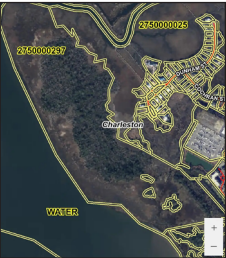


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What will Daniel Island's new riverfront park look like?

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With 115 acres of land secured by Berkeley County to make way for a riverfront park, what exactly will the recreational area look like?

The property, known as the North Island Tract, sits along the Cooper River on the island's northwestern side, nestled behind a row of apartment buildings at the end of Seven Farms Drive. Berkeley County purchased the parcel in June 2024 from the South Carolina Ports Authority for roughly \$4 million and immediately earmarked it for conservation.

"The closing on the North Island is complete," Berkeley County Councilman Jarrod Brooks said. "The county is in the beginning stages of planning and design."

Brooks, who represents Daniel Island and parts of Goose Creek, said the park will be maintained as a passive riverfront space, highlighting wetlands, wildlife, and "the unique features of the property's waterfront, undisturbed nature, and ponds."

Specific features have not yet been decided, but ideas include walking trails, boardwalks, and a potential pier – amenities that will be shaped by suggestions from county taxpayers.

"Those elements have been discussed in informal conversations leading up to the purchase," Berkeley County public information officer Jenna-Ley Walls said. "They'll be worked out through the master planning process, informed



STATE PORTS AUTHORITY

Ideas for Berkeley County's new North Island park on Daniel Island, a riverfront site at the end of Seven Farms Road and the Cooper River, could include trails, boardwalks, and a potential pier.

by community feedback. Any firm hired to create the park's master plan will hold public input sessions."

While no formal timeline is in place for public outreach, groundbreaking, or completion, Brooks said he anticipates the park will eventually complement Daniel Island's existing green spaces. "Daniel Island is blessed with miles of trails, ponds, and recreation facilities," he said. "The North Island Tract will add to that legacy."

Former Berkeley councilman Josh Whitley, who helped

secure the purchase of the land before leaving office in December of 2024, said, "It was incredibly significant that the county's first acquisition under the Greenbelt program was this property, which was likely to be developed with more rooftops."

The Berkeley County Greenbelt program was commissioned, in part, to identify privately- and publicly-owned land that could be purchased by the county for preservation and conservation.

"Now, it will be a county park indefinitely and eventually accessible to the public at large," Whitley said.

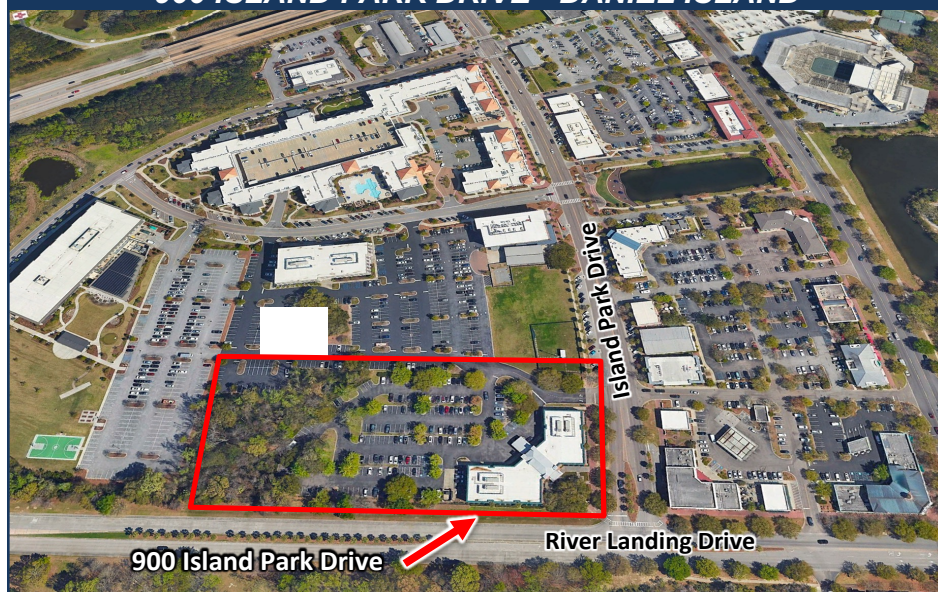
Greenbelt commissioner Tory Sullivan said scheduling public discussions prior to the park's concept and design is a number one priority and is not being overlooked, noting that Berkeley County leaders advised him that they are first "focusing on acquiring strategic properties (for the Greenbelt program) as quickly as they can to be able to buy them as affordably as they can as prices for real estate keep escalating."

Once the preservation project does get underway, state leaders said it will be worth the wait.

"South Carolina Ports has worked carefully over the years with Berkeley County and the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism to preserve 2.5 miles of shoreline along the Cooper River," said South Carolina Ports Authority interim president Phil Padgett, adding it will be "great to see the county transform this portion of the North Island Tract into accessible greenspace."

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Berkeley County invests \$707K in fight against opioid epidemic

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After reporting 84 opioid overdose deaths in 2023 and 53 deaths in 2024, Berkeley County officials fear numbers in 2025 will rise again as more than 35 deaths have already been recorded.

In response, the county is doubling down on its fight against opioid addiction.

At its Sept. 22 meeting, Berkeley County Council approved nine local organizations to share more than \$707K in opioid recovery funding to help combat the crisis. The funding stems from South Carolina's share of a \$26 billion national opioid settlement with manufacturers, distributors, and pharmacies.

"Berkeley County Government will continue to support our community partners who remain on the front line of the opioid epidemic," county grants administrator LeChele Nole Brown said. "My sincerest hope is that anyone battling addiction, please know that you do not have to carry this burden alone. We are a community of hope, faith, and love."

This marks the third year in a row Berke-

ley County has received money from the settlement, which will be distributed through the South Carolina Opioid Recovery Fund over 18 years.

Funding recipients include:

- Berkeley County Coroner's Office – \$100,000
- Changed Lives Ministry – \$74,990
- Ernest E. Kennedy Center – \$80,754.80
- Fair Haven Home for Men – \$80,754.78
- FAVOR Lowcountry – \$80,754.78
- Kay Phillips Child Advocacy Center – \$80,754.80
- Ninth Circuit Solicitor's Office – \$29,204
- Remnant House Outreach Ministry – \$80,755.48
- Wake Up Carolina – \$100,000

The Berkeley County Coroner's Office, one of the largest recipients, plans to use its \$100,000 to speed up toxicology and autopsy work on suspected overdose deaths.

"If we suspect an overdose, that money will allow us to get the results a whole lot quicker, and we can share that with our law enforcement and prevention partners," coroner Darnell Hartwell said.



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Berkeley County Supervisor Johnny Cribb presents checks to local organizations receiving opioid recovery funding during the county's Opioid Awareness Day event on Sept. 26.

Other organizations are focusing on prevention and long-term recovery.

"In the first year (of receiving opioid recovery funding), our funding focused on laying a foundation," said Wehme Hutto, executive director of the Ernest E. Kennedy Center. "By the second year, we started to see our initiatives grow. Now, as we come

upon our third year, we're seeing more stability and better referral pipelines from emergency rooms and community agencies."

At the Kay Phillips Child Advocacy Center, grants manager Damita Holcomb said the money will go toward addressing addiction at one of its roots – childhood trauma.

"Our work focuses on prevention education in Berkeley County schools and for first responders, reaching more than 500 people each year," Holcomb said. "We're also continuing the Safe Babies Court program to support families with infants and toddlers at the highest risk of neglect and substance-related instability, treating more than 90 children exposed to illegal substances in the home."

The county and its partners emphasize that the battle against opioids isn't just about reversing overdoses; it's about rebuilding lives.

As Hutto put it, "Numbers only tell part of the story. We're using our community hubs to increase access to treatment so we can understand what is working, where the gaps are, and how to make sure the funding meets the community's needs."

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"If you think your skills are run-of-the-mill, dime-a-dozen, you don't realize what others would love to learn from you." – Liane Davey

How well do you know your strengths?

It's a sad but confronting reality. As humans, we think far more about weaknesses than our strengths.

It's called the negativity bias: "the tendency... to give more attention to negative experiences than positive ones," says Licensed Mental Health Counselor Lisa Jimenez.

A co-authored Harvard Business Review report, led by Laura Morgan Roberts, cites workplace reviews where "most feedback accentuates the negative" and focuses more on "areas for improvement" than an employee's strengths.

24 STRENGTHS

Two decades ago, to help shift our focus, Ryan Niemiec and Robert McGrath created the Values in Action Classification Survey of Character Traits; a survey (see sidebar) to help people identify their strengths. The authors' memorable line: "Nowhere is your uniqueness clearer than with your signature strengths."

Psychologist Dr. Jeremy Sutton notes that "strengths are not the same as passing interests, passions, or skills. They are long-lasting and central to how we think of ourselves."

Adds entrepreneur Caren Merrick: "Strengths are a unique combination of your skills, talents, knowledge, and experience." And the authors at Therapist Aid remind us: "Personal strengths begin to seem ordinary, while the strengths of others feel novel and extraordinary."

WHY SHOULD I LEARN 'EM

So many reasons!

Knowing one's strengths helps build confidence and resilience, can dampen negative self-talk, and improve relationships and mental health. Says psychologist Catherine Moore of positivepsychology.com: "In positive psychology, cultivating and using our personal strengths is an integral part of striving for 'the good life' – very roughly speaking, the pursuit of eudaimonia or happiness."

Beyond helping ourselves, knowing our strengths helps us recognize the strengths of others. "When you appreciate the strengths of others," say the authors at strengthbasedliving.com, "you create a ripple effect of positivity that enriches lives with meaning, happiness, and success."

STRENGTHS VS. WEAKNESSES

On the subject of weaknesses, I keep returning to Dr. Christian Hibbert's memorable quote: "One of my strengths is seeing my weaknesses and choosing to work on them." Adds Georgia Pascoe of mentorloop.com: "Focusing on your strengths doesn't mean ignoring your weaknesses, but rather using your strengths to overcome them."

And the Harvard Business Review, authors maintain that "Knowing your strengths... al-

lows you to say, 'I'm great at leading but lousy at numbers. So rather than teach me remedial math, get me a good finance partner.'"

WE NEED YOU

Our final word, from psychologist Lise Deguire: "There is a need for all of us, with our unique abilities. Can you run fast? We need you. Can you soothe a crying baby? We need you. Can you fix a dishwasher? We need you. Are you a good listener? We need you. Are you reliably kind? We need you. The key is to recognize and value your own skills, and to develop them further to help our world – in both big and small ways."

Determine your character strengths

The Values in Action Classification Survey of Character Strengths "doesn't put you in a box," its authors explain. Instead, it "highlights what's strong, not what's wrong." The VIA's 24 strengths are grouped into six major virtues. Unlike other personality tools, "the VIA survey takes a different approach – core, morally valued traits that are essential to who you are at your best."

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Remembering a person's name is a powerful leadership tool



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Never throughout history has a man who lived a life of ease left a name worth remembering.
- Theodore Roosevelt

I read a story of a local sportscaster doing radio coverage of an Indiana high school football game from the stands, who used a chart listing the names, numbers, and positions of the players to help him describe the action.

Then it began to rain, and the ink on the chart ran, and the numbers on the backs of the players

were covered with mud. Identifying the home team was easy, but the only familiar name on the lineup of the visiting Chicago team was that of Blansky, a linebacker who was up for all-state.

As local listeners were unfamiliar with the Chicago players, and his station's signal wasn't strong enough to reach Chicago, the sportscaster invented the names of the Chicago players, except for Blansky. And since he was the only legitimate name, he did his play-by-play with Blansky making most of the tackles.

The next day, the Chicago coach called him to say he had done a really nice job covering the game – except for one thing. Blansky had broken his leg in the first half and spent the second half in the hospital, listening to himself playing one heck of a game.

Dale Carnegie stated, "A person's name is to that person the sweetest and most important sound in any

language." Nothing could be truer.

A few years back, I was on a tour at Harvard University. I learned that before new students moved into the dorms, the resident assistants were required to study the information packets about them and memorize their names and faces, so when a new student walked in, they would be able to greet them by name.

Over the years, I haven't always been good with names, but I do make a conscious effort to learn and remember names. As a leader, I recognize that this is an important area that requires my attention and improvement. Since it hasn't always been my strong suit, I find ways to associate names with the individuals I meet in order to remember them.

In your leadership, nothing means more to your people than the mention of their name. Here are a

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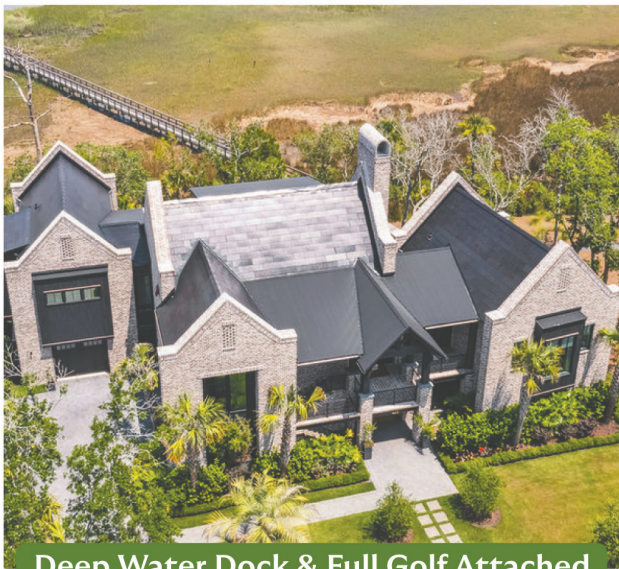
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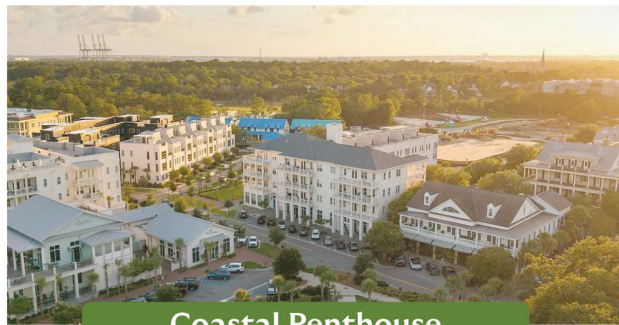
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DIBA networking party visits The Retreat

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DIBA's monthly event encourages local business owners, residents, members, and guests to meet, greet, and foster networking relationships.

The next event will be held at LIDI Ristorante on Thursday, Oct. 30, and will be sponsored by LIDI.



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LEFT: Pictured here, Jack Osteen of DI Media Group, left, with Marly Arturo, Susan Osteen, Kyle Osteen of DI Media Group, Suzanne Detar, founder of The Daniel Island News; and Nicole Norris of Nicole Norris Design. DI Media Group took ownership of The Daniel Island News in September.

ABOVE: Enjoying the September monthly DIBA networking party are Daniel Island Real Estate's Chris Kronzer, Michele Stephens, Lola Massoglia, and Mike and Sharon Cassidy.

DI volunteers, students tackle litter at 2025 Beach Sweep



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LEFT TO RIGHT: Volunteers of all ages come together on Oct. 4 for the 2025 Daniel Island Beach/River Sweep, collecting litter from the island's marshes, trails, and waterfront; Local school groups like Philip Simmons High School's Air Force Junior ROTC helps clear debris to keep Daniel Island's waterways clean; Volunteers of all ages come together on Oct. 4 for the 2025 Daniel Island Beach/River Sweep, collecting litter from the island's marshes, trails, and waterfront; A large plastic platform hidden in the bushes, broken eyeglasses, and a buoy are just some of the unusual finds at this year's sweep.

PSE students learn to 'stop, drop, and roll' with Station 21 fire crew



PHOTOS BY MONICA KREBER/BCSD

Charleston Fire Department's Station 21 crew visited Philip Simmons Elementary during Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 5-11, to teach kindergartners about fire safety, demonstrate their gear, and share lifesaving tips such as "get low, get out, and stay out."

Kindergartner James Odom climbs aboard the Charleston Fire Department's truck, getting a close-up look at the tools firefighters use to protect the community.



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Daniel Island author Carol Heilman to celebrate new novel with book signing Nov. 3

VICKI BERNIE

Book Reviewer

Once in a while, a reader will come across a true gem of a story that sears right into their soul.

"Becoming Hattie Mae: A Hardscrabble Life in an Appalachian Holler," the latest novel by Daniel Island author Carol Heilman, will be one of those stirring and unforgettable reads.

Set against the stark beauty and harsh realities of a 1920's coal mining town, Heilman's latest work captures the journey of a coming-of-age story in a world defined by struggle and perseverance.

As Heilman herself grew up in a coal-mining town, she often reaches into her rich collection of experiences from her own background. Catching fireflies on warm summer nights, listening to Fats Domino on the old floor model, the Philco radio, the first television to come into the mining camp, and the delightful way the residents figured out the best way to hook it up. Heilman's writing is authentic right down to her "Kentucky speak" that is such a strong part of her charm.

Heilman says that Hattie Mae's story began to take shape as a result of a repeated question in her mind: "What if I

hadn't had parents who valued a good education?"

An avid reader for as long as she could remember, "from the back of cereal boxes to stacks of comic books to stories and poems as well as series of books such as Nancy Drew and 'Little House on the Prairie,'" Heilman read them all. "Storybook characters took on a life of their own and lived inside of me."

"After supper, we usually gathered on the front porch and talked about our day, or Daddy would tell us stories about growing up 'rough as a hickory nut,'" Heilman remembered.

Though their venues are similar, their situations are enormously different. Hattie Mae yearns to experience more of the outside world and treasured reading whenever she can, but it has to be out of sight of her oppressive father in order to avoid his harsh, punitive anger.

This remarkable story of grit, oppression, human spirit, and love will remain with you for a long time to come.

Author Carol Heilman will read from and discuss her book 'Hattie Mae' at Blondies Bagels & Café on Daniel Island on Monday, Nov. 3, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$39.19 and include a signed book. Proceeds benefit the Daniel Island Library Society. Purchase tickets at tinyurl.com/3zpmjj58.

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couple of reasons why it matters.

IT DEMONSTRATES VALUE

If a person's name is truly the sweetest and most important sound to another person, then why not honor them by greeting them by name? I also try to make it a practice not just to greet them by name, but to do so by saying, "There you are!" with a degree of enthusiasm that lets them know that I am genuinely delighted to see them.

The most valuable possession another person has is their name. When you treat it as such, you are perhaps honoring a family name with a story you need to get to know. You are honoring the memory of a loved one or their family heritage. So much lies beneath the surface of a name. Be intentional about using a person's name. It matters more than you realize.

IT BREAKS DOWN BARRIERS

In my business, I make it a practice to know and remember the names of everyone I come in contact with. As the owner and administrator of a microschool with 70 students and staff, I begin my day by working the car line each morning and greeting each student. I learn their names, give high-fives, pats on the back, and make each student feel special. Each staff member, of course, is greeted by name, and I insist they address me by my name without the formalities.

I have discovered that this breaks down barriers and makes everyone around me know that I am approachable. When I am approachable, it breaks down barriers to good communication. Try it.

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Confessions of an ‘orchid grower’

A master gardener shares her secrets with the DI Garden Club

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“Hello, my name is Kathy, and I’m an orchid killer.”

That’s how Master Gardener Kathy Davis kicked off her talk at a recent Daniel Island Garden Club meeting, standing in front of a lineup of her prized possessions: her orchids.

Her presentation, “Confessions of a Lowcountry Orchid Grower,” was equal parts confession and a crash course in orchid survival.

“If you grow orchids, some are going to die,” Davis said matter-of-factly. “I have a collection of about 50 orchids, and I’m sure I’ve killed a multiple of 50 over the years.”

A retired naval engineer, Davis first fell for orchids during her work trips to Hawaii, though the chillier winters claimed nearly all of her plants. Those early failures led her to join the Coastal Carolina Orchid Society, where she discovered orchids aren’t fragile; they’re just particular.

She credits the group with transforming her from orchid killer to orchid whisperer.

Today, Davis’s home is an open-air jungle of blooms. “All of my orchids grow outside,” she said. “I don’t even have houseplants. I grew up with cats, and you know how cats are with potting soil.” Her orchids hang from shepherd’s crooks in the yard, each catching different degrees of sunlight. “Sometimes I bring the pretty ones in, but I like seeing them bloom outside.”

Orchids, she explained, are the second-largest plant family on Earth, found on every continent except Antarctica. “Most are epiphytes,” she said. “They’ll grow on trees or rocks or fence posts, but they aren’t parasitic. They get nutrients from air, rain, and decaying debris.”

Her five orchid commandments? Light, tem-

perature, air, water, and fertilizer.

Light is crucial.

“If your orchid isn’t reblooming, it’s not getting enough light,” Davis said, noting that lighter leaves indicate healthy photosynthesis while darker leaves usually mean the plant is in too much shade.

Water carefully.

“The fastest way to kill an orchid is to let it sit in a wet medium,” she warned. “And never water with ice cubes – there’s a reason they can’t survive in Antarctica.”

Orchids need moving air, too, so fans or breezy spots keep humidity high without letting roots sit in stagnant moisture.

Temperature is another key factor; some orchids like it hot, some cooler, but knowing your plant’s genus and species is key.

“I always keep the ID tag because it tells you light requirements, growing conditions, and bloom time.”

As for fertilizer, she follows a “weekly, weakly” routine at half strength, often using slow-release Nutricote pellets.

Among her collection, one orchid holds special meaning: the Ruth Davis cymbidium, named after her mother. “My mother’s name was Ruth Davis, and my middle name is Ruth,” she said. “We each got one years ago, but when they died, I searched for replacements for nearly six years. This past spring, I finally got one. I paid \$175 – the most I’ll ever pay for an orchid, but I had to get it.”

If Davis has learned anything about orchids, it’s that growing them takes persistence, patience, and acceptance.

“You’re going to kill some,” she winked. “But if it hasn’t bloomed yet, don’t give up. It’s not dead. It’s just being dramatic.”



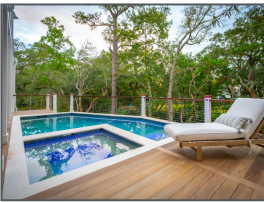
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Composting for a greener tomorrow

Turning skins, shells, and scraps into soil

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When Natalia Akst peels vegetables in her Daniel Island kitchen, she doesn't think about the waste; she thinks about tomorrow's garden.

The potato skins, eggshells, and coffee grounds she

collects each day go into a small ceramic bin that "looks very cute on the countertop," she laughed. When it's full, she takes it outside to a special patch of soil, where her food waste turns into nourishment for her plants.

"I've done it since I was little. My mother always did this," Akst said. "Since I cook from scratch, I end up with a lot of peels and shells, and because it's all organic, I realized it's perfect to use in the garden. I prefer to sort the garbage; having food waste with other stuff honestly grosses me out. We have less waste in general now – no smell, fewer trash bags, and the garden loves it."

Akst is one of many Daniel Island residents who have quietly embraced composting – the natural process of recycling organic material into nutrient-rich soil. From backyard bins to city drop-offs, residents are transforming what would otherwise be landfill waste into something that sustains life.

NATURE'S WAY OF RECYCLING

Composting is essentially nature's way of returning what we consume. Food scraps, leaves, and yard waste break down through controlled decomposition into a dark, crumbly material rich in nutrients – the same process that happens on a forest floor every day, just sped up a bit by human hands.

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Americans generated 66.2 million tons of wasted food in 2019, yet only 5% was composted. The rest

largely ended up in landfills, where food waste makes up 24% of all municipal solid waste and releases methane, a greenhouse gas more than 25 times more potent than carbon dioxide.

By composting, households can cut methane emissions, enrich soil, conserve water, and "close the loop," turning yesterday's dinner scraps into tomorrow's blooms.

FROM KITCHEN TO COMPOST

For Tatiana Nevarko, composting began the year she bought her house a decade ago.

"I also started a garden that same year, and we thought it would be nice to have our own compost to use in the garden beds," she said. "We were looking to reduce our waste output. We eat a lot of fresh fruits and vegetables, and it definitely saves us trash can space not to have the peels and odds and ends in there."

Nevarko and her husband built a three-bin system out of scrap wood, which they turn periodically. Recently, she added two vermicomposting bins filled with worms that help digest scraps and spread compost through the soil.

"That's in theory," she said. "I'm still learning about it, reading and watching YouTube videos for tips and tricks."

Her advice to newcomers: "Don't overthink it. Buy or build a compost box, and throw your fruit and veggie



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Claire Monahan heads out with her kitchen scraps and drops them off at Charleston city compost bins by Governors Park.





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Jennifer Weller Moses collects nutrient-rich compost from her backyard bin to nourish the soil across her husband's eight thriving garden beds.

scraps onto it! Stay away from meat, dairy, and grains to avoid attracting critters. Learn as you go and let nature take its course.”

EVERYDAY SUSTAINABILITY

Claire Monahan believes composting isn’t about having the perfect setup; it’s about simple, consistent habits.

“I started composting when we first moved to Daniel Island. I was so excited to finally have a yard where I could house a garden tumbler,” she said.

These days, Monahan uses the City of Charleston’s compost bins by Governor’s Park and sometimes a local pickup service.

“I love knowing that our composting efforts literally reduce the amount of waste in our landfills. It’s also now become a natural part of our family routine,” she said.

“For me, composting is simple but meaningful. It not

only reduces what we send to the landfill, but it shows my kids that everyday choices matter. It’s a small act of care for the earth they will inherit.”

MIXING SCIENCE WITH SOIL

In another Daniel Island kitchen, Jennifer Weller Moses and her husband have turned composting into a family science project.

“We cook a lot, so we generate a lot that can be composted – all produce, coffee grounds, and eggshells,” she said. “No meat or dairy.”

Their Costco composter sits in the backyard, where her husband “mixes in cardboard, Publix brown bags, The Daniel Island News, and other paper products to control the liquid ratio.”

The result? A nutrient-rich liquid

that drains from the bottom, affectionately called “liquid gold.”

“We collect it in old milk containers,” Moses explained. “It’s great to put back in the garden or our potted flowers, herbs, berry bushes, citrus – it’s like Miracle-Gro on steroids. There’s definitely a science to it but anyone can try.”

FROM FARM ROOTS TO ISLAND LIFE

Cara Jenkins traces her composting habits back to childhood. “I grew up in a household of composting, gardening, and farming,” she said. “Just as I was raised, I use my compost to supplement my soil for my raised garden bed.”

She started small, “with five-gallon buckets,” she recalled, inspired by a Pinterest tutorial. “It all started from a worm bin I remembered from a fifth-grade science project. It’s as simple as a couple of buckets from Lowe’s or Target, or you can buy a compost spinner from Amazon. Just be prepared for nature. It gets stinky and slimy at times.”

For Jenkins, composting is “a part of the circle of life. What you put out is what you get back,” she said.

“Being a part of sustainability is such a necessary part of the balance. Gardening has always been about community and love where I grew up, and I try to maintain that.”

A GREENER TOMORROW?

Composting may seem like a small household habit, but collectively, it’s a powerful climate action. The EPA estimates that if every U.S. household composted food scraps, the nation could cut billions of pounds of waste from landfills each year and drastically reduce methane emissions.

For some Daniel Island residents who take pride in both sustainability and beauty, composting is proving that even the smallest choices can feed something larger.



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Chris Moses adds his leftover trimmings to his backyard compost bin, transforming food waste into rich soil for his garden.



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Iron Horse girls' swim team cap top ten finish at state

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The Philip Simmons High School girls' swimming team celebrated its best finish ever at the state championships, which were contested Oct. 8-11 at the Carolina Natatorium in Columbia.

The Iron Horses finished in sixth place out of the 22 teams that competed in Class AAA. St. Joseph's of Greenville captured first place with 583 points. Academic Magnet was second with 360.5, and Christ Church, third with 290.

The Iron Horse girls finished in the top 10 in nine events, including a bronze medal in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

The Iron Horses were strong in the freestyle events. Anna Dyson placed fifth in the 200 free, while Nora Ross was ninth. Ronnel St. Germain placed ninth in the 50 free. Dyson was fourth in the 500 free, and Ross claimed seventh place.

The 200 freestyle relay team placed sixth, while Ella Teschke swam well, placing fifth in both the 100 butterfly and the 100 backstroke.

"I have been coaching for about 15 years and have had the privilege of seeing athletes come into their own and blossom," said coach Kevin Mongan. "Most of our athletes this season were middle school students from Philip Simmons Middle and Daniel Island School and never let their age hold them back. Their competitive nature and team spirit shined throughout the season and were exemplified at the state championships. They came together, raced hard, and succeeded! We could not be more proud of them and cannot wait to see what the future has in store!"

The Iron Horse boys also performed well with a 10th-place finish in the team standings; Academic Magnet posted a 512.5-426 victory over St. Joseph. Greer Middle College finished third with 423.

Eighth-grader Colton Salta had a big day for the Iron Horses with a sixth-place finish in the 100 backstroke.

Salta was a member of the 200 medley relay team that finished eighth and the 200 freestyle relay that was seventh.

XC COACHES CLASSIC

Both Philip Simmons and Bishop England had strong performances at the Oct. 10 Bob Jones Coaches Classic, a major

cross-country meet on the path to the state championships, which will be held next month.

The Iron Horse boys placed third in the International Division, a 5K race that featured 260 runners. Greer Middle College was first with 102, J.L. Mann was second with 183, and PSHS was third with 207. Bishop England claimed 13th place.

The Iron Horse girls placed fourth in a race that included 250 runners. Fort Mill was crowned champ with 91 points. Mauldin was second with 148 and Bluffton third with 185. Bishop England finished in 12th.

The 5K race was held at Newberry College, and the Iron Horses and Bishops tuned up for the rest of the regular season, and then it's on to region championships.

Avah Mallek led the Iron Horse girls with a time of 19 minutes and 5.68 seconds, which was good for 13th place. Laura Perry was 15th, Keziah Varner 34th, Flynn Taylor 68th, and Stella Winiger was 98th.

Nora Brahim led the BE girls with a 12th-place finish with a time of 19:03.72. Siena D'Agostino was 53rd, Addison Wood finished in 66th place, Katie Cheverie was 86th, and Katie McKinnon placed 134th.

Matthew Perry covered the 5K course in 16:24.00 to lead the Iron Horses boys. Trent Manning was 33rd, Grady Castiglia was 47th, Brian Stambaugh was 54th, and Griffin Tollison was 58th.

Jackson Muller led the BE boys with a 45th-place time of 16:55.00. Gabe Hislop was 67th, Ben Huntington 70th, Logan Schallenberger was 109th, and Jude Asmer was 128th.



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Nora Ross, left, Ella Teschke, Anna Dyson, and Ronel St. Germain all claimed top ten finishes in their respective freestyle swimming events.

BE girls', boys' swim teams crowned 2025 state champs

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The Bishop England High School girls' swimming team moved into fifth place on the all-time list of state championships with a convincing 590-469 victory over Gray Collegiate Academy during the South Carolina High School League's state meet, contested Oct. 9-11 at the USC natatorium in Columbia.

It was their fourth state title in a row and fifth overall. They won their first in 2016.

But the girls were only half of the Bishop England success story. The Bishop boys won their second state title and first since 2016 with a 358-349 decision over South Aiken.

The victories capped a most memorable season for coach Rose Van Metre and her talented and experienced swimmers, who gained impressive hardware for the BE trophy case.

The Riverside girls lead the way with 12 state titles since the South Carolina High School League sanctioned the sport in time for the 1998-99 academic year. Hilton Head High School owns eight nine state crowns, Wando has eight, Eastside seven, and the Bishop girls have five.

The Bishop girls finished the season undefeated and had four swimmers qualify in every event in a dominant performance.

"We swam well from the beginning of the meet to the end," said Van Metre, who also coaches the Daniel Island Flying Fish. "It was an incredible meet. Our swimmers were locked in from the get-go.

"We have an incredible senior class led by Ellie Chalupsky, Mia Devito, Mackenzie LeVeen, Perrin Parker, Nora Reardon, Lola Hughey, and Patricia Hayes," Van Metre added. "Ellie and Mia will swim in college; Ellie at Arizona State University, while Mia hasn't decided."

The 200-freestyle team of Devito, Carley Foust, Charlotte Good, and Chalupsky set a state record with a time of 1 minute and 35.40 seconds.

Devito and Chalupsky also earned two gold medals, while Faust earned a gold and silver. Good won two silver medals.

Van Metre was impressed by the boys'

unity and success.

"It was a complete total team effort," Van Metre said. "Every individual time was a best time. The boys showed up for each other and swam really well. Good things happen when you swim well and swim for your teammates."

BISHOP ENGLAND BOYS' RESULTS

TOP 10 FINISHERS

Connor Good: 3rd 200 Free, 3rd 500 Free
Jack Cahill: 3rd 200 IM, 2nd 500 Free
Jude Nicksic: 4th 50 free, 3rd 100 Free
Richard Miller: 6th 200 Free, 5th 500 Free
Andres Jakymiw: 8th 500 Free
Jason Chalupsky: 5th 200 IM, 5th 100 breaststroke

RELAYS

Andrew Curl, Jason Chalupsky, Jack Cahill, and Andres Jakymiw: 4th Medley Relay
Jude Nicksic, Andrew Curl, Richard Miller, and Connor Good: 5th 200 Free Relay
Connor Good, Jack Cahill, Richard Miller, and Jude Nicksic: 1st 400 Free Relay

BISHOP ENGLAND GIRLS' RESULTS

TOP 10 FINISHERS

Mia Devito: 1st 50 free, 1st 100 Free
Ellie Chalupsky: 1st 100 Fly, 1st 100 Free
Carley Foust: 1st 200 Free, 2nd 100 Free
Charlotte Good: 1st 200 IM, 2nd 500 Free
Katie Kitlowski: 5th 200 Free and 5th 500 Free
Perrin Parker: 4th 100 Breaststroke and 10th 200 IM
Kara Kitlowski: 4th 200 IM and 6th 100 breaststroke
Lila Mahoney: 4th 50 Free and 8th 100 breaststroke
Lainey Fosberry: 7th 100 Fly and 10th 100 backstroke
Mackenzie LeVeen: 5th 100 breaststroke
Phoebe Hayes: 7th 100 back
Nore Reardon: 10th 100 freestyle

RELAYS

Phoebe Hayes, Mackenzie LeVeen, Charlotte Good, and Katie Kitlowski: 2nd Medley Relay
Mia Devito, Carley Foust, Charlotte Good, and Ellie Chalupsky: 1st Girls 200 Free Relay (STATE RECORD)
Mia Devito, Carley Foust, Katie Kitlowski, and Ellie Chalupsky: 1st Girls 400 Free Relay

Iron Horses continue winning ways, Bishops lose in close one

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The Philip Simmons High School football team shares the early lead in the race for the Region 6-AA championship following a 63-0 victory at Burke High School on Oct. 10.

But the race for the region crown might come down to the final week of the regular season.

The Iron Horses are tied for first place with Timberland and Andrews high schools, as the teams own 2-0 records entering the final three weeks of the regular season. Philip Simmons, 5-2 overall, travels to Academic Magnet this weekend and will play Berkeley County foe Timberland on Oct. 24. They close out the slate against Andrews in their bid for their third region championship in the school's brief history.

Meanwhile, defending Region 6-AAAA champ Bishop England High School pretty much has to win out to have a chance to repeat as region king. The Bishops opened the season with five consecutive victories but are 0-2 in league play after falling to May

River High School 14-7.

The Hilton Head Seahawks, who beat the Bishops last week, share the top spot with May River as both teams sport 2-0 records in region play. Bluffton and Beaufort are 1-1, while the Bishops and Colleton County are 0-2.

PHILIP SIMMONS 63, BURKE 0

The Iron Horses slogged their way past Burke with the easy victory at Stoney Field.

The lopsided victory gave Iron Horse coach Eric Bendig a chance to evaluate backups and reserves, as 10 players were involved in at least one touch on offense while 21 Iron Horses were credited with tackles. The Iron Horses collected 77 tackles on defense, and 19 were for a loss.

The Iron Horses took a 14-0 lead after one stop and exploded for 35 second-quarter points to settle the issue.

The Iron Horses tallied 310 yards in total offense as quarterback Hayes Goodard completed 9 of 13 passes for 195 yards and three TDs in limited action. He also carried two times for 31 yards.

Ashton Kellermann caught two passes

for 70 yards and two scores. Alex Tchroyk caught two passes for 53 yards on offense. He also had eight tackles, including four for a loss. William Hollifield caught three passes for 38 yards.

The Iron Horses forced four turnovers. Patrick Clarke and Montrell Mungin both picked off passes.

MAY RIVER 14, BISHOP ENGLAND 7

It was a case of too much Sean Mitchell, as the talented senior running back for May River churned and burned for 178 yards on 32 carries, scoring both of the Sharks' TDs as they improved to 6-1.

Bishop England opened the season with five straight victories, averaging 47.8 points per game, but the Sharks constantly pressured BE quarterback Quinn Mahoney as the Bishops had their lowest point production of the season. The Bishops have scored only 17 points in two Region 6-AAAA games.

May River hosts Hilton Head this week-end in a game that features the Nos. 1-2 teams in the region. The Bishops host Beaufort. The Eagles have won three of their last four games and are 1-1 in the region.



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Ethan Chisum, left, Roman Hood, and the rest of the Philip Simmons High School football team took down Burke High School 63-0 on Oct. 10.



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“That’s awesome news!” Woodall said via email. “My wife and I both love to play Pigskin Pick’Em.”

Woodall is a repeat winner from last year and continues to play weekly while engaging in a little friendly competition and banter with his wife.

“Our weekly goal is to beat each other, but (we’re) always hopeful to be the overall winner,” he said. “We both have a previous overall win, so it’s really special to have one up on her.”

Woodall not only has bragging rights this week, but he also wins a \$50 gift certificate to Wasabi.

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The secret is out: How does Brody tell you where to fish?



fishing trends

GREG PERALTA

Last week, heavy rain and strong winds severely limited my fishing time.

However, Brody, the amazing fish-finding and stock-trading dog, and I did fish as the weather allowed.

Most of our fishing was close to our dock. Brody does not like the rain. So, he only selected locations to fish that were close to home. To his credit, we did catch a few fish in truly awful conditions.

The other day, I was eating a delicious and heart-healthy pepperoni pizza at Orlando's Pizza. One of the patrons stopped at the table. He asked, "How does Brody tell you where to fish?" I laughed and replied, "Sit down, have a slice of pizza, and I will tell you all about it."

While we are underway in the skiff, Brody

sits next to me at the helm. When we approach an area he wants to fish, Brody jumps onto the front deck and sits next to the trolling motor. This is the "fish here" notification.

Often, it is unclear which specific location Brody wants to try. So, I deploy the trolling motor and move down the bank. When I pass the location, Brody moves to the aft deck and sits down. This is how we determine the specific spot to fish.

The patron asked, "Really?" I assured him that is how it works. However, I did provide a small disclaimer: Brody has been fishing with me in the Wando River nearly every day for 10 years. It could be that Brody simply recognizes locations where we have previously caught fish and thinks we will fish there again. So, he jumps onto the front deck and sits down.

The patron replied, "That makes sense." Then he asked, "Does he really trade stocks?" I laughed and replied, "Grab another slice, and I will tell you all about it."



PHOTO BY GREG PERALTA

Brody, the amazing fish-finding and stock-trading dog, is more than Capt. Greg Peralta's first mate; he's a lifelong friend.

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'Dark web' scammer demands victim buy hundreds of dollars in gift cards

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The following incidents were taken from the City of Charleston Police Department's crime reports within Team 5, which covers Daniel Island, Clements Ferry Road, and parts of Cainhoy, between Sept. 16-30.

LARCENY BY FALSE PRETENSES

On Sept. 22, an officer received a call from a grocery store employee who requested a visit to the Hopewell Drive location to meet with a customer who had been swindled. The complainant told police that she had been contacted by an individual claiming to be with a wallet app security. She had been advised that her information was "all over the dark web," and there were reports of pornography on her phone. The caller instructed her to purchase gift cards from several locations and provide the activation codes. Throughout the day, cards were purchased at big-box retail stores in Mount Pleasant and the grocery store on Hopewell Drive: two worth \$500 each, another valued

at \$390, and a final one for \$200. The phone number used by the suspect was untraceable, according to Charleston police. The officer advised the victim to save all receipts and the original gift cards to aid in the investigation.

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS

An officer responded to a residence on Farr Street on Sept. 24 in reference to a stolen golf cart. The complainant stated that he had seen his golf cart parked and plugged in at 9:15 a.m., but three hours later, he noticed it was missing. At the scene, the officer observed a blue bicycle lying in the parking spot where the golf cart had been. During the course of the incident, officers recovered the stolen golf cart as it was found abandoned on Pierce Street. A crime scene unit responded and processed both the

bicycle and the golf cart.

The next day, on Sept. 25, Team 5 was called to a parking garage on Farr Street, where a victim stated that her sedan had been vandalized, with the rear passenger window shattered and the steering column broken into, with visible damage to the ignition. The officer noted that there were tooling marks on the ignition consistent with an attempt to start the vehicle with a tool. There were no surveillance cameras at the location.

On Sept. 29, a resident of Robert Daniel Drive contacted police to report an attempted theft of her sedan. The rear passenger window had been broken, and the plastic molding around the ignition was removed from the dashboard. No items were stolen

from the vehicle. A leasing employee for the property stated that security cameras there did not have a direct view of where the vehicle was parked.

WEAPONS LAW VIOLATION

On Sept. 25, an officer was patrolling Clements Ferry Road and pulled into a nearby gas station. There, the officer observed a strong odor of marijuana coming from a parked sedan occupied by four males. The vehicle abruptly left, traveling at a high rate of speed, and attempted to evade the officer, who followed. A traffic stop was initiated in the parking lot of an apartment complex on Verdant Way. The driver became agitated and denied possession of marijuana, which police said was in plain view. The report also indicated a passenger was in possession of a loaded firearm, which was removed from his waistband. The officer noted that the serial number had been sanded off the weapon. The suspect was arrested for possession of a firearm with an obliterated serial number and transported to the Berkeley County Detention Center.



DANIEL ISLAND BARBER SHOP

BARBER SPOTLIGHT

MICHAEL PRINGLE

Michael, known as Mikey to most, is a freelance international hair care specialist. He is a licensed Cosmetology Instructor, a Master Barber Instructor, and a Certified Methods of Teaching Instructor.

What do you love most about this profession?
Michael said it allows him to interact and build great relationships with some of the leading members of the hair and beauty industry and provide beauty enhancement techniques to people of many cultures and backgrounds.



What is your favorite time of the year?
When one would find people at their happiest state of mind: good, positive, and happy energy.

If you were stranded on an island what one thing would you take with you?
Sanity. Michael said it would allow him to maintain peace, creativity, and the ability to hopefully find a way to get off that island and back to civilization.

What is your favorite food?
Any cuisine that makes Michael's taste buds do a 'happy dance.'

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Results from city boards on road construction, townhome parking lot project

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

RESULTS: BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS - ZONING

Oct. 7: 0 Pineneedle Way - Cainhoy
 - Request variance from Sec. 54-824 to allow lot frontage for the subdivision of the property into two single-family residential lots to be less than required (271' and 291' proposed, 362' per lot required). TMS# 263-00-04-035. Owner/Applicant: DJP Homes, LLC. *Results: Denied.*

RESULTS: TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Oct. 9: Cainhoy First Light Phase 3 - Road construction project. Proposed revisions to a previously approved TRC at 1625 Clements Ferry Road, Cainhoy. (76 single-family units on 58.1 acres). TMS: B2620000008. Owner: Cainhoy Land & Timber LLC. Applicant: Thomas & Hutton Engineering. Contact: Steven Roach, roach.s@tandh.com. Results: No Return/Paperwork Comments.

Oct. 9: Fenland Expansion – Proposed redevelopment of existing parking lot for 24-unit townhome development at 1990 Daniel Island Drive, Daniel Island. TMS: B2750000185. Owner: HP 20000DI LLC. Applicant: LJA Engineering. Contact: Megan Smith, mesmith@lja.com. *Results:*

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FALL ACOUSTIC GUITAR SERIES

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PHILIP SIMMONS MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL THEATRE PRODUCTION

Friday, Oct. 17, 9 am and 10:35 am. The PSMS Theatre Department presents "Breaking Badly" by Jonathan Rand. Open to the public.

POINT HOPE HARVEST MARKET

Sun., Oct. 19, 11 am-2 pm, Village Green. Celebrate fall with live music by Thomas Champagne, local vendors, food, lawn games, and special promotions from Point Hope businesses.

HISTORY TALK AT DIHS

HONORING JOHN LAURENS
Tues, Oct. 21, 6:30-8 pm, Daniel Pointe Retirement Center Theatre. Free event with a meet-and-greet, panel discussion on Revolutionary War hero John Laurens, and reception. Presented by the Daniel Island Historical Society and Berkeley 250.

OKTOBERFEST FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY

Fri., Oct. 26, 5:30-7:30 pm, Point Hope Village Green. Celebrate Oktoberfest with polka by the Hans Schmidt Band, games, inflatable ax-throwing, and themed eats from Motley Chew. Prost!

PUMPKIN WALK

Sun., Oct. 26, 5:30-7:30 pm, Smythe Park. Enjoy a glowing Pumpkin Walk (drop off decorated pumpkins 1-3 pm), costumes, music, food, and family fun on the lawn.

BARK IN THE PARK

Sat., Nov. 1, 10 am-2 pm, Waterfront Park. The 5th annual festival features food, music, kids' activities, and vendors. Free. Supports Charleston Animal Society-Berkeley Campus.

HARVEST HOORAY!

Sat, Nov. 1, 11 am-1 pm, Coastal Blooms Learn-

ing Academy at 405 Jesse Lane. Enjoy food, games, face painting, and more! Bring a food donation to support the community.

BOOK SIGNING WITH CAROL HEILMAN

Nov. 3, 5:30-7 pm, Blondies Bagels & Café. Meet DI author Carol Heilman as she shares her new novel, "Becoming Hattie Mae." Tickets include a signed copy; proceeds benefit the Daniel Island Library Society. tinyurl.com/3zpmij58

PALMETTO FREEDOM FEST

Fri., Nov. 7, 6-10 pm, Credit One Stadium. Country star Lee Brice headlines this intimate, patriotic evening benefiting Folds of Honor. Live music, food, drinks, and auctions. Tickets: palmetto-freedomfest.org.

5TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY MARKET

Sat., Nov. 8, 10 am-4 pm, Daniel Island Rec Center. Free entry and parking. Boutique-style market with up to 45 vendors offering unique holiday gifts, fine art, jewelry, home décor, clothing, pet products, chocolates, and more. 50/50 raffle benefits Random Acts of Kindness of the Lowcountry.

DANIEL ISLAND TOASTMASTERS

Toastmasters meetings are free, open to the public. Contact Bud 843-284-6291 or clare@eduave.com.

ECCO FOOD DRIVE

Drop off canned goods, pasta, rice, and other non-perishables at Edward Jones (8:30-4), 895 Island Park Dr Suite A2.

LOWCOUNTRY STREET GROCERY

Fri. at Guggenheim Terrace, 11 am-4 pm.

ECCO FOOD DROP AT DI LIBRARY

Starting Oct. 1, the Daniel Island Library will serve as an ECCO Food Drop location. Hours: Mon-Thurs 10 am-6 pm; Fri-Sat 9 am-5 pm

REGULAR MEETINGS

AA MEETINGS - CLEMENTS FERRY

King's Cross Church: Mon. and Fri. - 7:30 pm. Women's only meeting: Tues. - 8 pm. 2011 Clements Ferry Rd. 843-723-9633.

AA MEETINGS - DANIEL ISLAND

Providence Church: Mon. - Fri., 7:30 am. Church of the Holy Spirit: Speaker Mtg. Sat., 7 pm; 12 Step Mtg. Wed. 7:30 pm.

AL-ANON Al-Anon, a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics, meets every Thurs., 7 pm at Providence Church on Daniel Island.

STRENGTH AND BALANCE

Tuesdays, 10-11 am. All ages and levels. The class is \$10 and is being held at the DI Rec Center. Contact: 843-216-6366...

CORE STRENGTH & STABILITY Mon., 9-10 am, DI Rec Center. Improve balance, posture, and injury prevention with this all-levels class designed to support healthy movement. \$10. Contact 843-216-6366.

CRAFTERNOONS Crafternoons with Edie every 1st Fri. of the month from 1-3 pm at the Daniel Island Library. Tim Boyle at 843-471-2952 or timothy.boyle@berkeleycountysc.gov.

DANIEL ISLAND GOP CLUB 3rd Mon., 8am, Daniel Pointe Retirement Community. Free. Contact Mark Smith at 843-442-8371 or Susan Chapman at 203-512-3929 for info.

DANIEL ISLAND LIBRARY EVENTS

Capt. Daniell's Pipers Recorder Grp: Tues. 1:30-2:30 pm; Needleworkers: 2nd & 4th Tues., 11:15 am - noon; Social Bridge Club: every Monday 1-4 pm.; Writers Group: 1st Wed., 4:30-6 pm.

DANIEL POINTE CHAPEL Non-denominational Christian worship services in the Theater of the Daniel Pointe Retirement Community at 1:15 pm on the 1st and 3rd Sun. each month. 514 Robert Daniel Drive. Deacon Ed Dyckman at dyckman.edward@gmail.com and 843-367-5647.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE Duplicate Bridge, ACBL sanctioned. DI Rec Center, 160 Fairbanks Dr. Weds, noon-3 pm. Space limited, reservations required, 843-224-6778/843-209-1471.

EXCHANGE CLUB OF DANIEL ISLAND 4th Tues., 5:30 pm, Daniel Pointe Retirement Community theater, 514 Robert

Daniel Dr., dixchangeclub.org.

MASTER GARDENER Q&A Certified Clemson MGs. DI Library, first Mon. of month, 4-6 pm. Soil samples, at least two cups in a sealed plastic bag, are tested at Clemson University for \$6 per sample, payable by check or credit card only.

RECORDER GROUP Join Captain Daniell's Pipers at the DI Library every Tue. 1:30-2:30 pm. All welcome regardless of your level of playing. Richard Foreman, eflat3@gmail.com.

REPUBLICAN LADIES OF DI meets 1st Fri. of mo., 8:30-10 am. Call or text for venue info and RSVP, 714-337-6944.

ROTARY CLUBS The Daniel Island Rotary Club meets most Weds. mornings at 7:15 am and on the second Tues. of each month at noon. The Cainhoy Rotary Club meets the 1st and 3rd Tues. of the month at 6 pm. Contact: Ben Laaper, ben.laaper@gmail.com.

SENIOR MEN'S GROUP Wednesdays, 10:30 am, Daniel Island Rec Center. A free, relaxed weekly meetup for senior men to socialize and connect. Coffee and refreshments provided.

SOUTH BERKELEY DEMOCRATS Meets at 4 pm on 3rd Sun., Daniel Pointe Retirement Community. berkeleydems.com.

STRONG & MOBILE FUNCTIONAL FITNESS

Sat., 9-10 am, DI Rec Center. A class for active lifestyles, especially pickleball players, focused on strength and mobility for sport and real life. \$10. Contact 843-216-6366.

TAI CHI CLASSES DI Library Tues., 10 am & Fri., 9 am.

THE INFINITE JUKEBOX A bi-monthly multimedia discussion group for music lovers. All music genres including: Country/western, baroque and electronia. 2nd & 4th Thurs. at the DI Library from 11 am - noon.

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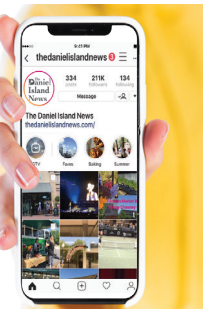
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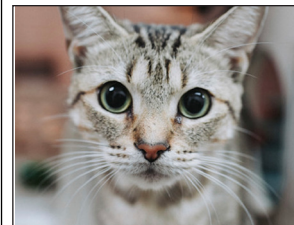
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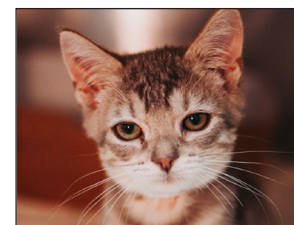
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