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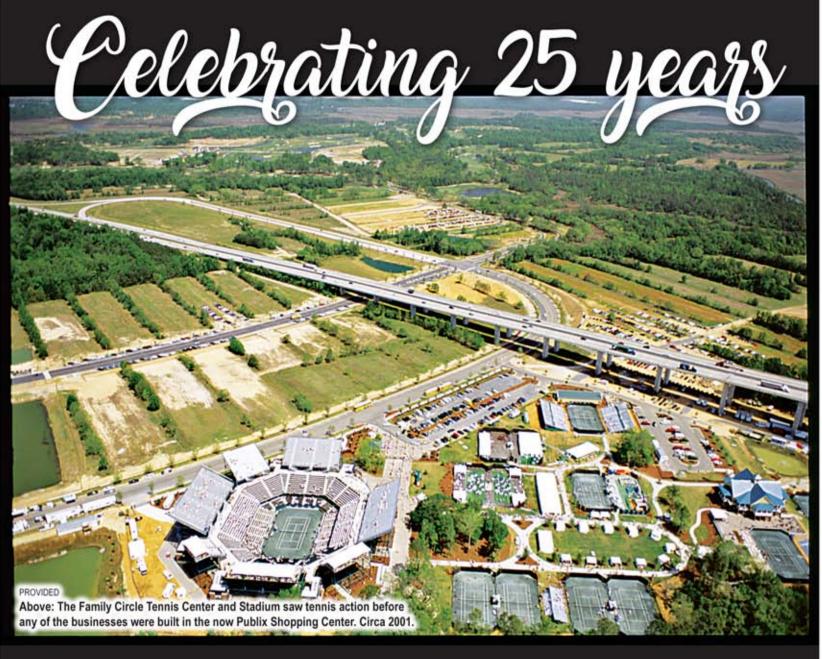


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# **YEAR IN REVIEW**

# Looking back at the top local news stories from 2021

#### **ZACH GIROUX**

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The only thing consistent about 2021 was change and there was a lot that took place on Daniel Island over the course of the last 365 days. The past year had its fair share of volatility as COVID-19 continued to transform our lives; however, the coronavirus wasn't the only news of the year — development, real estate, politics, events, and other news impacted the community.

2021 marked my first complete year as a writer and editor at The Daniel Island News. Review the top news stories of the year from my perspective that made the headlines, listed in loose chronological order.

### DI RESIDENT NANCY MACE SWORN IN AS U.S. CONGRESSWOMAN

Daniel Island resident Nancy Mace, representative for South Carolina's 1st Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives, was sworn in Jan. 3. Mace was the first Republican female from South Carolina to assume a congressional seat as a member of the 117th U.S. Congress.

#### 300-YEAR-OLD MEETING TREE CUT DOWN

Berkeley County construction crews cut down the estimated 300-year-old live oak tree on Feb. 9 as part of the Clements Ferry



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District
U.S. Rep.
Nancy Mace
visited
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for an interview about
her political
priorities.

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Road expansion project. Located near the intersection of Cainhoy Road and Clements Ferry Road, the tree, known as the Meeting Tree, was removed as opposed to other alternatives because of adverse property impacts, additional costs and increased jurisdictional wetland impacts. The City of Charleston, through an agreement with the county, will be planting 62 live oaks to mitigate the impact from removing the tree.

Berkeley County construction crews cut down the estimated 300-year-old live oak tree, called

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# Young entrepreneurs design **Lowcountry line of apparel**

#### **MARIE ROCHA-TYGH**

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Philip Simmons High School baseball players, Conor White, Tristan Skipper, and Weston Brooks have hit a home run with their new apparel business, Creekside Co. Currently the company sells high quality hats, but plans to expand their line soon.

Brooks was frustrated when he was shopping for hats with a Lowcountry feel but was unable to find anything he liked. He reached out to White and Skipper who agreed it would be cool to start their own brand of hats and other clothing to express the beauty of the Lowcountry.

"We were always looking for Lowcountry inspired apparel, and would go into plenty of stores but couldn't quite find what we wanted. So, we decided to start making our own apparel, giving people of the Lowcountry something to wear that represents their home," Skipper explained.

The trio started strategizing in early September of this year and by October they were starting production. Each of the three partners work together to grow the business while keeping their friendship thriving. White serves as the marketing director, Brooks handles distribution, and Skipper oversees finances and interoffice communications.

"Working as a team was very easy for us because we are very close and great friends, so there was never any conflict between us when it came to figuring out who was going to be the head guy of the business. We all decided that it would be best to be one team instead of having one guy with all of the power," Brooks said.

The partners are working on getting their website up, currently their line is available for purchase on Instagram (creek.sideco) and Twitter (@creeksideCo1). The young entrepreneurs are building the business slowly to ensure they provide customers with high quality products.

"The key to getting a new company started is to not rush everything into the market space and to get to know your market and what the customers like and don't like. Along our path to success, we realize that we are going to face ups and downs and it is important to never take your mind off the main goal," White said.

Chanel Floyd loves the line and supports



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Creekside Co. designs Lowcountry inspired hats available for purchase.



Conor White and Tristan Skipper are part of a trio of young entrepreneurs who started Creekside Co., which sells high quality hats.

the young business. "I jumped at the chance to support their entrepreneurial spirit and can't wait to see their products in a local

Allison Davis was thrilled with her new hat. "The hat was well made, and they even upgraded my order. I like to support local businesses and young entrepreneurs. Conor, Tristan, and Weston are all great, hardworking boys with a strong work ethic, and I wanted to support their business."

The trio is in the process of rolling out beanies and long sleeve shirts. They would like to sell their apparel in stores and expand Creekside Co. before they go off to

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from the publisher

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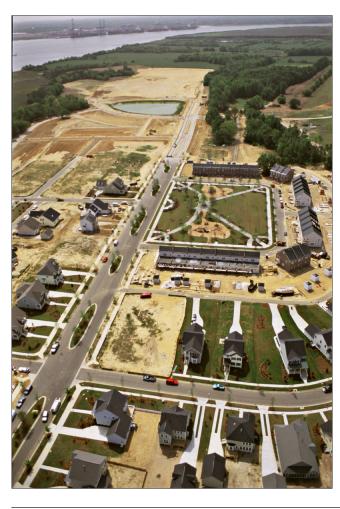
In this edition of The Daniel Island News, as we close out 2021, we take a look at the top news stories of 2021 (pages 2, 7, 10, 11) and top sports stories of the year (see page

17). What a year it's been!

Our nostalgia doesn't stop at reviewing 2021. The centerfold story features the 25th anniversary of the development of Daniel Island from farmland, fields and forest to the active community and town it is today. We encourage you to enjoy the historical photos of the island on this page and to read about the early neighborhoods and residents, the quarter century of the progress of the town as well as the vision and dream of the development team. What a quarter of a century it's been!

The staff at The Daniel Island News looks forward to bringing the community more news, features, sports, local activities, and meaningful profiles next year and for the next

Wishing everyone a very Happy New Year, and Daniel Island a Happy 25th Anniversary!





Above: This is the intersection of Seven Farms Drive and River Landing Drive. Simmons Park is partially completed, 225 Seven Farms Drive (home of the Daniel Island News) is a grass field. The Synovus Bank appears complete but the rest of the current business district is undeveloped. Circa 2000.

At left: This photo depicts the early development of Daniel Island Drive. The pond at the upper left is the pond bordered by Daniel Island Drive, Jenys Street and Pierce Street. Note that Center Park and the Center Park brick townhomes are under construction. The townhomes, library, school and Smythe Lake that are now on Daniel Island Drive were not yet under construction in this photo. Circa 2001.

### letter to the EDITOR

### A STRONG VOICE

We have an important special election January 11th to elect a City Councilmember for District 1. Special elections are notorious for low turnout, but it is especially important that we have a good turnout to elect a strong leader, like Shawn Pinkston to represent residents on Daniel Island and Cainhoy. Whether people realize it or not, municipal elections have a much greater impact on your day-to-day life than state and national elections. We depend on city services for everything from trash and yard debris pick up, street sweeping, police and fire fighting services, and street maintenance to name a few. Shawn Pinkston is a long-term resident of District 1 and has an excellent grasp of all the

issues facing our area.

Another issue where we need strong leadership is due to the current redistricting news. Daniel Island and Cainhoy area have grown to the point that we may qualify for additional representation on City Council. We currently do not have a representative on council to speak for us. Some in the city want to water down some of the potential strength from our area by splitting the district. There have been discussions that would split our area by including part of us in the downtown-centric district. Just one more reason we need a strong voice like Shawn Pinkston on council to argue against this current plan.

E. Mac McBride, Daniel Island

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### A roundup of top local news stories from 2021

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ZACH GIROUX

The new fountain at Waterfront Park.

### THE WATERFRONT CELEBRATED LONG-AWAITED OPENING

The Waterfront held its grand opening March 20 with a sold-out family event called Waterfest hosted by developer East West Partners. Admission included tours of the condominiums and townhomes ranging from \$1.2 million to \$1.8 million, food from The DIME and The Kingstide, live music, as well as arts and crafts for children.

The mixed-use development on River Landing Drive — known collectively as The Waterfront — boasts two public piers with a paddleboard launch and boat slips, an interactive fountain, wooden swings along

the Wando River, a hammock garden, and a children's play area. The new buildings have space for restaurants, retail, and approximately 300 condominium and townhouse

### VOLVO CAR STADIUM RENOVATIONSTOPROVIDEAMORE VERSATILE VENUE

In April, renovations began at the Volvo Car Stadium (now known as the Credit One Stadium). After 20 years of glorious moments inside the 20-year-old stadium, come



Construction on the Volvo Car Stadium (now known as the Credit One Stadium) is slated to be complete by March 1, 2022.



Saint Clare of **Assisi Catholic** Church is slated to be complete in 2023, at nearly 22,000 square feet and an estimated cost of \$22 million.

spring 2022, it will look like a brand new, world-class tennis venue, once improvements are complete in the spring 2022,

The \$40 million renovation is being privately funded, for the most part, by Ben and Kelly Navarro, the owners of Charleston Tennis LLC, as a gift to the City of Charleston. The city has agreed to partner and budget \$3 million over the next few years.

Previously, the stadium held 7,500 to 8,000 people during the annual tournament. When complete, it will be able to hold nearly 11.000 attendees.

### SAINT CLARE OF ASSISI SHIFTS PARISH TIMELINE, BUDGET

Saint Clare of Assisi Catholic Church's future home of worship on Daniel Island celebrated a construction milestone earlier this year when construction workers placed the last steel beam. Located at the corner of Seven Farms Drive and Etiwan Park Street, the church's updated plans call for an approximately \$22 million build at 22,000 square feet. Construction completion was pushed back to the first quarter of 2023.

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### FEBRUARY VANDALISM AT BISHOP ENGLAND LINKED TO VANDALISM OF CONGRESSWOMAN MACE'S HOME IN MAY

In February, Bishop England High was vandalized with profane and political graffiti.

On May 31, the home of Congresswoman Nancy Mace, the footbridge that connects Barfield Park and Waterfront Park and Smythe and Center parks were all spray painted with "anarchist symbols" and messages of a vulgar and political nature.

Later in the year, a police investigators linked the February and May incidents as perpetrated by the same individuals. No arrests have been made.



ACH GIROUX

Parents of Bishop England High School students attend a prayer vigil outside of the school Feb. 23 in response to vandalism discovered on the grounds earlier that morning. White swatches of paint can be seen on the columns at the entrance where the graffiti had been covered over.

### DI RECREATION CENTER OPENED AFTER DECADE-LONG EFFORT

On July 1, the City of Charleston unveiled the Daniel Island Community Recreation Center to the public, located at 160 Fairbanks Drive. After a decade-long discussion with the city and plans that date back to the island's original development in the late '90s, the project is done.



ZACH GIROL

Director Jen Nelson stands in front of the new DI Recreation Center.

With approximately \$10.8 million of city funding and 21,000 square feet of infrastructure on the grounds of an open field in Governor's Park — the building is now open. It features a full-size basketball court, volleyball courts and pickleball courts in a 3,500-square-foot multipurpose room. A cardio room, a fitness room, a conference room, restrooms, vending machines and a snack bar are also featured.

### CREDIT ONE BANK TOOK OVER SPONSORSHIP, STADIUMAND TOUR-NAMENT NAME FROM VOLVO CARS

On July 21, Charleston Tennis LLC announced that Credit One Bank — the Las Vegas-based credit card bank that has popularly partnered with NASCAR, WWE, the Las Vegas Raiders and the Vegas Golden Knights — was named the new title sponsor of the annual women's tennis tournament. The playing arena, which is currently under \$40 million worth of renovations, will now be called the CreditOne Stadium.

As for the choice in title sponsor, one commonality is that Charleston Tennis owner Ben Navarro is also the founder and CEO of Sherman Financial Group LLC, a global investment company that owns Credit One Bank. Charleston Tennis and Credit One Bank have worked out a multi-year title sponsorship deal.

## STUDY FINDS NO UNMARKED GRAVES AT OAK BLUFF CONSTRUCTION SITE

Construction at the Oak Bluff subdivision off Clements Ferry Road was halted after citizens and city officials urged the developer and regulatory officials to issue a stop work order after evidence of unmarked graves was discovered in close proximity to a documented African American burial ground and McDowell Cemetery, a Revolutionary War-era graveyard also known as Old Ruins Cemetery.

A stop work order was issued by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) on May 5. After the DHEC directive, the developer, Oak Bluff Development LLC, hired the Columbia-based Chicora Foundation Inc. to conduct an archaeological study of the site so a proper determination could be made. Work resumed after the report indicated that no graves were impacted.



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Pictured is the area in front of the McDowell/ Old Ruins Cemetery entrance, where the developer of the Oak Bluff subdivision cleared land to make way for its newest phase of residential construction. An archaeological study did not identify any evidence of unmarked burials in the path of development.



ZACH GIROUX

A large group of citizens showed up at the Charleston City Council meeting Aug. 17 at the Daniel Island Recreation Center to protest mask mandates.

### CITY COUNCIL CHAOS ERUPTS OVER MASK MANDATES

Decorum wasn't the only thing that was lost at the Charleston City Council meeting held Aug. 17 at the Daniel Island Recreation Center. Protests and citizen outbursts made for a divisive atmosphere as council made decisions dealing with mask mandates and COVID-related health matters.

Half of the room consisted of parents and health care professionals advocating continued usage of face masks for children during school. The other half of the crowd consisted of parents who supported either pro-choice or no mask mandate enforceable by local government or a governing school district body.

The meeting lasted for more than five and a half hours, according to the timestamp on the city's YouTube page. More than an hour of it was designated for citizen's comments — of which 80 citizens were signed up to speak at 1-minute intervals.

Council took a vote on an emergency ordinance that would require masks inside public and private schools and daycares across the city. The age range applied to adults and children over 2 years old. The motion failed to garner two-thirds majority approval.



PROVIDED

Daniel Island resident Marie Delcioppo resigned Oct. 13 from her elected position as District 1 representative on Charleston City Council.

### DICA TRANSFERS TO PROPERTY OWNER-RUN BOARD

After a quarter century under a developer-controlled board, the Daniel Island Community Association (DICA) is now a property owner-run board. Elections were held Nov. 1 and the new board takes office the first of the year. Otto Orr was re-elected. Also elected to join the board are David Campopiano, S. Colby Hollifield, William R. Goff, Greg Turner and Glenn Williman. Jane Baker, president of the Daniel Island Property Owners Association, also serves as an appointed member of the board.

The DICA board will be fully independent by Dec. 31, 2025. As for the Daniel Island Town Association and the Daniel Island Park Association, the DIPOA projects their transfer deadline to happen by December 2025 with full autonomy by 2027.

### LOCAL SWIMMER HEALING AFTER BRUTAL ASSAULT AT COLLEGE

Chad Waldrop — a former Daniel Island resident and a collegiate swimmer at St. Cloud University in St. Cloud, Minnesota — was assaulted and suffered multiple facial fractures, a broken nose, hemorrhaging in his eyes, chipped teeth and other injuries after he went to investigate an apparent late night argument between a man and a woman.

Waldrop was in good spirits later this fall after a "guardian angel" in the community gifted him with a new dog named Luke. He eventually plans to graduate and pursue an MBA from the College of Charleston.

A GoFundMe account is set up to help with Waldrop's extensive medical bills under "Justice for Chad."

### Rounding out the top stories of 2021

### DOWN, FIVE CANDIDATES VIE FOR SEAT IN SPECIAL ELECTION

Charleston City Councilwoman Marie Delcioppo announced her resignation via a letter addressed to Charleston Mayor John Tecklenburg on Oct. 13.

In accordance with South Carolina law, a special election for Delcioppo's seat will be held on Jan. 11, 2022. Five local residents are running for the position: Shawn Pinkston, Jen Gibson, Tony Fogle, Boyd Gregg and David Winkler.

### **EVENTS RESUME ON DI**

Outdoor island events resumed earlier this year. Events included the Tuesday evening Guitar Series at Waterfront Park, the Daniel Island Business Association block party, the holiday tree lighting, the Pumpkin Walk, among others.

New this year was Bark in the Park, a free festival organized by The Daniel Island News. The family friendly event had a farmers market vibe and featured entertainment, contests, prizes, pet vendors, food, and opportunities to meet adoptable puppies

CITYCOUNCIL'SDELCIOPPOSTEPS and adult dogs from the Berkeley County Animal Center and to learn more about fostering and volunteering needs.

### **DIPOA'S BARBARA MCLAUGHLIN** AND LARRY WHETSELL RETIRE

They've been called the "Stewards of Daniel Island" and the "heart and soul" of the community. In their respective roles at the Daniel Island Property Owners Association, Barbara McLaughlin and Larry Whetsell have been a part of the fabric of this island community for almost as long as the modern-day development has existed — McLaughlin for 21 years and Whetsell for 19. His last day was Nov. 29 and McLaughlin's was at the end of December.

### **REAL ESTATE SALES SOAR IN 2021**

Through the end of November, real estate sales on Daniel Island topped \$565,562,879, well exceeding total sales numbers for at least each of the past eight years. In addition to high sales volumes, local real estate listings moved quickly. Realtors reported high demand and low inventory in 2021, as well as higher home prices.

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"Eagles don't flock, you have to find them one at a time." — Ross Perot

While walking through the forest one day, a man found a young eagle who had fallen out of its nest. He took it home and put it in his barnyard where it soon learned to eat and behave like the chickens.

One day a naturalist passed by the farm and asked why it was that the king of all birds should be confined to live in a barnyard with the chickens. The farmer replied that since he had given it chicken feed and trained it to be a chicken, it had never learned to fly. Since it now behaved as the chickens, it was no longer an eagle.

"Still it has the heart of an eagle," replied the naturalist, "and can surely be taught to fly." He lifted the eagle toward the sky and said, "You belong to the sky and not to the earth. Stretch forth your wings and fly." The eagle, however, was confused. He did not know who he was, and seeing the chickens eating their feed, he jumped down to be with them again.

The naturalist took the bird to the roof of the house and urged him again, saying, "You are an eagle. Stretch forth your wings and fly." but the eagle was afraid of his unknown world and jumped down once more for the chicken feed.

Finally, the naturalist took the eagle out of the barnyard to a high mountain. There he held the king of the birds high above him and encouraged him again, saying, "You are an eagle, you belong to the sky. Stretch forth your wings and fly." The eagle looked around, back towards the barnyard and up to the sky. Then the naturalist lifted him straight towards the sun and it happened that the eagle began to tremble. Slowly he stretched his wings, and with a triumphant cry, soared away into the heavens.

In leadership, as in life, you will have competing voices that will cause you to run with the chickens or soar with the eagles. As we enter a new year, here are a few truths worth remembering.

### NOT EVERYONE WHO PICKS YOU UP WILL LIFT YOU UP

The man who found the young eagle might have meant well in bringing the young eagle to his barn. But over time, his good deed turned the majestic bird, full of so much potential, into a common barnyard chicken.

If you want to soar as a leader you must break free from the good intentions of people who do not bring out the best in you.

### YOUR WORTH IS NOT DEFINED BY THOSE HOLDING YOU BACK

As the young eagle grew its identity was shaped by the company that it kept. Instead of realizing its full potential to soar the heavens, it was grounded with the chickens. The eagle was being labeled as something it wasn't. His future was being cast. And the man could not be more wrong.

If you want to soar as a leader you must never let the people who are holding you back define your worth. When you have the heart of an eagle, don't allow the mindset of a chicken to hold you back.

YOU CAN ONLY SOAR LIKE AN EAGLE WHEN YOU ACT LIKE ONE

Over time, the young eagle was persuaded by the naturalist that he was more than a chicken as led to believe. It was when the eagle embraced everything that was great about him that he took his rightful place soaring to the heavens.

If you want to soar as a leader you will have to shake off the labels of your critics and stop hanging out with the chickens. Surround yourself with those who bring out the best in you.

### THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN YOU THE MOST WILL INSIST THAT YOU FLY

The naturalist saw the eagle for the grand and majestic bird that it was. He knew that as long as it was confined to the barnyard it would never live up to its potential. He saw the eagles' potential and he didn't give up until it flew.

If you want to soar as a leader you will need people in your life who believe in you. people who will call out the best in you, and people who will never rest until you fly.

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# A QUARTER CENTURY LATER

### Daniel Island development marks 25th anniversary

### **ELIZABETH BUSH**

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he year is 1996. The first DVDs are introduced in Japan. The Space Shuttle Endeavor launches from Kennedy Space Center in Florida. Thousands of athletes from all over the globe converge in Atlanta for the Summer Olympic games. President Bill Clinton is elected to a second term. And across the harbor from downtown Charleston, on a rural farming and cattle ranching outpost between the Wando and Cooper Rivers, a new island town begins to rise.

The first residents of Daniel Island's modern development moved into their new homes that fall — marking the start of what would become an award-winning,

master-planned community. From just a handful of residents then to about 10,000 now, it has been a momentous quarter of a century.

#### A 'PIONEERING' STORY

Rona Bobey and her husband, John, were the second family to choose a lot in the newly developing community. They moved into their home on Corn Planters Street in January of 1997.

"I think some of our favorite times being pioneers were riding our mountain bikes on the north end," Bobey recalled. "... We would ride all over with the cows and explore. The other thing that stands out is how dark the island was at night — pitch

black! It took four houses in a row for the city to install a street lamp ... so every time we would get a new street lamp (every several months) all of us on the island would have a pitch-in meal and drinks under the newly installed street lamp! The police would come and join us. We would feed them and send all our leftovers home with them!"

Joan and Al Vitalo were the eighth residents to move into a new home on Daniel Island and, like the Bobeys, still reside

"Twenty five years ago, Daniel Island was mostly a plan in a small real estate office," Joan said. "... There were dirt roads, sounds of house and road construction, no retention ponds, 'Bob' the bobcat, snakes, and woods ... Today, Al and I bike and walk on trails, and drive, bike and walk to shops. restaurants, parks, a library, tennis stadium and a beautiful

Matt Sloan, president of the DI Development Company, remembers the island's early days well. He and his partner, Frank Brumley, were part of the original team that began development of the island in the 1990s. Sloan first worked for the

> Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation, the previous owner of the property, and later he and Brumley purchased the island from the foundation and formed The Daniel Island Company.

When Sloan first toured the property, with the late Henry Smythe, an attorney for the Guggenheim family, it didn't take long to recognize the island's importance and

"What we saw was a beautiful farm and ranch site," Sloan said. "But having just been annexed into the city, then Mayor Joe Riley had made it very clear that he saw Daniel Island as one of the key growth

RONA BOBEY

Rona Bobey poses in 1996 with her

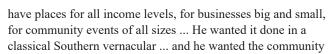
Daniel Island, where Etiwan Park and

dogs in front of a cotton field on

Bishop England stand today.

And that, combined with the opening of the Mark Clark Expressway (I-526) in the early 1990s, would put Daniel Island on the map – in the center of everything.

"The mayor's vision for the island was clear," Sloan said. "He wanted it to be a natural extension of the city that would



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#### PRIMED FOR GROWTH

to be forward thinking."

So Sloan and Brumley began to put together a team with all the professional disciplines they would need – master planning, engineering, and legal. They worked out zoning issues and crafted water and sewer agreements. Now that the community was primed for growth, they were ready to move forward.

"We moved quickly through the entitlement process with the city, and with the environmental regulatory agencies," Sloan said. "Being a working farm, Daniel Island didn't have a lot of natural wetlands, hardly any, which is unusual for this region, and we began to lav out what would become the community that you see today.'

Their goal was walkable neighborhoods connected by a variety of trail systems and paved bikeways. They began

Bill McKenzie, the first official full-time employee to be hired by the Daniel Island Company, came on board in 1998 to oversee design and government approvals.

"At the time they were developing very small places in Codner's Ferry Park and Etiwan Park. And it was a farm," he said. "I remember my son getting in trouble because he was telling people in his first grade class that there were cows on Daniel Island and the teacher didn't believe him! But cows and farming were all over the place."

"When we started Barfield Park and that area, that's when the farming stopped," McKenzie continued. "The cows remained until we started Daniel Island Park ... in the early

In 1999, Carolyn Lancaster, who had previously worked on developing Kiawah Island, joined the team as vice president of marketing.

"There was no (I-526) interchange onto the island," said Lancaster, describing her early impressions of the new comconstructing homes in 1995 and the first residents moved in the munity. "The only way onto the island was the back way."

Lancaster soon hired Julie Dombrowski, who had worked as a freelance marketing and public relations consultant for Sloan and the Daniel Island Company since 1997.

"Daniel Island Drive just abruptly ended," recalled Dombrowski, of her first drives around the island with Sloan. "And then we'd go off road sometimes and they would point out where Seven Farms Drive was going to be and it was pretty amazing to just envision that people had the vision to make this happen, just to create this from scratch. I thought that was such an exciting opportunity."

Daniel Island Real Estate agent Sally Castengera was among the first to sell property on Daniel Island. When she joined the pre-development team in 1996 to market the island to potential new residents, she knew it might be a tough sell. With cotton still growing in fields, plentiful wildlife, and only one way onto the island via Clements Ferry Road, she offered the only thing she could at the time - the promise of what was to come.

"In the real estate industry, it's location, location, location," Castengera told The Daniel Island News in 2011. "With most buyers, it's visual, visual. And most people have a hard time envisioning what will be, or what can be."

"We were really trying to just fight this idea that it was out in the middle of nowhere," Dombrowski added. "Because we knew that it was gonna be in the middle of everything."

In the beginning, sales agents on Daniel Island worked from a double-wide trailer overlooking Beresford Creek, across from the former Blackbaud site on Daniel Island Drive. Showing the island to clients often meant bumping around on dirt roads and traipsing through mud.

"I'll never forget the time I was showing a family a homesite along a pathway off Beresford Creek Street," Castengera said. "It was all muddy. I had to call Donny Smith (an island builder). I knew he was around somewhere, and (my car) got stuck and he had to pull me out because I was determined to show those people that marsh back there!"

#### 'GAME CHANGERS'

By 2000, the Exit 24 interchange at I-526 opened on Daniel Island, providing easy access to the newly developing com-

"Without the interchange being built we would not have been able to draw the level of businesses, both office and retail and professional services, that we continue to draw today,"

Sloan said. "We set a high bar for everything we were doing. We were tied to the Guggenheim lineage and that's a high bar, it's a high standard to try to meet."

"... Our definition of a sustainable community was if there are places to live, work and play, then everything feeds off of one another," Sloan continued. "Every time a new business might open, it might draw a new resident and every time a new resident moved in it would make things more viable for a new business ... and that was our foundation for success."

It didn't take long for their efforts to pay off. Not only did sales surge, but "game changers" such as the additions of Bishop England High School, the Charleston Battery Soccer Stadium and the Family Circle Tennis Center and Stadium (now called CreditOne Stadium) were huge milestones and solidified the island's draw. In 2007, the community earned the prestigious Urban Land Institute Award for Excellence, an international recognition given for successful and creative land use and planning.

"I think it's important that we tried to do everything on Daniel Island in kind of an authentic manner," Lancaster added. "We didn't try anything contrived. We worked really hard for nothing to be homogenous ... It wasn't pretentious ever, and that was our goal, to make everything feel as if it had evolved in an authentic manner."

Fast forward to 2021: The island's full development is now almost complete. The newest additions — Captain's Island in Daniel Island Park and The Waterfront development on the Wando River — are well underway. The final project, a 60-lot development on the north side, is in its beginning stages.

"It's bittersweet, but with a strong sense of pride, to see what was cornfields and cows now be this vibrant community that is essentially built," Sloan said. "It's sold out. We had set a zoning cap of 7,500 homes, that includes all sorts of homes single family homes, townhomes, rental apartments, condominiums — that goal was met."

And the original team put in place more than 25 years ago is still on board to witness its success.

"It's very rare to be there at the beginning and still there at the end," Sloan noted. "... It's an honor. It's a life's work for me."

"We put in a good framework," Lancaster added. "Daniel island had such good bones that anything now is just a wonderful and appropriate addition that increases the potential of this community."

### DANIEL ISLAND DEVELOPMENTS THROUGH THE YEARS

The first island residents move into their new homes. The first two neighborhoods are Codner's Ferry Park and Etiwan Park.

- Scott Park Pool opens
- The Daniel Island Company, headed by Matt Sloan and Frank Brumley, purchases the island from the Daniel Island Development Company, the entity created under the island's previous owner - the Harry F. Guggenheim Foundation.
- The Beresford Creek Boat Landing opens at Bellinger Island.

• Bishop England High School opens its new Daniel Island campus to students, after relocating from its downtown location

• The Daniel Island Neighborhood Association is officially formed and recognized by the City of Charleston, Island resident Mac McBride is elected as the organization's first president.

· Blackbaud Stadium opens on Daniel Island as the home of The Charleston Battery professional soccer team. According to an article in The Post and Courier, the team won its first home game in April before a sellout crowd of 5,186.

- The "Exit 24" interchange on I-526 opens on Daniel Island, changing the whole arrival and departure pattern on the island.
- The Daniel Island Community Fund is established.

- The Daniel Island Club opens.
- Family Circle Tennis Center and Stadium open (now called LTP Tennis Center and CreditOne Stadium). The Family Circle Cup debuts on Daniel Island, after moving from Hilton Head.

• Plans for a Global Gateway Port on the southern tip of Daniel Island are nixed by the state legislature after a surge in residential and political opposition. The State Ports Authority ultimately decides to relocate the terminal to North Charleston.

• Pierce Park Pool and Pavilion opens.

• The Daniel Island School opens to students, becoming the first public K-8 offering in the island's development community.

- Tim Callanan makes Daniel Island history after becoming the first island resident to earn a seat on Berkeley County Council. • Daniel Island receives the prestigious Urban Land Institute Award for Excellence, an international recognition given for suc-
- cessful and creative land use and planning.

• Doug Cooper and Gary White become the second and third island residents to be elected to boards of public governing entities -- Berkeley County School District (Cooper) and Charleston

### City Council (White). Smvthe Park completed

### · Governor's Park opens.

 Daniel Island considers annexation into Charleston County, A board of representatives are appointed by then Governor Nikki Haley to serve on a special annexation commission. Ultimately, the Daniel Island Community Association decides the costs to study the measure, as required by law, are far too high. Local leaders call for legislative change to make the process of studying annexation more efficient and less costly.

- Crow's Nest Pool in Edgefield Park completed.
- The first residential lots are sold on Captain's Island, resulting in contracts totaling \$16.5 million, the most successful homesite offering since Daniel Island development began.

• Plans are unveiled by developer East West Partners for the new Waterfront residential/retail community on the Wando River.

- The City of Charleston's Daniel Island Recreation Center opens.
- The Waterfront on the Wando River marks its grand opening.
- The Daniel Island Community Association transitions to a
- resident-controlled board consisting of two developer representatives and three island residents.







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# Top sports moments of the year





The Philip Simmons High School football team went 11-2 and undefeated in Region 6-AA play during the 2021 season, eight players were named first team all-state, while five others earned honorable mention.

The Bishop England girls' lacrosse team celebrates after winning the 2021 state championship.

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That were your top Daniel Island sports stories for 2021? Here's one man's opinion.

Carlisle Cup: The Carlisle Cup, which is awarded to the state's top five athletic programs from Class A to Class AAAAA, ended up at both Daniel Island schools, Philip Simmons and Bishop England, for the 2020-21 academic vear.

The Iron Horses won top honors in Class AA for the first time in the school's history by claiming three state championships: boys' tennis, girls' track and field, and boys' track and field. The program had two state runnerup teams and claimed eight Region-6AA championships.

Bishop England was the top Class AAA program in the state. Bishop England has won the award every year since it was given out beginning with the 1999-2000 academic year. The Bishops earned state crowns in cross country, girls' tennis, girls' lacrosse and boys' lacrosse.

Credit One tennis: Veronika Kudermetova is the answer.

The question is: Who was the last winner of the Volvo Car Open?

Kudermetova won the singles tournament in April and soon after, the tournament's name was changed to the Credit One Charleston

In July, Charleston Tennis, LLC unveiled Credit One Bank as the new title sponsor of the WTA event. The tournament is the largest women's'-only tennis tournament in North America and will celebrate its 50th year April

Fans will experience a newly renovated tennis facility in 2022 at the LTP Daniel Island tennis center, now called the Credit One

Charleston Tennis, LLC, which manages the stadium under a lease from the City of

Charleston, is nearing completion of a major renovation of the 20-year-old stadium.

Credit One Stadium will expand from 7,500 seats to 11,000 seats and feature 16 permanent suites, new concession stands, more bathrooms and a 75,000-square-foot Stage House with a partial roof.

Volvo Cars USA will continue to support tennis as the official vehicle of the WTA 500

Philip Simmons Football: The Philip Simmons Iron Horses were in the news on a weekly basis as one of the state's top football

The team posted an 11-2 record and won the Region 6-AA championship with a 5-0 record.

The offense averaged 36 points per game, while the defense surrendered only 12.7. The Iron Horses landed eight players on the first team of the state coaches' association's allstate squad, while five players earned honorable mention.

**BE Coaches:** Bishop England had two of its legendary coaches in the news in 2021: Ed Khouri and Dave Snyder.

Khouri coaches boys' soccer and picked up his 500th career victory in the spring. He was just the third BE coach to reach 500 career wins.

Khouri has built the boys' program into an elite program. He has guided the teams to 17 all-time state titles, which is best in state history. Khouri was only the fifth coach in Palmetto State history to reach the milestone.

Meanwhile, Snyder, the longtime girls' soccer coach, retired. He began his career at BE as the coach of the boys' junior varsity soccer team and was named girls' coach in 2003. He posted a 309-108-17 record from 2003-21, winning 10 state titles.

Emma Schimpf top athlete: Daniel Island resident Emma Schimpf was named the 2021 MaxPrep female athlete of the year in South Carolina. She was a golfer for the Oceanside Collegiate Academy girls' golf team.

In 2021, Schimpf was 11-under-par for the



Bishop England's Daniel Brooks was named the Class AAA state player of the year by the South Carolina Baseball Coaches Association.

two-day state tournament and beat runner-up Sydney Roberts of Chesnee by five strokes for the match, which was held at Hackler Course on the campus of Coastal Carolina University in Conway.

Schimpf's biggest accomplishment at OCA was a state record at the Class AAA golf state championship in 2020 when she carded a twoday total of 133 to win medalist honors.

BE Lacrosse goes 18-0, streak at 64: The Bishop England girls' lacrosse team had one of the greatest seasons ever in state history, topping Oceanside Collegiate Academy 25-2 to win its fifth straight state championship and finish with an 18-0 record.

The Bishops, who will begin the 2022 season with a 64-match win streak, outscored opponents 325-34 during the season, and in four playoff games, the Bishops averaged 21 points to the opponent's one.

The Bishops have not lost a game since Charlotte Catholic defeated them in 2016.

State championships X2: Philip Simmons won girls and boys titles in two sports during 2021. The boys' team captured another Class AA state championship in Class AA tennis, while the girls' team won their first state championship to kick off the fall sports season.

The common factor? Coach Richard Schulz, who coaches both teams.

Meanwhile, the Iron Horse boys and girls both captured Class AA state titles in May. The PROVIDED

Emma Schimpf, of Daniel Island, played on the Oceanside Collegiate Academy girls' golf team and was named the MaxPrep female athlete of the year in South Carolina.



boys' team outscored Greer Middle College 99-67, while the girls easily defeated Woodland 161-60.

Noah Ward and NaJhyrai Watson who both turned in national elite efforts in distance and spring events, respectively. It marked the final high school meet for Ward, one of the top distance runners in state history.

Daniel Brooks: Bishop England's Daniel Brooks was in the news for outstanding seasons in both basketball and baseball.

He was named all-state on both sports and considered entering the Major League Draft. However, the money wasn't right and he's attending the College of Charleston on a baseball scholarship.

Brooks led the Bishops with a .379 batting average and 34 RBI. He collected 25 hits in 66 at-bats with seven doubles and two home runs. He shone on the mound. He struck out 75 batters in 44 innings while walking only 15 with a 1.45 ERA.

BE football player gets perfect score: Matthew Fishburne plays football and track and field at Bishop England. He's also an excellent student. He scored a perfect score, 36, on the ACT.

Less than half of 1% (0.334) of test takers each year record a perfect score. That equates to about 5,500 students an academic year -

Fishburne has a 5.2 GPA on the Bishop England scale and has been ranked No. 6 in his class of 175 students the past two years.

**PS sweeps BE:** For the first time in Philip Simmons five-year history, both the boys' and girls' basketball teams beat Bishop England on Dec. 3 at Father O'Brien Gymnasium. A week later, both Iron Horse teams completed the sweep of the series in front of a packed house at Philip Simmons' gymnasium.

On Dec. 3, the Iron Horse boys used a smothering second-half defense to gain a 53-36 victory.

A week later the Iron Horses claimed a 56-43 home court victory.

The Iron Horse girls also swept Bishop England this season. On Dec. 3, the Iron Horse girls posted a 60-35 victory, its first ever victory against BE. A week later, they posted a 41-30 home court victory over BE.

Kylee Kellermann scored her 1,000th career point in the first victory over BE and tallied 23 points, with seven field goals and seven of 10 from the foul line in the second game.

# Winter fishing conditions call for cold water tackle



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GREG PERALTA

For weeks, I have been telling Brody (the amazing fish finding and stock trading dog) that I would like to fish ultra-light tackle this winter. In cold water conditions, smaller profile lures can be highly effective. Ultra-light tackle is best suited to casting and retrieving small, lightweight lures. It also makes fighting fish (even the small ones) a lot more fun!

Thankfully, Brody took the hint and gave me an ultra-light outfit for Christmas. After acting sufficiently surprised, I spooled the 500-frame Shimano Vanford spinning reel with 5-pound test PowerPro braid and added 3-feet of 10-pound test fluorocarbon leader. Brody recommended a Z-Man Finesse TRD on a 1/10-ounce NedLockZ jig for the lure. This lure combination is much lighter than we normally fish, but it is well matched to the ultra-light tackle.

A few days later, Brody and I set out to try the new outfit. We launched the skiff into the last of the falling tide. Our plan was to target trout as the tide fell and then switch to redfish at low tide. The ultra-light outfit cast really well and was sensitive enough to feel even the lightest bite. More importantly, trout (even the small ones) put up a great fight. I wondered how the ultralight tackle would perform on redfish.

We did not have to wonder for very long. A school of redfish swam right up to the skiff. I made a short cast ahead of the school. Boom! Fish on! The redfish was not particularly large, but the fight was a lot of fun. After landing the fish, I set the timer on my phone to take a picture remotely. As the camera counted down, Brody said I was holding the fish wrong. He quickly jumped in to help me hold the tail.

Brody might be a little bossy when it comes to taking pictures, but he gives really good Christmas gifts!

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Capt. Greg Peralta and his loyal fishing companion Brody bask in the glory of another fabulous





# Iron Horses' Haight closes in on scoring milestone

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Philip Simmons High School basketball standout Miles Haight should be celebrating a milestone right about now. Instead, he's doing what he does best and that's work, work and work some more.

The talented senior has scored 747 points in his career and still has a chance to join his brother, Marc, and former teammate, Jaylen Green, as the only members of the Iron Horse 1,000-point club.

But the COVID-19 pandemic wiped out a good portion of his junior season. The Iron Horses played only nine games last winter and that could cost him a chance to join the scoring fraternity. He needs 253 points to reach 1,000 and has 13 regular-season games and potentially five postseason games to hit the goal.

He didn't fret, didn't complain about last year's short-circuited season. He hit the weight room hard, working out every day to become a better player. The state coaches' association noticed his work ethic and talent, and selected

him as one of the top five seniors in Class AA to begin the 2021-22 season.

He's responded by averaging 19 points 10 assists and six rebounds per game. But when he talks about his final season, it's all about the team, which owns an 11-2 record and the No. 2 ranking in the state heading into this

"Our goals this season are to win our region and win the (Class AA) state championship," Haight said. "The team is special this year, and I truly believe we can have a historical year."

If the Iron Horses accomplish that, Haight will have a major role. He's worked to become faster and stronger, and while he's never been a 98-pound weakling, he has transformed his body to become physical.

"Miles has worked harder than anyone on the team," coach Garret Campbell said at the start of this season. "He's worked hard and has deserved all the accolades he's received."

Haight said, "I've always tried to be the hardest worker in the gym no matter what my size. But I really started to spend quality time in the weight room over quarantine. I knew the physicality aspect of my game was lacking, so I made it my goal to religiously lift every day."

He earned all-state honors last winter and is on pace to become a two-time selection. His honors, awards and talent make him a marked man at

"Earning all-state and being named one of the top five seniors in the state is nice, but it puts a target on my back every time I step on the floor," Haight said. "I know that I'm going to have the opponents' best defender on me, and it pushes me to prove myself every game."

He also works hard in the classroom. He's an "A" student and has a 4.95 weighted GPA on the PSHS scale. He's headed to college next fall and if the opportunity to play at the next level happens. He will embrace it. Stay

Philip Simmons senior guard Miles Haight is chasing a 1,000-point career achievement for the Iron Horses boys basketball team. Haight has scored 747 points in pursuit of the milestone.



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John and his wife Rona have lived on Daniel Island since its early days

and are frequent Pick 'em players and winners. This is John's second win this year.

"I will have to give my dad credit for last weeks win as it was mostly pro games," wrote John via text message. "I will take him to lunch."

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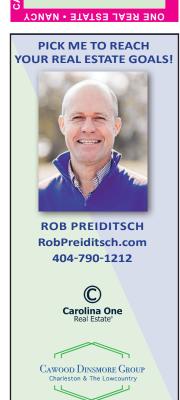
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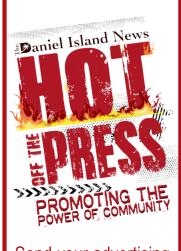
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### **UPCOMING MEETINGS City of Charleston TRC**

Date: Jan. 6

\*A preliminary subdivision plat for Cainhoy Del Webb Phase 1 at Clements Ferry Road and Cainhov Road (first review). The site is a 160.9-acre plat for a major subdivision that would include 164 lots for single family residential development. The owner is Plute Home Company, LLC. The applicant is Thomas & Hutton. Contact: Will Cox, cox.w@tandh.com.

\*Road construction plans for Cainhoy Del Webb Phase 1 at Clements Ferry Road and Cainhoy Road (first review). The site is a 160.9acre plat for road construction plans that would include 164 lots for single family residential development. The owner is Plute Home Company, LLC. The applicant is Thomas & Hutton. Contact: Will Cox, cox.w@tandh.com.

\*Road construction plans for the Marshes at Daniel Island Phases 1A & 1B for a major subdivision at 144 Fairbanks Drive on Daniel Island (eighth review). This is a 16.78-acre plat for road construction plans on a 56-lot subdivision. The owner is SM Charleston, LLC. The applicant is SeamonWhiteside. Contact: Zim Fant, zfant@seamonwhiteside.com.

\*A site plan for Woodfield Cooper River Farms II at Enterprise Boulevard on Cainhoy (pre-application). This is a 2.7-acre plat for a 71 multifamily unit development. The owner is Woodfield Acquisitions. The applicant is Seamon-Whiteside. Contact: Hampton Young, hyoung@

seamonwhiteside.com.

#### RESULTS FROM PAST MEETINGS Date: Dec. 23

\*A preliminary subdivision plat for Parcel K Infrastructure at 2000 Daniel Island Drive on Daniel Island (first review). This is a 36.9-acre plat for public roadway, utilities, stormwater and a major subdivision (4 lots) for future development. The owner is Holder Properties. The applicant is SeamonWhiteside. Contact: Abigail Richardson, arichardson@seamonwhiteside.com. Results: Pending

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\*A site plan for Nowell Creek Multifamily at Daniel Island Drive on Daniel Island (first review). This is a 9.02-acre plat for a 320-unit multifamily development. The owner is Holder Properties. The applicant is SeamonWhiteside. Contact: Rivers Cape, rcape@seamonwhiteside. com. Results: Pending

### 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
- Charleston City Council conducts its meetings on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 5 p.m.

### SAVE THE DATE EVENTS

#### PIERCE PARK POOL RESURFACING

Beginning Dec. 30, the Pierce Park Pool will be closed for resurfacing. Scott Park Pool will reopen on Dec. 30 and remain open until Pierce Park renovations are complete. Renovations are estimated to take one month.

#### CANDIDATE FORUM

DIBA will host a question and answer session with the candidates running for Charleston City Council District 1 on Jan. 3, 6:30 - 7:30 pm at the Daniel Pointe Theatre, 514 Robert Daniel Drive. **ELECTION DAY - CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1** SPECIAL ELECTION

The election will be held Tuesday, Jan. 11.

#### **REGULAR MEETINGS**

AA MEETINGS Mon. - Fri., 7:30 am at Providence Church, and Sat., 8 pm at Holy Cross Church.

**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-

DI GARDEN CLUB meets the second Wed. of the month at 3 pm at Holy Cross Church Parish Hall. The Daniel Island Garden Club's next meeting is Wed., Jan. 12, 3 pm. The speaker is Shannon Stambaugh from Green Roots Gardening. Her topic is flower box and container gardening design. Contact Linda Price at Imcwpr@gmail. com with any questions.

**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.

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@ amail.com.

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

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

**SOUTH BERKELEY DEMOCRATS** meet at 4 pm the third Sun. of each month at Daniel Pointe Retirement Community. berkeleydems.com. TAI CHI CLASSES will be held at the DI Library every Tues. at 10 am and Fri. at 9 am.

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### **CONGRATULATIONS TO** WINNER ROBERT PEIFFER

The winner of the Mystery Photo Contest from the Dec. 23 editon is Robert Peiffer, who correctly identified the picture as part of the banner on island lampposts that spell "JOY," with a star representing the letter "O."



Susie and Robert Peiffer

The Peiffers — Robert and his wife, Susie — moved to the island in 2014 from West Ashley and now live in the 200 River Landing Drive condo complex.

He said he likes Daniel Island's small town atmosphere with easy access to big city life.

Peiffer described himself as "twice retired" — first as a Navy

captain after 26 years and as a research administrator at MUSC after 23 years. His wife, Susie, was a Navy civilian and a tennis instructor. "We both love tennis, and that was a major reason for moving to DI," he wrote via email.

Congrats are also in order for Karen Fedder and Joslyn Leaf for sending in correct responses.

### **CAN YOU GUESS** THIS WEEK'S PHOTO?



If you recognize this photo, please send your answer, along with your phone number, to mysterypic@thedaniel islandnews.com by noon on Sunday, Jan. 2. The names of the winners with the correct response will run in next week's paper.

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by Patty Gibbons Saunier

### **Oxymoron Observations**

An oxymoron is a figure of speech in which opposite ideas are combined. The phrases same difference and pretty ugly are examples. Read the sentences below, and circle the oxymoron found in each one.

- 1. My brand-new purse is genuine imitation leather.
- 2. Can you give me an exact estimate of when you will arrive at the shareholders' meeting?
- 3. During the 5K race, I clearly misunderstood the route signs.
- 4. There was a small crowd at the grand opening of the shoe store.
- 5. I tried to act naturally when the policeman stopped me for speeding.

4. small crowd 5. act naturally Answers: 1. genuine imitation 2. exact estimate 3. clearly misunderstood

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# DI Rotary puts 'service above self' over the holidays

November was a month to be thankful for, thanks to the folks at the Rotary Club of Daniel Island.

Last month started off with a bang with several home improvement projects at a residence in Cainhoy. Dr. Bill Greene and the Nailbangers rebuilt a kitchen sink and built a railing to the second floor. To top it off, the group also obtained slightly used furniture from St. Vincent de Paul and delivered it to the home.

As the holiday got closer, the Shifa Clinic used its \$5,000 matching grant from the Rotary Club of Daniel Island to buy turkeys for a Thanksgiving food drive, held Nov. 20.

Rotarians also assisted in the Nov. 15 turkey give-away by the local organization Feeding of the Multitudes in Cainhoy, granting \$1,000 to purchase Publix gift cards. The club was a key sponsor for the event.

On Nov. 20, more than 25 Rotarians came out to help 35,000 "Ducks Fly South" event. The real winners were beneficiaries with \$3,000 in storage savings.

On Nov. 23, days before Thanksgiving, club members and their families came out in force to deliver meals to friends in Cainhoy.

Throughout the month, rotarians also supported Toys4Tots, the Blissful Farms Therapeutic Riding School, and Random Acts of Kindness to purchase bikes for foster families. The club issued a special thanks to George, Bill and Mary for motivating costsaving efforts and the kids who sacrificed Saturday morning. A district grant also supported their efforts.

The Rotary Club of Daniel Island is grateful for the opportunity to put "service above self" this giving season. Visit DanielIsland-Rotary.com for more information.

— Compiled by Zach Giroux, zach@ thedanielislandnews.com



ALL PHOTOS PROVIDED

Rotarians participate in "Ducks Fly South" event.



The Nailbangers assisted with home improvements at a residence in Cainhoy.



The Rotary Club of Daniel Island donated \$1,000 in Publix gift cards to Feeding of the Multitudes so the organization could give away turkeys to those in need in the Cainhoy community.



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

### FIFTEEN YEARS AGO **DECEMBER 28, 2006:**



The feature article was about how people prepare for the new year and New Year's resolutions. Other than exercising and getting fit, some of the other resolutions that topped the list included spending more time with family and friends, quitting smoking or drinking, getting out of debt, and getting

organized.

In other news, it was reported that the beach on the Isle of Palms was disappearing due to rising sea levels. The beach erosion evidence was presented at a Charleston symposium on the impact of global warming and rising sea levels on coastlines during the next century. Sponsored by the Heinz Center for Science, Economics and the Environment, the workshop assembled state regulators, scientists, business leaders and local government officials to seek lasting solutions for coastal management.

### **TEN YEARS AGO DECEMBER 29, 2011:**

The winners of the annual Holiday Decorating Contest were named. There were three categories for winning homes: Best overall, best children's theme, and best front door.

Also in the news, it was reported that



the Berkeley County Bar Association held its December meeting to benefit the Lowcountry Orphan Relief (LOR) fund. Bar members donated children's clothing and toiletries to help abandoned, abused and neglected children in Berkeley County. The attorneys also raised cash donations for the local nonprofit.

### **FIVE YEARS AGO DECEMBER 29, 2016:**

The cover and centerfold included the 2017 prediction of the "Top News Stories" by humorist Dalton Williams. Always a reader favorite!



Also in the news, the first

subdivision concept plan for the Cainhoy Plantation Planned Unit Development (PUD), was approved at the December meeting of the City of Charleston Planning Commission. Located in between Clements Ferry Road and the Wando River, the 228 acre-parcel would include 235 single family homes, neighborhood parks, lakes, and an interconnected trail system. Construction is expected to begin next year.





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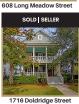






















































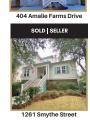












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