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Random acts of kindness aid those in financial need

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Carol Mason knows how to pay it forward. Two years ago, Mason and a group of Daniel Island residents started Random Acts of Kindness of the Lowcountry – a grassroots organization that provides one-time financial gifts to those in need.

Since August 2020, the group has grown from 10 to 50 members, helped more than 70 individuals and families and donated nearly \$50,000.

"We're not going to change someone's life, but we are going to give them a hand up during a difficult time." Mason said.

RAKL serves residents in Charleston, Berkeley and Dorchester counties and works closely with nonprofits like Trident Literacy Association, East Cooper Community Outreach, Youth Advocate Program and other organizations to find people who need a helping hand.



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Random Acts of Kindness of the Lowcountry President Carol Mason (right) and Lynn McCall, delivered Easter baskets last spring to The Navigation Center, an organization that helps Charleston's homeless population.

"There's a lot of need because there is a whole community of people even on Daniel Island that are low income," Mason said. "We work with local churches, Cainhoy Elementary School, and Philip Simmons, where we have given kids money to get their graduation cap and gown."

Most gift amounts range between \$500 and \$750 and can help with rent, utilities, education, transportation, furnishings, computer equipment and medical expenses.

A young graduate of Delancey Street Foundation, which helps people recover from addiction, was ready to re-enter society but needed funds for major dental work to increase his self-esteem.

"One of our members found a dentist who would do the work," Mason said. "We paid \$624, and the rest was gratis. The man sent us a photo of himself and he looked terrific."

A single mother of three on Daniel Island took in two more children after a family member died. What she wanted the most were bicycles for all the kids, so RAKL purchased and delivered six bikes; five for the children and one for the mother. The Daniel Island Rotary Club heard about the story and decided to foot the bill.

According to Mason, the kindness can be contagious. She recently had RAKL promotional brochures printed at Qwik Pack and Ship on Seven Farms Drive and owner Tom Pomposelli wouldn't let

her pay for them.

"I handed him my credit card and he said, 'you know what? Random Acts of Kindness just inspired me, so I'm going to give you this as a gift.' It was very, very sweet and that's what we're all about," Mason said.

In addition to donations from generous individuals and businesses, each Random Acts of Kindness member makes a \$100 quarterly contribution. The group meets monthly to review cases and decide which ones to support. One of Mason's goals for the future is to grow RAKL to 75 members and to assist more people around the Charleston area.

"One of the hardest parts is finding people who really need our help," Mason said. "I think as we get more well known in the community, people will come to us and that will make it a lot easier."

To learn more about Random Acts of Kindness of the Lowcountry, visit raklowcountry.org. or email info.rakl2020@gmail.com.







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DI water aerobics class keeps fitness afloat

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It's just after 9 a.m. on a recent Monday at The Crow's Nest Pool in Edgefield Park on Daniel Island. Close to 40 heads are bobbing in the water as Ricky Martin's heart-pumping song "She Bangs" blares from a set of nearby speakers. It's not technically a pool party, but for those participating, it definitely feels like a celebration.

"Think about your range of motion!" shouts a man wearing a headset and mic at the edge of the pool. "Reach it out! Take that arm all the way through!"

This is Joe Gunter's water aerobics class. And those who are taking part will tell you, if you're not here, you're missing out.

"It's great!" said Pam Shaw, after the session concluded. "Joe's attitude is amazing. Everyone is so happy when they come! It's a great way to start the day."

"I'm here for the music," added Shaw's husband, Brian. "... You feel like you're accomplishing something!"

For class attendee Linda McBride, it all comes down to one motivating factor.

"Joe!" McBride exclaimed.

Those sentiments are exactly what inspires



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Joe Gunter's water aerobics classes are donation-based, Daniel Island resident Joe Gunter's with a \$5 suggested donation, and are offered Mondays, water aerobics classes attract more Wednesdays and Fridays, at 9 a.m. at The Crow's Nest Pool in Edgefield Park.

Gunter to keep teaching. The Navy veteran, who spent the better part of his career traveling the world as an operational auditor for Chevron, saw a video on water aerobics some 25 years ago and decided to take the plunge and become an instructor.

"I just became aware of the benefits of exercise in the water," Gunter recalled. "I just thought it was wonderful! So I started working in a pool myself and then I attended several international water aerobics conferences... and got certified to teach."



than 30 students!

Gunter first started offering classes on Daniel Island at Scott Park Pool around 2007 and did about eight or nine seasons before taking a break. He felt the pool chemicals were taking a toll on his skin. Recently, he was contacted by the Daniel Island Property Owners Association to see if he might be interested in resuming his efforts. When he heard that The Crow's Nest offered a saltwater pool that is temperature-regulated, he decided it was time to dive back in – and things have been going swimmingly ever since!

"The response has been just overwhelming," said Gunter, who regularly has 30 or more people attend his classes. "I'm just very pleased with the turnout... And it's been a lot of fun. I just really enjoy it, and I'm inspired by the group. It just makes me want to work more and it feels good to be able to help people to achieve their exercise goals."

Gunter's classes vary in intensity to accommodate all exercise levels.

"My class is pretty ad lib," Gunter said. "I try to keep it moving and just do basic moves and medium to high intensity. I give those who want to work hard the opportunity to do so. And I spend a lot of time on my music

As for the future? Gunter, 75, plans to keep going with the flow.

"Fitness is a big part of my life... I'm just playing it by ear, year by year, but I would certainly want to continue it if my body allows it... They definitely inspire me to keep going!"

Gunter's classes have been so popular that as of Aug. 1, he went from two sessions a week to three. Offered Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 a.m. at The Crow's Nest, his classes are donation based, with a \$5 suggested donation for each session. For more information, visit the events calendar at dicommunity.org.









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"Sorry to be a Monday morning quarterback," my Aunt Toogie said as she sipped a gin and tonic. "But you swung for the fences and struck out."

She was offering some post-game commentary following an incident that can be best described only as a shutout, a laugher, a one-sided

It began, innocently enough, with an attempt to assist my lovely wife, Grace, in the kitchen. Now I believe food preparation and cleanup are certainly not her job alone and I do try to help with both. But with my background in executive management, I had observed several situations that could benefit from a little process improvement. Take for example, the spice drawers. These two drawers contained a rather random-looking assortment of small bottles and jars. It struck me: Wouldn't it be more efficient and orderly if these items were all arranged alphabetically?

So when Grace left for her Wednesday Senior Day shopping run to Publix, I seized the opportunity to both impress and surprise her. In retrospect, I was half right, but that's getting ahead of the story. Toogie watched as I began

Sports Talk grabbing spice containers and lining them up on

the kitchen counter in alphabetical order. "What are you doing there, rookie?" she inquired with a sly grin.

After I explained my strategy, she chuckled, "I won't pull any punches. That is a gusty call on your part, especially since the kitchen is not your home turf." Before I could reply, she added, "What I can tell you for sure is that this place will be bedlam when Grace arrives in the

I asked Toogie if she wanted to lend a hand in my project. She declined, saying she wanted to grab her cell phone and "get this on Tik Tok. It will be one for the ages."

Taking that as a compliment, I hastily reassembled all the spices in good order – from allspice, anise, basil, and bay leaves all the way to tarragon, thyme, and tumeric - finishing just as Grace arrived home. When she heard the door open from the garage, Toogie whispered, "Crunch time."

Grace entered with a bag of groceries and asked me to retrieve two more from her car. In the short time it took me to do that, Toogie must have revealed my organizational game plan. Grace was standing with her arms crossed looking at the contents of the rearranged spice drawers.

Pointing at one bottle, Grace asked somewhat sharply, "What is the cinnamon doing here?" This gave me a perfect opening to illustrate my new system as I explained how cinnamon,

starting with the letter "c," fit perfectly between black garlic and dill weed. In an instant, I was back on my heels and out of rhythm as Grace took over command of the game and lectured me how she had all the savoy spices in one drawer and the sweet baking spices in another. She continued explaining how the items used most often were in the front while less-frequently used ones were stored behind. As Grace enumerated these ground rules, I think I heard Toogie whisper, "Boom goes the dynamite." Putting the cinnamon bottle in the wrong team locker room was more than an unforced error. It was game, set and match point!

Adhering to Grace's close supervision, I returned all the bottles and jars to their original lineup. After that I was relieved and sent to the

Later that afternoon, sitting on the back porch sipping a gin and tonic, I reflected on how I had dropped the ball. That is when Toogie joined me, similar drink in hand and launched into her analysis.

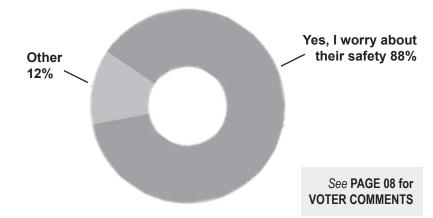
"You gave it a good try, Dalton. But Grace had her A game and she grabbed the momentum early." Before I could respond, she continued. "I think you need to go back to the drawing board. Put this loss behind you and get back to basics. Remember, it's a marathon, not a

"Yeah," I responded. "I think I was pressing

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Reader Survey: School safety concerns, solutions

Question: In light of recent mass shootings, including the Uvalde school tragedy, the recently passed federal gun safety law provides for additional funding for school safety. With students headed back to the classrooms in just a few weeks, do you worry about the safety of your children?



Next week: What do you want to know?

The Daniel Island News started its weekly readers poll a little over two years ago. We've asked serious questions about health and wellness, gun safety, elections and more. We've asked light-hearted



questions about favorites

- movies, cookies, pie, ice cream and more. And just about everything in between. So this week we want to know what you want to know. Share with us the questions you'd like to see answered at surveymonkey.com/r/Reader Questions by Sunday, Aug. 7, 5 p.m.

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Sports talk with Dalton

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too much."

This launched an exchange. "It got out of hand quickly," Toogie replied.

- "I never had the right tempo."
- "You weren't in the zone."
- "I need to eliminate the mental mistakes."
- "You need to dig deeper."
- "And give 110 percent."
- "It was all over but the shouting."

The back door opened and Grace joined us on the porch. She thoughtfully brought drink refills for us along with her own refreshment.

"Toogie and I are going to a Library Society function tomorrow," Grace announced. "Want to join us?"

- "Can't," I answered. "Playing golf with Jim and Jerry."
- "That sounds like fun."
- "Not lately," I sighed.
- "Why not? I thought you loved golf."
- "I'm having trouble putting," I answered
- "What kind of trouble?"
- "I have been leaving them all short."
- "Well, as they say," Grace smiled, "never up, never in."
- "Yeah," Toogie chipped in. "You got to hit it, Alice."
- "Just remember," Grace added. "You drive for show, but you putt for dough."

Before I could respond to their coaching, Grace proclaimed, "Speaking of dough, with Dalton's new-found interest in the kitchen, I think he should fix dinner."

"Home run!" Toogie exclaimed.

I pondered Grace's suggestion. Knowing I couldn't compete with her in home cooking, I called an audible, "How about we all go out for pizza?"

"That would be a hit with me," Grace stated. "You and Toogie take these glasses to the kitchen and I'll get my purse and a wrap."

After Grace retreated to the house, Toogie sat back in her chair and inquired, "So, are you retiring from your culinary

"Yeah, I guess so," I answered. "I decided to take one for the team. Grace is the GOAT in the kitchen and I'm happy to bat behind her."

"Oh, I'd describe it more in the words of the great Ricky Bobby," Toogie grinned. Leaning closer, she whispered, "If you ain't first, you're last!"



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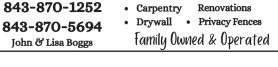
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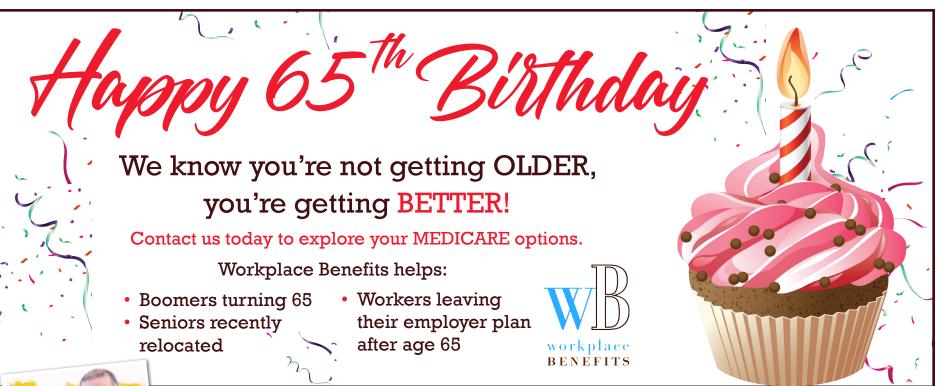
Tell us about what safety measures would make you feel more confident about student safety.

- Restricting access and making guns less easily obtainable is the only sure proof way to reduce the likelihood of more shootings in the U.S.
- #1 An assault weapons ban. #2 An incident command system created specifically for active shooter situations. #3

Practice drills with Charleston Police, Charleston Fire Dept., Berkeley County Sheriff's Office and Berkeley County EMS.

- We all saw how chaotic the Uvalde shooting was in regards to no one stepping up to lead. I worry that if something would happen, there would be confusion on who would lead the operation here.
- I would love to see bulletproof classroom doors, windows, and entrances.
- I recorded "other" to question 1 because I no longer have school-aged children but I would worry if my kids were in school today. The best safety measure is to renew the assault weapon ban.





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Tom and Sue's incomplete de to Lowcount

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Sue's greeting: Coming off the success of snagging Tom to join me for ice cream research in July, I cast him the pizza research idea and he took it like a bass hitting a fresh minnow running out the door heading to the pizza parlor with no chance of me reeling him to shore. Here's our take on the local pizza scene. Tom's greeting: If I

may be so bold as to quote the legendary philosopher Kelly Clarkson, some people wait a lifetime for a moment like this. A moment in which my wife laid out the dinner menu for the coming week and every night was pizza night. And not just dinner, but lunch and breakfast,

too. It's as if I died and went back to college, minus the hangovers and general malaise about missed classes, of course.

Vespa Pizzeria

224 Seven Farms Dr., Daniel Island

Sue's Take: Vespa has been serving outstanding woodfired, Neapolitan-style pizzas made with local produce since 2009. The white pizza has always been my favorite and Tom and I like to share it with their Greek salad. When I go with my daughter, we order the margherita – her favorite – and the beet salad. This is a wonderful spot for tasty pizza and healthy salads. We like the outdoor seating – there is plenty of shade and a large fan so it is pleasant even during the hottest time of the year.

Tom's Take: I am a country boy at heart, so when Sue informed me that Vespa serves Neapolitan-style pizza, I thought it would come with a layer of strawberry, vanilla and chocolate, like the ice cream, and the eating would be over when there was nothing but strawberry left in the box. Turns out, "Neapolitan" refers to the Naples region of Italy, and their pizza is light and crispy, having been cooked in an oven the approximate temperature of the sun, for no longer than the time that my beloved New York Giants have held

a lead in an NFL game since Eli Manning was unceremoniously "retired" (under 2 minutes). Like the best Italian cooking, it is simply and expertly executed.

LIDI Restaurant

901 Island Park Dr., Suite A, Daniel Island

Sue's Take: Happy hour pizza! A friend clued us in about the food at LIDI's happy hour - it's good and super affordable! We stopped in on a rainy evening and ordered the 10-inch shrimp and artichoke pizza off their regular menu and the \$6.50, 10-inch cheese pizza from their happy hour menu. Both were great but the shrimp/artichoke was an outstanding combination I never had before. I'll be back for more! Give it a try!

Tom's Take: A happy hour that serves pizza puts all nonpizza-serving happy hours to shame. And, a happy hour pizza that tastes like shrimp scampi sounds like it could only come from a state that has recently legalized recreational marijuana. But this scampi-pizza is a work of genius because trust me, I visited one of those states once, and the best I could come up with is a Choco Taco/margherita pizza. And, thanks to the evil executives at Klondike Bar Inc, the Choco Taco/margherita pizza is sadly no longer an option.

Famurali's Pizzeria

1721 Clements Ferry Rd., Point Hope, Cainhoy

Sue's Take: We headed down to Point Hope and Famurali's after a heavy Saturday thunderstorm - the helpful staff dried off the outdoor seating and we selected two pizzas: a Neapolitan and a Chicago-style – both have build your own options. For our traditional pizza, we opted for the pesto base with mushrooms and onions and it was delicious. The Chicago-style was filled with chunky tomato sauce and spinach and onions. Both choices were so good that I was too full to drink any of their craft beer options, but I will return to try the Skinny Vanilla Latte Stout.

Tom's Take: OK, this one almost broke me. This Chicago-style pizza is like nothing I have seen. First they put a pizza dough in a 14-inch round deep-sided pan, then they threw in triple the cheese and toppings of a normal pizza, covered that with more dough, baked it, then covered that with sauce and more cheese. The result is eight slices of deep dish pizza that the FDA guidelines suggest will serve 16 beefy Bears fans. I ate two slices and was fast asleep within 15 minutes, which was unfortunate since I was driving Sue home down Clements Ferry Road at the time.

Ali Baba Daniel Island

186 Seven Farms Dr. #500, Daniel Island

Sue's Take: Ali Baba is the island's pizza outlier - their fatayer is amazing! It is served open, like a pizza, and is of Lebanese origin. It looks like a boat of dough holding cheese and other toppings. Their Greek fatayer is out of this world good!

Tom's Take: It's no secret that everything that made Rome great had its origins in the regions it conquered. The fatayer's garlicky, cheesy, vegetable-y, doughy combination was only slightly improved upon when either Marco Polo or Christopher Columbus or perhaps Al Capone brought back the deadly nightshade tomato plant from the New World, made the pizza round and served it in a square box.

Orlando's Brick Oven Pizza

295 Seven Farms Dr., Daniel Island

Sue's Take: Orlando's was our family's go to spot before the kids flew the nest -apie feeds the family and the kids loved the taste. So do the adults! We usually split the pie with toppings: my half gets ham and pineapple and Tom usually goes for mushroom and onions.

Tom's Take: Having grown up a bit north of New York City, I'd say that Orlando's is as close to the pizza I ate in my formative years as it gets. It's the kind of pizza the goodfellas ate on their way back to the city, after a hunting trip in which they never bagged a deer, but always returned a man or two down - if ya know what I mean.

The Dime

30 River Landing Dr, Daniel Island

Sue's Take: The newest local spot for pizza on Daniel Island, The Dime's brick oven pies are served noon-4 p.m. on Monday through Wednesday, and noon-8 p.m. on Thursday through Sunday. The pie is just as wonderful as its riverfront location. We went for the margherita pie, which was served with a sweet sauce and large fresh sprigs of basil.

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Tom's Take: I hereby award pizza at The Dime my Gomer Pie-l award because Surprise, Surprise, it's good. It's worth the mile walk from our house to Waterfront Park to share this pie on the swings with Sue. I have no qualms saying that I'd fight Sue for the last piece of this pie. Of course, she'd pull out one of those sneaky pressure point moves she learned at Sensei Glenn's women's self-defense classes, but I'd put my odds of landing the last slice at borderline even. Pizza above pain is what I have always said.

Domino's

162 Seven Farms Dr., Daniel Island

Sue's Take: They deliver warm brownies in a pizza box to the front door!

Tom's Take: Ok, it's easy to be a pizza snob and bash the pizza chains, but I will not sink so low as to suggest that when I once ordered delivery pizza, I threw away the pizza and ate the box. It was 3 a.m., and I was in college.



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The shrimp and artichoke pizza at LIDI Restaurant on Daniel Island is delicious!

Anyone could have made that mistake. Here's the real deal: Domino's pizza got me through the Great Recession. Not only did I survive financially with a weekend job delivering pizzas to the tourist families on Isle of Palms, but the mis-cooked pies and forgotten orders were my primary food source during those years. Domino's pizza is way better than it used to be (not a high bar – see above story), the cookie-brownies make Sue happy no matter how many times she tells me not to order them, and they bring the food right to the front door. It's not a perfect pizza, but it's nearly a perfect business model.

Quick Hits - Sue & Tom Agree! Kind of

Best Pizza Downtown:

Sabatino's Authentic New York City Pizza, a hole in the wall joint on Calhoun Street, is one of our favorite spots for pizza. They claim it's made exactly as in the Bronx – a thin crust, heavy on the cheese and light on the sauce. Superb!

Biggest Pie:

Benny Palmettos! Located on Coleman Boulevard in Mount Pleasant, their large pie is so big that you need an SUV to take it home. The box fit wheel well to wheel well in our small SUV.

Best Place for Pizza and Philly **Sports:**

Mellow Mushroom in Mount Pleasant. The owner is a Daniel Island resident and a Philadelphia sports fan! Tom puts up with the Eagle's vibe because the pizza is so good and they have so many TVs that he can catch one of his New York teams!

Closing thoughts:

Sue's Takeaway: If it is pizza you want, you can't go wrong with any of the pizzerias in the Daniel Island and Cainhoy area. Every parlor has great tasting pizza and each is a little different. Have you found a great Lowcountry pizza you can recommend? Share your experience with our readers, send your comments and photos to sdetar@ thedanielislandnews.com

Tom's Takeaway: Sue tells me our next Lowcountry guide will be about local workout options. She also said that right before our ice cream and pizza assignments, so I figure that we'll either be reviewing burritos or fullspectrum CBD gummies next. Also, despite Sue's misguided enthusiasm, Philadelphia sports are highly overrated.

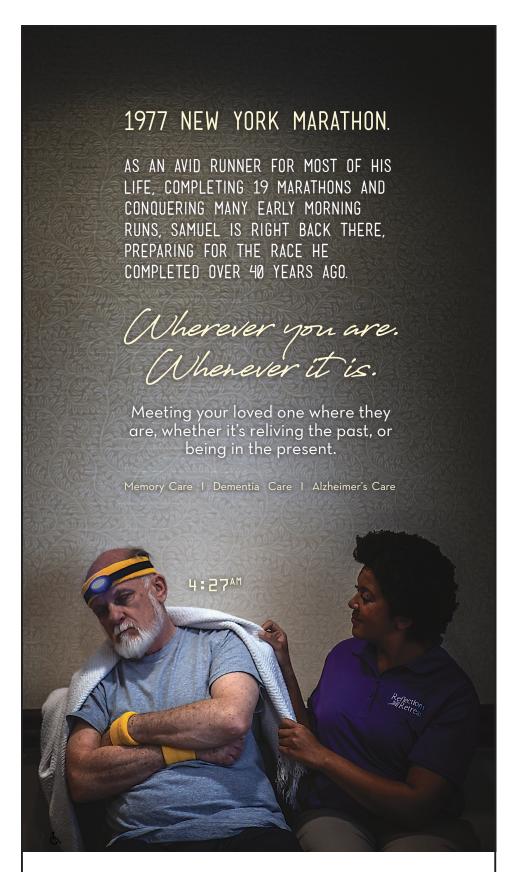






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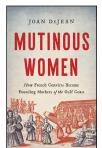
read all about it

BECKY BECHHOLD

Loads of new fiction and two nonfiction titles to peruse this month. Maybe for reading at sports practice, waiting in the school pick-up line or on those last days of vacation. Book clubs are probably starting back up soon as well.

NONFICTION:

"Mutinous Women" by Joan DeJean. In 1720, the French government arrested women - some barely adult - on trumped up charges, and shipped them to populate the Louisiana territory. It was a god-forsaken wilderness, but the



women who survived the voyage established communities, started families, ran businesses, and were essential to settling the lower Mississippi region.

"In With the Devil" by James Keene. This is a propulsive read. Keene was a drug kingpin who was recruited to seek a confession from a known serial killer while both were incarcerated in a prison for the insane. In return, Keene would be freed. This is not just his story but also an exposè of the botched investigation of the killer. Currently streaming under a different name on Apple TV +, but the book is far better.

FICTION:

"The Midcoast" by Adam White. Set in Maine, but relatable to any community. What parents will do for their children knows no bounds. Well-written, believable, and poignant.

"One Day I Shall Astonish the World" by Nina Stibbe. From the author of "Love, Nina," this story is a deep dive into the complicated friendship of two women in England. Stibbe gives us an honest account of the women and their relationship which is frequently complicated by spouses, jobs, hopes, and expectations. Great for a Book Club.

"Mecca" by Susan Straight. A somewhat sobering profile of the native community of Southern California. This is not the glamour of LA, but the people who live and work in the hills and communities surrounding the

"Ill Will" by Dan Chason. This author has a new book out, but the NYT reviewer preferred this earlier book. Great for those who like a creepy, pervy, murder mystery.

"Counterfeit" by Kristen Chen. Asian Stanford students dive into counterfeit luxury purse importation. Fascinating portrayal of how it is done (it helps to speak Mandarin) and the psyche of those who thrive on deceiving buyers. I am equally interested in why people knowingly buy fakes.

"Hurricane Girl" by Marcy Dermansky. A quick read about a girl hit in the head during a hurricane and her increasingly odd behavior after the incident. Her antics are by turns funny and horrible.

"Horse" by Geraldine Brooks. Do not be intimidated by the 400 + pages of this book by Pulitzer Prize winner Brooks. The story is based on the real life thoroughbred Lexington. It spans the racing industry of 1860 to contemporary Washington, D.C. and does not disappoint.

"The Fervor" by Alma Katsu. Also reality based, this story details many of the atrocities foisted upon American citizens of Japanese heritage who were placed in camps during World War II. A widow, a reporter, and a child all seeking the truth and their own salvation.

"Vigil Harbor" by Julia Glass. The author of "Three Junes" pens this novel set in the not too distant future in a seaside town in Massachusetts. Eco-terrorists are part of the cast, but mostly it is about people, relationships, loyalty, perseverance, and faith.

"NSFW" by Isabel Kaplan. The politics sexual and otherwise - of network TV, told through the travails of a young girl trying to get a foot in the door without selling out. Pretty much the same in any business, but Kaplan gives the insider's view of the production industry.

"Fellowship Point" by Alice Elliott Dark. Set mostly in Maine at a summer compound populated by a small group of families who cherish the natural beauty of the land. But the younger generation sees profit in development sparking a rift between aging owners. A highly engaging saga of personal heartbreak and redemption.

For more reads, visit beckysbookclub.com.

Swimming pools should be relaxing, not risky



Legal notes

CHRIS MINGLEDORFF & MICHAEL PATTERSON

Most people think of swimming pools as a summertime activity. However, with the beautiful Charleston weather, we have the luxury of being able to use pools from spring through fall. Even then, many private pools have heaters and can be used year-round. Since we get so much use out of our pools in the Lowcountry, now is a great time to review pool safety.

This article will focus on private pools rather than public pools. Although, many of the same principles apply to both.

In the U.S., an average of 10 people drown every day and drowning is the top cause of unintentional, injury-related death for children ages 1 to 4. As such, it is incumbent upon pool owners to ensure they take the proper precautions to avoid adding to these statistics.

Pool safety is governed by the rules of

premises liability. Premises liability recognizes three different types of "entrants" on your property: invitees, licensees and trespassers. As a pool owner, you owe a different duty of care to each type of entrant. I am sure everyone can understand why they owe some duty of care to people who are allowed to be on their property, i.e., licensees and invitees. However, it is important to understand that as a pool owner, you also likely owe some duty of care to trespassers as well.

Typically, this usually applies to children trespassers. A pool is considered an "attractive nuisance." The attractive nuisance doctrine provides that where the owner or occupier of land brings or artificially creates something (like a pool) which, from its nature, is especially attractive to children; he is bound to take reasonable care to see that the dangerous thing (the pool) is appropriately protected so that children will not be injured if they come into contact with it.

One of the best ways to protect your pool from trespassers is to have a fence

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around the pool of sufficient height (check with Daniel Island's Architectural Review Board on fence requirements) that has some form of locking mechanism on the entrance gate. It is also a good idea to have a sign which indicates "No Trespassing" and if practical, have exterior surveillance cameras as additional deterrents.

Certain risks, like slippery surfaces around the pool and the danger posed by diving from inappropriate places, may be too obvious to create liability for the pool owner; however, you cannot bank on that and should make invitees and licensees aware of such dangers. Signs are the easiest way to address these issues.

However, if it is not obvious that a pool is too shallow for diving or if the pool

has hidden obstructions, failing to warn invitees or licensees could make an owner liable for any injuries that arise as a result. Additionally, equipment like ladders, diving boards and drains must not be allowed to fall into a dangerous state of disrepair without adequate warning to users. It is also important to maintain appropriate safety and emergency equipment for your pool in an area which can be reached quickly should an accident occur.

Finally, make sure you have an appropriate amount of insurance coverage for your pool. Some pool owners rent out their pools as part of a home rental through sites like Airbnb. An insurance carrier might see these as commercial activities, which would require separate, additional cover-

If you are taking the proper precautions, then your pool can be a place for fun and relaxation for all your friends and family!

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management moment

DOUG DICKERSON

Be faithful in the small things because it is in them that your strength lies. – Mother Teresa

In the final pages of his great epic "The Lord of the Rings," J.R.R. Tolkien writes of his heroes, Sam and Frodo, and their desperate quest to reach the cursed Mount Doom to cast the ring of power, a device that held much of the dark lord Sauron's power, into the fire and destroy it. As they came closer to the mountain, their situation grew more desperate.

They were wasting away physically, Frodo's spirit was failing, and their quest seemed hopeless. In a key moment, Sam attempts to encourage Frodo by asking him if he remembers the taste of strawberries and cream, the sound of water, the beauties of

spring in their far-off home, the Shire.

The lesson here is as powerful as it is simple - we must not forget the small and meaningful things in life that we often take for granted. In life, we are so busy and the "tyranny of the urgent" often crowds out what's truly important.

In leadership, remembering the small things is also a necessity. The small things that leaders do is what makes them great leaders. So, let's examine some of the small things that yield great returns.

MIND YOUR MANNERS

It should go without saying, but I'm saying it, leaders must mind their manners. Common courtesies of respect matter. It may seem like a small thing to you but people see, hear, and notice when you use your manners and in particular when you don't.

GIVE CREDIT, TAKE THE BLAME

Little things like giving credit or praising the work of others is one of the most honorable things you can do as a leader. Take responsibility when things go wrong, give credit to others when things go well.

LISTEN MORE, TALK LESS

You will be more effective as a leader

when you understand the value of listening more than speaking. Often, it's not what you have to say that's so important, but what you need to hear that will make you a better

PUT YOUR PHONE AWAY

It will be hard for you to be in the moment and for your people to believe that you matter to them if you are constantly toggling between them and your phone. This is not just a common courtesy, it's a matter of respect.

WALK HUMBLY

Never allow yourself to get so proud and "successful" that you forget what the struggle was like when you started out and what the struggle is like for those following your footsteps. You can be a great resource and help to others but not if you are haughty or prideful.

REMAIN TEACHABLE

John Wooden said it well, "It's what you learn after you know it all that counts." This is timeless advice. You will never know it all, so never stop learning.

LAUGH AT YOURSELF

Life's too short to be taken so seriously. Learn how to laugh at yourself. You'll feel

better and it will endear you to those already laughing at you.

BE RELIABLE

Nothing will frustrate the people you lead more than not being reliable. If your people are unsure about you as a leader they will be unsure about where you are leading them.

KEEP YOUR WORD

It's a simple rule of leadership. If your people can't trust you they won't follow you. **BE GENEROUS**

Leaders lead by example - be generous with your time, your talents, and your treasure. Every day strive to make the world a better place because you are in it.

Final Thoughts

"Character demonstrates itself in trifles," said Louise Imogen Guiney, and while it might seem small to you, the small things add up and your leadership depends on it. Don't forget the small things.

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Downton Daniel Island: Cup of tea over a good read

Staff Report

A Daniel Island women's book club came up with a splendid way to celebrate the recent release of the movie "Downton Abbey: A New Era," set in 1928 England. The mates gathered at the Daniel Island Library for a proper British "tea," complete with cucumber sandwiches, fruit kabobs, scones, clotted cream, petit-fours, and, of

course, an assortment of teas! The event was sponsored by the Friends of the Berkeley County Library. Before the festivities, each member of the club read a book from the Downton Abbey time period and shared insights with the rest of the group at the tea. The club hopes to make the event an annual celebration – which sounds like a smashing



This Daniel Island-based women's book club has about 30 members. They've been meeting together for a number of years and recently hosted an "English Tea" at the Daniel Island Library. in celebration of the recent release of the new Downton Abbey movie.



Daniel Island resident Anita Koszyk donned a festive pink hat for the occa-



Tea time! Pictured left to right are book club members Kay Johnson, Pam Miller and Julia Grubb.

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ooking to shake it up without leav-Ling the area? Take a shot and visit local restaurants that are home to some of the Lowcountry's best bartenders.

Shannan Nusz has been serving up tasty treats at Dog & Duck on Clements Ferry Road for the past six years. Her specialty, go-to drink is a cherry limeade — a cool cocktail made with cherry vodka, muddled limes, a touch of grenadine and a splash of

Nusz's favorite customers are the people who know her on a first name basis. "The best thing about bartending is meeting new people usually on a daily basis. Becoming friends with the regulars is always fun and makes the job rewarding!"

Networking can also be a positive part of the job. "I'm starting my own event planning and event bartending business. My contacts have all been through my regulars and word of mouth. It's pretty neat."

According to Nusz, the worst part of the job is being the "fun police," but she always has a plan when dealing with an over-served guest. "I like to first offer water and some food to see if that'll help calm their behavior. If that doesn't work then I kindly let them know I will not continue to serve them anymore alcohol and ask if they need help getting a ride from a friend or Uber or Lyft."

Annievic Espinosa started at Wasabi as a server, thanks to her positive attitude and work ethic, she is now the bar manager. Bartending is not always an easy job, but





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Local bartenders serve up tasty, tantalizing drinks and industry advice

Espinosa quickly learned the tricks of the

"You get the hang of it as long as you have good customers and great people skills," Espinosa said.

Espinosa said the best part of her job is the company and connecting with her regulars, many who come by to see her

favorite drink to make is the Daniel Island Oasis – a tasty blend of Coconut Cîroc, pineapple, sour mix and peach bitters.

The bar at Wasabi can get very busy during the hot summer concert nights at the newly renovated Credit One Stadium: however, even with the extra work the upbeat bartender stays cool.

"On concert days we have a lot more people, it's quite busy at the bar," Espinosa

> said. "There's lots going on, but I keep oositive thoughts and get through the

Fortunately, Espinosa has yet to have an unruly customer, but if and when the time comes she'll be ready to diffuse the

Quentin Scrivens has been behind the bar at Ristorante LIDI for more than four years. With a flick of his wrist. Scrivens shakes up nis signature cockail creations.

cialty cocktail is the otanical spritzer able to be fruity by or refreshing by

"My go-to spe-



Shannan Nusz has been serving customers at the Clements Ferry Dog & Duck for the

using fresh cucumbers," Scrivens said. "My personal favorite drink is the Aviation - a classic cocktail with floral flavor-

Scrivens loves the different personalities that frequent LIDI, especially the customers willing to try out new cocktails and provide feedback. "Bartending opens doors to meet people from all walks of life. Being on Daniel Island, the majority of our customer base is from the island. I have met many wonderful people and see regulars daily."

As an experienced bartender, Scrivens is a pro at making sure customers have a great time responsibly. "On the rare occasion I've encountered unruly patrons, myself and the staff make all effort to defuse the situation. For the occasional 'overbeverage. My goal is to ensure all patrons bartending.

have a safe and pleasurable experience." Scrivens said the extensive wine and cocktail list can sometimes be a little challenging. One time, he was opening a bottle of champagne and the cork exploded into the ceiling. But Scrivens takes it all in

From international tiki bars and local restaurants to the Daniel Island Club. Sander van Es has been mixing up tantalizing treats for more than 11 years.

served' patron it's

or a non-alcoholic

standard to offer water

Originally from the Netherlands, van Es started early in the hospitality business bussing tables when he was only 12 years old. Eventually at 16, the country's legal

age to work in the profession, he started

Van Es doesn't have just one specialty drink but has perfected the classics. "Think martini, Manhattan, Old Fashion, etc. I also make a mean margarita."

Van Es' favorite customer is the one he connects with on a personal level. "I like to have a chat about everyday things and just have a good time."

When it comes to the occasionally overserved patron, van Es always makes sure they get home safely. "Rowdy and overserved can go hand in hand, but sometimes aren't related. Honestly I just assess the situation, slide you a water and if rowdy you will be quietly asked to tone it

down a little." According to drinks.

van Es, the best thing about bartending is the people in the industry. "No matter where you go in the world or where you work, it's always family. It's a lifestyle and definitely not for everyone... The worst thing is always working weekends and holidays. It's hard to not spend this time with family and friends and miss out."

Like any good bartender, van Es keeps the stories about his customers to himself, but is open to talking about his personal experiences.

"I once worked at a vineyard in

Annievic Espinosa at Wasabi keeps her customers cool with refreshing

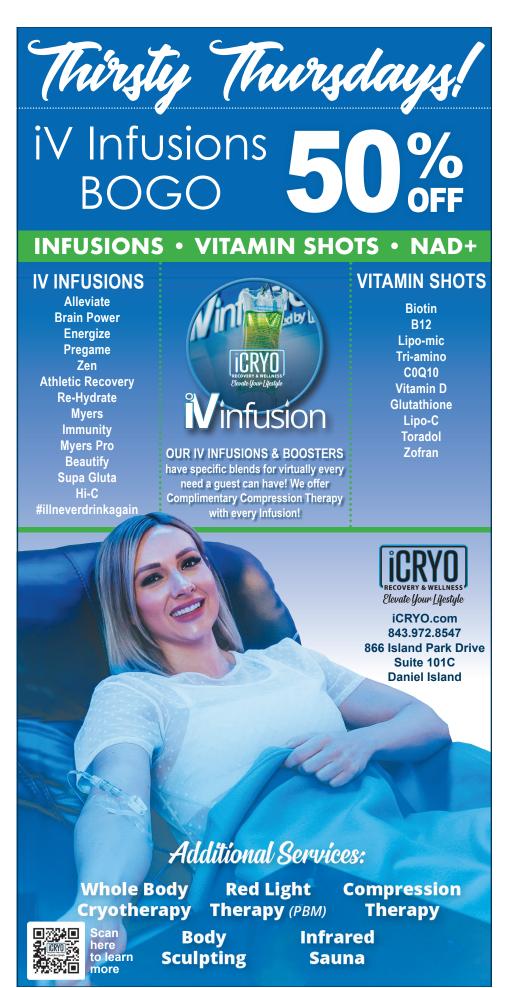
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Margaret River in western Australia. It was maybe my third day and there was a big all-day tasting event. I suggested some water to one of the winemakers who had been drinking all day in front of a big group of people who were touring the winery - only I didn't know he was one of the winemakers. Ouch! Needless to say, he wasn't happy."

Van Es' advice to being a good customer is simple. "Be kind, be polite, have patience. Oh, and tip your bartender."



Sander van Es, bartender at the Daniel Island Club, has been working in the industry since his teens, starting in the Netherlands where it's legal at using peach flavors 16 to serve at the bar.



DIBA networks the night away

The Daniel Island Business Association held its monthly Block Party on Thursday, July 28. The networking social event was held at First Citizens Bank at 126 Seven Farms Dr.



DIBA women (pictured from left) Angela Drake of Daniel Island Real Estate, Lola Massoglaa of Daniel Island Real Estate and Kimberly Broadway smile for the camera.



DIBA attendee Kim Flathmann, marketing manager of Cycle House, enjoys a beverage at the networking function.



Nicole Stewart of HealthMarkets Insurance participates in a DIBA ring toss in which she scored a free bottle of wine.



DIBA ladies (pictured from left) Kathie Harvey, Kathleen Bryan and Magda Olsen enjoy refreshments.

Iron Horses 'excited' to compete at next level entering Class AAA

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It's the most wonderful time of the year if you are a supporter of high school athletics as the 2022-23 academic year nears.

Student-athletes run in the sun, lift weights in the gym and eat healthy to prepare for their respective seasons.

Coaches watch film, move names around on depth charts and work to build esprit de corps as the season approaches.

So what do athletic directors do?

If you are Philip Simmons High School athletic director Dan Minkin, your summer is just as busy as the first day of class.

"The first thing I do is make sure all the pieces are in place," said the 36-year-old Minkin. "I make sure the coaches are in compliance. I make sure the students' grades are right and make sure they get help if they need summer school. I make sure we have whatever

anyone needs."

Minkin also shores up equipment orders, confirms schedules for teams and develops and maintains a budget for the school's 22 varsity sports. Minkin arrived on campus in 2019 and has seen the growth firsthand. The school has added seven varsity sports since then.

The school's enrollment has been explosive, going from 215 students in the first year, 2016-17, to more than 730 last year. The school's athletic success has also been impressive.

This fall, boys' volleyball will be the shiny, new team. Amanda Newell, who has coaching experience at The Citadel, will be the coach.

"We are so excited about the staff and the team," Minkin said. "This is something the community wanted for a long time and we are able to finally deliver."

However, the biggest change will be the level of competition the Iron Horses will face on a regular basis. The school, which begins its sixth year, will move up a rung on the classification ladder and will compete at Class AAA.

Minkin expects the move to Class AAA will be seamless if the effort of the coaches and athletes remain the same.

"Last year, at the start of the school, I told the coaches and student-athletes to begin the transition although we were a year away, to develop that mindset," Minkin said. "Some schools might be apprehensive about a move. But to be honest, we're excited about it."

Over the summer, the Iron Horses were crowned the Class AA winner of the Carlisle Cup for a second straight year. The award is given to the top athletic programs in each of the five classifications in the Palmetto State.

The Iron Horses earned top honors by winning three state championships: boys' tennis, girls' tennis and girls' track and field. The Iron Horses finished as state runners-up



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Assistant Principal Daniel Minkin (left) and Principal Chris Buchholz hold up Philip Simmons High School's two Carlisle Cup trophies won during the 2021 and 2022 sports seasons.

in two sports, while claiming 11 Region 6-AA championships.

"I knew when I was named AD, it was an excellent opportunity with unbelievable potential," Minkin said. "In 2021, we became the first Berkeley County school to win it and we were the first public school to win AA since at least 2002. That's the ultimate goal this year. I don't know of any school that doesn't have that as a goal. That's the ultimate goal: to win the Carlisle."







BE fan in the crowd captures it all

Retired dentist volunteers as sports photographer for last 10 years

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Dr. Eddie Collins is one of the biggest Bishop England High School sports fans around. But you won't find him applauding at Battling Bishops sporting events.

That's because the 74-year-old Collins is busy and has his hands full with camera equipment, taking pictures of BE players and sporting moments for posterity's sake. It harkens him back to the time when he was a photographer and sports editor of his high school yearbook at A.C. Flora High School in Columbia.

Collins had a successful career in the dental profession after graduating from Clemson in 1970 and from the College of Dental Medicine at MUSC in 1973. He retired from active teaching in 2015, but retains his 48-year faculty appointment at the rank of professor

That was his vocation. His avocation became Bishop England sports. First as a fan, then as a photographer.

"I became hopelessly and pleasantly hooked on BE about 10 years ago," Collins said. "(Athletic Director) Paul Runey's oldest brother, Michael, and I were in dental school together and became close friends. Knowing I loved sports, he suggested I attend one of Paul's basketball games and the rest is history. Paul and I are good friends. He started calling me 'Doc' years ago and it seems to have stuck with the teams, parents and staff."

While Collins loved sports while he was in high school, he didn't play them. He was more of a "water and woods man" because of his passion for fishing and hunting.

Still, he had the time and interest to become a valued volunteer at BE because of his photography skills.

"My traditional allegiance has been to the girl's basketball and volleyball teams," Collins said "I've missed only three basketball games in 10 years and very few volleyball matches. I travel with both of the teams and take a ton of pictures. Jeep McCabe is a good friend and

he's helped me a lot with the technical aspects of sports photography.

"This year I was asked by a parent to take lacrosse team photos and Coach Jeff Weiner was very receptive to my taking photos during the games," Collins said. "I think, of the three, lacrosse is the hardest sport to capture good photos. Quite honestly, I got hooked on the team's spirit, talent and domination."

Collins said he can't remember the reasons for missing any of the three basketball games in 10 years.

"It wasn't by choice," Collins said. "It would have been an unavoidable situation."

Collins' biggest memories came at the end of the season when it only seemed like the girls' basketball team or volleyball team would play for a state championship.

"I saw them all," Collins said. "I went to every one and it was a thrill just to be there."

Collins also remembers fondly all the state titles collected by the volleyball team. Another big memory involved Collins arranging for coach Cindy Baggott's team to take part in a St. Patrick's Day parade by securing a trailer for the float.

Ask Collins who his favorite BE players



Dr. Eddie Collins is a retired dentist who has spent the last 10 years taking photos for Bishop England High School's sports teams, primarily girls basketball and volleyball.

he's covered and he'll respond, Michelle Boykin and Mary Harriet Moore without even hesitating. He pointed out that both players had talent and mettle, which helped them be successful outside the athletic arena.







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Reeling in the years one redfish at a time



fishing trends GREG PERALTA

The older I get, the faster time flies. It seems like yesterday when Jessie Thaxton sent me a picture of her grandson, Kyle, with a nice redfish. Looking back, more than 10 years have passed. Kyle has grown up and is now in high school. Wow. That was fast.

The other day, Jessie sent me a recent photo of Kyle with a redfish. The first thing I noticed was that Kyle is much taller now. The second thing was Kyle's smile. While his smile was a bit covered by the redfish, it clearly showed that Kyle's love of fishing has cappregp@gmail.com or call (843) 224also grown.

When Jessie asked Kyle for the location

of the photo, Kyle responded: "Captain Greg knows you don't give away your best spots!" This made me laugh.

While the location is secret, I can say that the redfish was caught in shallow water. This time of year, redfish begin to focus on eating shrimp in the shallows. The shrimp are abundant in small creeks. Subsequently, so too are the redfish.

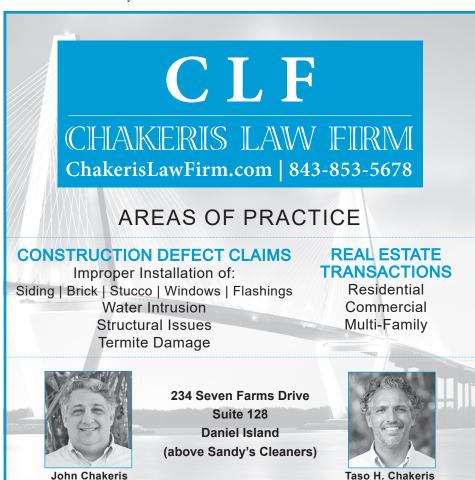
There is still a week or two before school is back in session. If you fish with shrimp along shallow oyster-lined creek banks, you will probably catch a back-to-school redfish.

Kyle, good luck this year in high school. Keep on fishing!

Contact Captain Greg Peralta at



Fisherman Kyle Thaxton reels in a nice redfish on a recent trip. He's a product of Capt. Greg Peralta's school of fishing.











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Calling all birds



daniel island nature notes FRANK CONWAY

I have never been a first responder, but I understand that there are certain radio codes and distress calls that, much like in the military, transcend service, agency or jurisdiction. If a police officer is in danger and needs assistance, that help is coming from every source available and from every possible direction. That is as it should be and it's true for many animals, too, especially birds.

I recently texted my old friend and former Daniel Island neighbor Kate McCauley. Kate has a magical gift for photography. I sometimes check with her if I just can't get the photo I need for one of my articles. She never disappoints and her response to my recent query about bluebirds was no exception. Actually, her photos and story this time were so interesting that I changed this month's topic altogether. We

will have to discuss bluebirds later.

In 2015, Dr. Erick Greene, a biology professor at the University of Montana, placed a remote-controlled, mounted owl in a backyard to test his theory on bird behavior. When he uncovered the owl and put it in motion, birds converged from all over the neighborhood, each reacting to the distress calls of other birds. This transcends species and the distress call of one kind of bird might well result in several different bird species reporting for duty. Once on the scene, the birds – just like first responders - will sometimes take on intruders, many times their size or strength, to protect one of their own.

Kate recounted looking outside to find an agitated backyard full of birds without any obvious reason why. Then she saw the snake. I am not a herpetologist, but what looked like a large rat snake was climbing toward a nearby bluebird nest. Predation results in huge losses of bird eggs and young birds each year and multiple studies indicate that perhaps a quarter of that harm



KATE MCCAULEY

A blue jay attacks a snake in defense of its babies and eggs nesting nearby.

is done by snakes. It's no wonder an intruding snake merits a full-scale neighborhood alarm.

According to Kate, at one point, there were bluebirds, catbirds, cardinals, purple finches and four blue jays all joined in the battle to run the hungry reptile off. One of her photos clearly showed the snake as a blue jay makes his attack run. Ultimately, the snake gave up and no nests or eggs were harmed.

Birds normally speak their own languages, socialize with similar species and do their own thing. Like human beings, though, they sometimes just need help from whoever is there to give it. A human mother screaming in fear for her child is going to summon help whether her language is understood or not. A mother bird screaming "snake" is much the same. An intruder is threatening some bird's nest or family and it doesn't matter what song it sings or what color its feathers are. A merciless assault awaits whatever creature has opened this particular "can of worms" and many predators will ultimately just give up and go hungry rather than enduring it.

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We know how much you love your pets. Our dear readers proved that last month in our annual Big Pet Edition! As you continue to read about how many of these pet owners consider their pets as true companions, life savers, and sources of an improved existence, please consider how you too can be a pet owner.

The local shelters in Berkeley and Charleston counties are overflowing with pets in need of rescue. For more information on more ways to help, visit animalcenter.berkeleycountysc.gov or charlestonanimalsociety.org.



This is our rescue Boogie. He's a 4-year-old Dudley lab. He came to us almost two years ago. He's super smart, energetic and a great companion.



KELLI REALE

Rooney is a 7-year-old playful, soft coated, Wheaten terrier that loves Daniel Island. He will celebrate his one-year anniversary living on DI in August.



Michelle Walsh of Charlestowne Realty is a pet lover. She sponsored The Daniel Island News Adorable Pet Trick contest. She is pictured with her daughter Sydney and their two dogs: The English bulldog "big guy" is Chaz and the little Frenchie is Diva and she's a diva!





Land use & zoning activities on Daniel Island, Cainhoy

These are the issues coming before various City of Charleston boards and committees and the application results specific to Daniel Island and the Cainhoy area.

UPCOMING

City of Charleston Technical Review

Aug. 11: A site plan (third review) for Woodfield Daniel Island III, a 175-unit multifamily development on 5.4 acres located at 225 Benefitfocus Way. Plans indicate it will be located at the corner of Daniel Island Drive and Fairchild Street.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITY & **COUNTY MEETINGS**

Berkeley Co. Bd. of Education meets twice each month. Executive Committee meets at 5:30 p.m.; meeting starts at 6:30

Berkeley Co. Council meets fourth Mon. of each month, 6 p.m., Berkeley County Admin. Blg., 1003 Hwy 52, Moncks Corner.



Woodfield Daniel Island III (rendering), a 175-unit multifamily development on 5.4 acres located at 225 Benefitfocus Way, will have its next site plan review for third reading on Aug. 11.

City of Charleston Council typically meets the second and fourth Tues. of each month, 5 p.m., City Hall, 80 Broad Street, Charleston, SC and/or virtually via Conference Call #1-929-205-6099; Access Code: 912 096 416. Exceptions: Summer Schedule - 3rd Tues. of June, July, and August; December meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tues. Dates and locations subject to change.

City of Charleston Technical Review Committee meets every Thurs. at 9 a.m.via

City of Charleston Board of Zoning Appeals - Site Design meets the 1st Wed. of each month at 5 p.m. via Zoom.

City of Charleston Board of Zoning

Appeals – Zoning meets the 1st and 3rd Tues. of each month at 5:15 p.m., except for January and July when no meeting is held on the 1st Tues.

City of Charleston Design Review Board meets the 1st and 3rd Mon. of every month at 4:30 p.m.

City of Charleston Planning Commis**sion** meets the 3rd Wed. of every month at 5 p.m.

City of Charleston Board of Architectural Review - Large projects meets the 2nd and 4th Wed. of every month at 4:30 p.m.

City of Charleston Board of Architectural Review - Small projects meets the 2nd and 4th Thurs. of every month at 4:30

All meetings are open for public comment except the City of Charleston Technical Review Committee meetings.

For more information, contacts for specific projects and on location and time of the meetings or to learn more, visit charlestonsc.gov/AgendaCenter/.





CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Give a gift to a local nonprofit this July and help them reach their fundraising goal of \$5,000 by Dec. 31. Every donation is doubled up to \$5,000 by the Daniel Island Community Fund at the end of the year. Each donation is tax-deductible. More details at bit.ly/3IUhlWb.

BLOOD DRIVE

St. Clare's Parish and Bishop England High School are hosting a blood drive on Sun., Aug. 7. The Red Cross Blood Mobile will be parked in the BE parking lot from 8:30 am-1:30 pm. Sign up at redcrossblood.org. Appointments are limited. For more information, email Christinelark@ymail. com.

BLOOD DRIVE

On Sun., Aug. 21 from 11:30 am-3:30 pm. Providence Church, 294 Seven Farms Drive, will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive. To register for this event, email admin@providence charleston.org or call 843-971-5275.

AUTHOR SERIES

The Daniel Island News will host its next Author Series on Wed., Aug. 31, at 4 pm at Meyer Vogl Gallery for History & Humor from the Greatest Generation with several Daniel Island authors. Register at: bit.ly/3z0xMNz.

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS

The Daniel Island POA has scheduled rotating food truck and sweet treat vendors to be parked at the Pierce Park Pavilion on Fridays from 5-8 pm. Weather permitting.

- Aug. 5: Just Eat This and Wich Cream
- Aug. 12: Don Sazon Empanadas and Holy Crepe
- Aug. 19: Don Sazom Empanadas and Cider-House Pie Shop
- Aug. 26: Wally Gyros and King of Pops
- •Sept. 2: Cast Iron and Wich Cream

REGULAR MEETINGS AA MEETINGS

Mon. - Fri., 7:30, Providence Church, and Sat., 8

pm at Holy Cross Church.

BOCCE BALL

Thurs. from 10 to noon, stop by the Pierce Park Lawn next to the pool to play bocce ball. Water and sunscreen are encouraged.

DANIEL ISLAND CONNECT

Fifty-plus age group meets the third Thurs., 6-8 pm, Crow's Nest. Free. Call Kathy at 502-387-3046.

DANIEL ISLAND GOP CLUB

Meets the 3rd Mon., 8 am, 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., 11:15 am; Book Club: 3rd Tues., 11 am - noon; Deepthinkers Discussion Group: Wed., 10:30 am to noon; Social Bridge Club: 2nd Fri. and 4th Mon., 1-4 pm; Writers Group: 1st Wed., 4:30-6

DANIEL ISLAND GARDEN CLUB

Daniel Island Garden Club will resume in September. The next meeting will be announced in

DANIEL ISLAND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

The next DINA Membership Meeting will be held on Aug. 31, 6-8 pm at Daniel Pointe Retirement Community, 514 Robert Daniel Dr.

DANIEL ISLAND WYLDLIFE

For all middle schoolers on DI, Mon., 7-8 pm at DI Rec. Ctr. Campaigners meet Wed., 6:30-7:30 pm. Tlengyel91@gmail.com.

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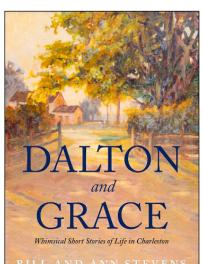
Meets 4th Tues., 5:30 pm, Daniel Pointe Community Center, 514 Robert Daniel Dr. dixchangeclub. org.

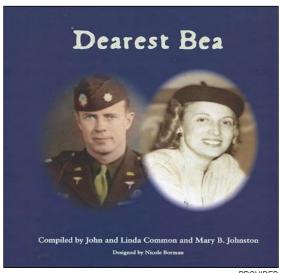
MASTER GARDENER Q&A

Meets 1st Mon., DI Library, 4-6 pm. Master Gardener to answer questions and accept soil samples.

DI MOONLIGHT MEDITATION & RELAXATION

Mon. 7:30-8 pm at Talison Row Apartments Yoga Room. Suggested NAMI Donation. Limited





Island authors Bill and Ann Stevens will discuss their book "Dalton and Grace: Whimsical Short Stories of Life in Charleston" and island residents John and Linda Common will share their book "Dearest Bea", a nonfiction collection of letters set home from a doctor in the 82nd Airborne stationed in Europe during World War II. The event will take place Wed., Aug. 31 at 4 p.m.

spaces. Email to register: CoastSoulLiving@ outlook.com or sign up at bit.lyl3ae3rel.

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. Tlengyel91@ amail.com.

REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Meet the 4th Mon., 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 Wed., 7:30 am, DI Club and virtually. marvio@mircac.com at danielislandrotarv.com.

SOUTH BERKELEY DEMOCRATS

Meet at 4 pm on 3rd Sun., Daniel Pointe Retirement Community. berkeleydems.com.

TAI CHI CLASSES

DI Library Tues. 10 am and Fri. 9 am.

TOASTMASTERS

Meets virtually every 1st and 3rd Sat., 9-10 am. danielislandtoastmasters@gmail.com.

WATER AEROBICS

Limited water aerobic series every Monday and

Thursday through October with Joe Gunter at Edgefield Park Pool (Crow's Nest) located at 1651 Oak Leaf Street. Temperature-regulated saltwater pool. Donation-based class, suggested \$6 per person.

WILLINGWAYS "CONTINUED CARE GROUP"

Designed to help families struggling with alcohol and drug abuse. Meetings are at Holy Cross Church, Mon., 6:30-7:30 pm. Rhett Crull, 843-323-7111.

YOGA IN THE PARK

Sat., from 9:30-10:30 am, a free vinyasa flow yoga class is offered at Smythe Park. Bring a voga mat, water and a smile. Donations are welcomed.

TRAFFIC ALERT

The Credit One Stadium concert schedule includes the following concert dates: Aug. 23, 30, Sept. 2, 13, Oct. 16.







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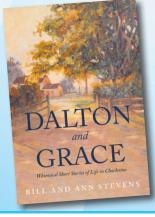


BILL & ANN STEVENS

alton Williams, a well-meaning and kind-hearted gentleman, has ideas that are quirky and kooky-many times going awry. His practical and sensible wife, Grace, keeps him grounded. Embark upon a fun-filled and

hilarious journey through the aisles of

Publix supermarket to the frustration of Daylight Savings Time. Dalton and Grace are familiar faces experiencing life's oftentimes silly mundanity, and when you add in their adorable and sassy Aunt Toogie, you have a real southern treat!



JOHN & LINDA COMMON

he book is a compilation of handwritten letters from an adoring husband to his wife during World War II and is coupled with historical context in photos and news clips from the time period. The letters are unique historical documents written by a young dentist taking care of Ameri-

can soldiers as he witnessed the

impact of war on the landscapes and cityscapes of Germany. John Common and his wife Linda discovered his father's letters to his mother and compiled them in this collection. Experience firsthand how one soldier related his war time experiences to his wife.





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By Neil Manausa

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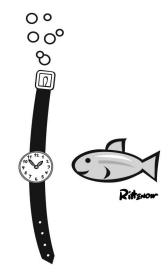


by Patty Gibbons Saunier

An Irresistible Grammar Question

Which of these sentences containing "irr" words is grammatically correct?

- a. I am going fishing irregardless of the weather.
- b. Whether we fish from the pier or take the boat out is irrelevant to me.
- c. Last week, I dropped my watch into the lake, but it was irrecoverable.



sentences are correct.

Answers: Sentence a contains a nonexistent word. Although many people use it, irregardless is grammatically incorrect. Replace it with regardless. The other two

MYSTERY PHOTOCONTEST

CONGRATS TO LAST WEEK'S WINNER: KATHIE HARVEY



Kathie Harvey identified last week's Mystery Photo as the orange chairs at Guggenheim Park.

The winner of the Mystery Photo Contest from July 28 is Kathie Harvey. She guessed correctly that the picture was of the orange chairs on the deck at Guggenheim Park.

Harvey is no stranger to winning the contest as she has won several times and she's a loyal contestant who plays

An interesting fact about Harvey that she shared is that she had Atlanta Braves baseball season tickets for many, many, many years. "I attended the World Series last year when the Atlanta Braves won it... with pearls!"

What does Harvey like to do during her free time? "I don't seem to have much 'free' time as I stay so active with many different activities. Many are on Daniel Island; many are with my family who live in Mount Pleasant. I volunteer one day a week at East Cooper Medical Center and it is my most fulfilling activity other than family

Congratualtions to Ruby Muller, Rosie and Lydia Brooks, Robert Peiffer, and Sophina Bossert who also guessed the correct answer!

CAN YOU GUESS THIS WEEK'S PHOTO?



If you recognize this photo, please send your answer, along with your phone number, to mysterypic@thedanielisland news.com by noon on Saturday, Aug. 6. The names of the winners with the correct response will run in next week's paper.





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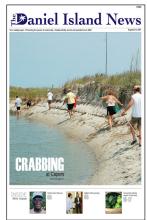
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Fifteen, Ten, and Five Years Ago in THE DANIEL ISLAND NEWS

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

August 2, 2007



The feature article spotlighted the Daniel Island community's contribution of more than \$235,328 to Charleston's Fallen Firefighters Fund. The money was raised during a monthlong, island-wide collection effort for the families of the nine firefighters who died in the Sofa Super Store fire in West Ashley in June 2007.

The issue also included an article about last-minute summer activities to check out before the start of the new school year.

One activity highlighted was Barrier Island Eco-Tours based out of the Isle of Palms Marina. The company, which got its start back in 1998, offers a variety of excursions that are centered around the Capers Island area. These include: fishing, kayaking, dolphin discovery, wildlife exploration and crabbing trips.

TEN YEARS AGO

August 2, 2012



Daniel Island resident Denis Gallagher raised the curtain on a new project – one that he hoped would drive home promising new business and accolades for the South Carolina film industry, while elevating local talent. Gallagher opened Charliewood Pictures (an aptly titled blend

of Charleston and Hollywood) in 2012. The film, "Warrior Road," was the first to be produced by the new company.

Also in the news was an initiative by island volunteers to spruce up Governor's Park. More than a dozen volunteers teamed up on a Saturday to help clean up trash along the paths around the Governor's Park area. The group of members with the Daniel Island Neighborhood Association and Keep Charleston Beautiful, collected more than 30 bags of garbage at the site.

FIVE YEARS AGO

August 3, 2017

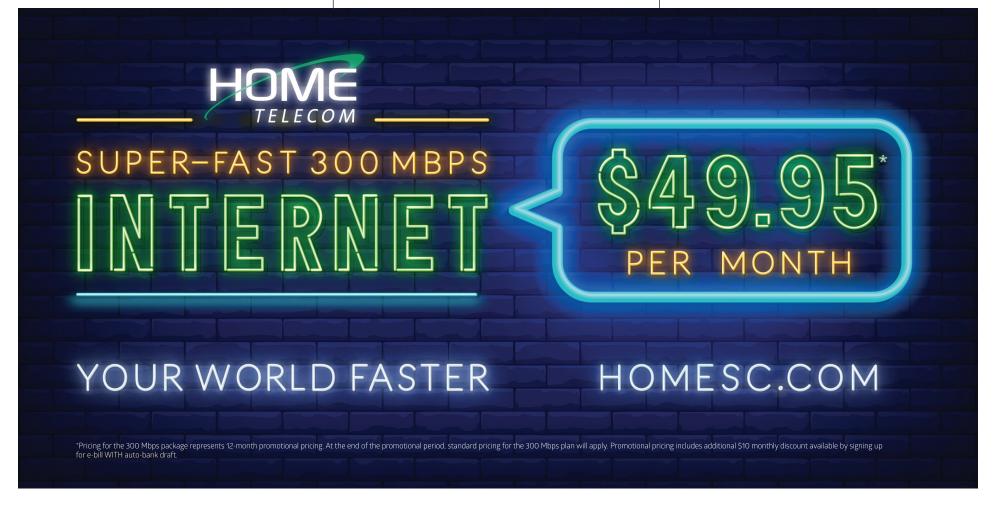
The cover and centerfold featured Back to School information. Principals from area schools answered questions about the new school year.

There was also information about the DIS Safety Patrol, a volunteer-led effort coordinated through the Daniel



Island Neighborhood Association, was launched as a pilot program in May 2016 in response to several accidents and near misses involving kids and cars, including a collision between a student biker and a vehicle in a crosswalk.

In island life, there were photos from the Sounds of Summer concert series finale.







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