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DI business owner aims to help victims of West Ashley apartment fire

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When Gage Cooper pulled into the parking lot of his new bike shop in West Ashley on the morning of Feb. 7, he smelled heavy smoke in the air. The Daniel Island business owner didn't know it at the time, but about a half-mile away, The Palms apartment community was still smoldering after a devastating and destructive early morning blaze forced the evacuation of some 88 units.

The first 911 call alerting authorities about the fire came in just before 5 a.m., according to the Charleston Fire Department. Fire and police units began arriving 4 minutes later. The three-alarm blaze caused extensive damage to 56 apartments — and another 32 units suffered a loss of water and power. An estimated 179 residents were displaced due to the event. No casualties or injuries were reported, something Charleston Mayor John Tecklenburg called “a miracle.”

“Our hearts are going out to everyone,” Cooper posted on his shop's Instagram page, after learning about the fire.

Cooper launched Cooper River Cycles on Daniel Island in 2015 and his West Ashley



CHARLESTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

A devastating fire at The Palms apartment community in West Ashley on Feb. 7 displaced 179 residents, including Team 5 officer Sgt. Shane LaFromboise with the Charleston Police Department. A GoFundMe account has been set up for LaFromboise at gofund.me/bd575f49.

location, at 1401 Sam Rittenberg Boulevard, is set to open March 1. They are in the process of wrapping up final construction.

“Luckily everyone made it out of (The Palms) safely, but many of these victims experienced total losses or were only able to salvage a few things,” said Cooper. “I can't

imagine what that would feel like and I felt compelled to give back in some way.”

Cooper is offering victims of the fire a free bike rental at his Daniel Island shop. Helmets, locks and baby trailers will be provided, if needed. Those interested are asked to call ahead to let them know they're coming at 843-480-4464.

“For me, a bike ride is always a good way to clear my head and I thought offering a free bike rental to anyone affected by the fires might provide a little peace and happiness in a very dark time,” said Cooper. “Businesses have an amazing ability in times like these to support their neighbors, lend a hand, and give back to their communities.”

A member of the Daniel Island community suffered a direct impact from the fire. Sgt. Shane LaFromboise, an officer with Daniel Island-based Team 5 of the Charleston Police Department, was a resident of The Palms and lost everything in the blaze.

According to Team 5 Commanding Officer Lt. Matt Wojslawowicz, LaFromboise has been an officer with the police department for more than two decades and has been assigned to Team 5 since July 2019.

“I have personally known Shane for many years and have always been impressed by his desire to give back to the community and to the department,” Wojslawowicz said. “Shane is a gifted instructor and provides countless hours of advanced firearms instruction at our weapons range to all members of the Charleston Police Department.”

A GoFundMe account has been set up to assist LaFromboise and his fiancée, Lisa, who is also a first responder, to help put their lives back together again. To donate, visit gofund.me/bd575f49.

“It is evident that the two of them are still in complete shock at the entire situation,” added Wojslawowicz, who visited the couple after the fire. “The outpouring of support for all members of the community that were affected by this tragedy has been tremendous.”

For additional giving opportunities to assist victims of The Palms fire, visit the website for Homeless to Hope at homelesstohopefund.org/give (specify The Palms fire), the American Red Cross at redcross.org/local/south-carolina.html, or call the Charleston Citizens Help Desk at 843-724-7311.

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Charleston City Council approves human affairs and race commission

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Last week the Charleston City Council approved a new commission to promote equity, inclusion and racial reconciliation. Its creation — which stems from the city’s role in racial injustices dating back to pre-Civil War and the Jim Crow Era — is a compromise version of previous proposals.

Following a summer of nationwide protests seeking racial equality in June 2020, the city established a Special Commission on Equity, Inclusion and Racial Conciliation. A year later, in August 2021, a more than 500-page report with more than 125 recommendations was prepared.

Last fall, council took a vote on whether or not to “receive” the report with recommendations that included: \$100 million in reparations for descendants of slaves, instruction and training of city employees and educators in

the pillars of Critical Race Theory and The 1619 Project, increasing minimum wage to \$16.41 and the reallocation of police funds. The vote fell short 6-7. Mayor John Tecklenburg, who voted in support of the report, vowed that the report would not die in his possession.

At the Feb. 9 meeting, the council voted 9-4 in favor of creating the Human Affairs and Racial Conciliation Commission. The commission’s purpose is “to promote equity, inclusion and racial conciliation through meetings, presentations and research regarding all forms of institutional and community discrimination...”

Council members who voted in favor of its passage include: Jason Sakran, Robert Mitchell, Karl Brady, William Gregorie, Keith Waring, Peter Shahid, Stephen Bowden, Ross Appel and the mayor. In opposition were council members Kevin Shealy, Mike Seekings, Caroline Parker and Boyd Gregg. The meeting was a first for Gregg, the District 1 representative for Daniel Island, who was sworn in Feb. 4 after winning the seat in a special election runoff on Jan. 25.

“I know that all of us in this room want the best for our city, we unfortunately disagree on some of the means and methods by which we do that,” Gregg said. “I read through the initial report and felt there were some very good recommendations that we could take action on right now. I believe this commission is just delaying some of the actionable things we need to be doing.”

Gregg said after the meeting that he supports the environmental and infrastructure policy recommendations to



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Daniel Island resident Boyd Gregg takes an oath Feb. 4 to serve as Charleston City Council’s District 1 representative.

underserved communities. He voted against the commission, stating, “without guardrails the city will end up with another report that is equally divisive six or nine months from now.” Gregg said he hopes he’s wrong and that the new commission improves the community.

“Ultimately, you’re talking about changing human hearts,” Gregg said. “I don’t know that government can fix that ... that’s a human heart condition and I don’t know what the answer is to that.”

The newly formed commission has a similar purpose to the original panel, however, it is much more limited. One amendment provides, “Nor will it advocate to defund the police, provide cash reparations, teach critical race theory nor violate the South Carolina Heritage Act.”

The Human Affairs and Racial Conciliation Commission will have 13 members — three city council members and 10 people nominated by the council and the mayor.

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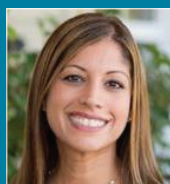
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"Cool!" I muttered softly as I completed my mission.

My lovely wife, Grace, set down the book she was reading, leaned over from her side of the bed, and inspecting the image on my iPad before I could change it, inquired, "What is that?"

Figuring I was trapped, I decided to shift into selling mode. "It's a really nifty device," I proclaimed, putting my palms together and moving my fingertips slightly apart to illustrate how it worked. "The bottom part is V-shaped and narrow so that it fits between a car front seat and the console." Increasing the space between my fingers, I capped my presentation off with, "And the top part is wider, sits snugly next to the console, and has compartments to neatly store stuff."

"What stuff?"

"Oh, things like your phone, pens, or coupons." When Grace didn't reply I continued, "Glasses, keys, tissues, or maybe lipstick or a nail file."

"I keep those in my purse," Grace declared.

I tried to explain that while these things could go in a purse, the clever storage bin device would allow her to reach them without having to take her eyes off the road. She quickly countered that she wasn't going to file her nails while driving. Deciding to beat a retreat, I mumbled, "OK," and pulled the iPad toward me.

"Not so fast," Grace announced, tugging the tablet in her direction. After inspecting the screen a tad more, she queried, "What's that thing on the end? A cup holder?"

I confirmed that it was indeed, pointing out she could then have two beverages working at once. Grace shot that suggestion down immediately stating, "With the heavy cup holder on the front, it looks to me like it could slide forward and dump all that stuff on the floor of the car." When I didn't reply, she concluded her case with, "Especially the way you drive, with all those sudden stops and starts."

Realizing my Valentine's Day gift now was not going to be a surprise, I steered the discussion on a new path, asking Grace whether Aaron Rodgers might leave the Packers for the spot in Tampa opened up by Tom Brady's

I admit the snake drain was a slight snafu. But for the record, I have purchased Grace a number of useful items off the web.

retirement. Grace didn't go for the change of direction and replied, "Dalton, please tell me you didn't order one of those gadgets?"

I was trapped. I thought about whether I could secretly cancel my order, but instead confessed my sin by nodding. Without turning my head, I could tell Grace was still looking at me. I held up two fingers.

"You bought two?" she spewed. "Heaven help us. It's like the drain snake all over again!"

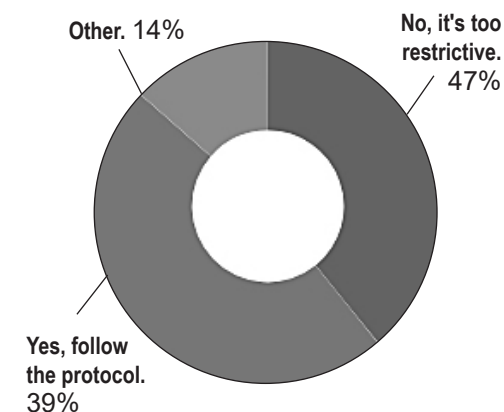
Grace has never let me forget the drain snake. It was a good purchase that just, somehow, went wrong. Grace had remarked that our bathroom sinks were draining slowly and that we should probably call a plumber. For a guy, that is not a suggestion; it is a challenge. No need to call a plumber. A quick search online yielded the answer – the drain snake. It is a bright orange (why not?) plastic strip about two feet long and maybe a half inch wide with barbs on the sides that make it look like a Medieval torture tool. I studied the website, which advertised the drain snake was "great for unclogging drains and flexes at the P-trap where most clogs occur." I watched a YouTube video of people easily pulling gunk out of their drain. Easy peasy. So I shoved the sucker down Grace's sink drain, gave it a slight turn and ... it wouldn't budge. Not up. Not down. Not even sideways, no matter how hard I twisted or tugged the husky handle.

Several remedial attempts with other tools and assorted liquids (I'd prefer not to describe the details) did nothing. The drain snake was stuck like King Arthur's sword in rock. Grace called a plumber. I think it was the guy who advertises on television. "Don't try to fix this at home. You'll break something and make it worse." I may have kick-started his media career although no royalty checks have shown up. But he cleared the drain, kept the offending drain snake, and confiscated the other two drain snakes I had received in my three-for-one purchase.

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Readers speak out on vaccine requirements

The Spoleto Festival USA, Charleston's 17-day performing arts festival, announced it would require all audience members, staff, volunteers and performers to show proof of full COVID-19 vaccination, including booster shots for those who are eligible. It will not offer the option of showing proof of a negative COVID-19 test ahead of the event. Should more events follow this protocol?



COMMENTS:

- The purpose of these events are for escape and entertainment. The overly focused efforts on masks and vaccines, which do not stop the spread anyway, and the personal intrusion take away the spirit of the arts. Our family has been a longtime supporter of Spoleto and all arts organizations, but we will not be supporting any of them while these restrictions are in place.
- Completely agree that more events should require proof of full vaccination including booster shots in order to enter. Agree with not having an option for a negative COVID test in lieu of shots ahead of the event. I was happy to see this for Spoleto! Thank you!
- Way too restrictive! A negative test should be allowed. We will not be attending any events.
- I am much more comfortable when I know others around me are fully vaccinated.

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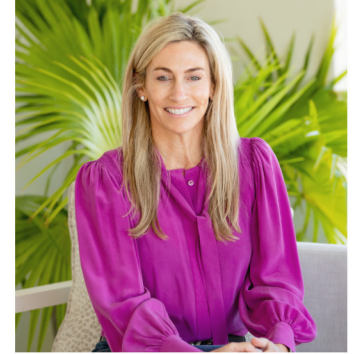
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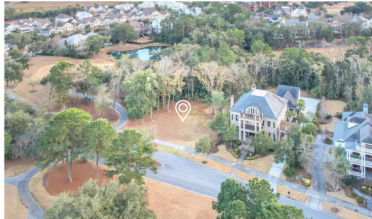


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I needed a new surprise gift for my wife

From VALENTINE on PAGE 06

I admit the drain snake was a slight snafu. But for the record, I have purchased Grace a number of useful items off the web. The motion sensor toilet bowl light was a great gadget until it somehow disappeared. Same for the hedgehog-shaped plastic dryer balls that help reduce wrinkles (And just between you and me, the wrinkles have increased a little since the dryer balls went missing.) Ditto the nonstick, reusable bags that can make grilled cheese sandwiches in the toaster and the toaster tongs. Fine, the tongs had a camo design, not Grace's kitchen color, but they worked.

So now I needed a new Valentine's Day surprise for Grace. After she went to sleep, I tiptoed to the den, and navigated back online. Believe me, there is a ton of really good stuff there. I first thought I'd get her a set of 20 (really, 20!) kitchen pots, pans, and tools. The meat claws that shred chicken, pork and beef was a real bonus. The royal blue color was great, too. But then I saw it. Voila! The ideal gift. Chenille microfiber mop slippers. Grace sometimes says her feet are cold and these comfy and cozy puppies can be worn over shoes. She also tells me that I occasionally (maybe a little more than that) drop crumbs in the kitchen. She points this out often when the morning sunlight illuminates the floor. Well, these slippers also — and I quote from the website — “clean your floor simply by walking around.” How about that? She can warm her feet and clean the floor — a terrific two-fer gift! Plus they come in a five-pack of vivid colors that should go nicely with her pajamas, sweatpants, and house dresses.

You should have seen her reaction when she opened the gift on Valentine's Day.

Island groups shuck together

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Attorney Terra Futch, Daniel Island Neighborhood Association President Andrea Sullivan and Kelli Barnhart with Home2Suites.



Michael Calder, Angela Drake, Jeff Leonard and Sheldon Kramer attend an oyster roast for the Daniel Island Rotary Club, the Daniel Island Exchange Club and the Daniel Island Business Association.



Nick Pappas and Scott Varn enjoy oysters at the Daniel Island Club last weekend.

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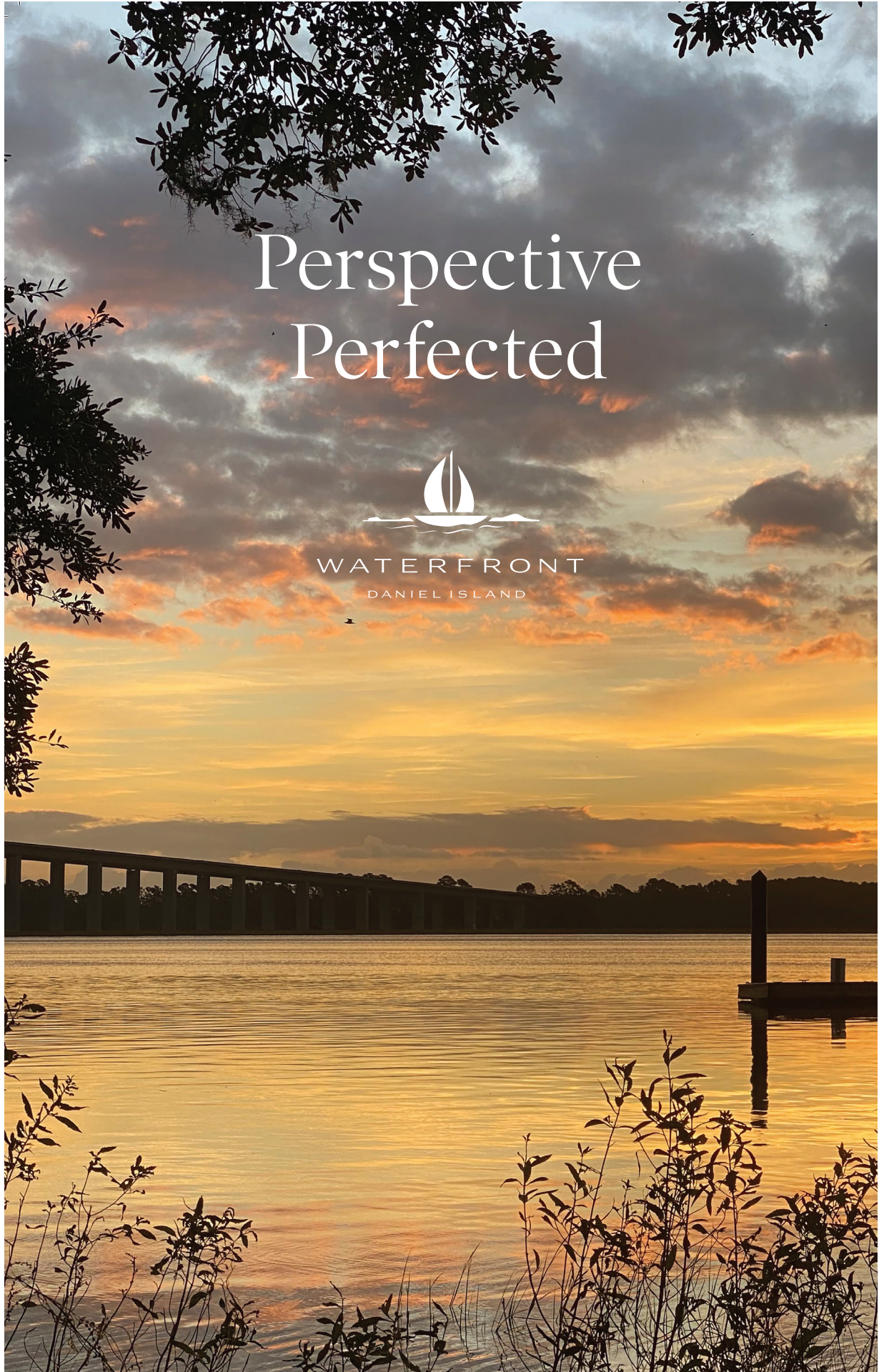
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Cainhoy peninsula's Keith School to get historical marker

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Hundreds of African American students spent their days in the Keith School on Clements Ferry Road in the early to mid-1900s to receive a gift not granted to the generations before them — an education.

The modest and simple one-room schoolhouse wasn't a grand structure with pillars or granite steps — but to the children who gathered there, it was everything. Soon, the state will recognize the importance of the site with a new state historical marker, sponsored by the Wando-Huger Development Community Corporation. An application for the marker was first submitted to the state in 2020, the sign was approved in 2021 and is now in production.

“Before this school, my father and them would go to their aunt's house just to learn their ABCs, basically just to learn to read and write their names and so forth,” said longtime resident Fred Lincoln, a member of the nearby Jack Primus community, at an event at the school in August 2019. “You have to think at the time this school

was being built, you had people living who were former slaves ... They were in this community.”

And they were craftsmen, Lincoln continued, who understood the importance of education.

Cainhoy peninsula resident Vernelle Dickerson serves alongside Lincoln on the Wando-Huger Community Development Corp. and the Keith School Museum Board.

“The teachers had to come to the school early in the morning to make the fire in the winter for the school to be warm for the kids, and to show the importance of education,” Dickerson said. “Even though it was a struggle, these kids, they still came and they learned ... Because they knew that education would mean their freedom.”

Dickerson started working on the Keith School historical marker several years ago, at the urging of Statehouse Rep. Joseph Jefferson. She had invited the legislator to an event at the school and he passed by it a couple of times before finding it.

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Today, the Keith School Museum, a replica of the original Keith School, sits just behind the remnants of the foundation of the original structure, which was destroyed by Hurricane Hugo in 1989.



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School served African American children from 1920s to 1950s

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“He said, ‘We’re not going to let that happen anymore,’” Dickerson recalled. “So he sent me out, and he said, ‘You go find a sign that we could put out there so that people will be able to see it.’”

Jefferson, who represents District 102 in Berkeley and Dorchester counties, even helped raise the money needed to create the sign through donations from his constituents.

“He is the best representative that we have in Berkeley County as far as I’m concerned,” Dickerson added. “... Because he fights with us for everything we do.”

The South Carolina Department of Archives and History oversees the state’s Historical Marker Program and approves all new state markers, according to coordinator Edwin Breeden, PhD. The program has helped bring more than 1,900 historical markers to the state.

Typically, about 50 new markers are approved each year. The program receives no regular state funding, as stated on its website, and “has always depended on the citizens of South Carolina to suggest, document, sponsor, maintain, and pay for markers.” Fees typically run between \$1,970 and \$2,280 for each cast aluminum sign.

The Keith School was in operation from the early 1920s to 1950s. Today, the Keith School Museum, a replica of the school, sits just behind the remnants of the foundation of the original structure, which was destroyed by Hurricane Hugo in 1989. Breeden believes the site is a “great candidate” for a marker.

“The most immediate reason being its significance as an educational and social institution for the Wando community,” he said. “In addition, part of the value of historical markers is that they highlight how, through specific places, the history of individual communities is intertwined with even bigger stories. In this case, the Keith School site connects Wando to the broader story of how African Americans throughout South Carolina and elsewhere worked to provide a decent education for their community despite the inequities of the Jim Crow era.”

“There is rarely space on the marker itself to discuss that fuller context, but it can hopefully serve as a starting point for people to go learn more about that place and how it fits into those broader events and themes,” he continued.

Dickerson is hopeful that the sign will be



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A new state historical marker is in the works for the Keith School, which served African American children of the Cainhoy peninsula community from the 1920s to the 1950s.

installed in 2022 and she is already planning an unveiling celebration. In addition to providing an important historical account of the Keith School, she’d like the marker to serve as a source of inspiration for the community.

“You have to know where you came from to know where you’re going,” she said. “It’s a path. So if I came from there and I’m here now, I could go even further ... A lot of the people who built that school couldn’t even



read ... I want (our community members) to recognize that you can become anything you want to be. It just takes that positive attitude ... and for them to see what our ancestors represented. Our ancestors were positive and they had to have faith in order to do all of that.”

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There is no more noble occupation in the world than to assist another human being, to help someone else succeed. — Alan Loy McGinnis

I read a story about Jan Paderewski when upon leaving his native Poland to play his first recital in London, he had asked an influential compatriot for a letter of introduction to a leading figure in Britain’s musical world. He asked for this just in case anything should go amiss.

The letter was handed to him in a sealed envelope. He hoped that everything would proceed smoothly and he would not have to use it.

As it turned out, Paderewski didn’t need the letter. His debut in London was a success. Some years later, while going through his papers he came upon the letter and opened it. It read: “This will introduce Jan Paderewski, who plays the piano, for which he demonstrates no conspicuous talent.” I wonder what went through Paderewski’s mind when he read

those words? I’d like to think he had a smile on his face.

As leaders, one of the most important things we can do is to add value to those around us. It’s when we understand this imperative leadership principle that it changes everything about how we view and exercise our leadership — it’s not about us.

In my span of years in leadership, I have intentionally applied four basic principles when it comes to adding value to the people around me. These are the four questions that I regularly ask myself.

HOW CAN I SPEAK ENCOURAGEMENT INTO SOMEONE’S LIFE?

If you are observant and take a look around, it’s not going to be hard to find someone who might need a word of encouragement. Your one word of encouragement can make all the difference to someone who is facing a struggle or a challenge.

By being observant and speaking words of encouragement to those around you it demonstrates that you are a leader who is in touch with your people. It says you are not so self-absorbed that you miss the cues.

In what ways can you add value to those around you simply by speaking words of encouragement?

IN WHAT WAYS CAN I RESOURCE THEM?

Your words of encouragement are important and can certainly add value. But I’ve also discovered that I can also add value by finding ways to be a resource to those around me.

By this I mean, if I can find a book, an article, a podcast, etc., that I’ve come across that I know will add value to another person, then I will pass it along. People not only appreciate what you’ve done for them, but it shows that you are invested in them and want to see them grow. As an avid reader, I really enjoy giving books away. Being a resource is a simple way of planting seeds of growth in others that has many returns.

WHAT INTRODUCTIONS CAN I FACILITATE?

One way in which I try to add value to others is by helping facilitate introductions. I really enjoy bringing people together who share common values and interests.

I remember on one such occasion some ten or more years ago, I facilitated a connection for a friend (at my prompting) and that connection took her career to a new level because of it. As a result, she’s had doors open to speak and train all over the world. It all happened

because in a conversation with her I said, “I need to introduce you to...”

As a leader, be mindful of your connections and how you can build bridges with the people you know. By doing so, you can add value in ways that can greatly benefit those around you.

IN WHAT WAYS CAN I CHALLENGE THOSE AROUND ME TO EMBRACE THEIR GIFTEDNESS?

There are moments in your leadership when you see and recognize something uniquely special — a gift, in someone else that needs to be embraced and called out. This person may have a story or perspective on life, leadership, or business that the rest of the world needs to hear.

When you do this, chances are you are only validating what they have already been thinking or feeling and your challenge gives them the confidence they need to step out.

Final Thoughts

Adding value to those around isn’t complicated. Be intentional by asking yourself, “How am I adding value to others today?” Be a leader of value by adding value.

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Lindsey Peifer helps her children — Ada, 3, and Graham, 7 — get comfortable with books and puzzles at the Daniel Island Library.

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Ask Daniel Island Library manager Tim Boyle what part of the library is underutilized and he spreads his arms wide and declares, "Everything!"

While the number of customers in and out the door is steady at about 143 per day (pre-COVID it was 180 per day) they have capacity for more patrons. The only time the building is crowded is after school with dozens of kids and parents using computers, virtual reality (VR) games, and of course reading books.

If you do not know where the library is, it is on Daniel Island Drive and shares a driveway with the Daniel Island School. It is in a lovely leafy area with room for bikes and cars. Though, Boyle would like to make note that there is an issue at school release time with parents parking in the library lot to the exclusion of library goers. This includes golf carts parking on the grass. Please note the signs that clearly state LIBRARY PARKING ONLY.

Unlike the library of your childhood, there are no "Quiet Please" signs here. You can go to browse books and read, but many are there to use computers, attend meetings or clubs, and there are often large groups of children enjoying the facility, so go relax and speak in your normal voice. The Daniel Island Library is a "Shhh Free Zone!"



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A branch of the Berkeley County Library System, the Daniel Island Library is located on Daniel Island Drive.

One of the easiest ways to avail yourself of the library materials and arguably the most underutilized is to download the Libby and/or Hoopla apps. Libby gives you access to ebooks and recorded books while Hoopla also offers music and movies, the latter can be downloaded to your smart TV for viewing. The app sends your selection to your smart phone or ereader. Look in the app store, but if you have any questions, the friendly library staff are happy to help you.

Boyle keeps data on the popularity of subjects and recently "Buddhism" has been a top choice, checked



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Several students worked on homework at the library on Monday after school. Here, Daniel Island School teacher David Englehart tutors Sullivan West in math.

out 13 times, each compared to five times per average of other books, and cookbooks are a perennial favorite. Anything you want can be requested if our branch does not have what you desire. You can go online to berkeleylibrarysc.org and place a hold and designate pick up at the library.

The Daniel Island Library also participates in the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program which encourages and supports reading to children with reading material as well as phonics programs. They also have access to Tumble Book Library, a selection of animated, talking picture books, read-along chapter books, non fiction books and video for K-6 grade.

Ask about banned books and Boyle will tell you that as soon as a book is "banned" it skyrockets to the top of the bestseller list and becomes the most popular book in circulation. Hence the display of "Maus" by Art Spiegelman after it was recently banned by a school board in Tennessee.

There is a community room just off the foyer which is popular and has three groups of users. Public non-profit groups can reserve the space for programs, the library can sponsor programs, though those have been shutdown due to COVID, and several long-standing clubs still meet regularly including a foreign policy discussion group, needlework group, and a recorder group.

One age group Boyle thinks is missing out are teens and young adults. He said they disappear at age 13. The exact age when they are interested in music, video games, VR, movies — all available to them free of charge and on demand.

To be sure, there are many avid readers on Daniel Island, and one of them is Anita Koszyk. She participates in two book clubs, including the one which meets at the library. She along with Marcia Miller and Edie McLaughlin manage the used book shelves you pass in the front foyer of the library. Proceeds go to Friends of Berkeley County libraries.

Koszyk is the quintessential patron. She reads/ listens to several books at a time utilizing the stacks, the Libby app and the "Hold" feature for upcoming releases. She keeps track of her reading, finds new suggestions, and tracks favorite authors on goodreads.com, a popular site for many readers.

Other websites for recommendations are BookBrowse, LitHub, The New York Times Book Review, or Instagram sites like GMA Book Club, Reese's Book Club, beyondthebookends.com and friendsandfiction.com.

Are you working on genealogy or just fascinated by the rich history of our state? The Carolina Room at the Main Branch in Moncks Corner has a vast repository of documents and books. Vance at the research desk here on Daniel Island can help you locate what you seek. He is also a tech resource for all things library related. Librarians have become tech experts in addition to business managers and literary scholars.

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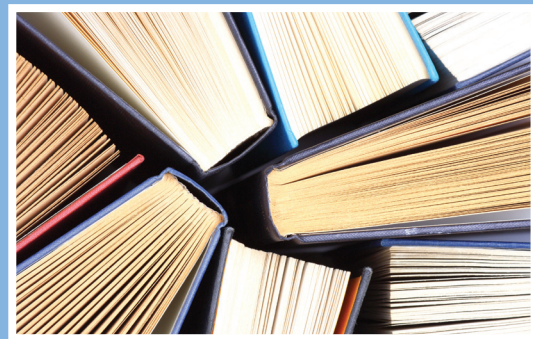
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Brian and Mary Moran are frequent library users and appreciate how helpful the librarians are at tracking down books that might not be available.



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The librarians have a wealth of information about all the resources available to the public.



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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

All four area basketball squads bound for playoffs

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Are you ready for some madness? March Madness, that is.

The South Carolina High School League's state basketball playoffs are set to commence. The good news, if you follow local hoops, is all four Daniel Island area teams qualified for the playoffs, which culminate the weekend of March 3-4 with state championship games in five classifications. The state title games will be held on the campus of USC Aiken.

The Philip Simmons boys and the Bishop England girls both won region championships.

The Iron Horse boys knocked off Woodland over the weekend to avoid a play-in game vs. the Wolverines. Coach Garrett Campbell's squad owns a 23-3 record, including 10-0 in Region 6-AA play. They put a 12-game winning streak on the line when they host Silver



VAL DREYER

Philip Simmons boys' basketball is 23-3 entering the postseason, including 10-0 in regional play to clinch the Region 6-AA title.

Bluff Feb. 17 at "The Phil."

The Iron Horses play solid defense at one end, and then work for the best shot on the other end, and one of the top offensive threats is senior Miles Haight. He looked like a sure thing to score 1,000

career points until the COVID-19 pandemic shortened last season's schedule. But he's had some big games and is just 30 points away from the milestone. He could reach it in the second round. But first, the Iron Horses must take care of busi-

ness in Round 1. Haight enters the playoffs averaging a team-best 19.2 points, 11 assists and six rebounds per contest.

The Bishop girls wrapped up yet another region championship, claiming the Region 8-AAA title with a 10-0 record to push their conference winning streak to 146 games to earn a No. 1 seed. The Bishops host Manning on Feb. 17 at Father O'Brien Gymnasium.

The Philip Simmons girls begin the Class AA playoffs with a seven-game winning streak to finish the regular season with a 14-3 record. The Iron Horse girls hosted Barnwell on Feb. 16. The Warhorses enter the game with a 7-5 record, including 2-3 in Region 5-AA. *(Game wasn't played by presstime.)*

The Lady Iron Horses lost 1,000-point scorer Kylee Kellermann to a knee injury, but the team still has talent on board. Junior Kennedy Rivers also has reached the 1,000-point career milestone

while Zaire Mack has picked up some of the scoring lost when Kellermann was injured.

The Iron Horses posted a 39-28 record in their first three seasons of play under coach Dustin Williams. The squad has taken it to the next level the past two seasons, with a combined 24-6 record. They won two playoff games last winter, but lost to Silver Bluff in the Final Four.

The Bishop England boys are the only team of the four that has to hit the road for a first-round game. The Bishops, who have won three of their last four games to finish the regular season, travel to play Lakewood on Feb. 16. Lakewood enters with a two-game losing streak and is 14-9 overall. *(Game wasn't played by presstime.)*

Cole Alexander leads the Bishops with 12.6 points and 9.5 rebounds per game. Elliot Sanders is averaging 10.2 points per game while grabbing 3.6 rebounds.

Philip Simmons boys' tennis poised for spring success

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Philip Simmons tennis coach Richard Schulz doesn't keep up with the Joneses. The way he talks, it's hard enough to just keep up with the other athletic teams at the high school.

"Philip Simmons is on its way to becoming one of the best high schools in the state, both academically and athletically" the affable Schulz said. "We won the Carlisle Cup last year for being the best (Class AA) school athletically, overall, and we're on pace to win it again this year by a bigger margin."

Schulz sounded more like a sports information director than the coach of the defending Class AA state champion boys' tennis team when he said, "This spring the numbers are off the charts; 42 girls

went out for lacrosse, 41 boys went out for soccer and 60-plus went out for track. Football, volleyball, basketball and cross country are all contenders for playoffs."

The big news is that the Iron Horses are seeking yet another state title in tennis. Schultz coaches both the boys and girls teams and the boys are defending state champs while the girls won all the tennis marbles in the fall of 2021.

"Our tennis team is now a complete program," Schulz said. "We had 31 young men go out for the boys tennis team, 16 on varsity, 15 on junior varsity. Now, we are growing faster than our four courts can hold."

The tennis cupboard is never bare up the way on Clements Ferry. The team does lose talent through graduation and the like, but the talent pool is deep with six play-

ers playing year round at tennis academies.

Junior Zade Hyatt is battling for the No. 1 singles spot after playing at No. 2 last spring. He epitomizes what Schulz talks about: students who excel in athletics and academies.

"You probably won't write this, but he's taking AP engineering and he's getting an A in it," Schulz said. "He wants to go to Clemson or North Carolina and be an engineer. He's a warrior in the classroom and on the court."

The order of singles players hasn't been determined just yet, but Schulz has 10 talented players to fill the top 5 spots.

That includes seventh-grader Luke Smith, the younger brother of Clemson standout Mac Smith. Luke was one of the top 12-year-old players in the South last year.



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Player Tripp Grizzle and Philip Simmons High School boys' tennis coach Richard Schulz pose with a new cart that was donated by Publix.

Eighth-grader Jordan Marcado was undefeated last year while senior Soren Spina has experience

and leadership ability.

Other players who should make a name for themselves this spring include Carlos Lopez, Henry Heyden and Josh Lively.

The talent is immense and so is the schedule. In early March, the Iron Horses play in a prestigious tournament in Florence. The event attracts the top teams from the Carolinas and the region.

On March 26, Schulz scheduled a home event that will feature PSHS, Oceanside Collegiate Academy, Myrtle Beach and Nations Ford. Myrtle Beach is favored to win the Class AAAA state title, while Nations Ford will contend for the Class AAAAA state title.

"We have a very good chance to defend our title," Schulz said. "The quality of our young people is outstanding. We have great kids who work together very well."

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GREG PERALTA

One of the good things about living in the Lowcountry is the weather. If you don't like it, wait an hour or so and it will change. Oftentimes dramatically. Saturday was one of those days. We went from windy and cold to sunny and warm. Of course, this "required" me to go fishing. So, Brody, Dave and Elliott jumped on-board the Yellowfin for an offshore fishing trip.

Our plan was to run 48 miles to the 30-fathom curve and troll lures for wahoo. The ocean was flat calm, and we made good time running out. A few miles short of the curve we encountered a school of blackfin tuna feeding on the surface. Elliott and David quickly grabbed rods rigged with a 60-gram Shimano Colt Sniper Jigs. They cast into the frenzy. Blackfin crushed the jigs as soon as they hit the water. We kept both fish for sushi and left them biting to target wahoo.

After running a few more miles to the 30-fathom curve, we deployed a spread of Nomad DTX lures and cedar plugs. We trolled for over an hour without a single strike. Then we found a pocket of warmer water and it was game on. Wahoo, blackfin tuna and the first sailfish of the season made for nonstop action. We literally got tired of fighting fish. When we started



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Capt. Greg Peralta's son Elliott reeled in the crew's first sailfish of 2022.

debating who "had to" reel in a fish, it was time to head home. On the ride back to the dock, Brody, Dave, and Elliott settled into bean bags and took well deserved naps.

When we returned to the harbor, a light rain made for cold and damp conditions. The weather had changed yet again. I stopped the boat to put on my rain jacket. Dave and Elliott kept on sleeping. Brody woke up and joined me at the helm. I laughed. At least Brody was smart enough to get out of the rain.

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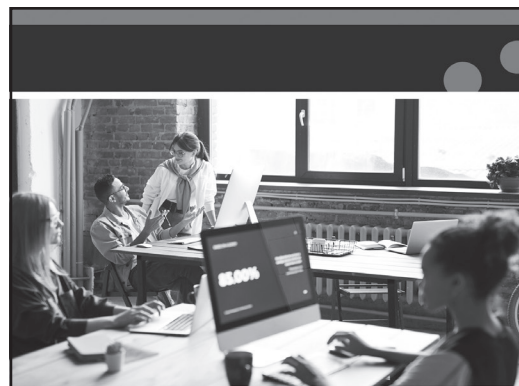
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John Bobey beats Phil Bowman to win Super Bowl Pigskin Pick'em



John and Rona Bobey

Longtime Daniel Island resident John Bobey takes home the Laura Alberts gift card with his big Super Bowl win over sportswriter Phil Bowman.

Bobey went 10-2 to defeat Bowman, an Ohio native and Cincinnati Bengals fan, who finished this week with a 6-6 record.

Bobey and his wife, Rona, play the Pigskin Pick'em Football Contest each week and have won five times between the two of them. Bobey gives his dad, Bruce, the credit for this win, "I have to give dad the credit for this one as it was so much into knowledge of the players," he wrote via email. "I am also more of a college football fan."

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Youth lacrosse league teaches fundamentals

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Charleston Youth Lacrosse League, a boys' lacrosse program, launches this month on Daniel Island. Their mission is to teach the fundamentals of lacrosse in a fun atmosphere. The program is open to boys in grades first through eighth and is appropriate for all skill levels from beginners to advanced players.

Charleston Youth Lacrosse League's primary commitment is to teach the fundamental skills of lacrosse while instilling a love for the game.

The team is headed by an experienced team of professionals. Tom Harris, league director, is a former Major League Lacrosse player and Curriculum Director Matt Deluca currently competes professionally for the Waterdogs in the Premier Lacrosse League.

Harris said their training model



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Charleston Youth Lacrosse League games are held Saturdays on Daniel Island.

takes an innovative approach to local recreational leagues and breaks through traditional barriers.

"By redesigning the framework, we are providing a more engaging atmosphere for kids to grow in confidence and skill. Our overall mission is to build a community program. We have been around

to see the life cycle of our players. From putting the first sticks in their hands, to celebrating state championships and national letters of intent to coaching side by side as they now are giving back to the program by helping the next generation learn."

Deluca and Harris feel their

professional backgrounds are essential in developing a quality league in the area. Deluca is thrilled to be part of the Charleston Youth Lacrosse League.

"I'm super excited Tom brought me along to help run this league. Exciting things are coming for youth lacrosse here in Charleston," Deluca exclaimed.

Christina Sokolowski's son Landon, a third grader at the Daniel Island School, has been playing lacrosse for almost two years. Sokolowski is grateful to have her son be part of a welcoming team that is close to home.

"We are so lucky to live in a place where our kids can be playing outside year-round in such a positive engaging community like Daniel Island, and lacrosse is a huge asset to the island," Sokolowski continued. "The coaches are knowledgeable, professional, and encouraging. The atmosphere at the field is always upbeat and the sport

is so fun to watch too. Travel teams aren't always for everyone, so this new league is a great opportunity to play lacrosse without the commitment of a club program."

Mike and Allison Woods' two sons Charlie and Max are not only learning lacrosse but through hard work are building their confidence. "We love the lacrosse program here on Daniel Island! The convenience of having the fields right here on the island offers an accessible commute for both families traveling from downtown or Mount Pleasant. The ranch is where our boys continue to learn the game of lacrosse ... But more importantly where they're learning how to collaborate with others, communicate effectively and become mentally tough athletes," Allison said.

Games are played Saturdays at the SCLA Lax Ranch at 1645 Oak Leaf St. on Daniel Island. Visit lowlaxlacrosse.com for more information.

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During the pandemic, Linda and Paul Chen packed up their 12-passenger Sprinter van and moved to Daniel Island from California with their six children. Before settling in, Linda returned to California to fly their five feral rescue cats to their new home.

The family happily adjusted to their life on the island, but at the end of November 2020, Friendly, one of the Chens' cats ran away. The distraught Linda posted on some Daniel Island Facebook pages to help find the lost cat. Neighbors reached out to help and fortunately the wayward feline returned home.

A couple of months later, Friendly took off on another journey — one that would last a year. Once again, Linda posted on Daniel Island Facebook pages. For months the family waited patiently for their cat to return.

"Then days turned into weeks, weeks turned into months. They are



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The Chen family and their other cats are happily reunited with Friendly, their cat that went missing for a whole year.

all chipped, so I alerted the vet office here on DI should anyone ever bring one in. I never 'got the call' so I just held on to my hopes that some nice family took a liking to her and made her a great home."

Fast forward a year — Mariah McDermott was alerted to the lost kitty when her cat started meowing after he saw Friendly through the

window. McDermott cared for the cat as she desperately tried to find the owner through Facebook, the local vet, pet sitters, and neighbors.

It took an island, but the residents came together to help Friendly get back home.

"The DI community stepped in so many ways for this sweet cat," McDermott said. "From people wanting

to adopt her to people just spreading the word, asking around if anyone was missing a cat and Stephanie specifically for looking back on missing pets and finding her post."

DI resident Stephanie Hall started searching for Friendly's owner when she saw McDermott's post on Jan. 25. "I am an animal lover and I have a soft spot for lost pets. Our cat disappeared about three years ago and I have never stopped searching posts."

After getting her children off to school, Hall started her investigation. "I was able to weed out a lot of cats by comparing their pictures. Then finally, I came across a calico that had been missing since January of 2021."

Immediately Hall tried to contact the owner. "I was finally able to get through via text. Linda was in shock; she couldn't believe it! She just kept responding with OMG!"

When McDermott messaged Linda that Friendly was safe at her home, the owner wept in disbelief.

The couple grabbed their kids and headed to McDermott's house — which was less than 2 miles away.

"We told the kids we were going to Mariah's house to look at a cat and maybe adopt. The kids were excited, but curiously asked us why would anyone give their cat away. When Mariah brought the cat out all the kids went speechless and froze in place. Austin looked at me and said, 'Mom that looks like our cat.' Paul happily grinned and said, 'Yes, that is our cat.' I chimed in and said, 'This nice lady Mariah found her for us.'"

One question remains, where was Friendly for the past year?

"If only she could talk 'humane' maybe she would tell us what she had been up to all year," Linda added. "... Having gone home to home and met up with all sorts of nice families, but never staying put for too long? Even though I personally weaned them, and they are human imprinted, the feral streak remains."

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meeting NOTES

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

City of Charleston TRC

Date: Feb. 17

A site plan for Woodfield II at Point Hope Parkway in Cainhoj (fourth review). This is a 10-acre site plan for a mixed-use project on Point Hope Parkway, Foundation Street and Hopewell Drive for multi-family units (223) and retail that includes seven buildings, parking and associated site improvements. The owner is Woodfield Investments, LLC. The applicant is Thomas & Hutton. Contact: Brian Riley, riley.b@tandh.com.

Date: Feb. 24

A site plan for Point Hope Retail on Renaissance Lane in Cainhoj (third review). This is a 0.51 acre site with a proposed 5,000-square-foot building. The owner is Joseph Lasardi. The applicant is Earthsource Engineering. Contact: Vince Sottile, sottilev@earthsourceeng.com.

REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETINGS

- Berkeley County Council meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner.
- Berkeley County Board of Education meetings are held twice each month. Executive Committee meets at 5:30 p.m.; meeting starts at 6:30 p.m.
- Charleston City Council conducts its meetings on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 5 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE EVENTS

FOOD DRIVE

Providence Church, 294 Seven Farms Drive, is collecting non-perishable food items for the Lowcountry Food Bank through end of Feb. Items include: baby food, canned meats, canned soups/stews, cereal, fruit juice, peanut butter. Containers for food donations are located on the front and back porches of the church.

BLOOD DRIVE

The Church of the Holy Cross will sponsor a Red Cross blood drive from 10 am - 3 pm on Sunday, Feb. 21. Schedule donation at redcrossblood.org. Sponsor code is holycrossdi.

GRIEF SEMINARS

Each Tuesday from Feb. 22 to May 3, 6:30-8:30 pm, the Parish Hall of the Church of the Holy Cross will host a free recovery seminar and support group called GriefShare. Contact Deacon Ed Dyckman at 843-367-5647 or dyckman.edward@gmail.com.

DI NEWS AUTHOR SERIES

Noted local authors Gordon Rhea and Herb Frazier will present their new books focusing on Civil War and Reconstruction eras, followed by discussion, Q&A and a book signing Wed., Feb. 23, 7 pm at the theater in Daniel Pointe Retirement Community, 514 Robert Daniel Dr. The event is free and open to the public. To give organizers an idea on attendance and how many books to have available for sale, sign up at eventbrite.com/e/daniel-island-news-monthly-author-series-february-23-event-tickets-258022410977.

DI NIGHT AT THE STINGRAYS

On Saturday, Feb. 26, from 5-8 pm, Daniel Island residents are invited to enjoy a fun night with the South Carolina Stingrays. Tickets can be purchased on the DI Property Owners'

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REGULAR MEETINGS

- AA MEETINGS** Mon. - Fri., 7:30 am at Providence Church, and Sat., 8 pm at Holy Cross Church.
- COMMUNITY YOGA** held Thursdays 9:30-10:30 am at the DI Recreation Center. All levels welcome. Email Teresa Donohue at dicomunityyoga@gmail.com.
- DANIEL ISLAND CONNECT** 50-plus age group that meets the third Thurs. of each month, 6-8 pm, at the Crow's Nest. Free. Call Kathy at 502-387-3046.
- DI GARDEN CLUB** meets the second Wed. of the month at 3 pm at Holy Cross Church Parish Hall. The next meeting is Wednesday, March 9. The speaker is Perry Gaskins from Beautiful Day Gardens. The topic is "Growing Daylilies." Contact Linda Price at lmcwpr@gmail.com.
- DANIEL ISLAND GOP CLUB** meets the third Mon. of the month, 8 am, at the Daniel Pointe Retirement Community. Free and open to the public.
- DANIEL ISLAND LIBRARY CLUB EVENTS** Capt. Daniell's Pipers Recorder Group: Tues. 2-3 pm; Needleworkers: second and fourth Tues. of the

month, 11:15 am; Book Club: third Tues. of the month, 11 am - noon; Deepthinkers Discussion Group: Wed., 10:30 am to noon; Social Bridge Club: second Fri. and fourth Mon. of the month, 1-4 pm; Writers Group: first Wed. of the month, 4:30-6 pm.

DANIEL ISLAND WYLDLIFE For all middle schoolers on DI, club meets Mon. from 7-8 pm at DI Recreation Center. Campaigners meet Wed., 6:30-7:30 pm. Email Tlengyel91@gmail.com.

EXCHANGE CLUB OF DANIEL ISLAND meets on the fourth Tues of every month at 5:30 pm at the Daniel Pointe Community Center, 514 Robert Daniel Dr. More info at dixchangeclub.org.

MASTER GARDENER Q&A meets the first Mon. of the month at the DI Library, 4-6 pm. Master Gardener on hand to answer questions and accept soil samples.

PHILIP SIMMONS YOUNG LIFE All Philip Simmons students welcome. Club meets every other Wed. at 208 Grand Park Blvd. Campaigners every Mon. at 7 pm. Email Tlengyel91@gmail.com.

REPUBLICAN WOMEN meet the fourth Mon. of each month, 11:30 am, Hilton Garden Inn, 300 Wingo Way, Mt. Pleasant. Visit East Cooper Republican Women on Facebook or email tblairecrv@protonmail.com.

ROTARY CLUB OF DI meets every Wed. at 7:30 am at the DI Club and virtually. Email maryjo@mjrca.com at danielislandrotary.com.

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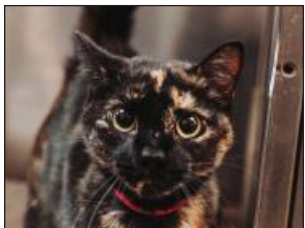
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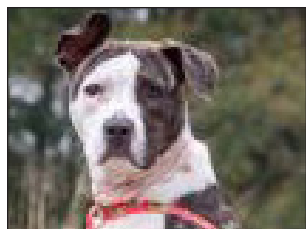
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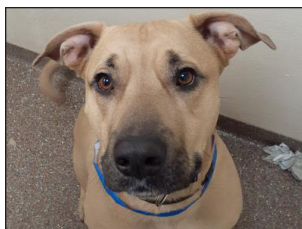
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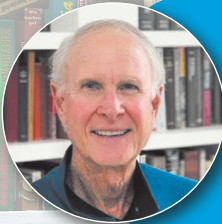


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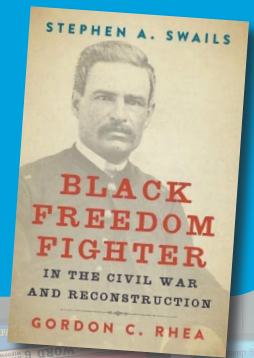
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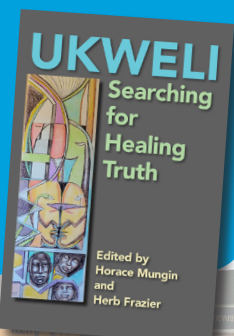
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2.	choose	_____	_____
3.	cut	_____	_____
4.	take	_____	_____

Answers: 1. sing, sang, sung 2. choose, chose, chosen 3. cut, cut, cut 4. take, took, taken

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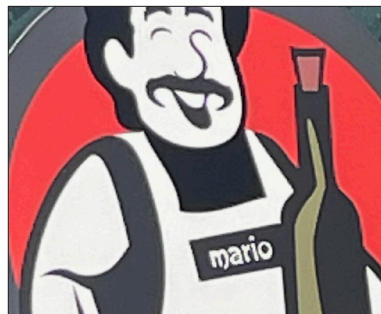
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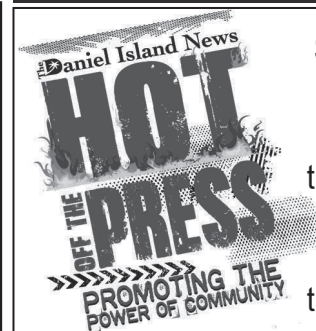
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FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 15, 2007:



Author Michael “Mike” Dahlman, and his son, Michael Jr., were featured. The duo researched, assembled and wrote the first history of Daniel Island, the community they moved to only two and a half years prior. The book, “Daniel Island,” was published by Arcadia Publishing and is still available.

Former Mayor Joe Riley and former Police Chief Gregory Mullen spoke at a Daniel Island town hall meeting. At the time, both leaders, working in conjunction with others in the community, came up with a list of 18 “defects” in the current criminal justice system that they asked legislators to target. Number one on their list was taking a tougher stance on gun possession.

“Our slogan is criminals plus guns equals jail,” Riley told the group. “Right now, you can be convicted of selling crack cocaine and get out of jail and you can legally buy any gun you want to. We better make sure that when we catch these people that they get serious time.”

TEN YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 16, 2012:



The cover and centerfold featured resources, warning signs and risk factors concerning teen suicide. The information was based on a conference held at Palmetto Scholars Academy and was organized by Daniel Island resident and then PSA student Rachel Lindbergh, whose friend’s brother committed suicide.

In business news, Anchor Commercial Real Estate Services, a full-service commercial real estate firm located on Daniel Island, joined Lee & Associates, one of the largest full-service commercial real estate firms in the country.

In school news, two Tech Savvy Kids Club teams participated in the FIRST LEGO League Robotics Regional Qualifier Tournament at Cane Bay High School hosted by the Berkeley County School District. The teams were led by Melissa Brown, a Daniel Island School kindergarten teacher at the time.

FIVE YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 16, 2017:



In recognition of the upcoming President’s Day holiday, the leaders of some of Daniel Island’s clubs and organizations were featured. There are dozens of groups that meet here each month and they are an integral part of what makes this island town an active, thriving community.

As part of Black History Month, the Daniel Island Library presented a series of historical lectures. One titled “Bound for Canaan: The Underground Railroad and the African American Quest for Freedom” focused on one of the Underground Railroad’s most celebrated conductors, Harriet Tubman, who was born into slavery and escaped and bravely devoted her life to helping other slaves make their way to freedom, often risking her own safety.

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