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DI teen earns Eagle Scout to continue a four-generation legacy

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If grit could be inherited, Oakley Halpern got a double dose.

On Aug. 10, at Daniel Island's Church of the Holy Spirit, Halpern stood tall in front of family, friends, and fellow Scouts as he officially earned the rank of Eagle Scout – a milestone achieved by less than 5% of Scouts nationwide, according to the Boy Scouts of America, now known as Scouting America.

It's the highest rank in Scouts BSA, the Scouting America program reserved for those ages 11 to 17 who demonstrate unwavering commitment to service, leadership, and personal growth.

To earn the rank of Eagle Scout, Scouts must complete at least 21 merit badges, hold leadership roles, uphold the Scout Oath and Law, and lead a significant community service project – a process that takes years of dedication.

But for Halpern, this wasn't just about badges and merit: it was a legacy to uphold. The 16-year-old is a fourth-generation Eagle Scout, following in the footsteps of his great-grandfather Max Ross in 1933, grandfather Gerry Ross in 1959, and father Tim Halpern in 1986.



PROVIDED BY DANA HALPERN

Oakley Halpern holds the new sign at the restored Seven Farms Community Garden, his Eagle Scout project.

"I wouldn't be in scouting if my grandma hadn't reminded my dad that he used to love being a Scout, encouraging him to help me get involved," Halpern said. "It has always motivated me to continue the family legacy."

Halpern is a member of Daniel Island's Troop 519, which meets at the church. His friend James Ray was also honored at the same ceremony for earning Eagle Scout, who will be featured in a future article. Each scout led his own service project, a key Eagle Scout requirement, with Halpern focusing on restoring the Seven Farms Community Garden across the street from the church.

"I was inspired to help old people have something nice in their lives," Halpern said. "The work involved lots of sanding, staining, construction of benches, and yard work. Plus, all of the planning ahead of time, which took weeks."

More than 20 volunteers helped bring the project to life. Halpern stained a large wooden gazebo, painted rusted metal garden beds, built two benches from scratch, refurbished another, and restored landscaping throughout the garden. A new sign now marks the space: "Seven Farms Community Garden Restored by Troop 519, led by Oakley Halpern, Eagle Scout, with support from Lowe's Companies."

"I wanted to do something that didn't involve city or county permits but that provided value to a community," he said. "It will give them a nice recreational area to enjoy the outdoors and each other's company."

His mom, Dana Halpern, said witnessing her son carry on the family tradition brought tears to her eyes.

"Watching Oakley has been incredible, especially since my father and husband are both Eagle Scouts," she said. "His determination and laughter make a great combination for the leading Scout. He is a natural-born leader, learning as well as teaching the younger Scouts all the proper ways to do something, including the dangerous activities."

Dana Halpern said one moment stands out. "He would come home from a camping trip full of sand and mud, yet always with a smile on his face. He said, 'Mom, this is part of camping,' with a cute chuckle too."

Watching Halpern grow into the young adult he is, Troop 519 Scout Leader Mike Jernigan said, "Oakley is a good Scout and an outstanding young man."

Halpern credits his troop for shaping him into who he is today.

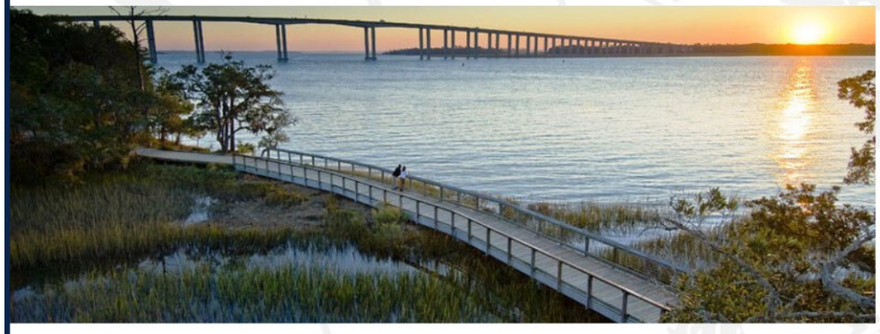
"Troop 519 has influenced my journey, teaching me many leadership and life skills and helping me make lifelong friendships," he said. "I wouldn't be an Eagle if it weren't for the incredible people of the troop."





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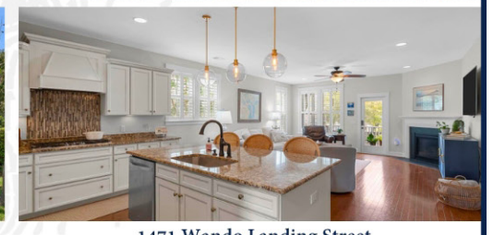




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DINA appeals city ruling, seeks to protect 24 trees on DI Drive

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The fight to save trees on Daniel Island targeted for removal isn't over just yet.

The Daniel Island Neighborhood Association challenged a ruling by a Charleston zoning board that gives a Georgia developer the go-ahead to cut down a row of protected trees along Daniel Island Drive.

The neighborhood association filed a petition in a South Carolina civil court on Aug. 4, appealing a decision by the Charleston Board of Zoning Appeals that granted Holder Properties a variance to clear 24 mature trees for its townhome construction within its new Nowell Creek Village community.

A city ordinance prevented the builder from removing the trees until Holder representatives convinced the zoning board otherwise in a July 2 hearing.

DINA, a volunteer-based organization that labels itself as the recognized voice of all Daniel Island residents, is seeking a "pre-litigation mediation" with the city, arguing that its zoning board "erred in finding that (Holder Properties) met the hardship test required to grant a variance" to take down trees.

The hardship test requires an applicant to show, among other things, that a variance, or exception to an ordinance, will not be of "substantial detriment to the public good."

"Removing trees without satisfying the strict standards of the variance unnecessary hardship test goes against the City's policy," reads the petition, which was filed by the Austin and Gowder law firm.

"The removal of these trees will cause environmental and visual harm to the residents of Daniel Island, many of whom spoke and shared their views at the hearing."

The petition further states, "There was no evidence that removing these existing trees would benefit the community, and the board erred in making this decision, despite substantial evidence contradicting it."

More than 600 public comments, the majority from Daniel Island residents, were submitted online opposing the tree removal prior to the hearing.

DINA is not affiliated with the Daniel Island Property Owners' Association, which collects yearly dues from residents, so the nonprofit group is relying on members and donations to fund the challenge.

"We are raising a dedicated legal fund for this appeal, and ask that you additionally pledge what you can," reads an email sent to DINA subscribers on Aug. 12.

"As an entirely volunteer and donation-funded organization, the only way that we can support this legal battle is with your contribution."

The Daniel Island News reached out to the City of Charleston and Holder Properties for comment and will provide updates as they become available.

SC scholarship program funds private schooling for exceptional-needs students

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Imagine being able to help a child with exceptional needs access a specialized, private education and get a dollar-for-dollar break on your South Carolina income tax while you're at it.

That's exactly what Exceptional SC offers, yet most people have never heard of it.

"Why don't we raise $12 million? Lack of awareness," said Daniel Island resident Mary Nemeth, director of donor relations for Exceptional SC. "Most individuals, businesses, and CPAs have never heard of us. Raising $12 million could have allowed Exceptional SC to provide over $8,000 in scholarships per student."

Exceptional SC is a nonprofit scholarship fund created through state legislation to help families of exceptional-needs children afford tuition at eligible private schools across South Carolina. The fund is fueled by donations, many of which are eligible for dollar-for-dollar SC income tax credits.

"In 2023, we raised about $5.65 million. In 2024, only $3.4 million," Nemeth said. "By law, Exceptional SC is allowed to raise up to $12 million per year. That means last year alone, nearly $8.5 million in potential scholarships went unrealized."

So, who qualifies?

"Students must be South Carolina residents, eligible to attend a public school, and have documentation of an exceptional need – either medical documentation or a school-issued IEP, ISP, or similar," Nemeth explained. The application process is outlined at exceptionalsc.org.



AMY BUSHYAGER

Thanks to a scholarship derived from Exceptional SC, Elevate Community School student Rory Bushyager, third from left, is able to attend a smaller, private school that better fits her learning needs. Rory is pictured with her parents and sibling.

Nemeth, a former teacher and longtime fundraiser for education and at-risk communities, was drawn to the organization because of her deep personal ties to families with children who have exceptional needs.

"I believe all kids should have the opportunity and choice to learn in the best school programs the state has to offer," she said. "While some families can afford private school tuition, others cannot."

For those who do receive the scholarship, the impact is real. Amy Bushyager, a Daniel Island parent, credits Exceptional SC for helping her daughter thrive.

"Rory was originally at Daniel Island School but needed a smaller environment and more outdoor time to thrive," she said. "We're lucky to send her to Elevate (Community School) with the help of the Exceptional Scholarship. It allowed us to support her need for a smaller school setting and more one-on-one time. It felt like an easier transition with access to the scholarship."

Stefanie Swackhamer, co-founder and executive director of Elevate Community School, has seen the benefits firsthand. "Exceptional SC has been a meaningful support for a few of our families. While the scholarship doesn't cover full tuition, every bit helps," she said.

At Bishop England High School, Options Department Chair Kristen Common said the scholarship helps students living with disabilities gain access to inclusive, strengths-based education.

"The scholarship provides our students the opportunity to participate in specialized programs," she said. "Our goal is to prepare students living with disabilities to become productive members of society and have a strong feeling of self-worth. This scholarship gives families the choice for high-quality educational services."

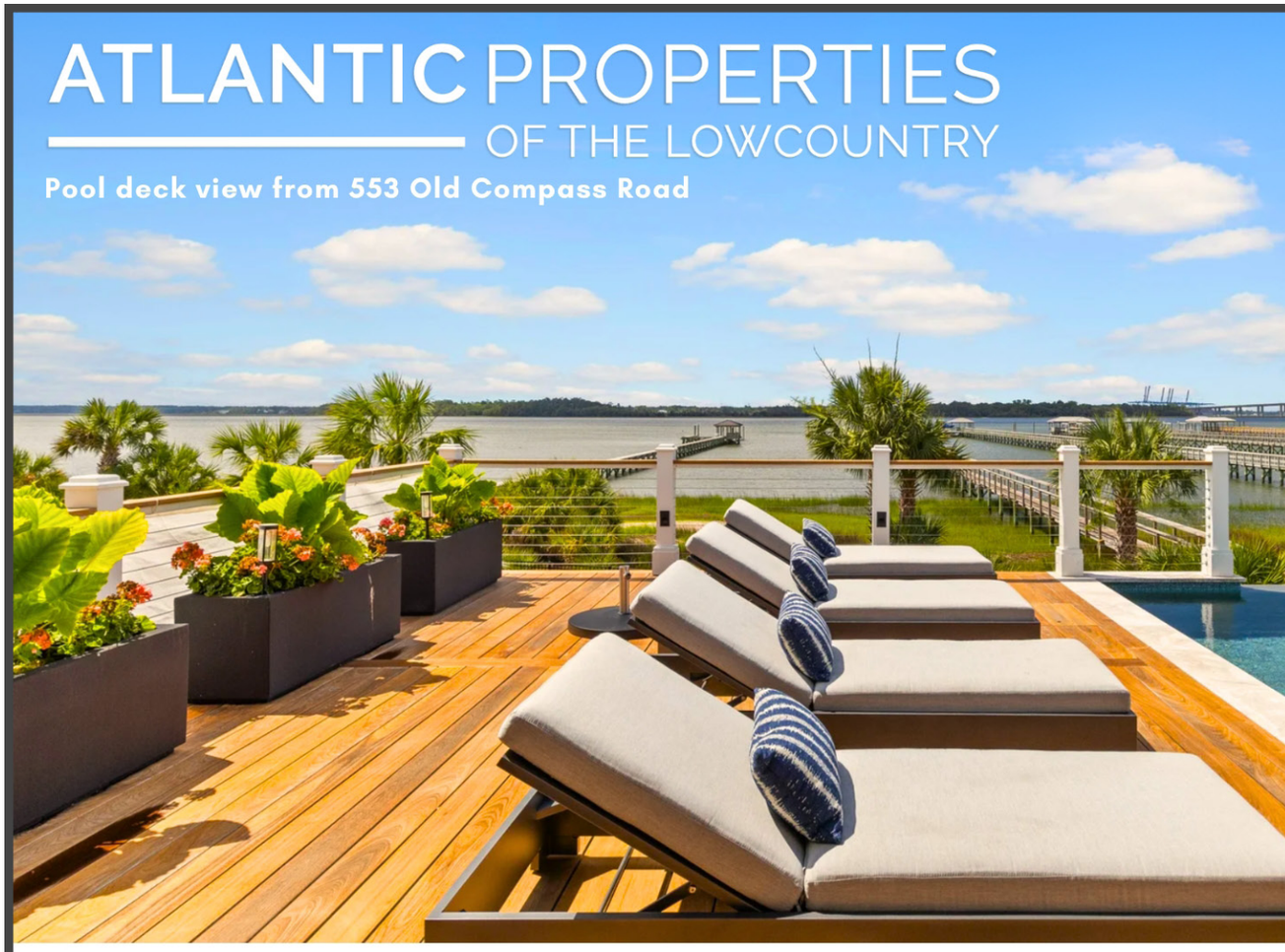
With roughly 1,400 scholarships awarded last year, averaging $2,300 each, the need far exceeds the current funding. Donations can be made by any South Carolina taxpayer or business and count as a state tax credit of up to 75% of the donor's total South Carolina income tax liability.

Looking ahead, Nemeth hopes to see the law evolve to allow donors to claim 100% of their liability in tax credits. But for now, her top priority is getting the word out.

"There are over 5 million people in South Carolina. We've had less than 1,000 donors since the program began," she said. "My hope is that raising awareness through news and media outlets and word of mouth will allow us to double our donor base each year for the next five years."

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Remembering Richard Gowe, co-creator of DIS Community Garden

MICHAEL BAXLEY

This is dedicated to the memory of Richard John Gowe, the best friend, co-creator, and designer of the Daniel Island School and Community Garden, who passed away on June 7, 2025.

He was 64 when we lost his physical presence among us, far too young, but the good news this column brings is that his impact can be seen at the garden and all around the community at large.

Richard was an architect by profession. He spent 40 years protecting and improving Charleston's historical context in the midst of its ever-evolving cityscape, and that's no small task. His imprint on Charleston is substantial and can be seen throughout the cobbled streets, narrow alleys, and broad avenues of our town.

But one doesn't have to travel downtown to see his handiwork. Have you been to the Daniel Island School and Community Garden?

It's right behind and actually tucked into the back of the Daniel Island School, right beside the recently renovated playground and children's jungle gym. Open the iron gate to enter through the brick fence. Pass through that gate and escape from the hustle and bustle of life to a quiet place that brings these words by British hymn writer and poet Dorothy Frances Gurney (1858-1932) to mind:

"The kiss of the sun for pardon,
"The song of the birds for mirth,
"One is nearer God's heart in a garden,
"Than anywhere else on earth."

Daniel Island is a busy place; finding and protecting a quiet space is not easy. When Richard and Jacqueline Gowe first conceived the idea of the Daniel Island School and Community Garden, that lovely erstwhile thought didn't just materialize; it took years of work to make it happen.



PROVIDED BY DARCIE GOODWIN

The late Richard Gowe, left, is the co-creator of the Daniel Island School and Community Garden.

The chief designer of the layout of the garden, with his unique ability to enhance the beauty of nature, was and is Richard Gowe. His presence is among us today in the planting beds he planned and built, in the garden's attractive layout that the vision of his mind conceived where others saw an empty space, and in the delicate beauty of life growing all around you in this hallowed place.

Note the photo of the maypop flower above. Who can improve on this perfection? Well, Richard did. Not by trying to change it somehow, but by enhancing it.



Maypop flower

Note that the flower is on a brick wall, and the tiny threads hold this climbing vine. That focal garden wall is full of maypop blooms. It's truly beautiful, and when the morning sun first touches it, it's stunning. The bees, butterflies, and other pollinators bring it all to life with a subtle hum and buzz that mesmerize.

Many saw a plain brick wall, but Richard saw a canvas worthy of a masterpiece. His handiwork lives on, keeping his presence nearby.

Richard designed the compost bins at the garden, too. As seasons move on, folks put their garden trimmings in those bins, and from what many consider to be finished arises a nutritious and renewed soil that sustains the next generation of life.

Not too long ago, this writer saw a group of children in the garden and overheard their enthusiasm and amazement as the docent described the various plants and tiny insects living in synergetic harmony there.

The joy on their faces made me think of Richard and his lasting impact on generations to come. All who visit the garden are truly the beneficiaries of his life's skills and so much the better because he was and still is here.

Michael Baxley is a member of the Daniel Island School and Community Garden.



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You can reach out to Emma at emma@thedanielislandnews.com.

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Bishop England launches podcast in partnership with Catholic Radio

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If you've ever wondered what's going on inside the green and white walls of Bishop England High School, now you can tune in and hear for yourself.

The school has launched a podcast in partnership with Catholic Radio in South Carolina, giving listeners an inside look at the people, programs, and mission that shape the BE experience.

"Bishop England has a century-long legacy of providing top-quality Catholic education in the Charleston area," said Lauren Sims, BE's chief of staff. "With so many new folks moving to Charleston in recent years and new high schools established in the area, we felt it was time to share our story with those who may not be aware. This partnership is one of many ways we are connecting with the community and sharing information about the tradition, faith, service, and family you will find here at BE."

The podcast kicked off this spring with its first episode – now streaming on the MediaTrix Catholic Radio app – spotlighting



the school's Options Program, an initiative that supports inclusiveness for students with intellectual disabilities.

"Our hope is to provide the Catholic and Daniel Island community with more information about the positive impact our students living with disabilities have on their school community," said Kristen Common, Options department chair. She and co-teacher Lauren Murphy were interviewed by Catholic Radio's Frank Dirks in a conversation that she described as meaningful, despite a few first-time nerves.

A second episode, recorded before summer break, features the school's Options Scholars – juniors and seniors who mentor and tutor Options students, not only as part of a credit-earning elective but also in an effort to raise disability awareness and exhibit positive work habits.

"Our program is a model for other high schools, and we hope that through the podcast series we can affect change and advocate for inclusive educational experiences," Common said. "We call it the Ripple Effect and are excited to help others design programs and to serve new families who want a Catholic education for their child living with disabilities."

Future episodes will expand beyond the Options Program, highlighting student leaders, athletes, faculty, alumni, and school initiatives.

"Our student leaders, athletes, and faculty will have a chance to be on the podcast," said Dean of Student Success Christopher Frisby. "The community is excited about the opportunities that podcasting presents to communicate the goings-on at the school, to speak to our mission and faith… BEHS clubs, athletics, and campus ministry are all in line to have a place on the platform."

Sims emphasized the podcast as a tool to reach both the local community and a wider audience.

"We talk about the Bishop England family quite a bit, but you don't realize how expansive that family really is until you launch something like this. We have incredibly talented and successful alumni who we are excited to feature, along with our current students, who are already seeing the value of their Catholic education.

"As a Catholic school, our mission is to spread the Gospel," Sims continued. "Whether it's in the classroom, on the sports field, or through a podcast, we hope that you encounter Christ and are encouraged to further your relationship with Him."

Listeners can find the Bishop England podcast through the MediaTrix app, which is available via QR code or download.





DI's Corrine King kicks off 5th year as Blessed Sacrament principal



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Blessed Sacrament Catholic School Principal and Daniel Island resident Corinne King returned to work this with a record enrollment, lofty goals, and a few patron saints on her side.

When King was named principal in 2021, the private West Ashley school had 246 students in preschool through eighth grade. This year, enrollment is projected at 404 students. King attributes this growth to small class sizes, strong academic initiatives, a vibrant visual and performing arts program, and campus safety.

"We're averaging 50 to 60 new students per year over the past few years," she said. "We've had such an influx of students who are either new to Charleston or are coming to us from the public sector or other private schools."

King said more parents are looking for a faith-based education for their children and emphasized Blessed Sacrament welcomes all families regardless of religious affiliation. "It is a place where non-Catholic students are very much welcomed and fully integrated into the school," she said.

The mission of Blessed Sacrament School is to engage the mind, challenge the body and enlighten the soul of each pupil. King explained that it is accomplished through academic rigor, physical education and athletics, and faith formation.

As a Christian school, students make a commitment to church, family, the community and those less fortunate than themselves.



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Corinne and Mike King dreamed of moving to Charleston from New York for 14 years before making it a reality in 2021.

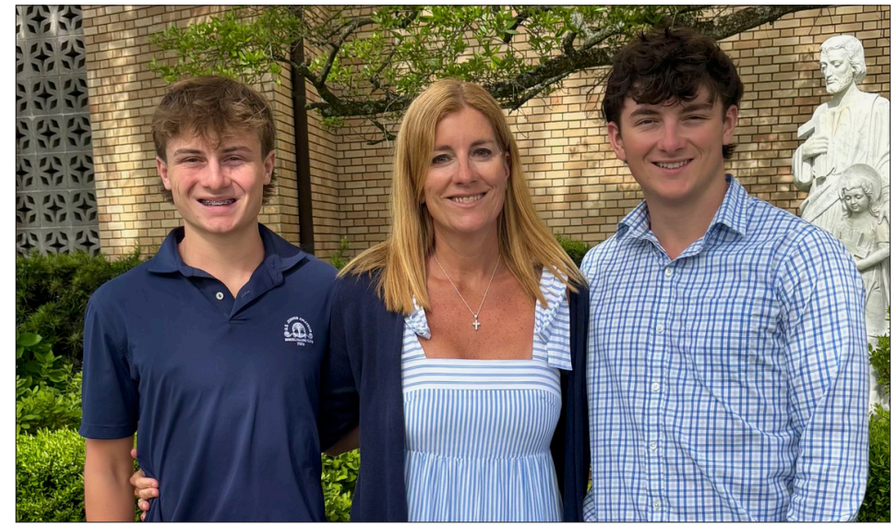
All students participate in various outreach projects and acts of service throughout the school year.

"Each class has a patron saint and as a class they decide what their service project to the community will be related to the saint," she said, adding children are also encouraged to bring food donations to Mass each week.

On Aug. 9, the school held a ribbon cutting for the Harper Drolet "Courage, Strength, and Hope" Playground in memory of the student who died from cancer at age 11 in 2011.

"It's a beautiful new playground for our children," said King. "It's the second big green space project that adds more landscaping and open play space to the campus."

Next up for King is an ambitious $12 million capital campaign to build a parish life center that will strengthen and support Blessed Sacrament's expanding community and ministries. The state-of-the-art facility will serve as the heart of the school, featuring a gymnasium, a performing arts center, a kitchen for dinners and receptions, and three separate meeting rooms.



The King family moved to Daniel Island from Brooklyn, New York, in 2021. Tommy, left, is a senior at Bishop England High School, Corinne is principal at Blessed Sacrament Catholic School, and Michael is a sophomore at the University of South Carolina.

"Blessed Sacrament, the school, is rapidly growing, and so is the parish," said King. "We have a tremendous amount of social outreach, but we only have one small multipurpose space that doesn't meet the needs of all the ministries."

Blessed Sacrament is a feeder school to Bishop England High School on Daniel Island, and King said most of their graduating eighth graders will attend BE.

"We've worked hard to partner more closely with Bishop England. Our students can play sports at BE and share in their campus ministries. We do a lot of different things so our middle school students get familiar with their campus."

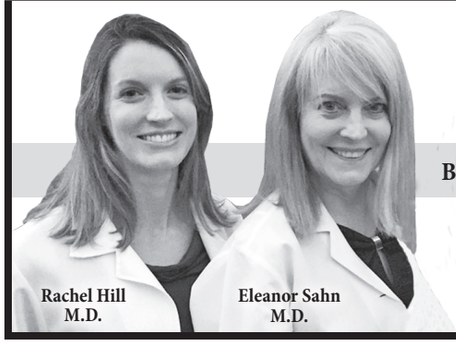
King grew up in Brooklyn, New York, where she lived until 2021, when she moved to Daniel Island with her husband, Mike, and their two sons, Michael, a sophomore at the University of South Carolina, and Tommy, a senior at Bishop England.

"We loved the open green space and the parks and how thoughtfully planned it was, and Mike knew in his retirement that he was ready to hit the golf course," King said.

They also appreciated the safe environment that gave the boys more freedom and independence than they would have had in New York City. The Kings made fast friends in the community through their schools, sports, and Parkside neighborhood.

"While we left behind a big family and group of friends, we now have the best group of friends that we consider family. We're really happy how quickly we feel rooted here on Daniel Island."

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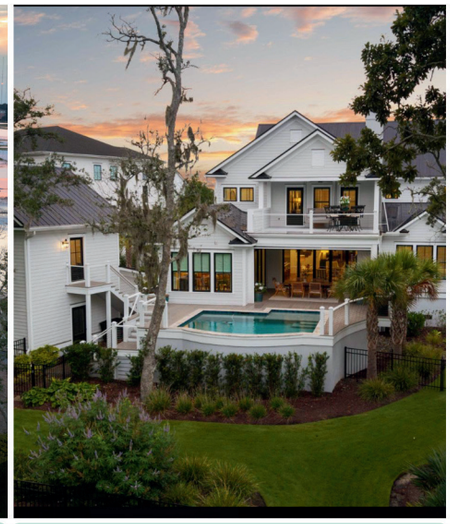
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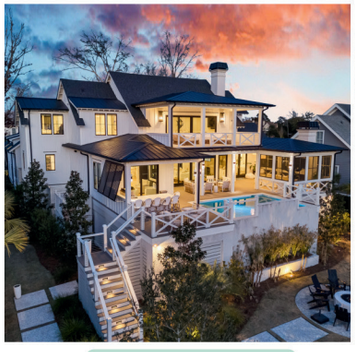
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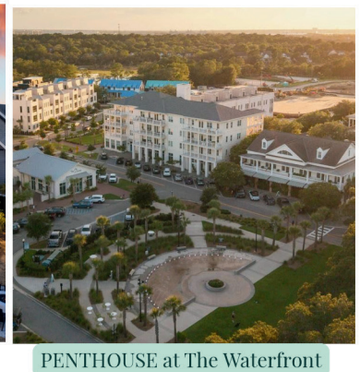
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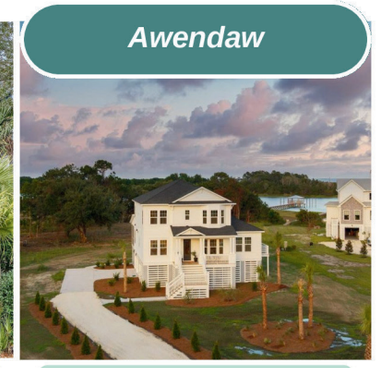
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Art isn't the only thing flowing at the gallery. Sound bath sessions and yoga courses bring a whole new kind of inspiration to the space.

Art Comes Alive at Meyer Vogl Gallery and Studios

Reimagined DI gallery-studio hybrid welcomes art lovers, newbies, even kids

PHOTOS PROVIDED BY LAURIE MEYER



Visitors can watch artists bring canvases to life during live painting sessions at Meyer Vogl Gallery and Studios.



The gallery hosts talented artists from around the country, including Floridian artist Michelle Held, who recently led a workshop inspired by local shorebirds.

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On a quiet weekday morning, a visitor walks into Meyer Vogl Gallery and Studios on River Landing Drive and pauses mid-step, not just because of the stunning art on the walls, but because artist Laurie Meyer is there in the flesh, mixing paint by the window.

It's not every day you get to witness a canvas come to life while browsing gallery walls lined with nationally-recognized artwork. But that's exactly the kind of immersive, community-forward experience Laurie Meyer had in mind when she left her tucked-away pink painting studio on Daniel Island Drive and moved inside the River Landing gallery, fully reimagining it into a hybrid gallery-and-studio space.

"I love being on site in the gallery while I work," Meyer said. "To have my studio in the gallery is a gift that I am very grateful for. Everyone should know that I am typically here Monday through Friday painting, and they are welcome to visit and observe."

That invitation – to wander in, watch, ask questions, or just sit with the art – is at the heart of what's changed since the gallery's transformation late last year.

Once separated into two locations, Meyer's personal studio and the Meyer Vogl Gallery are now combined into one open, light-filled space. But the move didn't just shift logistics; it sparked a whole new vision.

"Our vision has always been to provide art collectors from Daniel Island and the Charleston-East Cooper area with a variety of fine art options for their homes and collections," Meyer said. "With the addition of my studio on site, I am able to meet and enjoy those who also come just to see an artist at work. Our hope is the community feels super welcome and comfortable in visiting an art gallery."



Students of all levels join Laurie Meyer's weekly painting classes inside the newly reimagined Meyer Vogl Gallery and Studios.

That feeling of openness isn't just about the aesthetics; it's about the experience.

Meyer's typical day starts around 9 a.m., tending to gallery tasks, watering the flower pots out front – "a lovely way to start the day" – and then mixing her colors and getting to work at the easel. But in between brushstrokes, there's often something else going on: classes, live model sessions, workshops, even yoga.

"We had an open studio event in May, which was very successful," Meyer said. "Several of our local artists were here painting in the gallery, and we served wine and light hors d'oeuvres, much like a downtown art walk. We'd love to do this quarterly."

Meyer continues to teach her Tuesday and Thursday classes (many of her students have been with her for years), and the gallery now hosts additional workshops by visiting artists. Abstract artist Marissa Vogl leads fundamental courses, and Meyer has a color workshop in October that is already full. The pair have even brought in local yoga instructor Kerrie Scott to lead morning classes before the gallery opens.

And it's not just adults who are drawn in. Over the summer, Meyer noticed something unexpected: kids. Curious children with questions and creativity to spare.

"It thrilled me to see their interest and answer their great questions," she said. That excitement led to a casual, drop-in art event for children on Aug. 8. "The idea came from seeing several young people visit the gallery this summer."

The evolution of the space has brought with it a broader audience: art lovers, families, collectors, and casual browsers alike. While longtime patrons still stop by for in-home consultations or to view works by Meyer Vogl's impressive roster of artists, Meyer said she's noticed a shift: more walk-ins, more variety, more vibrancy.

While she's seen a shift in the changing crowd, Meyer said, "I'd also like to see more of our Daniel Island community visit and check out the great roster of nationally and internationally recognized artists. Our styles cross the range of beautiful realism to abstract and contemporary. We truly carry work to please everyone's tastes."

To make the process even easier for collectors, gallery director Katie Geer and the team offer virtual mockups of pieces in clients' homes – an art-world version of try-before-you-buy.

While the gallery's walls are filled with stunning works, it's not just Meyer who's working on site. Artists Julie Lorris and Susanna Walden also maintain studios within the gallery and have beautiful collections for sale.



A longtime dream realized, Laurie Meyer now paints and teaches in the same space where her Meyer Vogl Gallery showcases fine art.

Meyer is hopeful about continuing more community events like book signings and cultural gatherings – something that's always been core to the gallery's DNA.

"Our arts events, such as book signings and cultural events, are very successful, and the community is always grateful that there is this type of offering on the island," she said.

For Meyer, the new chapter is about more than just location; it's about connection. "What's one thing I've loved most?" she pondered. "I love being here. To have my studio in the gallery is a dream."

Meyer Vogl Gallery is open Monday through Friday at 250 River Landing Drive, with weekends available by appointment or chance. Whether you're an avid collector, a curious kid, or someone who just wants to be surrounded by beauty and brushstrokes, you're invited to stop by, and maybe even catch the next masterpiece in progress.

Daniel Island's Tess Ferm crowned Miss South Carolina's Teen 2025

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She's got a killer singing voice, an uncanny Jennifer Coolidge impression, and now a crown to top it all off.

Daniel Island resident Tess Ferm returned to the Miss South Carolina's Teen stage with unfinished business after placing runner-up last year, and on June 28, at Columbia's Township Auditorium, she took the win.

Crowned Miss South Carolina's Teen 2025, Ferm earned the title following a standout performance and a year defined by growth, service, and determination.

"It was such a surreal moment," the 18-year-old said. "After placing first runner-up last year, I knew how close I'd come, but I also know that nothing is guaranteed. So when my name was called, I felt this overwhelming wave of gratitude."

In addition to the state title, Ferm earned the overall talent award in the teen division for her vocal performance of "Tomorrow" from the musical "Annie," a song she says truly captures her spirit.

"'Tomorrow' is hopeful, strong, and timeless," she said. "It reflects who I am and the message I want to share: resilience and optimism go hand in hand."

A longtime musical theater performer, Ferm played leading roles at Charleston's Porter-Gaud School, including Sandy in "Grease" and Sophie in "Mamma Mia." But her voice isn't the only thing that stood out.

Her social impact initiative, "From Fear to Freedom: Food Allergy Awareness and Education," hits close to home. Both she and her brother live with life-threatening food allergies.

"For years, fear was at the center of how I approached food, school, and even friendships," she said. "Now, I use my platform to educate others on the seriousness of food allergies, advocate for safer spaces in schools and restaurants, and empower young people with allergies to live boldly."

She speaks at schools and camps, shares educational content on social media, collaborates with organizations, and meets with lawmakers to improve allergy safety.

This fall, Ferm will attend Furman University to study psychology, aspiring to become a child life specialist. She credits pageant experiences for shaping her skills and perspective.



PROVIDED BY TESS FERM

Tess Ferm of Daniel Island is named Miss South Carolina's Teen 2025.

"Competing gave me hands-on experience in communication, leadership, service, and resilience," she said. "I've learned to meet people where they are, listen with empathy, and advocate effectively. The confidence and perspective I've gained through pageants are things I'll carry into my career every day."

In total, Ferm has earned more than $25,000 in scholarships through the Miss South Carolina Scholarship Organization.

Up next: Orlando, Florida.

Ferm will compete in the Miss America's Teen 2026 competition from Sept. 2-7, and then again in January 2026 at the Miss America's Teen National Finals, representing South Carolina on both stages.

"Being Miss South Carolina's Teen doesn't mean I stop dreaming big," she said. "It just means I have more ways to chase those dreams."

Between rehearsals and interviews, Ferm still finds time for her favorite hobbies, like cooking allergy-safe meals and tackling her quirky bucket list. "Yes, I still do the (actress) Jennifer Coolidge impression," she laughed.

To young women considering the pageant world, Ferm offers this: "Do it scared, but do it. Pageants push you outside your comfort zone in the best way. You'll grow in confidence, communication, and purpose."

And the sisterhood? It's real.

"I've made friendships that will last a lifetime. The women in this organization lift each other up. Being part of that community is one of the greatest honors of my life."



Iron Horse cross country runners ready to defend state titles

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There are some impressive numbers attached to the Philip Simmons High School cross country program as it begins its ninth year of competition.

Josh Michael, who coaches both the boys' and girls' teams, reports that each squad has 40 runners.

"That's 80 runners, and our enrollment is still under 800 students," Michael said. "That's 10% of the school population. That's not normal. That's unheard of. That's unbelievable."

The Iron Horses are coming off a memorable season, as both teams won Class AA state championships. The boys won their first state championship, while the girls claimed their third straight state title.

Both squads should have big seasons this fall.

The girls return their top five runners, who gave the Iron Horses a 47-86 victory over Academic Magnet at The Farm cross country facility at Newberry College. Four of those runners earned all-state status.



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All-state performers Laura Perry, left, Flynn Taylor, Lilah May, and Avah Mallek return to defend the Philip Simmons girls' cross country team's state title.

While anything, such as a collision, injury, or wrong turn, can happen to change the outcome, the Iron Horse girls are the prohibitive favorites to win their fourth state championship in a row.

If that happens, it would put the Iron Horses in fourth place on the all-time consecutive girls' cross country championships list, according to Palmetto's Finest, the official record book of the South Carolina High School League.

The Iron Horse girls are ready for the challenge.

"Our girls have embraced that target on their back," Michael said. "The key is not to look back. They work to be on the big stage. When they find out who wins the 4-A, 5-A state championships, they want to race them. They want to find out where they stand among the biggest and best."

Senior Avah Mallek is back for her senior season and is seeking her third gold medal in cross country. Last fall, she covered the 5K course in 19:12.56.

"She loves to compete," Michael said. "The bigger the meet, the bigger the challenge – the bigger her performance. She really thrives in big situations. She is a special athlete."

Flynn Taylor finished eighth, Laura Perry 11th, Lilah May 12th, and Anna Alomar was 16th. Mallek, Taylor, Perry, and May earned all-state honors by finishing in the top 15.

Meanwhile, the Iron Horse boys finally stood on the top step of the awards platform after three runners-up finishes in six years with a victory over Academic Magnet.

The boys were even more impressive at the season finale, as all five of their runners earned all-state honors in Newberry.

Three of those all-state performers return, including Matthew Perry, who finished ninth at the state as a freshman with a time of 16 minutes and 46.31 seconds. Brian Stambaugh and Grady Castiglia were also all-state and should help the Iron Horses in their bid to repeat as state champs.

Michael admits the school is blessed with talented distance runners. But he's had a big role in the program's success. He was named coach in time for the 2019 season and helped guide the program through the COVID-19 era.

Michael knows expectations are great for 2025.

"So far, our only goal is to run fast on Nov. 14," Michael said of this year's state meet. "We just have to stay focused."

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BE girls' tennis team driven, fueled by last year's championship

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If there were a Mount Rushmore of high school tennis coaches and great players in the Palmetto State, Kristin Fleming Arnold would be a sure lock for one of the four spots.

Fleming Arnold is the coach of the ultra-successful Bishop England High School tennis program and has led both the girls' and boys' teams to a combined 14 state championships.

The Bishop girls won the Class AAAA state title last fall and have 11 state championship trophies under Fleming Arnold, while the boys' program has three state titles to its credit.

But that's only half of the story.

Fleming Arnold also played for the Bishops' team when the school was located on Calhoun Street in downtown Charleston and collected four gold medals for being a part of state championship teams.

The Bishop girls topped A.C. Flora High School last fall to win the state title in a match played at the Cayce Tennis Center in mid-November. It was a triumph after two straight second-place finishes.

"I think winning last year and wanting to do it again will be the motivation," Fleming Arnold said of the 2025 edition. "We have our work cut out for this year, but everyone is looking forward to working hard and challenging each other to make this happen."

The team will be much different than last year, although the talent and potential are there. The missing ingredient is big-match experience.

Riley Young is the lone returner who played in last year's state championship. She has been on the team since the 8th grade and is the captain.

Senior Bella Khouri is back after missing the 2024 season with a knee injury. Other returning seniors include Clare Engelbert, Ella Betros, and Sarah Gill.

Six players will join the varsity after impressive JV seasons. They include Eva Grace Raniero, Jocelyn Leaf, Gianna Tuorto, Anihya Portwick, GiGi Pelsnik, and Libby Engelbert.

The Bishops played at the Class AAAA level for the first time last fall and had to learn the habits, strengths, and weaknesses of new foes. The Bishops accomplished that mission and are focused on winning the Region 6-AAAA title.

"Our challenge for our region is always Hilton Head," Fleming Arnold said. "They have a great tennis program and area tennis programs."

The Bishops own 38 state tennis titles overall, with the girls winning 26 state crowns. The girls' team had a decade of dominance winning state titles from 2011 to 2020.

SC FOOTBALL POLL

The S.C. Prep Football Media Preseason Poll was released Aug. 11, and both Bishop England and Philip Simmons are ranked in the top 10 in the schools' respective classes.

The Bishops check in at No. 9 in the Class AAAA poll. The Bishops went 9-3 last fall under coach Logan Hall, and the team has worked hard to make a statement this fall.

Philip Simmons, meanwhile, is tied for No. 7 with Manning High School in the Class AA poll. Coach Eric Bendig's team was 10-3 in 2024, winning the Region 6-AA title.

Dutch Fork High School begins the season as the top Class AAAAA team, while South Pointe is atop the Class AAAA poll. Oceanside Collegiate is the top team in Class AAA, and Clinton heads up the list of top Class AA teams. Abbeville is No. 1 in Class A.





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If you could choose any other career—what do you think you would do?
I love being of service to everyone, and I think the greatest calling to serve is being a Catholic priest.

What is your favorite time of the year?
I have always loved the way Christmas time makes me feel; the bright lights everywhere, cozy weather, hot chocolate, and seeing everyone full of joy.

If you were stranded on an island what one thing would you take with you?
If I were stranded on an island, I would take a satellite communicator so I can still call my mom and ask her what I should do.

What is your favorite food?
I like all kinds of seafood, but my all time favorite has to be all varieties of sushi; especially tempura.

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Sometimes, I get bored fishing a Z-Man Finesse TRD on a 1/10th-ounce NedLockZ jig.

However, it is hard to stop using the lure because it consistently catches fish. So, the other day, I looked through my tackle box to find another lure to try.

The only other soft plastic lure in my tackle box was a Z-Man StreakZ 3.75. Before the Finesse TRD, a StreakZ 3.75 on a 1/8th-ounce Trout Eye jig was my favorite lure.

It was a bit like running into an old friend in a restaurant. You are genuinely happy to see them and wonder why it has been so long since you last got together. I laughed and tied a StreakZ onto my finesse spinning outfit.

The additional weight of the 1/8th-ounce Trout Eye jig felt a little odd. Then I cast it and remembered why I liked it so much. The extra weight makes it really easy to cast.

On the first few casts, I did not get a bite. Then I remembered the retrieve cadence that gets fish to react to the lure: a quick sweep of the rod and a long pause. This makes the lure erratically rise in the water column and then glide back to the bottom. The strike usually occurs as the lure descends. It can be a little hard to detect because there is a bit of slack in the line.



GREG PERALTA

Trout caught on a Z-Man StreakZ 3.75.

After a few minutes, the old retrieval cadence came back to me, and I began to catch trout. They were not particularly large, but they were plentiful. Good practice for dialing in an old technique.

With every trout that I caught and released, I wondered why I stopped fishing the StreakZ 3.75.

Probably because I got bored fishing it. Sometimes, I wonder if I fish too much.

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August's best books are far from bland



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BECKY BECHHOLD

There are so many great books out there recently; I have a hard time keeping up. As always, I appreciate the recommendations you offer to me. Keep them coming!

Before we dive in, I want to let you know that the Charleston Literary Festival has a program to assist you in hosting a book club event in your home, or other site, to discuss one of the authors coming to the Charleston Literary Festival this year, Nov. 7-16, at the Dock Theatre. They will provide guidelines to facilitate discussion. For more information, go to charlestonliteraryfestival.com and click on the link Feasting on Books.

NONFICTION

Only one nonfiction selection this month, and I did truly enjoy it as an audible book.

"How to Lose Your Mother" by Molly Jong-Fast. Yes, she is the daughter of Erica Jong, who wrote "Fear of Flying." If you do not know that book, ask your mother. Fast writes about her unusual upbringing and dealing with her mother, who now suffers from dementia. As dysfunctional as the family may be, Fast makes it all pretty dang funny.

FICTION

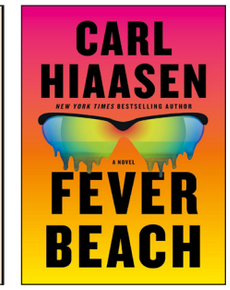
The fiction offerings this month will evoke a variety of emotions and reactions: laughter, sadness, shock, reflection. There is nothing bland on the menu.

"The Whyte Python World Tour" by Travis Kennedy. This goofy story of a metal band in the '80s is already being made into a movie. Think "This is Spinal Tap" with a dash of espionage.

"Fever Beach" by Carl Hiaasen. This is a writer who always delivers a solid, sometimes complicated story based on characters pulled from the headlines and found in South Florida. Crazy and funny, but with a definite point of view. One of his many other books, "Bad Monkey," published in 2013 and made into a movie, recently aired on Apple TV starring Vince Vaughn.

"Penitence" by Kristin Koval. A young girl shoots her ailing brother. To save him from further misery, in anger? She isn't talking. This is a poignant, thoughtful read.





"What Kind of Paradise" by Janelle Brown. If your only parent raised you off the grid and entangled you in a political protest that caused harm, how would you cope? Fortunately, Jane is a smart girl and finds her way to her true past and a future. Suspenseful, realistic, and compulsively readable.

"Ruth Run" by Elizabeth Kaufman. A fast-paced, tech-heavy, cat-and-mouse chase involving cybercrime and duplicity. It will make you question the safety of your money in any setting.

"King of Ashes" by S.A. Cosby. Cosby is enormously talented, and I have loved his books, but they do contain a lot of violence, though nothing that you don't read in the paper on a daily basis. He uncovers the backstory and motivation of even the worst characters in his stories. Engaging writing makes Cosby's books fast reads.



"How to Dodge a Cannonball" by Dennard Dayle. Anders is the teenage protagonist here in a Civil War story that finds satire for both sides. An unusual main character and his travails make for a unique read. He fights on both sides, and for a period he joins a Black Union regiment, claiming to be an octoroon. Definitely a different read, but try it.

"So Far Gone" by Jess Walter. This is the author of "Beautiful Ruins" and "The Cold Millions," both of which I enjoyed, and all three of these books are very different from one another. This is the story of Rhys, who cut himself off from family and friends but is called on to help his grandchildren in a crisis. He comes through in a tumultuous, snarky, but sincere effort to make things right. Good characters, never boring.

"Among Friends" by Hal Ebbott. Looking for a book for book club? This is one to consider. A horrific betrayal leads to harsh scrutiny of a long friendship. How they handle it offers plenty of discussion.

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Point Hope projects move forward

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

UPCOMING: TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Aug. 14: Point Hope - Site 10A - Site plan for proposed commercial development on 5.6 acres at 1260 Clements Ferry Road, Cainhoy. TMS: B2620000028. Owner: LPA Hope Landing LLC. Applicant: Thomas & Hutton Engineering Contact: Brian Riley at riley.b@tandh.com.

Aug. 14: Point Hope Ashton Woods Phase 1A and 1B - Proposed preliminary plat and road construction plans for future 262-unit single-family development on 84.1 acres at 1730 Clements Ferry Road, Cainhoy. TMS: B2620000009. Owner: Ashton Charleston Residential LLC. Applicant: Thomas & Hutton Engineering. Contact: James Thomas at Thomas.j@tandh.com.

Aug. 14: Point Hope Parkway North Phase 1 - Road construction revisions to previously approved TRC plans on 26.5 acres at 1698 Clements Ferry Road. TMS: B2620000028. Owner: Cainhoy Land and Timber. Applicant: Thomas & Hutton Engineering. Contact: Steven Roach at roach.s@tandh.com.

Aug 14: Point Hope Pod 4 - Phase 2 - Proposed road construction plans for future 91-lot single-family development on 45.4 acres at 1472 Clements Ferry Road, Cainhoy. TMS: B2620000028. Owner: Pulte Home Company LLC. Applicant: Thomas & Hutton Engineering. Contact: Brian Riley at riley.b@tandh.com.

Aug. 14: Point Hope Tract 7 - Phase 2 - Proposed preliminary plat and road construction plans for future 122-lot single-family development on 52.6 acres at 5000 Kitty Hawk Drive, Cainhoy. TMS: B2620000009. Owner: Ashton Charleston Residential LLC. Applicant: Thomas & Hutton Engineering. Contact: James Thomas at thomas.j@tandh.com.

Aug. 14: Atlantic - St. Thomas Site Plan Proposed 71-lot townhome development on 7.28 acres at 2815 Clements Ferry Road, Cainhoy. TMS: B2710002169. Owner: MSP SRE LLC. Applicant: Sitecast, LLC. Contact: Jacob Cordray at jcordray@sitecastsc.com.

UPCOMING: BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS - ZONING

Aug. 19: Wando Creek Lane, Cainhoy Request amendment under Sec. 54-110.f of the Special Exception granted in October 2015 allowing up to 180 dry stack slips. Request to add another 72 dry stack slips. TMS: 2630002045 and -037. Owner: SHM Charleston Boatyard, LLC. Applicant: G. Trenholm Walker.

UPCOMING: PLANNING COMMISSION

Aug. 20: 473 Nelliefield Trail Cainhoy - Request zoning of Single Family Residential (SR-6). Zoned Residential (R-2). TMS: 2690105104. Owner: Anthony and Whitney Dennis.

RESULTS: DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

Aug. 4: 2274 Clements Ferry Rd. - Cainhoy – Requesting an appeal to staff's decision to deny a revision of storage building design at conceptual level. TMS: 2670000148. Owner: Michael McAlhany Applicant: Michael McAlhany. *Results: Approved with conditions.*

RESULTS: TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Aug. 7: Cainhoy Del Webb Sales Center - Site Plan. Revisions to previously approved TRC plans for a sales center at 2301 Bay Strip Drive, Cainhoy. TMS: B2620000028. Owner: Pulte Home Company LLC. Applicant: Thomas & Hutton, Contact: Steven Roach at roach.s@tandh.com. *Results: Open pending delivery of stormwater comments.*

Aug. 7 Take 5 Oil - Site plan for Take 5 Oil change facility and parking lot at 404 Spring Hollow Drive, Cainhoy. TMS: B2670000071. Owner: Clayton Construction. Applicant: Advanced Engineering Consultants Zoning. Contact: Russ Folsom at russf@aecengineering.com. *Results: Open pending delivery of stormwater comments.*

Aug. 7: Marshes at Daniel Island Phases 1A/1B - Project classification: Road Construction Plans. Revisions to previously approved 56-lot TRC plan at 146 Fairbanks Drive, Daniel Island. TMS: B2710000010. Owner: Stanley Martin Companies LLC. Applicant: Seamon, Whiteside & Associates, Inc. Contact: Zachary Wortman at zwortman@seamonwhiteside.com. *Results: No return/paperwork commemts.*

Email story ideas to emma@thedanielislandnews.com.

SAVE THE DATE UPCOMING EVENTS

DINA MEETING
Next meeting, Wed., Aug. 20, 6-8 pm at Daniel Pointe Retirement Community theater, 514 Robert Daniel Drive.

FALL ACOUSTIC GUITAR SERIES
Free live acoustic music at Waterfront Park, Thurs., Aug. 21, 5-7 pm. Bring a chair or blanket and a picnic. Runs Thursdays through Oct. 23.

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY: POINT HOPE
Back to School Food Truck Friday, Aug. 22, 5:30-7:30 pm at The Hub, 1049 Point Hope Parkway, featuring City Sliders food truck, live music, arts & crafts, lawn games.

CONCERT IN THE PARK
Smythe Park, Under the Oaks. Free live music by The Honeybees, Dylan Carter, and headliner Charlton Singleton & Friends on Sat., Sept. 6, 5-9 pm.

YOGA AT WATERFRONT PARK
Yoga with Bella, Sept. 13, Waterfront Park, 9:30-10:15 am. Free. Bring a yoga mat, water bottle.

GATHERING ON THE GREEN
Free family-friendly community celebration at Point Hope Village Green, Sat., Sept. 13, 5-8 pm, featuring live music, magical entertainment, lawn games, balloons, face painting, and food for purchase. Leashed dogs are welcome. **RED BALLOON YARD SALE**
Daniel Island Annual Fall Red Balloon Yard Sale, Sat., Sept. 20, 7 am-1 pm at homes throughout Daniel Island.

DANIEL ISLAND TOASTMASTERS
Toastmasters meetings are free, open to the public. Next virtual meetings scheduled for Aug. 23. 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.

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.

BONE HEALTH TRAINING CLASS Tues. & Thurs. 4:30-5:30 pm. Strength and Balance for Bone Health class. All ages and levels. The class is $10 and is being held at the DI Rec Center. 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.

DI INSHORE FISHING CLUB Monthly, 3rd Tues. of month. Family friendly. Call/text Bill at 919-418-3220, danielislandfishingclub.com.

DANIEL ISLAND LIBRARY EVENTS Capt. Daniell's Pipers Recorder Grp: Tues. 1:30-2:30 pm; Needleworkers: 2nd & 4th Tues., 11:15 am; Deepthinkers Discussion Grp: Wed., 10:30 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.

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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.

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

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.

WILLINGWAY'S "CONTINUED CARE GROUP" helps families struggling with alcohol/drug abuse. Meetings are at Holy Cross Church, Mon., 6:30-7:30 pm. Rhett Crull, 843-323-7111.







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Grammar Matters

by Patty Gibbons Saunier

Positioning the Preposition

Choose the grammatically correct sentence from each of the pairs below.



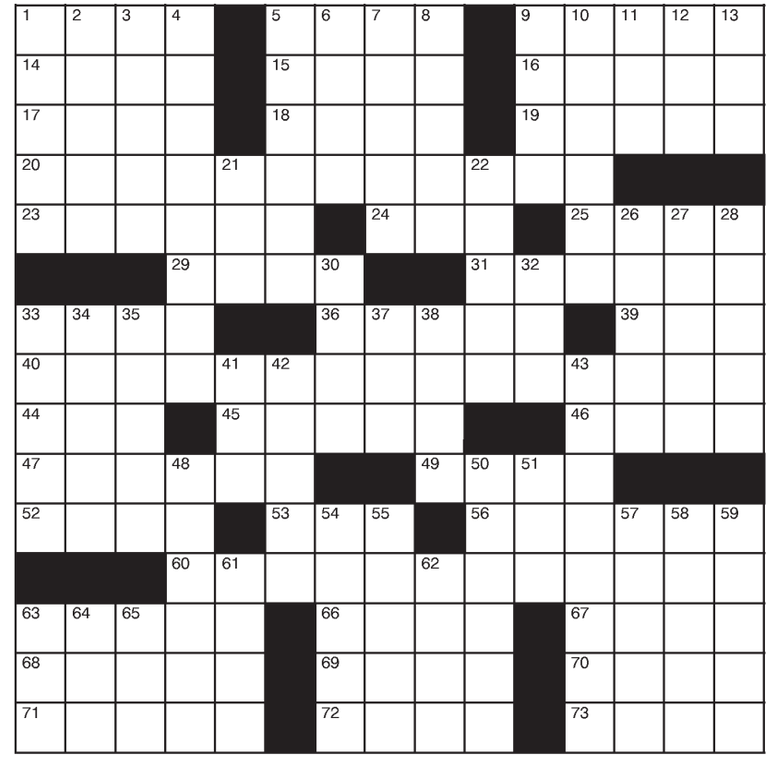
1. A. Do you know how to pick a fresh melon out?
   B. Do you know how to pick out a fresh melon?

2. A. The kids ran the cellphone bill up again!
   B. The kids ran up the cellphone bill again!

3. A. Ginny asked us to turn in our reservations by Friday.
   B. Ginny asked us to turn our reservations in by Friday.

Answers: When a preposition is used with a verb (pick out, ran up, turn in), keep them together for clarity. 1. B 2. B 3. A

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By Neil R. Manausa

ACROSS

1 On ___: made with hopes of sale
5 Arp's art
9 Theme
14 Deep sleep
15 Director Gance
16 "Falstaff" is one
17 Mimic
18 Without value
19 Savage
20 Niven Busch novel
23 Ariel, for example
24 Road trip lodging
25 Mendes and Longoria
29 Manner or fashion
31 Without direction
33 North Sea tenant
36 Highly successful
39 Maudlin sentimentality
40 Very rarely
44 Bustle
45 Papal assistants
46 Pretentiously cultured
47 ___ in: skilled
49 Spiced rum drink
52 "Dame" ___ Everage
53 Caught
56 Firstborn
60 Buck's Pulitzer-winninng book
63 Lure
66 Distribute charity
67 Monetary unit of Turkey
68 Assign or bestow
69 Singer Fitzgerald
70 Monetary sci.
71 Great Norwegian skater
72 "Hud" star Patricia
73 Mane's locale

DOWN

1 Great number
2 Type of book
3 Islamic prince
4 Site of Dickinson College
5 Blythe, of film
6 End at
7 Indian metropolis
8 Memorable comedian Fred
9 Soy product
10 Kitchen gadget
11 Through
12 Type of nest egg: acron.
13 Coolidge to cronies
21 Lance, of the bar
22 Muddle
26 Energy
27 In progress
28 Obdurate
30 Slopes apparatus
32 Female rabbit
33 Dry white wine
34 Over
35 Type of squash
37 Japanese sash
38 Banner
41 Diamonds, sl.
42 Push with the elbow
43 Islands of Quebec
48 Zen enlightenment
50 Put out a new hand
51 Corrida cheer
54 Poet Nash
55 1981 Pulitzer novelist
57 Heath shrub
58 Razor sharpener
59 One of Macbeth's titles
61 West London park
62 Earthen cooking pot
63 Morse dash
64 Palindromic female
65 Preserve

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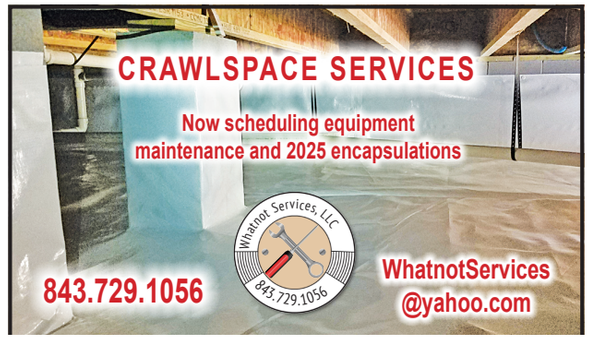
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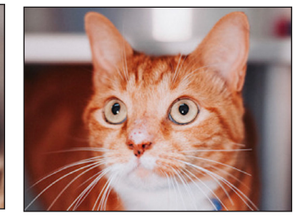
I'm Greg Heffley, a 3-year-old medium male terrier mix.



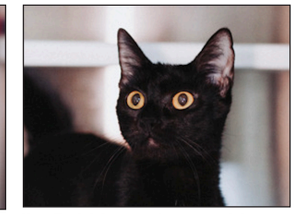
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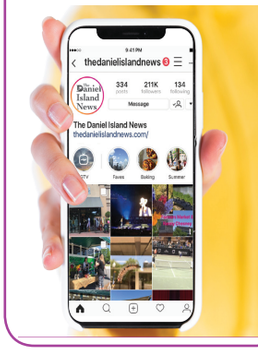
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