly pick The Citadel's upset over South Carolina, Tony Pope of State Farm. In the NFL, all the sponsors picked Philadelphia to win, but they were upset by Tampa Bay. Also in the NFL, many readers and sponsors missed the Colts victory over

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Artist celebrates new series with Dec. 4 party, month-long show at Honeycomb

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Wildlife artist Amanda McLenon is fresh off a successful exhibit at Piccolo Spoleto. And a move to Daniel Island. Oh, and a 40th birthday. But she is not yet finished creating reasons to celebrate, or actually doing that celebrating, in 2015.

On Friday, December 4, from 6 to 9 p.m., the new resident will hold a release party for her new series, "Feathers and Folly," at the Honeycomb Café. This evening soiree will offer a true first look at her eagerly-anticipated latest work. A former marine biologist, ever-dedicated to supporting wildlife and the preservation of its habitats, McLenon will also be fielding recommendations for her 2016 art-tied philanthropy. Last year, she backed South Carolina Aquarium's Sea Turtle Rescue program.

We shared some of McLenon's backstory ahead of Piccolo Spoleto in the June 3 issue of the Daniel Island News. This time around, we get to dig more into her perpetually inspired work and upcoming event and December-long display at The



New Daniel Island resident Amanda McLenon will show her art at Honeycomb Cafe during the month of December.

Honeycomb.

Jennifer Johnston: First of all, how was Piccolo Spoleto with Austin Grace Smith? Was your collaboration wellreceived?

Amanda McLenon: Folks seemed to really enjoy the collaborations and the stories behind them, but what sold the most at Piccolo Spoleto were my original paintings of pelicans. 2015 has been the year of the pelican for me! 2014 was the year of the turtle, as most of what I sold were prints of my painting, "Folly," (the loggerhead over the Charleston chart), but 2015 was definitely when I made the transition to birds.

JJ: Let's talk about this next series of yours, Feathers and Folly. How does this follow the natural evolution of your artistry? Is there anything that is a surprise departure from your "typical" approach?

AM: Since the favorable reception of my work at Piccolo Spoleto last year, I have continued to focus on large-scale paintings of birds on canvas. My pieces that folks were calling "white-on-white" were very subdued, peaceful white egrets preening with white backgrounds and very subtle colors. The surprise departure in the new series, "Feathers and Folly" is, as the name suggests, a little more fun and play with color. This new series will feature birds but will play with brighter, bolder colors.

JJ: It might be helpful for the lay-

person to know what it means to have an art series. Is there forethought given to how many pieces it will contain, how long it will take, and what connective features will keep it cohesive?

AM: A painting series is a way to explore variations on a theme or subject. There is usually planning that goes into a series, depending on your goal. For the current series that will be released December 4, I am just exploring something new. I am painting what I feel and seeing what happens. This is the least planned series I have done yet!

JJ: What can you share about the pieces you are creating for nurseries and kids' rooms, and what has inspired this effort?

AM: My niece Lillian, who is in Montessori school in NC, was part of the inspiration for a nursery series, as the Montessori approach encourages realistic art and toys. The central piece will be the stork named "Special Delivery." These will be biologically and anatomically

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McLenon will hold a release party for her new series

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correct animals for kids' rooms that have little lessons or quotes with them. The wood stork is what we would see here in the Lowcountry. He is carrying a basket made of moss and feathers and twigs and the "baby" inside is left to the imagination. I have always been a naturalist, and I also love the classic storybook characters like foxes, badgers, and rabbits. This is my opportunity to weave some of that passion into some pieces and make them educational, too.

One other preview from this set: I created a triptych (three painting set) of the nine-banded armadillo. We all imagine armadillos rolling into balls, but it turns out this species we have in the U.S. cannot roll up - but in my painting, he does. And the painting is called "If you think you CAN."

JJ: What work will you be showing at Honeycomb, and will any of it be for sale? Are you taking custom orders of any kind (particularly for nursery/kids' room works), or permitting yourself to be commissioned?

AM: During the release party I will have the "Feathers and Folly" series on display. I will also have giclee prints and pillows and previous work available that night for sale. The work I will hang at Honeycomb for the month of December will be a variety- a couple pieces from the new series, some framed giclees, and probably a couple of my map pieces as well. I am taking custom orders of prints of the stork, with name, weight, etc. printed on them. And I am always taking commissions for original paintings on canvas or over maps. However, I have received a lot of commissions lately and I only have space for a few more custom orders for holiday delivery!

JJ: Please share details about the December 4 event, and perhaps a hint of what you'll be giving away?

AM: The December 4th event will be a celebration with light hors d'oeuvres, beer, and wine. It is also an exclusive sneakpeak at the new work and the first opportunity to purchase them. I am also celebrating my engagement to Mike and my move



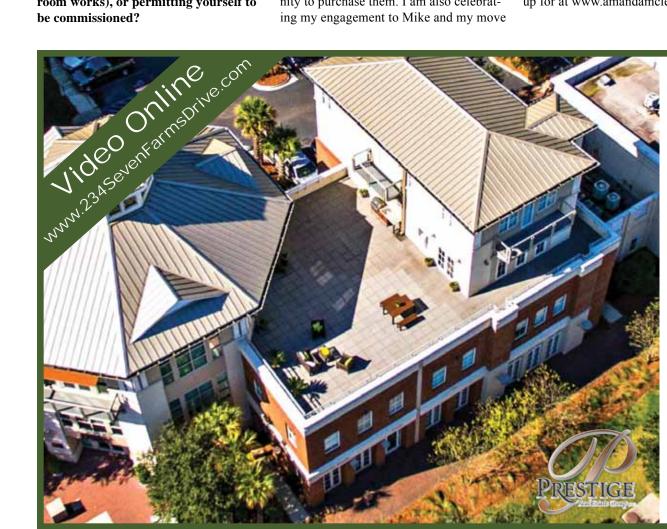
"Special Delivery" is the piece around which McLenon's new nursery work is crafted.

to Daniel Island. This is a way to introduce myself to the community.

I will have other items available for last-minute holiday shopping, including framed prints and my art pillows at the event. The giveaways will include a pillow, print, and maybe even an original painting (worth \$1,200-\$1,800... TBD). Previews of these will be posted in a blog before my event, and in my newsletter which folks can sign up for at www.amandamclenon.com.

JJ: How does the December 4 event tie into your charity support, and your determination of what you will get behind in 2016?

AM: I will have a guest book for folks to sign in, and give me recommendations for charities to support in 2016. I am always seeking ways to have my art reconnect with greater causes, and thought I would ask my patrons for ideas for this next year.



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"Summer in NYC" (SiNYC) is South visit: SummerInNYC.org of Broadway Theatre Company's NYC summer performing arts camp where students reside at The Juilliard School and is entering its eleventh successful

The 2016 program dates are June 5 – July 2. Both three and four week options are available.

Visit www.SummerInNYC.org for more information, application and audition details

Scholarships are available. South of Broadway Theatre Company typically awards \$10,000 to \$15,000 to Lowcountry youth.

There are two ways to audition for 2016:

First, live audition required to qualify for scholarships and applicants must reside in South Carolina. Bring completed application and registration fee of \$25.00 to the auditions:

December 5, 12-1 pm; January 9, 1-2 pm; January 10, 1-2 pm; and February 9, 5-6 pm

Second, video audition may be submitted for older participants (19 and up) and non-South Carolina residents. Mail completed application and \$25.00 registration fee to: South of Broadway Theatre Company, 1080 E. Montague Avenue, North Charleston, SC 29405. Post your audition on YouTube and email the link to: mgould1208@msn.

Details on the New York Experience (SiNYC) is a performing arts summer camp in NYC where the participants reside at The Juilliard School, working with world class artists, teachers, casting directors and agents. Private lessons are alternated with a variety of group seminars, workshops, and activities. Included in the tuition price are tickets to performances on Broadway, at the New York Philharmonic, American Ballet Theatre, and Off-Broadway. For more information

A short list of past mentors includes: **Broadway Artists:**

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For more information contact Donna Jones, Summer in NYC Program Director at 843 696-3240 or visit WWW. SummerInNYC.org.



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The rescue took multiple applications and set up home visits for two puppies and three of the older dogs for their forever homes and families!



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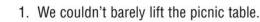
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by Patty Gibbons Saunier

Double Negatives

Vote yes or no. Are the following sentences written correctly?



- 2. Don't look at me! I didn't tell no one!
- 3. I cannot hardly wait to see the look on Kit's face.

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