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Church group unexpectedly attends pope's funeral in Rome

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What began as a pilgrimage from Daniel Island to Rome, Italy, to witness a saint's canonization became an unexpected front-row seat to history.

Father Gregory West, pastor of Saint Clare of Assisi Catholic Church on Daniel Island, was leading 29 parishioners to Rome when news broke that Pope Francis had died.

The group was en route to witness the canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis, a 15-year-old Italian teenager known for his digital evangelization and a figure of devotion at the church for the past four years.

Instead, they found themselves among a quarter of a million mourners at the Vatican for the funeral of Pope Francis, an event West would ultimately help lead as a concelebrating priest.

"We learned of Pope Francis's death only hours before boarding our departing flight out of Charleston," West said. "We knew the Carlo Acutis events would be postponed, but we felt privileged to be in Rome for the extraordinary and once-in-a-lifetime experiences surrounding the funeral Mass of our Holy Father."

With the canonization no longer taking place, the group adjusted their plans to participate in the mourning and memorial events that were drawing Catholics from around the world.

Despite the group's hotel being across the street from the Vatican, West arrived three hours before the funeral Mass and found the square already packed with over 150,000 people.

Security was intense, with helicopters buzzing overhead, streets shut down, and military patrols on every corner. By the time the Mass began, the crowd had swelled to an estimated 250,000.



Father Gregory West concelebrated the funeral Mass of Pope Francis in St. Peter's Square alongside thousands of priests and bishops from around the world.

As a concelebrant during the funeral, West had a seat among the 5,000 priests gathered in Saint Peter's Square. He joined thousands of bishops and priests from around the world in offering prayers in harmony with the main celebrant.

"Personally, it was a tremendous honor and privilege to do my part to pray for our Holy Father and to join the voices of thousands of my brother priests," he said.

One of the most poignant moments during the Mass that struck West was during the consecration of the Holy Eucharist by Cardinal Giovanni Battista Re, the main celebrant.

"As he lifted the host and the chalice of the precious blood, there was complete silence among the 250,000-plus people present," West said.

The Mass was offered in over 10 languages, including Latin, Arabic, Mandarin, and Polish. As Pope Francis's casket was lifted and carried back into St. Peter's Basilica, the square erupted in applause and cries of "Viva il Papa!" – meaning "Long live the Pope!"

West, who lived in Rome in the 1990s and took part in many papal liturgies, said, "Each one of them, including the funeral Mass for Pope Francis, has been a deeply moving expression of the global identity of the Catholic Church."



PHOTOS PROVIDED BY GREGORY WEST

Father Gregory West and 29 parishioners from Saint Clare of Assisi Catholic Church on Daniel Island took a pilgrimage to Rome, Italy, where they unexpectedly attended the funeral Mass of Pope Francis at the Vatican.



Over 250,000 mourners filled St. Peter's Square at the Vatican for the funeral Mass of Pope Francis.

In the week leading up to the funeral, tens of thousands had filed past the pope's open casket as he lay in state inside the basilica.

"The line of the faithful snaked out of the square and into the city streets," West said. "It was such a beautiful expression of love and faith that 200,000 would pass by in two days' time. The outpouring of gratitude was extraordinary."

Despite their change in plans, West said the group embraced their pilgrimage in a new light.

"We went ready to receive whatever blessings God had in store for us," he said. "'The People's Pope' taught the world that real power and influence lie not in the passing things of this world, but rather, in merciful love and heroic kindness."

Editor's note: On May 8, the Vatican Conclave elected Cardinal Robert Prevost the new pontiff. He is the first U.S.-born pope and is now known as Pope Leo XIV.

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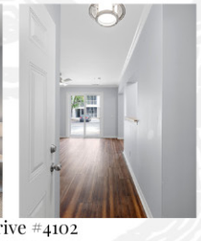
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Step into a wild Lego wonderland at Magnolia Plantation this summer

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Forget everything you know about gardens – this one just got a Lego-fied glow-up.

This summer, Magnolia Plantation and Gardens is turning up the fun with Sean Kenney's Nature POP! The eye-popping outdoor exhibit features more than 40 larger-than-life animal sculptures built entirely from more than 800,000 Lego bricks by award-winning artist Sean Kenney.

Running from May 23 through Aug. 15, this imaginative display turns the natural world into pop-art magic.

Picture strolling under moss-draped oaks and spotting a life-sized fox made entirely of Lego bricks, looking like it just leapt out of a cartoon. Or a zebra standing proudly among the azaleas, its stripes swapped for electric pinks and fiery oranges.

This isn't your typical garden walk – it's part jungle, part art gallery, and part childhood dream.

"We are thrilled to bring artist Sean Kenney's Nature POP! to Magnolia," Magnolia CEO Susan Shallo said. "This exhibition merges art, innovation, and nature to create a truly dynamic and immersive experience. Whether you're a family, an art lover, or just want a scenic escape, this addition offers a fresh and exciting way to see the gardens in a whole new light."

Each Lego sculpture is bursting with personality and a story. One showstopper zebra took 279 hours and 73,500 bricks to create. Along the way, visitors can check out fun facts, design insights, and interactive signage that invites them to think like both scientists and artists.

"I'm super excited to bring Nature POP! to Magnolia," said Kenney, who's known for pushing Lego creativity to the limit.

"Magnolia's beautiful landscapes are the perfect backdrop for my sculptures, which use the bold color of Lego bricks to show the amazing world of nature."

But it's not just a visual treat.

The exhibit is packed with hands-on activities, including interactive Lego building tables, weekday STEAM workshops from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., sculpture scavenger hunts, and Nature Pop! After Hours Friday nights in June, when the gardens stay open late with live music, food, drinks, and outdoor Lego fun under the stars.

"Our world-renowned gardens provide the perfect backdrop for Sean Kenney's whimsical artwork, where colorful animals and playful creations are thoughtfully tucked among blooming landscapes," Director of Volunteer Engagement Neves Richards said. "We hope guests of all ages will connect with the gardens in meaningful ways and leave feeling inspired."

Guests can download the Magnolia app for a guided experience, so a single Nature POP! sculpture won't be missed along the way.



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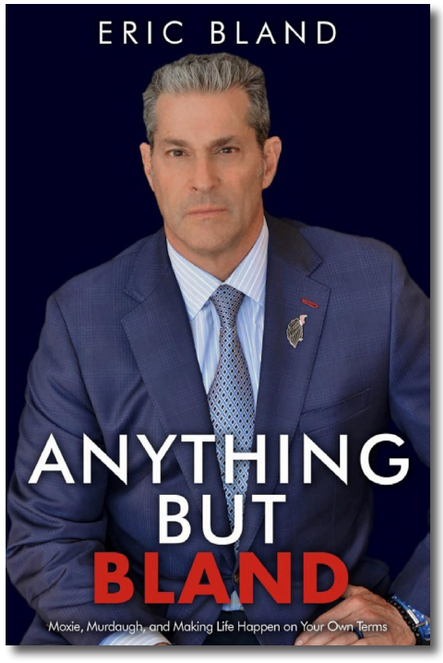
Extinct? Not in these colors. This Lego dodo is bringing bold back, brick by brick, row by row.

The Lego safari exhibit is included with a regular garden admission and will run daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. when it opens in late May. Tickets range from $17 to $35, and children four and under are free.

See what unfolds when nature meets 800,000 Lego bricks. It's bold. It's bright. And it's popping up right in Charleston's backyard.

For tickets and details, visit bit.ly/4kc77Sw.

BEHIND THE HEADLINES: THE MAN WHO EXPOSED ALEX MURDAUGH



Meet Eric Bland, author of Anything But Bland: Moxie, Murdaugh, and Making Life Happen on Your Own Terms

The Murdaugh legal saga, dubbed "the trial of the century," captivated millions with its tale of power, betrayal, and justice. Alex Murdaugh, a prominent South Carolina attorney from a family that reigned over the legal system for generations, was convicted of stealing millions from his clients and firm.

Eric Bland, alongside his partner Ronnie Richter at Bland Richter Law Firm, played a critical role in exposing Murdaugh's multimillion-dollar fraud, recovering over $9 million for victims. Through relentless pursuit of justice, Bland's work shattered the facade of Murdaugh's once-powerful dynasty and highlighted systemic issues within South Carolina's legal system.

Meet the author on June 21 at 11 a.m. at the DI Recreation Center, when he talks about his new book. It's not just a guidebook; it's a deeply personal account of a man dedicated to making a difference, both in and out of the courtroom. Bland shares his unfiltered wisdom and encourages readers to embrace the pursuit of excellence while reflecting on gripping stories from his life, his work during the trial of the century, and the chaos he both loves and creates.

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PHOTO BY ROBERTO JÚNIOR ON UNSPLASH

"Tariff turmoil has created a spike in the VIX. QQQ tanked to new lows. The shorts are dancing in the aisles while call buyers are toast."

The statement above is an illustration of the daily tidbits I am bombarded with reading, watching, or listening to financial news media outlets. I hear or read such commentary and predictions spun by Wall Street wizards. But I must confess, I understand only a fraction of the financial jargon these pundits proffer.

My lovely wife, Grace, says I should turn off the TV, log off the computer, and go do something less stressful and more productive – like trimming the wild raspberry vines growing in our holly bushes.

Yet, my IRA has gone down, and my IRE has gone up. So, I spent last weekend reading up on Wall Street lingo. It was too sunny, anyway, to trim raspberry vines out of the hollies. The following is offered to help any of you novices, like moi, better grapple with the financial news shoptalk spewed 24/7.

Treasury Bonds and Notes – These are financial instruments offered by the United States Government. They are considered safe assets during uncertain financial times. Why so safe? Because our government is just a mere $36 trillion in debt and annually spends only a couple trillion more than it takes in. Think of it like loaning money to your deadbeat half-cousin, Dwayne, who has a gambling problem and has fried his debit card.

The Fed – This is The Federal Reserve, the central bank of the United States. Their goal is to encourage high employment, economic growth, and reasonable inflation through monetary actions such as control over interest rates. Think of it as your rich granddad who could help you out if you were in a financial bind but probably won't until you default on a loan or two.

Transitory – This is The Fed's view of a financial metric if they believe it will correct itself within a reasonably short period of time. Think of it as Granddad saying he is darn-tooting sure Dwayne will get back on his feet any day now.

Quantitative Easing (QE) – QE is when The Fed purchases the debt of the government or other institutions to provide them more liquidity and to encourage lending and investment. Think of it as Granddad taking over the $2,000 bill for the hot tub Dwayne installed behind his trailer.

VIX – It may look like some Roman numeral, but it is more arcane than that. It is the Cboe Volatility Index, representing the stock market's expectations of a near-term (like soon, brother) change in the S&P 500 (500 leading stocks) Index. When the VIX is low, people are more confident of future financial stability. On the other hand, when the VIX rises, people are less confident. Think of it as how confident you are that Granddad is going to get repaid by Dwayne on that hot tub deal.

Hedge – A hedge is a financial strategy used to reduce or offset risk in an investment by taking a position that will move in the opposite direction of the original investment. Options, discussed next, are a tool for doing this. Think of it as Granddad asking if you'd like to pay him $800 for one-half of the $2,000 IOU he has from Dwayne.

Liquidity – Is an estimation of how readily an asset can be converted to cash at a price that reflects its intrinsic value. Think of it as how much your buddy would pay you for the $1,000 IOU from Dwayne that you just bought from your granddad.

Calls and Puts, Long and Short, Covered and Uncovered, etc. – These are just a few of the terms used in the exotic, complex, and risky arena of options trading. A call is an option contract where a buyer pays a fee for the right to purchase a stock at a fixed price at a fixed future date.

A put is the opposite – a contract where a party has the right to sell a stock at a fixed price at a fixed future date. Obviously, each of these contracts has a financial party on the other side.

Sound complicated? You bet, as in executing a protective collar, long strangle, or short-covered call to mention just a few options, twists, and turns.

Think of it this way. If Dwayne called and offered you 100 bucks if you'd lend him $1,000 to put interior twinkle lights in his SUV, and he'd pay you the $1,000 back in 30 days when he gets that big insurance settlement, would you do it? Or would it not be long before you lost your shorts if you did? Welcome to the world of options.

Leverage – Is using debt to amplify returns from an investment or project. Think of it as what Dwayne is doing in trying to get y'all to front the money for him to get them twinkle lights.

Long Squeeze – Now, I bet you readers are about to say, "I'm with you now, Dalton. This is where I'd be if I had loaned Dwayne that one large for the twinkle lights, right?" If so, give yourself an A in finance.

However, financial markets are always fluid and never fully predictable. There could be a **Black Swan,** or improbable, event such as Dwayne actually getting that big insurance settlement. So, stay alert and informed.

Remember, stocks take the stairs up and the elevator down. Don't buy the dead cat bounce. Never catch a falling knife. Sell in May and go away and wait for the Santa Claus rally. That's all I got for now. Grace is calling, and I gotta go prune those pesky raspberry vines out of the hollies.

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Daniel Island School student



My friend Gillian because she is nice to me, and when people are mean to me she helps me and figures it out.

Lyla, age 8
Daniel Island



My friend Noor because she is nice and she is a real friend.

Layla, age 10
Charleston



My social studies teacher, Mr. Griffith, because he's a really really good teacher.

Paige, age 13
Charleston



I admire Ms. Poolaw because she is the kind of person I want to be when I grow up.

Julia, age 14
Louisiana



I really admire Mr. Lofland because he's a really good teacher.

Emerson, age 14
Charleston



Mr. Griffith because I love how fun he makes his class.

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DI home sales average $2M



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In March, 30 homes sold on Daniel Island, with the total sales for the month reaching $55,306,500. As of May 4, 2025, there were 111 homes listed for sale: 64 active listings and 47 under contract.

The most expensive home sold in March was 1743 Sailmaker St. at $1.925 million. The least expensive home sold was a 1-bedroom condo at 130 River Landing Drive for $312,000.

Tricia Peterson of Island House Real Estate said the average sales price on Daniel Island is a whopping $2 million-plus compared to the Charleston average of $670,000.

"It's been an ongoing rollercoaster with concerns over interest rates and the economy," Peterson said, "but the Charleston real estate market continues to be strong as we enter the spring market."

With concerns over a possible 2025 recession, Peterson said, "History tells us that during a recession, home prices follow what trajectory they are on and currently home prices are still rising, just at a more moderate pace."

March home sales

2648 Augustus St. - $1,710,000.00
156 Balfour Drive - $4,655,000.00
1106 Barfield St. - $1,382,000.00
1910 Bellona St. - $1,850,000
216 Beresford Creek St. - $2,200,000
1225 Blakeway St. #1003 - $480,000
1225 Blakeway St. #1104 - $565,000
155 Bounty St. - $1,525,000
111 Brady St. - $1,225,000
200 Bucksley Lane #304 - $350,000
600 Bucksley Lane #106 - $340,000
145 Cartright St. - $1,142,500
710 Cunningham St. - $1,900,000
235 Delahow St. - $3,620,000
232 Delahow St. - $3,300,000
136 Etiwan Park St. - $1,365,000
114 Etiwan Park St. - $989,000
136 Fairbanks Oak Alley #2a - $1,875,000
311 Hidden Bottom Lane - $2,850,000
643 Island Park Drive - $4,100,000
720 Island Park Drive #107 - $2,275,000
165 King George St. - $2,156,000
2451 Louisville St. - $1,680,000
1123 Oak Overhang St. - $2,390,000
135 Pier View St. #307 - $335,000
135 Pier View St. #304 - $510,000
1931 Pierce St. - $770,000
130 River Landing Drive #7208 - $312,000
1743 Sailmaker St. - $1,925,000
424 Wayfaring Point - $5,530,000

Month	DI Homes Sold Per Month				Total Value of Homes Sold Per Month			
	2022	2023	2024	2025	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	32	21	24	15	$31,722,900	$30,478,015	$39,768,900	$31,004,275
February	21	12	18	15	$26,962,940	$12,278,500	$44,064,646	$29,665,000
March	38	19	25	30	$47,581,769	$33,002,153	$37,717,567	$55,306,500
April	34	25	27		$45,284,139	$41,784,300	$56,836,000	
May	34	36	36		$52,184,737	$54,607,975	$70,444,400	
June	30	30	30		$44,261,525	$56,576,160	$60,970,500	
July	14	25	40		$29,707,500	$36,919,032	$64,952,400	
August	22	22	25		$35,597,327	$33,646,299	$45,617,000	
September	30	26	19		$44,069,749	$41,327,400	$29,435,000	
October	16	31	22		$22,021,005	$49,493,910	$40,804,500	
November	12	10	23		$14,639,805	$14,627,000	$38,841,400	
December	10	19	17		$7,903,422	$27,809,500	$30,153,400	
YEAR TOTALS	**293**	**277**	**306**	**60**	**$401,936,818**	**$432,550,244**	**$559,605,713**	**$115,975,775**

DANIEL ISLAND BARBER SHOP
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TIARA CORREA FRIAS



Where are you from, originally?
I am originally from Abilene, Texas. I'm a military brat, so I lived all over the United States.

How long have you been in the business?
I have been in this business for five years now.

What do you love most about this profession?
What I love most about this profession is the art of it seeing my clients' reactions.

If you could choose any other career—what do you think you would do?
If I could choose any other career, I would probably be a preschool teacher.

What is your favorite time of the year?
My favorite time of the year is Halloween. I love dressing up!

If you were stranded on an island what one thing would you take with you?
If I were stranded on an island, I would take a machete.

What is your favorite food?
My favorite food is Chinese!!

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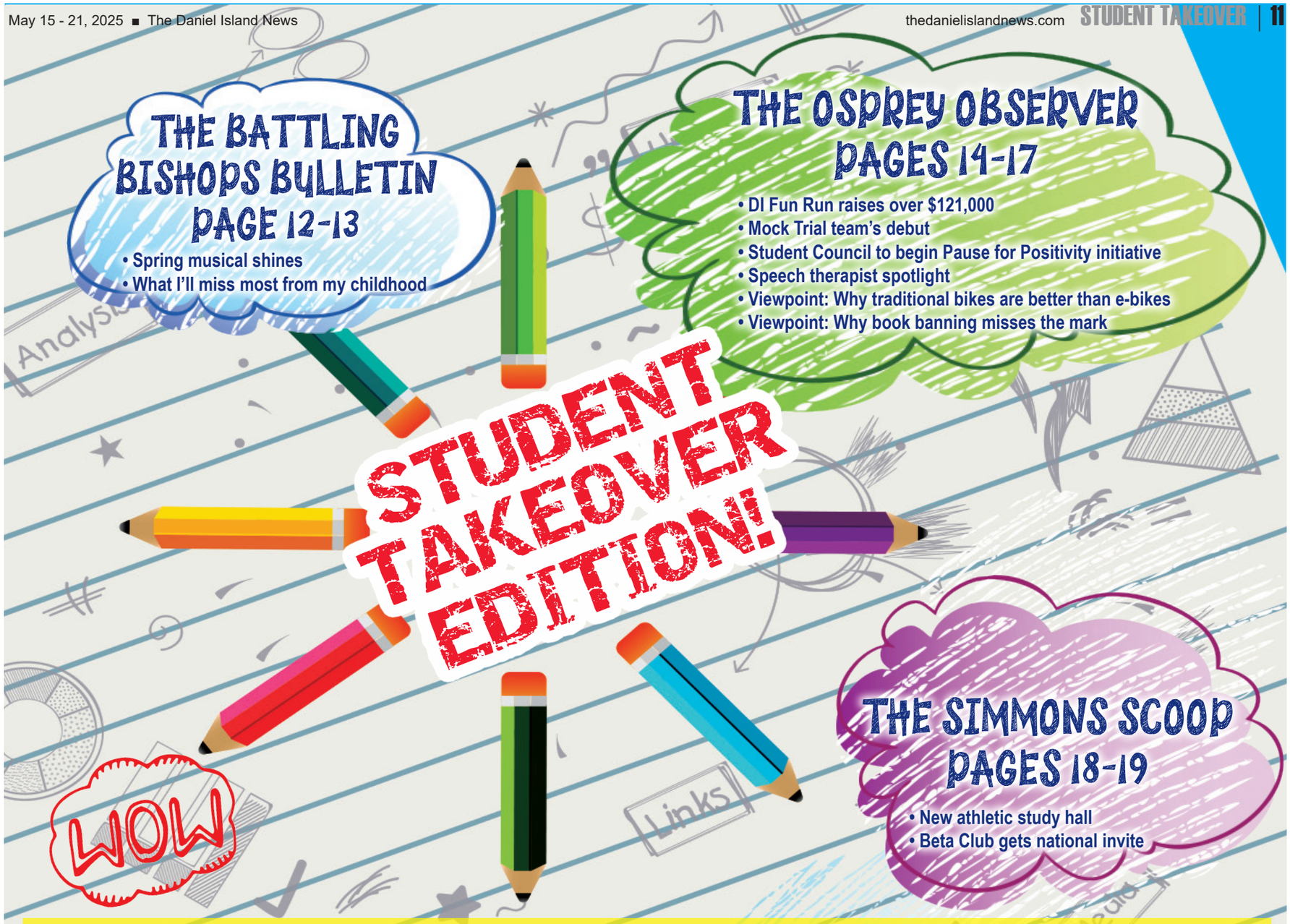
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This week, The Daniel Island News is handing over the newspaper to the next generation of storytellers.

Students from Bishop England High School, Daniel Island School, and Philip Simmons High School have taken on the roles of reporters, writers, and photographers to create this special edition, bringing you stories from their own unique perspectives in this special Students Takeover Edition.

From thought-provoking opinion pieces to coverage of school events and student achievements, these middle and high school students have been hard at work gathering research, conducting interviews, snapping photos, and crafting articles.

To kick off the project, we reached out to local schools, inviting students who wanted to see their names in print to take part. Whether incorporated as a class assignment or completed on their own time after school, students were provided a rubric – more like a journalism crash course – that outlined the basics of news writing, including how to structure an article, conduct interviews, and present facts accurately and engagingly.

The students were encouraged to write about what's going on in their schools or neighborhoods, highlight peers or teachers, spotlight exciting projects, or write a column or opinion piece on education-related topics. All topics were chosen entirely by the budding reporters, without outside influence, ensuring that this edition was truly a Student Takeover.

The goal of the takeover is to give local students a voice in the newspaper while also providing them the opportunity to experience the world of journalism firsthand, and that they did.

Each article highlights the voices and creativity of the area's local youth, offering an inside look at the topics that matter to them.

Explore this fresh, creative look at the Daniel Island and Clements Ferry communities through the eyes of these talented young journalists!

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THE BATTLING BISHOPS BULLETIN

BIANCO D'ORO AND BACKSEAT CHATS: WHAT I'LL MISS MOST FROM MY CHILDHOOD



BELLA DANIELSON
Bishop England senior

There's nothing quite like the smell of my Nana's car.

Not new leather or pine-scented air freshener, but the savory aroma of freshly packed pasta, brownies, and always – Bianco D'oro salami.

From early childhood through my teens, my Nana was more than a chauffeur; she was my companion, chef, and biggest cheerleader.



PROVIDED BY BELLA DANIELSON

Then: Writer Bella Danielson holds a book with her Nana, Donna Musarra Kmett.



Now: Bella Danielson and her Nana sharing a special moment before Danielson headed to her senior prom at Bishop England High School in early May.

As my parents had busy jobs, Nana was often there – school pickups, activity drop-offs, and the in-between moments that became the most meaningful.

Every car ride felt like a mini-family reunion, packed with stories, laughter, and love – especially love expressed through food.

Unzipping the cooler she always packed was like opening a present: freshly cut strawberries, penne glistening in olive oil, and, of course, "Bianco D'oro for my Bianca," she'd say, honoring our shared

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BE'S 'THE LITTLE MERMAID' WAS 'FIN-TASTIC'

REVIEW

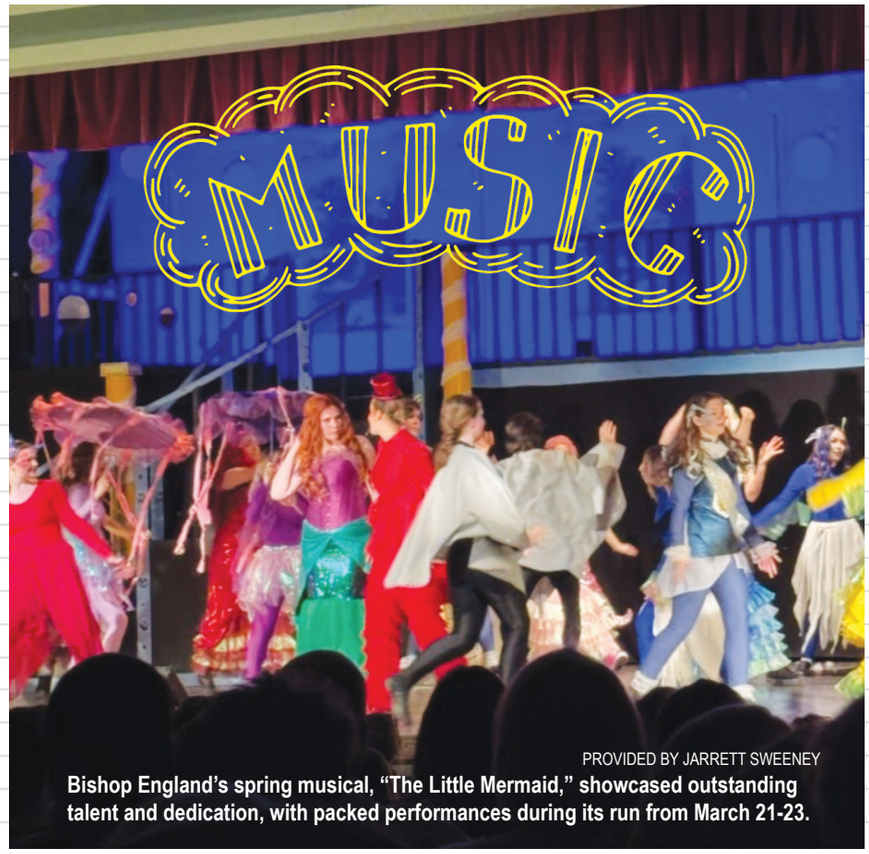
JARRETT SWEENEY
Bishop England senior

Bishop England has a tradition of excellent shows for people to come watch in the fall and spring.

This spring, Bishop England theater teacher Ashlan Fabiano and choir teacher Meghan Lovell chose "The Little Mermaid" as the spring musical. From January to March, actors worked on choreography, blocking, lines, and songs. Sophie Weiss was the choreographer for this show, and her choreography made this show stand out each night.

From March 21-23, the performing arts center was packed.

Every actor and actress gave their all in the show, in every scene or number, and it was probably one of the most successful shows at Bishop England.



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Bishop England's spring musical, "The Little Mermaid," showcased outstanding talent and dedication, with packed performances during its run from March 21-23.

Sophomore Isa Robinson, who played Ursula, said, "It was amazing. The crew was especially phenomenal to work with, and the cast was so talented. It was a very rewarding and fulfilling experience for me, and I hope I get to experience it again in these coming years at BE!"

> "It was amazing. The crew was especially phenomenal to work with, and the cast was so talented."
> – Sophomore Isa Robinson

Musical Director Lovell said, "The set turned out great! The lighting especially enhanced each scene, and so did the changing backdrops. The songs were tricky to teach because most everybody already knows the movie version, so you have to unlearn what you have known and learn new parts and harmonies.

"Some of the biggest improvements I noticed were in the confidence of the cast members as we worked up to opening night, especially among the underclassmen."

WHAT I'LL MISS FROM CHILDHOOD

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Italian heritage and my middle name from her beloved Calabrian grandmother.

Beyond the meals were the conversations; everything from volleyball, music, and books to faith, friendships, and crushes. We would also reminisce about my late grandfather, whose legacy I try to live out in my work and dreams.

Though I now drive myself, and Nana no longer chauffeurs me, her influence continues to drive me daily. She still cooks, still listens, still waits with a plate of pasta – and Bianco D'oro when I need it most. I am learning her family recipes, and cooking together provides a new forum for our "reunions."

As I head to college, it's not just the car rides I'll miss; it's the connection, the tradition, and the reminder that love, like salami and sauce, is best when shared.

Editor's note: Bella Danielson will be studying public health on the pre-med track in the Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors college at the University of Mississippi.

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FEATURE

THE DIS FUN RUN PUTS THE 'FUN' IN FUNDRAISING



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Students at Daniel Island School race through colorful stations during the 2025 DIS Fun Run, an event that raised over $121,000 for the school.

ROSE MONAHAN
Daniel Island School fifth grader

Whether or not you have a student at Daniel Island School, you've probably heard something about one of its biggest events ever: the 2025 DIS Fun Run, which raised more than $121,000 for the school.

This year, the DIS Parent Teacher Association took over the Fun Run to ensure only the school was receiving that money. In previous years, the organizing company was paid 40%.

Another change made was the PTA's idea to turn the fundraiser into an all-school challenge.



The top fundraising students in each grade won VIP lunch with friends.

Charlotte Brewer, a top fundraising student, said, "The most exciting thing was getting a huge medal and winning an ice cream party every Friday for my class. Ice cream is really good and I want to share it with them."

This competitive spirit may have caused, or at least aided, the

THE OSPREY OBSERVER

'SPEAKING' FROM THE HEART

CHLOE SELVERIAN
Daniel Island School eighth grader

Sarah Lynch, Daniel Island School's speech therapist, can turn speech into an enjoyable time and help kids find their voice.

I would know – I interviewed Lynch to find out more about her life and to share her story.

Lynch decided to become a speech therapist after going through speech therapy herself. She couldn't pronounce her "R" sounds and got teased for it. However, with the help of an amazing speech therapist at Summerville Elementary School, she was inspired to pursue a career in speech.

She worked as a pediatric speech therapist for 16 years before joining DIS in 2020. Her first year at DIS was tough, but she powered through with the help of inspiration from her coworkers.

Lynch has a passion for speech that repeatedly reveals itself. She said the highlight of her work is building connections with students.

"The most rewarding part of my job is every time a child sees me and gets excited to come to



PROVIDED BY CHLOE SELVERIAN

Daniel Island School speech therapist Sarah Lynch has a passion for helping students become confident in their voice.

speech," Lynch said.

She also shared some memorable moments.

One of the stories was about a child who was non-verbal. He couldn't speak, but Lynch knew he could communicate. She urged him to get a voice output communication device. When he got this device, he could use it well and could communicate his needs and wants. Lynch can still recall the mom's look of relief to know what her son needed.

TAKE A MOMENT TO PAUSE FOR POSITIVITY

ZOE MOORE
Daniel Island School seventh grader

The Daniel Island School Student council recently had the idea to acknowledge an initiative called Pause for Positivity.

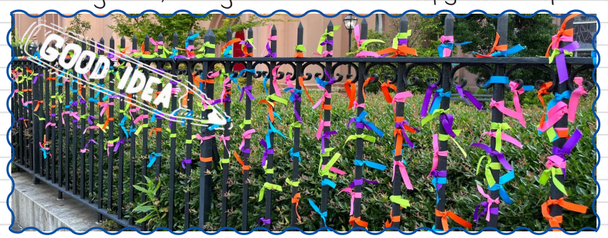
The Pause for Positivity initiative is a display of colored ribbons that will soon be hung on a gate in the school cafeteria. The initiative originally started in Virginia, and we as a community should spread this act, sharing our positivity and kindness to others.

How do you get involved, you may ask?

All you need are a bunch of different colored ribbons, markers, and someplace to hang the ribbons on school grounds, like a gate or fence. Each participant will be given a colored ribbon of their choice. They are to write any desired positive note on it. Some may write a positive quote, a positive reference, or even just their thoughts or how they feel.

The Pause for Positivity initiative isn't just easy to do; it can also be an awesome way to bring a community together as well.

Spreading positivity is just as important as doing your laundry – no one likes a buildup of negativity or dirty socks. And once you get that laundry done, you feel good about yourself – just like when you put smiles on others' faces. Also, think how many people's days you'll make when they get to read your



ALICE DEFOREST

The Daniel Island School Student Council will launch a Pause for Positivity initiative by displaying colorful ribbons with positive messages on a cafeteria gate, similar to the ribbon display at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in downtown Charleston.

FEATURE

MOCK TRIAL TEAM RESTS THEIR CASE



PROVIDED BY CLAIRE ROTH

The Daniel Island School Mock Trial team, pictured here after one of their trials at the courthouse in Georgetown, South Carolina. From left: Claire Roth, Tristian Wilhelm, Kira Akst, Rory Ohara, Anthony Hampton, Finley McCready, Sarah Ligon, James Blundy, Poppy Barnett, Chloe Selverian, Hattie Wissman, and Sophie Williams.

CLAIRE ROTH
Daniel Island School seventh grader

Ever wonder what's being done to shape Daniel Island's next generation of lawyers?

Here's what one Daniel Island School teacher, a local lawyer, and 12 kids are doing about it.

Last October, students at DIS participated as the first-ever mock trial team from Berkeley county.

In the mock trial program, supported by the South Carolina Bar, students acted as lawyers and witnesses in a fictional case, researched both the prosecution and defense, and went to a real courtroom to compete against other school teams.

The team won one of their three trials against the top three teams in the competition, but did not advance.

The DIS team consisted of 12 students – seventh and eighth graders – who put in hours after school or on the weekends for almost two months in preparation for the court.

"It was a really great experience," student Hattie Wissman said when asked how she felt about the program.

DIS teacher and team co-leader Maire Schlick commented that mock trial is "a skill that transfers in the classroom as well as a life skill."

Schlick continued, "I had done it (a mock trial) before in my classroom... and the kids really enjoyed it, so I wanted to let other kids have the same experience."

One other crucial individual to the team was Amanda Blundy, who, while running Blundy Law Firm on Daniel Island, contributed invaluable

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VIEWPOINT

WHY I THINK BIKES ARE SUPERIOR TO E-BIKES

AUSTIN ABBATE
Daniel Island School seventh grader

First, I would like to address the issue some call "the invention of the century:" e-bikes.

The idea of having an electric bike that can basically go on the freeway and be considered a motorcycle is great, in theory, for reducing emissions, but in practice, e-bikes aren't used at all like they are shown.



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Many students ride electric bicycles, or e-bikes, to Daniel Island School and to other area schools. Seventh grader Austin Abbate appreciates the convenience e-bikes can provide, but believes if not driven responsibly, they can be dangerous and pose a threat to the community.

I am not kidding when I say I walked out of school one day and saw a fifth grader hop on an e-bike that was almost as tall as him, and he couldn't even touch the ground sitting on it. The fact that he is still alive is a miracle, since he flew down the street going at least 30 mph – and that is slow for an e-bike that big.

Next, e-bikes take away one of the core values of a bike: exercise. The only calories you burn driving an e-bike are when you hop on it. E-bikes have a huge impact on people's health. For some people, biking is the main source of exercise for their legs. Getting an e-bike strips away that exercise from their legs.

According to a 2022 Danish study, electric bicycle riders are about 57% more likely to get into an accident than traditional bike riders. The Consumer Product Safety Commission estimates that between 2018 and 2022 alone, 104 people died in e-bike-related accidents.

Additionally, autoevolution.com states that e-bikes are good for the environment as they help people get out of their cars and produce fewer emissions, but that only refers to people who can drive e-bikes responsibly – not people barely in middle school zipping around mere seconds away from getting hit and ending their lives.

I hope you can agree with me that e-bikes can be death traps.

DIS FUN RUN

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school to exceed its goal of $100,000.

The fun run took place April 10 in the fields behind the school. It had multiple sections aligning with the school's Renaissance colors, such as the Emoji Explosion, the Green Monster, and the Pink Paradise. Students started with their class and took off running as a DJ's music played. At the end, students ran through a misting archway and devoured popsicles.

The fun run's proceeds go toward the Daniel Island School Improvement Fund, which contributes to playground equipment, teacher training, and more. Everyone is looking forward to it again in 2026!

SPEAKING FROM THE HEART

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All in all, Lynch helps kids become confident in their voice while making their day enjoyable. She finds inspiration from teachers from when she was a kid, and today, she makes every kid feel welcome in her classroom. She is one of the best teachers I've ever had.

PAUSE FOR POSITIVITY

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positive ribbon.

Please join the Daniel Island School in this act and spread your kindness to others who need it.

And, if you have time after making the world a better place, do your laundry.

MOCK TRIAL

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teaching and resources.

This upcoming school year, the team plans to recruit new members, including more rising seventh and eighth graders, and will begin earlier in the school year to be even more successful.

Students and parents can contact Schlick at Schlick.Maire@bcsd.com if interested.

VIEWPOINT

BOOK BANNING: A WASTE OF TIME?

RELL CASS
Daniel Island School eighth grader

Think about the thing that can take you anywhere, at any time – a cherished source of entertainment for thousands of years, yet also the average household item: a book.

Today, society is drastically and suddenly taking away our right to read with the act of book banning. This can erase pivotal historical texts and silence those who don't conform to book banners' worldviews.

Books like "To Kill a Mockingbird," "Romeo and Juliet," "1984," "In cold Blood," and countless other works are being targeted. These are historic classics representing revolutionary pieces of literature.

Generations of students before us read these, and it's an unpleasant thought to think of the possibility that students won't continue to see or even know of these books.

A big question is: Why were they tried and/or banned?

Those who support banning certain books raise concerns regarding topics such as sex, LGBTQIA+, race, profanity, violence, political messages, and more. Sheltering the entire community from these topics is ridiculous, and the reality is that you can't get through any book without finding controversy.

According to The American University School of Education, "Book banning negatively impacts student learning outcomes by restricting access to diverse perspectives essential for intellectual growth," adding, "controversial literature is vital in developing critical thinking skills, encouraging students to analyze complex themes, challenge societal norms, and engage in meaningful discussions."

In other words, there is no way to avoid the hard topics in order to gain a full perspective.

Censorship of literature also conflicts with the First Amendment. One of the best examples is to reflect on our past.

According to "Book Bans in the United States: History Says it All," the author states, "one of the first instances of controlling students' access to books was after the Civil War. The Southern United States restricted access to textbooks that painted the South's intentions and actions poorly amid the Civil War." From my research, this example shows how limiting access to books can manipulate what people should think – which results only in marginalizing a fraction of society.

You might ask, is this act of taking away books even effective?

In most cases, the answer is no. Taking them away results in the natural human trait of curiosity. This can sometimes even result in putting such books in the spotlight.

Thinking realistically, taking away a book for controversy isn't stopping anything. There's still limitless violent video games, questionable internet searches, movies, and magazines; as the years go on, more and more biased sources are becoming easily available to children every day.

In my own experience, the banning of books negatively impacted our school's best unit: our true crime unit. The book was "In Cold Blood" by Truman Capote – a book about the mystery and manhunt surrounding a family of four brutally murdered in the comfort of their own safe Kansas town.

Of course, in a book with such content, there were to be some sort of violent topics, but overall it was an astonishing work of writing. Honestly, I never knew the real reason why it was removed, but the book and unit of true crime quickly came to an end. I enjoyed that unit because it was so interesting and unlike any other unit we had learned about in a classroom.

Classmate Izzy Martin agrees. "I think we should've at least finished the book to teach us text analysis skills that we could have used later in the year. Due to ending it short, the time we spent reading 'In Cold Blood' was wasted because we were not allowed to finish the book."

Another book with a proud title of America's best-loved novel is "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee. This classic isn't banned by the state education department in South Carolina, but unfortunately, some school districts in the states of Virginia, Mississippi, and California have challenged it.

The book undertakes so many topics that most people are scared to talk about, such as racism, prejudice, family, revenge, courtroom wrongs, and so much more. It shows the harm of explicit and implicit racism amid a sleepy Southern town during the Great Depression.

Student Finley Mcready weighed the options of book banning. "If you are reading or learning these books in school, nothing should be blocked out because it may be important to the story. I get why some parents may want books to be banned – to protect their kids – but I say if you don't want your kid reading a certain book, just don't let them read it, and still give other kids the chance to read it."

Fellow student Ruby MacGloan noted that bans limit reading choices, saying, "If kids want to read something, and it's not available at a public library, that parent now needs to go out and buy it for them."

In conclusion, banning books limits our right to read and tries to control the stories we hear. Books like "To Kill a Mockingbird" and "1984" are essential for understanding different human experiences.

Blocking access to challenging topics prevents future generations from learning from history. Instead of avoiding difficult conversations, we should embrace them.

THE SIMMONS SCOOP

EDUCATION

PSHS BETA CLUB PUNCHES TICKET TO NATIONAL COMPETITION





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Philip Simmons High School Beta Club students decorate their backdrops for the South Carolina Beta Club State Convention in Myrtle Beach.

SAVANNAH HATCHER
Philip Simmons High School junior

The Philip Simmons chapter of the Senior Beta club recently competed at the South Carolina Beta club State convention in Myrtle Beach in February.

This competition includes leadership activities and opportunities for students to showcase their talents and knowledge. Students spent countless hours of practice, from early mornings to late nights, in preparation for this competition.

Student Bella Balog stated that, "While a lot of work goes into it, Beta con is still a fun and exciting event I look forward to each year."

This year at the convention, Philip Simmons High School brought home 16 awards, including first places in black-and-white photography, robotics, and mixed media art. They also had students run for office as well as perform in small group show performances. All of this collectively led to them earning a ticket straight to orlando, Florida, to compete at the national level in June.

Not only was this the first year Beta club students made it to nationals - the club also had two students, Joey Wright and Parker Sullivan, receive a competitive $1,000 Beta club scholarship.

one of the most impressive factors of the club is its sheer size.

PSHS has one of the highest requirements for membership, with a 3.5 GPA and no disciplinary actions. Even with these stringent requirements, the high school has one of the biggest clubs in the district, with 268 students. This is about a third of the school's population, and all of them complete 40 service hours a year.

This Philip Simmons Beta club is, no doubt, impressive and will continue to grow and thrive as the years continue.

Good luck at nationals!

EDUCATION

NEW STUDY HALL PROGRAM GIVES PSHS STUDENT-ATHLETES A BOOST



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Philip Simmons High School's new athletic study hall program helps student-athletes balance academics and sports, which has led to improved GPAs and more honor roll achievements.

SAVANNAH HATCHER
Philip Simmons High School junior

At Philip Simmons High School, the belief is that athletics and academics complement each other.

The school's commitment to student-athletes extends well beyond the playing field, beginning with an emphasis on the importance of maintaining strong academic performance.

Recognizing the challenges that come with balancing demanding schedules, Dr. Angela Pilson, academy coach and testing coordinator at PSHS, has implemented an athletic study hall program specifically designed to support students in excelling both academically and athletically.

The program targets student-athletes who are facing academic difficulties. If a student receives a D or lower in any of their classes, they are required to attend extra help sessions after school, held twice a week. This initiative not only facilitates one-on-one support from teachers but also helps students manage their time more effectively, ensuring they can participate in sports practices without neglecting their academic responsibilities.

As a result of this program, PSHS has observed a significant increase in overall team GPAs and an increase in the number of student-athletes achieving A/B honor roll status. While some students may initially view these sessions as a punishment, the school recognizes that balancing school and sports can be quite demanding.

The athletic study hall program ultimately equips students with essential tools for success in both realms. This initiative exemplifies the high school's mission to nurture well-rounded individuals who can thrive in academics and athletics, preparing them for future achievements in all aspects of their lives.



Rain, tough competition end tennis title hopes for Bishops

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Nothing was going to stop the A.C. Flora High School boys' tennis team from its date with perfection.

Not the Bishop England High School team and not the rainstorm that was so severe that the May 10 Class AAAA state championship venue had to be changed in the middle of the match.

What began at the Cayce Tennis Center ended at the Carolina Indoor Tennis Center as the Falcons finished off the Bishops for a 5-1 victory in a match that was delayed more than two hours because of the rain.

BE's No. 1 singles player, Dante Nava, who is only an eighth grader, recorded the Bishops' only victory of the long day.

Other BE players who competed in the match included Roland Weir, Colin Murray, Parker Murphy, Lucas Rizzetto, Caleb Watson, and Andrew Hamilton.

The Bishops posted a 14-2 record and played their 24th state championship since 1979. The Bishops are 12-12 in state championship matches.

"It was a great confidence boost for the boys, who are ready to be back next year," coach Kristen Fleming Arnold said.

Murray, Murphy, and Watson were the only seniors who competed in the state championship.

PHILIP SIMMONS

The Philip Simmons boys' team also had a successful season, finishing with a 14-4 record.

The Iron Horses reached the Class AAA-AA-A Lower State Championship, dropping a 6-0 decision to eventual state champ Oceanside Collegiate Academy.

The Iron Horses were dominant in their first three postseason matches as the No. 4 Lower State seed. They blanked Hanahan High School 6-0 and followed that up with a 4-2 victory over the Governor's School. They topped No. 1 seed Waccamaw 5-1 in a Lower State Semifinal.

Addison Stuart, Henry Broad, Matthew Esse, Camden Manganaro, Ryan Kriza, Grayson Estey, and Davey Kenser competed against OCA.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ROUNDUP

Iron Horse baseball gallops toward Lower State title game

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The Philip Simmons High School baseball team captured the Class AA District 8 championship on May 12 with a 10-0 victory over Lake City in a game played at The Phil.

Nolan Clifford pitched a complete game. He had plenty of offensive support in a game that was called after six innings because of the 10-run rule.

The Iron Horses won their third straight game to improve to 15-13. They outscored the opposition 28-3 in the District 8 bracket.

Kyle Bachmann and Daniel Scarth both went 3-for-3. Charlie Helms and Brian Ebeling both went 3-for-4. Helms and Ebeling had an extra-base hit.

The Iron Horses advance to the Lower State Championship Series and will face the District 7 champion, either Atlantic Collegiate or Edisto High School.

Meanwhile, Bishop England's bid to win the Class AAAA District C championship came up short, as South Florence took home a 6-3 victory over the Bishops.

The Bishops went 2-2 in the bracket, with both losses coming against South Florence. The Bishops finished with a 19-8 record.

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The Iron Horse girls were scheduled to play Andrew Jackson in a third-round playoff game on May 13, while the Bishop England girls were set to play May River in a third-round Class AAAA playoff game, also on May 13.

The BE boys were slated to play Bluffton in the third round on May 14.

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2025 IMPORTANT SWIM TEAM DATES

MAY 9 & 10	No Practice (Happy Mothers' Day!)
MAY 12	Practice begins for 5 and 6 year olds
MAY 20	Ice Cream Social after practice
MAY 22	Time Trials, Team Picture and Dinner 4:00 - 7:30pm
MAY 26	No Practice (Memorial Day)
MAY 29	Home Meet - DI vs Shadowmoss at Pierce Pool 6:30pm
JUNE 3	Home Meet - DI vs Snee Farm at Pierce Pool 6:30pm
JUNE 10	Home Meet - DI vs Northbridge Terrace at Pierce Pool 6:30pm
JUNE 12	Away Meet - DI at Hobcaw Yacht Club 6:30pm
JUNE 17	Away Meet - DI at Parkshore 6:30pm
JUNE 19	DI Intersquad Meet - Pierce Pool
JUNE 24	Away Meet - DI at Newington 6:30pm
JUNE 27	Last Entire Team Practice
JUNE 28	6 & under Mega Meet at Daniel Island 8-12pm
JUNE 30 - JULY 5	City Meet Practice
JULY 4	No practice
JULY 6	City Meet
JULY 9	Team Banquet

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The ultimate guide to fishing in May



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GREG PERALTA

May is one of my favorite months to fish. The weather is ideal. Warm enough to fish in shorts and a T-shirt but not scorching hot like in August. In addition to the great weather conditions, pretty much all the inshore, nearshore, and offshore species of fish are available.

Inshore: Our year-round residents, trout and redfish, are abundant and hungry. They are joined by flounder, sheepshead, and Spanish mackerel that are returning to the harbor from their winter homes. Nice weather and lots of hungry fish. May is a hard month to beat.

Nearshore: Cobia and spadefish are taking up summer residence around artificial reefs and natural ledges. Both are ravenous. In May, a cobia will eat just about anything. I guess that is how they get so large. Spadefish have a definitive preference for cannonball jellyfish. If you go fishing near an artificial reef, you will definitely see them and probably catch a few.

Offshore: The pelagic species are back. May kicks off the offshore fishing season. Mahi-mahi and blackfin tuna are seemingly everywhere. Marlin and sailfish, while less abundant, are available in good numbers.

If offshore conditions are calm, Elliott, Brody, the amazing fish-finding and stock-trading dog, and I will target marlin and sailfish. When fishing for billfish, we often accidentally catch mahi-mahi, blackfin tuna, and wahoo. In May, we eat a lot of fish tacos and sashimi!

If it is rough offshore, we will often target cobia in nearshore waters with slow-pitch jigs. Cobias are a lot like Brody. They are brown, will literally eat anything, and never get full. We target cobia with slow-pitch jigs.

If it is really rough nearshore, we will harass inshore species or go surfing.

Great weather. So many choices. Yes, May is one of my favorite months to fish!

Contact Captain Greg Peralta at captgregp@gmail.com or call (843) 224-0099.



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Proposed developments along Clements Ferry Road under review

Here are the developments before the various City of Charleston boards and committees this week, as well as results, if any, from the prior week's items specific to Daniel Island and the Cainhoy area. More detailed agendas and results can be found at charleston-sc.gov/agendacenter.

UPCOMING:
TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

May 15: Cainhoy Del Webb Phase 3 - Preliminary plat and road construction plans for a 272-lot development on 119.4 acres at 1472 Clements Ferry Road. TMS: B2620000028. Owner: Pulte Home Company LLC. Applicant: Thomas & Hutton Engineering. Contact: Gregory Zlobinsky, Zlobinsky.g@tandh.com.

May 15: Point Hope AW (Ashton Woods) Phase 1A and 1B - Preliminary plat and road construction plans for a 262-unit development on 84.1 acres at 1730 Clements Ferry Road. TMS: B2620000009. Owner: Ashton Charleston Residential LLC. Applicant: Thomas & Hutton Engineering. Contact: James Thomas, Thomas.j@tandh.com.

May 15: Primus Park Subdivision - Preliminary plat and road construction plans for a 102-lot development on 59.7 acres in Cainhoy. TMS: B2680000133. Owner: McAlister Togant Clements LLC. Applicant: Thomas & Hutton Engineering. Contact: David Williams, williams.david@tandh.com.

May 15: Woodfield Point Hope 4 - Site plan for a 300-unit multifamily development on 19.69 acres at 1260 Clements Ferry Road. TMS: B2620000028. Owner: Woodfield Acquisitions LLC. Applicant: Seamon, Whiteside & Associates, Inc. Contact: Malcolm Glenn, mglenn@seamonwhiteside.com.

RESULTS:
TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD

May 8: Take 5 Oil Change - Site plan for proposed new Take 5 Oil Change facility and associated infrastructure on 1.155 acres at 405 Spring Hollow Drive. TMS: 2670000071. Owner: Clayton Construction. Applicant: Advanced Engineering Consultants Zoning. Contact: Russ Folsom, russf@aecengineer.com. ***Results: Revise and return.***

May 8: Extra Room Clements Ferry (third review) - Site plan for a proposed storage facility on 2.44 acres at 2274 Clements Ferry Road. TMS: B2670000148. Owner: Extra Room Clements Ferry LLC. Applicant: Earthsource Engineering. Contact: Noah Nelson, nelsonn@earthsourceeng.com. ***Results: No return/Paperwork comments.***

RESULTS:
DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

May 5: 162 Seven Farms Drive – Publix Daniel Island - Requesting approval for a completed mockup panel. TMS #275-00-00-271. Owner: Publix Super Markets, Inc. Applicant: Harris Development Partners, LLC. ***Results: Approved 7-0 with staff comments.***

May 5: 211 Seven Farms Drive – Office/Residential - Requesting approval for a completed mockup panel for 211 Seven Farms Drive. Panel is located at 145 River Landing. TMS #275-00-00-196. Owner: SLS Development. Applicant: The Middleton Group. ***Results: Approved 7-0 with staff comments.***

RESULTS:
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS – SITE DESIGN

May 7: 547 Lesesne Street - Request a variance from Sec. 5.4 of the Daniel Island Master Plan to allow an encroachment into the 20' visual buffer zone. TMS# 272-05-01-040. Owner: Jonathan D. & Julie A. Witherow Survivorship. Applicant: Jon Witherow. ***Results: Not available.***

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COMPLETE SCHEDULE OF GOVERNMENT MEETINGS
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UPCOMING EVENTS

SPRING ACOUSTIC GUITAR SERIES

Free live music Thursdays at Waterfront Park on Daniel Island, now through June 27, 5pm. Bring a chair or blanket and your picnic. Sponsored by the Daniel Island Community Fund.

DANIEL ISLAND GARDEN CLUB

"Celebration of Spring." Last meeting of the year, Wed., May 14, 1-3pm at the Crows' Nest at 1651 Oak Leaf St. Light luncheon buffet. Contact Carolyn Goff at goffcb@earthlink.net.

DINA MEETING

Daniel Island Neighborhood Association, Wednesday, May 14, at Daniel Pointe Retirement Community and will feature Patriots Point Naval and Maritime Museum representatives Kayla Webber and Lauren Austin. Quarterly meetings include updates from civic leaders from the Charleston City Council, Berkeley County Council, Charleston Police Team 5, and occasionally the DI POA, as well as guest speakers on current issues affecting residents. Free. Open to all Daniel Island residents.

ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE INFO MEETING

Are you feeling called to learn more about how you can care for vulnerable children through foster care or adoption? Informational meeting, Sunday, May 18, at ONE Fellowship on Daniel Island, 4 pm. Learn about the current needs in South Carolina, the process and requirements for foster care and adoption, how Lifeline walks with families every step of the way, and ways your church can be involved. Light refreshments will be provided. Register at lcs.jotform.com/251264286303049.

HISTORY LIVES IN THE SANTEE DELTA

Just about an hour's drive from Daniel Island lies a land steeped in Lowcountry history, where a rice kingdom once flourished through the efforts of a large enslaved force deeply rooted in Gullah culture. Join the DI Historical Society on Tues. May 20, 7-8 pm, at Church of the Holy Spirit on Daniel Island, to learn more about an unprecedented effort underway to document, protect, and preserve the cultural landscape of the Santee Delta, with emphasis on the African descendant experience. Guest speakers: Santee Delta Project team members Dr. Kendy Altizer, archaeologist, and Dr. Richard Porcher, botanist and cultural historian. You'll also discover Daniel Island's connection to this special site. Free. dihistoricalsociety.com.

WATERWISE CHARLESTON OPEN HOUSE

The City of Charleston's Office of Resilience & Sustainability is open to providing residents with crucial information and resources on how water is affecting their communities, including what the city is doing to mitigate flooding. Staff will be available on May 28, 4:30-7:30 pm, at the DI Recreation Center.

KIDS FISHING TOURNAMENT

14th Annual Danziger Cup Kids Fishing Tournament, Sat. June 14, Father's Day weekend, 8:30-10:30 am at Smythe Lake. Rain or Shine. Awards ceremony, sponsor raffle, and refreshments to follow. Registration can ONLY be made at danielislandfishingclub.com/events. Only the first 150 kids that sign up are guaranteed goodie bags at check in.

CHARLESTON CHARITY DUCK RACE

The Rotary Club of Daniel Island's annual Charleston Charity Duck Race and festival, Sat., June 14, from 10 am - to 1 pm, at Daniel Island Waterfront Park. The ducks will launch around 11:10 am tide permitting. Adopt a Duck for $10 and secure a chance to win $10,000. Adopt at: charlestonduckrace.com. Duck adoption donations support local charities.

ECCO FOOD DRIVE

Drop off canned goods, pasta, rice, and other non-perishables at Edward Jones (8:30-4), 895 Island Park Dr Suite A2 or the DI News (8-6), 225 Seven Farms Dr., Suite 108.

LOWCOUNTRY STREET GROCERY

Fridays at Guggenheim Terrace, 11 am-4 pm.

To view all regularly scheduled events and meetings, please visit thedanielislandnews.com/regular-meeting-schedule.

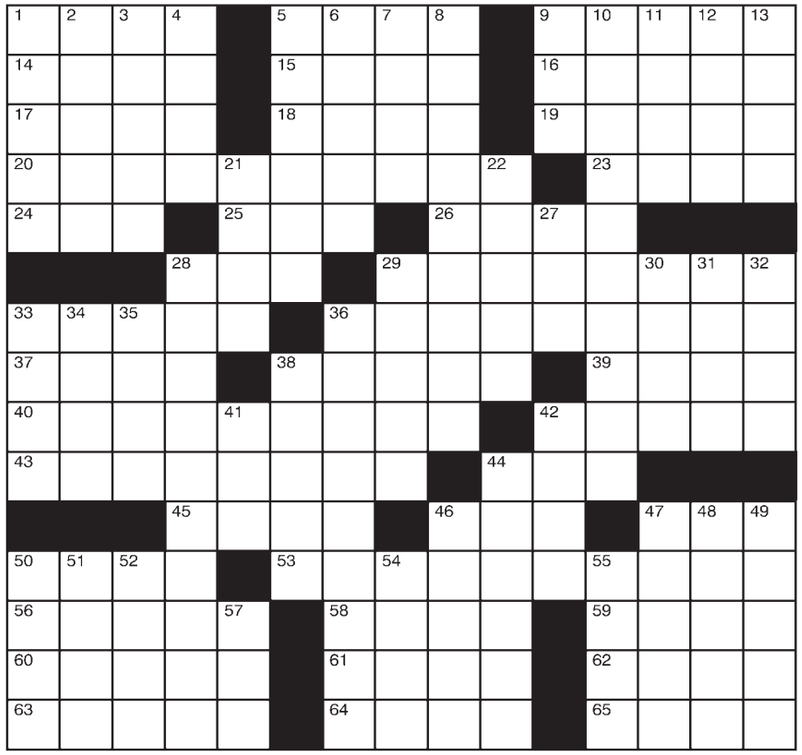
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5 Sharp criticism
9 Corn and wheat
14 Commotion
15 Soft drink choice
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18 Leonine sound
19 Gladiator's venue
20 Native of Cristobal
23 Rapper/TV actor
24 With 38 Across, summer treats
25 Military maneuvers, abbr.
26 Drone dir.
28 Part of LA
29 Periods of ignorance
33 Late Secretary of State Powell
36 Mayfair and Belgravia residents
37 Squad or platoon
38 See 24 Across
39 ___ on or off?
40 Hippocampi
42 Trysts
43 Fill completely
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45 Naval VIPs
46 "Major ___": 80's sitcom
47 iMac's counterparts
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59 Word before Domini
60 Essential oil
61 Better ___ than never
62 Simmer
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64 Play the lead
65 Prepare salad

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3 Hersey bell town
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5 Bits and pieces
6 Birds on Canadian coins
7 Jai ___
8 Anti-mine devices
9 Accts. auditor
10 Native of Hope's mythical kingdom
11 Mideast cartel
12 Item in a sash
13 It's taken, then left behind
21 Apollo 11 destination
22 "Revenge of the ___": 1984 film
27 Fred and Ginger's studio letters
28 Native of Vilnius
29 Recipient
30 Adventure tale
31 Sandusky's lake
32 They used to land at JFK
33 Swear
34 Ground floor apt.
35 Lt. Cable's love
36 "Two ___": "Damn Yankees" song
38 Writer's worry
41 Chi-town's airport
42 Unconventional art movement
44 Indeed objective
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47 Pony or bean
48 Christmas tree candies
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55 Tweed era cartoonist
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Grammar Matters

by Patty Gibbons Saunier

Fishing for the Correct Answer



One of the sentences below is grammatically incorrect. Can you fish it out?

1. Is everyone going fishing this morning?
2. Did every one of you eat breakfast?
3. Did everyone bring fishing gear?
4. Is every one ready to go?

*Answer: Sentence #4 is incorrect. **Everyone** written as one word is an indefinite pronoun. Use it when you are referring to everybody in a group. **Every one** written as two words is an adjective (every) and a noun (one). Use these words when you are referring to individual people or things in a group.*

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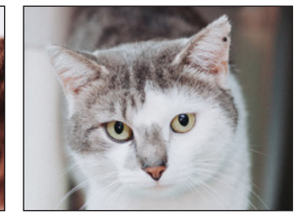
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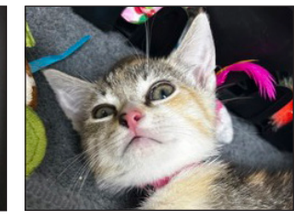
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