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Philip Simmons has its very own Mr. Rogers

BY MONICA KREBER

Special to The Daniel Island News

A counselor, a mentor, a friend, an advocate — all things Cpl. Cephus Rogers brings to the table as the school resource officer (SRO) at Philip Simmons High School.

Rogers has a special ability to make connections with the families in the school community, and it is something that serves him well as an SRO who supports using restorative practices within the school in order to help students stay on track.

A native of Jamestown, South Carolina, he started in law enforcement as a state trooper in 1989. In 2010 he transitioned to a deputy with the Colleton County Sheriff's Office before joining the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office in 2015.

Rogers initially worked the roads for several months when he came to Berkeley County, and then he got involved in the Community Action Team unit, working with the Jamestown, Cainhoy, Huger, Wando and Daniel Island communities. He enjoyed forming connections with families and ended up landing the opportunity to serve as a sub-



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Cpl. Cephus Rogers is the school resource officer at Philip Simmons High School.

stitute SRO in the Berkeley County School District, which helped him get to know the families even more.

"I started thinking, well, I know the par-

ents, now I get to know their children — the students," he said.

Rogers is in his third year serving as an SRO at Philip Simmons High, and he particularly likes watching students transition from children to young adults. He is responsible for security at all of the school's home athletic events, and he also travels to the away games with the football, basketball and track teams.

Aside from attending the sporting events, Rogers can often be found playing a game of basketball or football with students. He might eat lunch with them or join them in a game of cornhole — and the students are always open to hanging out.

He said he strives to make an impact on students in ways beyond the law and safety aspects of his job. He considers himself a mentor and a counselor to students, as well as an advocate who can speak up for a child when appropriate — "especially when there's knowledge of their life away from school," Rogers said.

That is where his connections with the community and families really come into play.

"A lot of times, that makes a big difference as to how, or the reason why, students behave in certain ways," he said.

The school district has been active in implementing restorative practices in all of its schools. A restorative mindset involves looking into underlying factors that could contribute to behavior issues if a child is acting out at school.

Rogers is a big supporter of restorative practices, saying it allows for a different way of looking at incidents when they occur at school, as opposed to using punitive measures to correct behavior all the time.

"It gives a different way to be more on the corrective side instead of using discipline as the only method and it never gets solved," he said.

Rogers said his experience is that when a disruption occurs, a child tends to be more open and receptive to working with the teachers and administrators when restorative practices are used. This leads to more respect from the child and being able to establish a better relationship with the adults.

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The following incidents were taken from the City of Charleston Police Department reports within Team 5, which serves Daniel Island and parts of the Cainhoy peninsula, between Nov. 16-30, 2021.

IMPOSTER

On Nov. 16, a resident of River Landing Drive advised police that an unknown person opened a Verizon account using his personal information. The victim realized that he had been impersonated when he received a \$345 late notice from Verizon for payment. The case is pending.

STOLEN BIKES

An officer responded to an address on Central Island Street on Nov. 16 regarding the theft of three bicycles. The victim stated that all three bicycles had been locked to a rack inside of the complex's parking garage. The stolen items included a blue and yellow Mongoose bicycle valued at \$370, a silver Mongoose cruiser valued at \$550, and a black Trek valued at \$400. Serial numbers were not available, but a report was filed for insurance purposes.

VEHICLE THEFTS

On Nov. 18, Team 5 reached out to a resident of Enterprise Boulevard in reference to a stolen vehicle. The victim said that he allowed a male acquaintance in his 40s to stay with him, and when he awoke in the middle of the night, he was gone and so was the victim's vehicle, a white 2017 Ford Transit van. Contents in the vehicle included the complainant's cell phone, wallet, glasses, and power tools. An investigation is underway.

On Nov. 26, a resident of Longkeep Lane reported that his vehicle had been stolen from a parking garage. A 2017 Jeep Renegade had been parked in its assigned spot on Nov. 25. The value of the vehicle was \$11,200. The victim advised that the key had been left inside of the vehicle.

IDENTITY FRAUD

An officer met with a victim on Nov. 23 at the Team 5 office in response to a report of credit card fraud. The complainant said that she had a prescription filled at a pharmacy on Island Park Drive and the employee asked for her credit card number. She gave her the requested information but thought

TO REPORT A CRIME



If you have information about a crime, call Charleston County Consolidated Dispatch at 843-743-7200 and ask for the on duty central detective at the

Charleston Police Department, or call Crime Stoppers of the Lowcountry at 843-554-1111. Above is Lt. Matt Wojslawowicz, commander of Team 5.

it was odd considering that her information was already on file at the business. The victim received an alert that her card was being used in Summerville. The employee was captured on video picking up a restaurant order in Summerville using the victim's payment information. The employee was terminated from her position at the pharmacy.

STOLEN CHECKS

On Nov. 24, an officer responded to a business on Island Park Drive in reference to a theft. Upon arrival, the officer spoke with the complainant who advised that an employee stole checks from the business and cashed them without authorization. The individual was hired as a property manager and was one of four employees who had access to pre-signed checks used to pay a cleaning service. The employee was questioned at a bank in Sumter while attempting to cash one of the company checks written in the amount of \$15,822. The case is pending.

MISSING FIREARM

On Nov. 30, an officer made contact with a victim on Island Club Drive who advised that her firearm went missing while a moving company was helping her pack her belongings. The firearm was in an upstairs bedroom, along with two other guns that were secured in cases. When the victim questioned the movers, they said that the firearm was probably already packed in the truck. During a second round of questioning, one mover blamed the other. Management for the moving company is involved and the incident is being investigated.

There were 19 collisions reported in the Daniel Island and Cainhoy area between Nov. 16-30, 2021.

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Give the gift of college savings

BY SC TREASURER CURTIS LOFTIS

Looking for a special holiday present? The gift of college savings could be the perfect choice this Christmas.



Curtis Loftis

Like you, your friends and family are busy making their holiday lists. Help take some of the guesswork out of their gift-giving. Let them know your child would benefit most of all from a Future Scholar contribution - instead of a more traditional holiday present.

With Future Scholar, everyone can give the meaningful gift of education. Here are five great reasons to put South Carolina's 529 college savings plan at the top of every shopping list this holiday season:

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4. The gift-giver can get a gift, too.

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5. Less stuff, more college savings.

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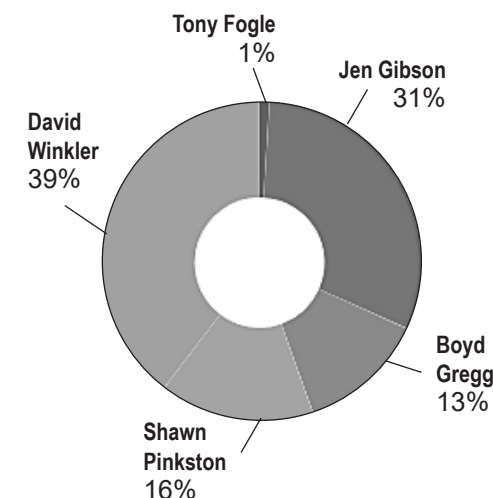
Get started!

According to retail experts, holiday shopping started even earlier than usual this year. Add to that the possibility of dreaded toy shortages, it's time to get started! Send an eGift invitation to friends and family and let Future Scholar help make everyone's holidays brighter.

Curtis Loftis is the State Treasurer of South Carolina. He also serves as the administrator of South Carolina's Future Scholar 529 College Savings Plan. Visit treasurer.sc.gov or futurescholar.com for more information on ways to save through a 529 plan.

Readers speak out on Charleston City Council special election

The special election for the Charleston City Council District 1 seat vacated recently by Marie Delcioppo features five candidates vying for the position. Absentee voting began Dec. 13 with the election slated for Jan. 11, 2022. Which candidate do you support?



Readers comment on important issues influencing their voting decisions:

- We need to stop talking about flooding and do something about it. We need someone who values our environment, not only natural but residential, controlled and sensible development. A candidate that represents the citizens, not special interest groups.
- Infrastructure and public safety.

See **COMMENTS** on **PAGE 07**

NEXT WEEK'S SURVEY: DO YOU WALK OR DRIVE?

Daniel Island offers residents miles of walking trails to enjoy for fitness and recreation. But how many of us walk as



a mode of "transportation?" A recent national BarBend survey shows 53% of South Carolinians would rather drive to a destination that's just 5 minutes away.

That's second only to South Dakota at 63%. When do you choose to walk rather than drive? Share your thoughts online at surveyMonkey.com/r/Walking_Habits or use the QR code by Sunday, Dec. 19, 5 p.m.

LETTER to the editor

AN EXCELLENT CHOICE

With a special election for Charleston City Council scheduled for Jan. 11, 2022, I would like to recommend one candidate for this office. Shawn Pinkston is an excellent choice for this very important position.

Shawn has been a steadfast supporter of fundamental conservative principles and is a longtime resident of our district. Over the years, He has openly fought to make sure that the promises that the city has made to our district were kept, and he is still fighting for highway

improvements that are sorely needed.

As a husband, father, veteran and an active member of the Republican Party, he knows the needs of our city, and, as a lawyer, he possesses the skills needed to represent us well.

Please remember these two important things:

1. Be sure to use your God-given right to vote on Jan. 11, 2022.
2. Vote for the best candidate for the job, Shawn Pinkston.

*Jerry Bacon
Daniel Island*

What issues matter most to voters regarding city council candidates

From **COMMENTS** on **PAGE 06**

- Conservative values.
- Our family safety, protection, more funding for police needed, school boards/education, the DI potholes on streets are unbelievable, and keeping freedoms intact.
- Stop cutting down all the trees.
- Growth, fiscal responsibility.
- Infrastructure
- Conservative ideas, lower taxes, education, growth.
- Charleston City has not fulfilled their commitments to Daniel Island. Many of our streets are now 25 years old and the city has never repaved one of them. All our streets are city streets, but they are depending on Berkeley County to maintain them. Pedestrian safety, traffic enforcement, sidewalk repairs and street tree trimming are also in need of improvement.
- They have to be involved in

the community, also they have to care about the community more than themselves as they run for office. Also they have to share the same values as I do as a person.

- Growth, financial knowledge, DI resident.
- Rivers Reach Road widening, Clements Ferry Road traffic and police protection, developers contribute to infrastructure cost.
- Infrastructure: roads, bridges; Quality of life: traffic, pandemic management; Environment: slowing developer growth, addressing flooding.
- Building density, traffic conservation.
- Traffic congestion and road conditions.
- Managing growth, fiscal knowledge and responsibility, and DI resident.
- I 526, why isn't anything being done now to improve traffic

issues?

- Integrity; a candidate with his/her pulse on the neighborhood; someone who is not far right or far left; someone who will work across party lines; someone who will communicate to everyone, not a select few.
- Honest and straightforward. Wants the best for DI and the surrounding neighborhoods.
- Flooding, security, street and sidewalk maintenance, retention of Charleston history and ambience, low-income housing.
- Responsible development.
- Experience
- Road conditions on Daniel Island, mask mandates, monument removal.
- Can manage community affairs effectively
- Thoughtful and open minded, ability to deal with realities of infrastructure, no pushy agenda.

DI family candle factory destroyed by Kentucky tornado

STAFF REPORT

Of the 30 tornadoes that tore across six states through the Southeast and Midwest late Friday, Dec. 10, one hit close to home for a Daniel Island family that owns a candle factory in the heart of Mayfield, Kentucky — the epicenter of one of the hardest hit areas from the deadly string of storms.

The Propes family, owners of a granite and flooring company in Charleston, also own Mayfield Consumer Products, the candle factory that now sits in a heap of rubble with several staff members dead and several more still unaccounted for in the tornado's wreckage.

As of Sunday evening, company officials confirmed that of the more than 100 employees who worked the second shift that night, 90 were recovered while eight people were killed and eight are missing, according to the Associated Press.

An emergency relief fund has been established to assist employees and their families. One-hundred percent of the donations will be given to victim relief. To make a contribution, visit mcpkentucky.com/.

Kentucky Gov. Andy Beshear said Monday that 74 people were confirmed dead in the state.



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news BRIEF

BERKELEY COUNTY EMS CERTIFICATION AIMS TO CURB EMT SHORTAGE

Berkeley County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) recently obtained a certification from the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) to serve as an EMS training center site. Only one other EMS agency in South Carolina, Greenville County, holds this same training certification.

Through DHEC, Berkeley County EMS also renewed its continuing education program and its agency license, a process that's completed every two years.

The training certification will allow Berkeley County EMS to host and provide emergency medical technical (EMT) classes for anyone across the state interested in becoming an EMT. Berkeley County EMS already maintains the equipment, systems, and instructional personnel to satisfy all requirements needed to teach EMT classes.

"This is one of several initiatives EMS is pursuing to solve the EMT shortage that has struck all EMS agencies throughout the nation," said Berkeley County EMS Chief Michael Shirey. "We can now 'grow our own' EMTs. Soon, we will be able to train uncertified candidates to gain their EMT certification and employ these home-grown EMTs right here in Berkeley County."

Earlier this month, Gov. Henry McMaster announced the creation of the Workforce Scholarships for the Future program, set to go into effect on Jan. 1, 2022. The program will allocate \$17 million from the state's COVID-19 education relief money to cover the cost of two years of technical college training for EMS training and other high-demand jobs in fields such as healthcare and manufacturing.

Berkeley County EMS is also currently hiring certified paramedics and EMTs. To learn more about the program and apply, visit berkeleycountysc.gov.

Philip Simmons High School SRO is a mentor, friend to students

From SRO on PAGE 02

Rogers finds that Philip Simmons is good about looking at those underlying issues and taking everything into consideration to work with the students.

"The tendency has been 'let's get that student out of here.' Now it's 'let's see what we can do to help this student ... so that they can turn their situation around,'" he said.

Rogers said he thinks this method is working, and attributes the success to the school's administration.

"I think it's a great place to be — we're a family," he said.

While he is at Philip Simmons High, Rogers also wants to bridge the gap between law enforcement and students.

"I don't want them to feel like my presence here is that I'm out to get them," he said. "I'm here to help them. I'm here to steer them in the right direction, to offer them advice, to be their friend, and then be tactful when it is time for law enforcement action."

"I make law enforcement my last resort," Rogers added. "The administration here

works really well ... I give credit to the administration for the way in which they handle things."

Outside his role as a school resource officer, Rogers is a member of the Berkeley County chapter of the Palmetto State Law Enforcement Officers Association, the Sheriff's Association, the South Carolina Law Enforcement Officers Association, and the Fraternal Order of Police.

Rogers, who lives in his hometown of Jamestown, has two older daughters and a third daughter who is in eighth grade. He also has two grandchildren.

In his free time, Rogers enjoys building pinewood derby cars and racing them. The school participated in an event called the Simmons Stampede where students got to race the cars themselves. Rogers is hoping to get his own track for the children to use.

He views his most important role as working with the rest of the Philip Simmons staff to keep the students safe.

"Everyone looks out for each other," Rogers said.

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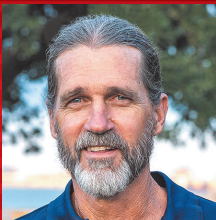
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DI Exchange Club awarded nationally for service project

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The Exchange Club of Daniel Island was recognized in September at the National Exchange Club Convention in Memphis, Tennessee, with 10 awards, including the National Exchange's Outstanding Service Project Award.

Project ZERO, the Daniel Island club's initiative to have no homeless veterans in the Lowcountry, was the service project that won the Outstanding Service Project Award from among 630 Exchange Clubs nationwide. Project ZERO also won the Veterans Matter HERO Club Award for being No. 1 out of 630 clubs in housing homeless veterans, and the Veterans Matter National Advocate of 2021 – Joe Delpino (out of 14,000 members nationwide). Project ZERO helped 117 previously homeless veterans (and 53 of their children) get off the street and into the HUD/VASH program that has a 91% success rate in keeping veterans housed.

The club's community engagement and support to local charities includes the annual Field of Honor during the Fourth of July; the banners on light posts honoring service members, veterans and first responders; and the Pinwheel for Happy Childhoods project to support child advocacy groups. These are just three of the 16 projects championed by the 55 local club members.

The DI Exchange Club also won the National Service Award for clubs that complete a service project in each of six service areas; the Membership Achievement Award for growth by eight members and 90% retention in membership; the Club Excellence Award for achievement of both previous awards; and the Big "E" Award for expanding membership, efficiency in operations and educational accomplishments.

Also at the national convention, Jim Herzog won a Distinguished Club President award, Dixie Fanning won a Distinguished Club Secretary award, and Sue Verner won a Distinguished Club Treasurer award.

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GETTIN' GRINCHY

Community celebrated holiday movie and luminary night

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Last Thursday night, Smythe Lake Park was aglow with luminaries and the holiday spirit as hundreds of people enjoyed the 2018 version of “The Grinch” on the big screen outside for movie night. The free community event was presented by the Daniel Island Community Fund and the Daniel Island School PTA. This was the final Daniel Island event planned by Barbara McLaughlin, who is retiring this week from the Daniel Island Property Owners Association after 21 years of providing services to the community.



The Daniel Island School PTA donned festive hats to celebrate “The Grinch” movie. Pictured from left: Lauren Barber, Marlo Catroppa, Gras Marin as the Grinch, Lauren Taylor, Katie Clark and Katie Carlson.



The Fisher family – Dan, Maria, Nathan and Lilly — stayed bundled together.



Leo and Barbara McLaughlin celebrated Barbara’s last organized event with good food, celebrations and a fun movie.



Charlotte, Kate, Hudson and Mason Hubbard get ready for the show to start.



Members of One Fellowship shared candy canes with the movie crowd. Front: Mollie, Jo and Charlie Welling. Back: Rachel and Theodore Lessard.



Justin, Regan and Kennedy Maner had great seats for the movie.



Kona the Christmas Dog is dressed up for the outdoor event.



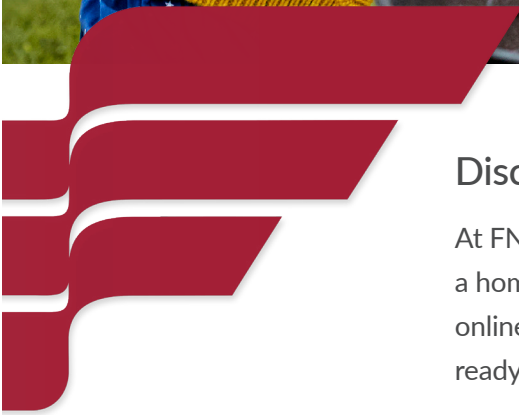
Dean Carlson ordered delicious mac n’ cheese from a food truck to bring back to his family.



Celisa Gibbs and Lisa Avant stayed warm with hot chocolate.



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'Tis the season for self-reflection



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"Follow effective action with quiet reflection. From the quiet reflection will come even more effective action."
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IT GIVES CONTEXT TO YOUR PRESENT

Reflection gives you the opportunity to put your present situation into context. One year ago, many would not have imagined they would be in the situation they find themselves in today. In the past year, I have celebrated the birth of a new grandchild, mourned the passing of my mother, and faced the challenges of a pandemic with my fellow human race.

Nibo Qubein said, "Your present circumstances don't determine where you can go, they merely determine where you start". And this is the point of reflection — not to see how far you've come but to get a good look at the starting line going forward.

Reflect on this: What actions do you need to take today to get a fresh start on your future?

IT PROVIDES CLARITY FOR YOUR FUTURE

Richard Carlson was right when he said, "Reflection is one of the most underused yet powerful tools for success". And this is one of the primary benefits of it. Not only does reflection give you the benefit of putting your past in perspective and context to your present, but it can give you a blueprint for your future.

Every lesson you've learned this year has prepared you for this moment. You are not the sum of your failures, fears, or setbacks. I believe that you've been prepared by them for a future brighter than what you've imagined.

Reflect on this: What attitudes do I need to embrace and who are the people that I need to surround myself with going forward?

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Somewhere at the beginning of each day, you probably find yourself looking at your reflection in the mirror. Many of us never give a second thought as to how that reflection is produced. All surfaces reflect some light, but only a special type of surface reflects light in such a way that it can form a mirror.

In 1835, German chemist Justis von Liebig devised a process for coating plates of glass with metallic silver. This was the beginning of the mirror as we know it today and helped it become a household item. The mirrors in our homes are made in a similar fashion by evaporating a very thin layer of silver onto a glass.

If you're like me, spending a lot of time in front of the mirror is not a good thing — for the mirror. But during the month of December in the lead up to Christmas and when thoughts turn toward the new year, it is a time of reflection.

What about you? What are you reflecting on? What are you thankful for? What are you celebrating? What are you mourning?

Times of reflection as a leader is important and every leader needs to do it. Here are a few ways it can help you grow in your leadership.

IT PUTS YOUR PAST IN PERSPECTIVE

When you look back on 2021, it will generate mixed emotions and responses for sure. But the lessons you've learned serve a greater good when you stop to consider all that you've been through.

While you may not have chosen every event that came your way, you found a way to face it. You found a way to pivot, improvise, and adapt. Was it easy? Certainly not. Were their setbacks and disappointments? Yes. But here you are, and you are here for a purpose.

Reflect on this: You are not defined by your past. You have a purpose to fulfill.

Cocoa bombs, cooking classes explode with popularity



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MARIE ROCHA-TYGH

'Tis the season to indulge in festive culinary delights. Nothing chases away cold weather blues like dropping delicious cocoa bombs into steaming hot milk and creating the perfect cup of hot chocolate.

If you've yet to experience these chocolate balls infused with hot cocoa mix, now is the time to try signature hot cocoa bombs crafted by The Cooking Lab, courtesy of Daniel Island residents Natalia Akst and Natasha Nova.

Four delicious cocoa bombs come in every box and cost \$25 per box. They make the perfect holiday gift, and delivery on DI for two boxes or more is complimentary.

The Cooking Lab is a collaboration between My Organic Bakery and the Island Collective. My Organic Bakery is owned by Natalia Akst, who is passionate about healthy, organic nutrition. Island Collective was founded by Natasha Nova, an entrepreneur from New York City. Besides offering



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The Cooking Lab — a collaboration between Natalia Akst and Natasha Nova — creates delicious hot cocoa bombs for the holidays. The two Daniel Island moms also teach after-school cooking classes for kids.

the cocoa bombs, The Cooking Lab also teaches cooking classes.

The two moms decided to partner up earlier this year when they discovered they both wanted to design an after-school cook-

ing experience.

"I wanted to offer creative, innovative, and educational experiences like I worked on in NYC for kids on the island. We are both DI residents, we love this community and wanted to offer this for the kids on the Island," Nova said.

The classes are held at the Daniel Island recreation center.

"We wanted them to learn about healthy nutrition through a fun group cooking class. We both grew up in farm to table sustainable kitchens and it is very important to educate our kids about healthy nutrition, sustainability in the kitchen and introduce cultural diversity — a very important concept for children to grasp at an early age," Akst explained.

"Cooking is a universal act that brings everyone together. Each cooking class with these kids feels like a big celebration, they are all super excited to hear what we are about to make, all want to help and be a part of the creation. The Cooking Lab is about having fun while learning about nutrition, creativity, problem solving skills, social skills and much more ... It has been such a rewarding experience working with all the

kids," Nova said.

The classes have been successful and the two are grateful for the team at the new rec center, and for the support from the community.

"A giant thank you to all the parents for raising such wonderful, kind, fun, creative and curious little chefs! It's been pure joy working with them," Akst exclaimed.

Due to the high demand for The Cooking Lab after-school classes, the two moms are launching more days for the upcoming semester. Classes will be offered for different levels based on age and skills. A collective dinner series for adults will be launched in 2022.

"Ideally we would love to have our own dedicated space so we could accommodate and offer more days for more age groups and mini camps where we will have more time to work on complex and more hands-on recipes," Nova stated.

To find out more or to place an order, visit The Cooking Lab on Facebook or Instagram or email thecookinglabdi@gmail.com.

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December home and garden hacks for a SAFE & WARM SEASON

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This leaf shows damage from tea scales, the most common insect pests of camellias. Scale insects feed on plants and suck sap. Scales are small, immobile, and have no visible legs. Because of their appearance, populations can reach damaging levels before they are noticed.

While winters in the Lowcountry are typically mild with an occasional cold snap, a little prep during the cooler months can go a long way. Local experts share their advice to ensure a smooth seasonal transition that will protect your home and garden this winter.

PROTECT PIPES

The most common issues builders see in the area are pipes cracking when frozen, according to Robert Crawford, president and owner of Renaissance South Construction Company. “While pipe materials such as Pex and copper have a little flexibility for expansion, a 20-degree day will wreak havoc on an uninsulated water line so it’s important to verify that yours are [insulated],” he said. “This risk is heightened for water lines near outer walls of drive under houses and crawl spaces - think hose bibs, tankless water heaters and water mains - and ensure that the pipe insulation is not only present but fully sealed.”

If temperatures drop below freezing, homeowners can employ a few preventative measures to protect themselves from frozen and broken pipes.

Kevin C. Reed, a Daniel Island resident who has built and renovated many of the homes on the island, is the owner of Kevin C. Reed Construction. He explained, “The older homes on Daniel Island are not insulated as well as the homes built in the last 10 years. Approximately 10 years ago they changed the building code on insulating water lines. The current code requires all water lines outside the heated building envelope to be insulated. That would include all water lines in the crawl space, attic and scuttle areas.”

To protect pipes, Reed offered the following tips:



ADOBE STOCK
The most common home maintenance problem in the winter is pipes cracking when frozen.

- Open kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors, on any cabinets on outside walls to allow the heat in the house to keep the pipes warm.
- Run some water at a slow stream since water that is moving will not freeze.
- Hose bibs outside are a good investment to leave dripping or running with a small stream.

Crawford added, “It is important that the water is warm if you have a tankless hot water heater, like a Rinnai. This keeps the water line that feeds into your water heater moving.

Know that these units have a sensor that turns them off when only a small amount of water is passing through, so you may have to run a little more water than you want to. Servicing a tankless heater at least every other year will help them maintain proper function, as well.”

INVESTIGATE AREAS WHERE COLD AIR CAN GET IN

Taylor Adams of Holy City Handyman advised that now is the perfect time to check the vinyl weatherstripping around exterior doors for a good seal. This keeps the cold air outside where it belongs.

To address drafty entrances, a blower door test can be performed. “Having a blower door test done on a house to determine air leakage (and then sealing it) is a big deal in the Lowcountry,” Crawford said. “Most people can relate to how a 5- degree day here can hurt worse than a 30-degree one in other parts of the country. Keeping that wet air outside of your home will allow you to be much more comfortable inside.”

Crawford continued, “Another thing a blower door test can help determine is whether or not your home has enough ‘make-up air.’ When a kitchen exhaust hood is pulling out large amounts of air from the house — particularly with the commercial-grade units — an equal amount of air has to come from somewhere. This is where make-up air comes in. Because houses are built so tight these days (especially after all of the air sealing

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Hidden Ponds Nursery in Awendaw suggests planting a Lenten rose that will bloom early in the winter and keep its flowers for a long time.



LAWN AND GARDEN CARE

All three builders on our panel emphasized the importance of installing an insulated cover over back-flow valve assemblies for irrigation systems. They are made of copper and can burst if the water freezes inside of them. This step will save residents a costly repair in the springtime. Clean mowers and sharpen blades to be ready for the spring.

Refresh mulch where needed, as it holds heat in and protects the roots. Christopher Burtt, area horticulture agent with Clemson University’s Cooperative Extension, said, “With turf, there is little needed to do outside of monitoring water needs in case of extended drought. Annuals may need some care during the winter months but it is limited. Allow for perennials and shrubs to go dormant and just scout for any pest issues that may present themselves.”

Burtt continued, “The major insect pests to look for are scale insects, such as tea scale on camellias, that are usually easier to spot this time of year. Always look at the underside of leaves for insect infestations. For vegetable pests, any of the caterpillars that affect broccoli and cauliflower such as cabbage worms and cabbage loopers. Most other insect pests should be dormant.”

This is the best time to plant trees and shrubs to better establish them before the summer heat. Shrubs such as Azaleas, camellias, gardenias, hydrangeas, viburnums, boxwoods and hollies, are good choices for this area, according to Burtt.

He continued, “Roses especially should be planted during the cooler, dormant months. Trees include everything from Japanese maples and redbuds to live oaks and magnolias. Trees are best planted during the dormant period.”

Stephanie Harbin from Hidden Ponds Nursery said, “If you are looking for something that specifically grows in the winter it would be pansy, viola, cabbage and snapdragons to name a few, these are the normal winter annuals. There are some other interesting plants like a Lenten rose that will bloom early in the winter and keep their flower bracts for a long time.”

In the winter, frost is a plant’s number one enemy. “I would not recommend planting citrus in the ground right now, our temps often get too cold for the citrus to thrive,” Harbin reported. “I would recommend keeping any citrus in a pot so that you are able to bring it in the garage or on a covered porch in case we get temps that fall below about 25 degrees.

Plants that should be brought indoors include Geranium hanging baskets, mint plants in containers, and basil plants.

Burtt added, “Frost cloth or sheets are a good protection method for citrus and tropicals.”

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Philip Simmons sweeps basketball series with Bishop England

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What are two victories against Bishop England worth when it comes to boys' high school basketball?

If you're a member of the Philip Simmons boys' team, it means you are the champions of Daniel Island, while preparing for what is shaping up to be a promising run in Region 6-AA.

And, oh yeah, it also boosted the Iron Horses' stature in South Carolina as they climbed to No. 2 in the most recent state coaches association's poll of Class AA schools.

"It's a validation of all the hard work we put in since June," said coach Garrett Campbell, whose team begins play this week with an 8-0 record. "We've been working, lifting, running and playing non-stop. It's a validation of all the work, and for people all around the state knowing about our success; that is pretty cool."

For the first time in the school's five-year history, both the boys' and girls'

teams beat Bishop England on Dec. 3 at Father O'Brien Gymnasium. A week later, both teams completed the sweep of the series in front of a packed house at Philip Simmons' gymnasium with boosters and fans dressed in purple.

"Any time you beat a rival like Bishop England, it's huge," Campbell said. "It's huge for the program and huge for the kids even more because they have grown up with players from BE. To finally get over the hump was huge."

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

A week later, the venue switched to the Iron Horses' home court, but the results remained the same as the Iron Horses claimed a 56-43 victory.

The Iron Horses had a limited roster as two players missed the Dec. 10 game with illnesses, while another was in concussion protocol.

Miles Haight is on pace for another solid season. He led the Iron Horses with 19 points in the second meeting between

the two schools. Sophomore Robert Watson chipped in with 17 points.

Haight has improved his strength and stamina this winter. He had a complete effort against the Bishops with 11 assists, six rebounds and two steals.

He's averaging 17.2 points per game and might have become a 1,000-point career man if not for the shortened season last winter. He needs 350 points to reach the milestone.

The Iron Horse girls also swept Bishop England this season. On Dec. 3, the Iron Horse girls posted a 60-35 victory, its first ever victory against BE. They brought out the brooms a week later with a 41-30 homecourt victory over BE.

Kylee Kellermann led the win over the Bishops with 23 points, with seven field goals and seven of 10 from the foul line. Kennedy Rivers tallied seven points for the Iron Horses, who are also ranked in the top 10 girls' poll of Class AA teams.

The Iron Horse girls have recorded four consecutive victories after dropping the season-opener against Military Magnet.



VAL DREYER

Philip Simmons senior center/power forward Matthew Lemmon weaves through Bishop England defenders to the basket, en route to a 53-36 victory last Friday.

Iron Horses well represented on all-state football roster

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The Philip Simmons High School football program, just a few years removed from its infancy, seems poised to enter a golden age.

The Iron Horses were one of the Palmetto State's biggest high school sports stories of the fall, setting school records in just about every game. That translated into a school record of 11 victories and two losses, while their performance was perfect in Region 6-AA play with a 5-0 record.

The offense averaged 36 points per game, while the defense surrendered only 12.7. That led to many superlatives and stars. The Iron Horses landed four players on the first team of the state coaches' association's all-state squad, while four players earned honorable mention.

"I expected a couple of players to make all-state," head coach Eric Bendig said. "But to see how many players earned individual accolades is a testament of how well we played together as a team."

First team selections include quarterback Tripp Williams, lineman Hunter Ramey, linebacker Dan Wojtech and defensive back Conor White.

The athletic Williams — who at 6'1", 225 pounds looked more like a linebacker or tight end — ran the offense as a third-year starter at quarterback. The 1,570 passing yards,



FILE

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

22 touchdown passes, 1,898 total yards and 34 touchdowns he was responsible for this fall are just some of his school records. He was recently named the Region 6-AA player of the year as well.

Ramey and Wojtech were forces as seniors as they were both able to defend against the pass and the run. White patrolled the secondary, shutting some of the better receivers in the state.

Ramey, who played on both sides of the ball, finished with

135 tackles, including 81 solo stops. Wojtech's tackle numbers were identical. Wojtech tallied four interceptions while Ramey had two.

White, who also is a member of the talented senior class, collected 54 tackles, including 30 solo stops. He picked off four passes and defended another four.

Wide receiver Riley Beard, defensive lineman DeVontay McNeil, defensive lineman Bryce Smalls and kicker Griffin Gore earned honorable mention.

Bendig, a young coach with a strong background coming up the coaching ladder, has been pouring the foundation for years. Last fall was a big season to build on. Although 2020 will be remembered for bigger things, the team did an admirable job of battling the unseen foe, COVID-19, while faring well against the other teams on the field. The Iron Horses were 4-3, including 3-1 in region play, which qualified them for the playoffs.

This year, they followed it up with the best season in the program's history.

"A lot of players who were successful were seniors, whether they played quarterback, on the line or at linebacker making tackles," Bendig said. "We need to use that momentum we have created and have the underclassmen carry the torch and keep it going. Our goal is to have the younger players 'be better than the guy in front of you.' We need to have players step up next year, and build on that tradition."

Fishing on the fly can be spontaneous fun



fishing trends

GREG PERALTA

Brody, the amazing fish-finding and stock-trading dog, has been losing his shirt (well at least his fur) in the cryptocurrency market. Bitcoin and Solana are down. Way down! However, Brody is unfazed and is buying the dip. He tells me that if he loses everything, he is OK with dropping “stock trading” from his CV. “Celebrity fish-finding dog” suits him just fine.

Given the possible title change, Brody and I have been sharpening our fly-fishing game. The recent warm spell has raised the water temperature significantly. This has the trout back in the shallows and feeding aggressively — the perfect

set up for targeting them on the fly. On Friday, we set out to do just that.

We launched the skiff into the first half of the falling tide. Our plan was to cast fast-sinking Clouser Minnow flies into current seams created by the outgoing tide. For the first hour, we could not locate any fish. I told Brody soon we are just going to call you “dog.” No fishing finding. No stock trading. Just plain old dog.

Thankfully, the second hour of fishing was much better. We located a school of hungry trout in the mouth of a small creek. They were not particularly large but at least they were plentiful. We caught and released trout until my arm was tired of casting.

On the ride back to dock, Brody looked at his cryptocurrency investments. He said something about a nuclear meltdown and good thing he can still find fish. I told him the only title that mattered was “my best friend.”



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Capt. Greg Peralta holds a trout he caught with Brody, the amazing fish-finding and stock-trading dog.

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Kellermann first Lady Iron Horse to score 1,000 points

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Kylee Kellermann's dream became a reality on Dec. 3 when she became the first female basketball player in Philip Simmons High School history to score 1,000 points in her brilliant career.

Kellermann hit a shot from 3-point land against Bishop England to join the exclusive club. She led her team to a victory by finishing the game with six 3-pointers and 21 points.

"It's been my goal since I started playing (varsity basketball) in the seventh grade," said Kellermann, who is in her junior season. "To score 1,000 points, it's always been my goal. I was kind of speechless. As a little girl, I can remember seeing pictures of Bishop England players (in the newspaper) who scored 1,000 points. I wanted that to be me, so I really worked hard."

Kellerman reached the elite scoring club in the Iron Horses' first ever victory against the Bishops.

“That was a big night for Kylee and the program,” coach Dustin Williams

said. "The stars aligned."

Kellermann is a star on the hardwood as a basketball player and on the pitch as a soccer player.

She earned all-state honors in hoops last winter after averaging 16.7 points, 5.2 rebounds, 5.3 assists and 4 steals per game to help the Iron Horses reach the Class AA Lower State Championship.

And, she rarely came off the field for the soccer team that reached the Class AA state semifinals and finished with an 11-4 record. Her contributions to the team earned her all-state honors.

But it's a different set of numbers that will affect her future the most, and those numbers are 4 and 5.182. Those numbers are her academic ranking for the PSHS Class of 2023 and her GPA, respectively.

She hopes to play basketball in college, and major, perhaps, in either architecture or interior design. But for now, she's just focusing on helping the Iron Horses reach the State Championship game after they reached the Final Four last winter.

The team received a boost in time for the 2021-22 season when Zhaire Mack rejoined the squad after sitting out last season. Kellermann, Mack and Kennedy Rivers, another all-state selection, form the Iron Horses' Big 3.

“Kennedy, Zhaire and I have been playing together since the fourth or fifth grade,” Kellermann said of her classmates. “Our chemistry is pretty amazing. All we have to do is play the game we love, and work hard.”

Kellermann began the season with 938 points and reached the milestone when she topped 20 points for the third time this season in the win over Bishop England. She's totaled 20 points five times this season, including 23 against the Bishops on Dec. 10. She began this week with 1,049 points.

The Iron Horses opened the season with a loss to Class A state power Military Magnet, but topped Goose Creek on Monday night to record their fifth consecutive victory to remain entrenched in the state coaches associations poll of the top 10 teams in Class AA.



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Philip Simmons junior guard Kylee Kellermann is the first girls basketball player in school history to score 1,000 points. She has been on the varsity team since seventh grade.

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Holiday Classic aces donations for children's hospital

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The 14th annual Holiday Classic presented by Safelite and The Southern Group benefiting MUSC Shawn Jenkins Children's Hospital welcomed players to LTP at the Daniel Island Tennis Center for a weekend of competitive tennis from Dec. 3-5.

The adult event sanctioned by the United States Tennis Association offered men's and women's doubles and mixed doubles. Tournament players, LTP members, and guests generously gave from the heart in the "You've Been Aced" promotion. Participants also donated more than 200 items from the MUSC Child Life Atrium Wish List

directly impacting children undergoing treatment at the hospital.

"Congratulations to our champions and finalists. The real winners are the children at MUSC children's hospital who will enjoy the generosity of each and every one who supported this year's event," said Nancy Heinz, tournament director and membership manager at LTP Daniel Island.

Not pictured: 3.0 Women Champions Valerie Mehta and Kimber Wiggins. Finalists were Masheed Rockwell and Jessica Becker. The 4.0 Men Champions were Frank Petersen and Dave Bruner. Finalists were Mike Hauser and Greg Yancey.



2.5 Women Champions: Meaghan McIntyre and Rebecca Palazzo. **Finalists were** Lisa Moore and Janet Machado.

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2.5 Men Champions: Ik Jumani and Dave Heagney. **Finalists:** Billy Carter and David Linville



3.0 Men Champions: Dan Bloden and Gregg Passmore. **Finalists:** Steve Fennell and Jordan Brodsky



3.5 Women Champions: Elyssa Snelgrove and Eve Young. **Finalists:** Kim Shaw and Kimberly Johnson



3.5 Men Champions: Rhett Price and Brian Whirrett. **Finalists:** Chuck Lee and Rich Hughes



4.0 Women Champions: Melissa Gross and Barnes Dix. **Finalists:** Kell Culclasure and Laura-Elizabeth Smith.



4.5 Women Champions: Amanda Linke and Katie Richey. **Finalists:** Kimberly Faust and Lindsey Johnson



4.5 Men Champions: Cody Greathouse and Nate Lyles. **Finalists:** Tim Plantand and Toni Cvitanic



5.0 Men Champions: Dave Welch and Mike Zechmann. **Finalists:** Carlos Lopez and Brendan Clonts



6.0 Mixed Champions: Jeff Triphahn and Patty Evanko. **Finalists:** Lane Kirkland and Ben Freiburger



7.0 Mixed Champions: George Fullbright and Oxana Smith. **Finalists:** Rhett Price and Heather McGrath



8.0 Mixed Champions: Roy Johnson and Lindsey Johnson. **Finalists:** Laura-Elizabeth Smith and Nicholas Gaylard



9.0 Mixed Champions: Amanda Linke and Nate Lyles. **Finalists:** Dave Welch and Linda Costello

Former Grand Slam champs, World No. 1s enter Credit One Charleston Open

PROVIDED

The Credit One Charleston Open, the largest women's-only tennis tournament in North America, will host Grand Slam champions Garbiñe Muguruza and Simona Halep next year in a player field that is shaping up to be one of the tournament's strongest.

In addition to Muguruza and Halep, Paula Badosa, Belinda Bencic, Leylah Fernandez, Madison Keys and Sloane Stephens have already entered the field. The tournament will celebrate its 50th year in 2022, April 2-10, in the renovated and modernized Credit One Stadium on Daniel Island. Muguruza and Halep are former World No. 1 players and two-time Grand Slam champions, individually winning both Roland-Garros and Wimbledon.

The highly anticipated Credit One Charleston Open will welcome back fans for the first time since 2019. The newly renovated Credit One Stadium will also be unveiled during the upcoming event, offering upgraded seating options and elevated hospitality experiences for patrons and players on-site.

"Garbiñe and Simona are two Grand Slam champions with accomplished careers," said Bob Moran, tournament director of the Credit One Charleston Open. "Garbiñe has had an amazing year, culminating in her historic title win at the season-ending WTA Finals. Simona is a player we have been looking forward to welcoming to Charleston for years, so we are excited to have her finally joining us in 2022. It's going to be a big year for our tournament and these two players will certainly elevate the competition."

Muguruza captured three titles in 2021 and ended the year ranked World No. 3. The 2022 Credit One Charleston Open will be the 28-year-old's third time competing in the Lowcountry. Throughout her 2021 season, she reached three quarterfinals, five finals and captured three titles at the Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championship, Chicago Fall Tennis Classic and AKRON WTA Finals Guadalajara, where she won her 10th career title – her biggest hardcourt title ever – and became the first Spanish woman to win the WTA Finals.

Muguruza is the 2017 Wimbledon champion and 2016 Roland-Garros champion. She also reached the 2020 Australian Open final and 2015 Wimbledon final.



WTA/GETTY IMAGES/PHOTOGRAPHER MATTHEW STOCKMAN
Simona Halep, WTA ranked 20, joins the field in the Credit One Charleston Open this spring.

"I can't wait to come back to Charleston again. It's one of the favorite stops on the tour for a reason," said Muguruza. "I obviously feel at home on clay courts and look forward to seeing everyone at the tournament."

Halep will play the Credit One Charleston Open for the first time in 2022. The World No. 20 holds 22 career WTA titles and is the 2019 Wimbledon champion and 2018 Roland-Garros champion. Halep finished within the WTA's top 5 rankings seven years in a row, from 2014 to 2020.

"I am really looking forward to finally playing in Charleston for the first time in my career," said Halep. "I was signed up to play in 2020 and then unfortunately the pandemic hit and I didn't get the chance. I have heard so many great things about both the city and the tournament, so I can't wait to get there and make my debut on the green clay."

Halep's 2021 season included three quarterfinals appearances at the Gippsland Trophy, Australian Open and the VTB Kremlin Cup, two semifinals appearances at the Porsche Tennis Grand Prix and Upper Austria Ladies Linz and a finals berth at the Transylvania Open. She won three titles in 2020 in Dubai, Prague and Rome. In addition to her two Grand Slam titles, the 30-year-old Romanian was a 2010 Australian Open finalist and Roland-Garros finalist in 2017 and 2014.

The nine-day Credit One Charleston Open showcases a singles draw of 56 players, a qualifying draw of 32 players and a doubles draw of 16 players. The event traditionally hosts more than 90,000 attendees on Daniel Island. Additional players who have committed to competing at the tournament in 2022 will be announced in the coming weeks.

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DISA celebrates a season of reaching goals

The Daniel Island Soccer Academy (DISA) wrapped up another competitive and successful fall season. The youth soccer organization appreciates everyone who exemplifies the core values of attitude and commitment on and off the pitch.

In November, DISA had 15 teams participate in five different tournaments across the Southeast — boys and girls teams ranging in ages from U8 to U19. The following are some winners from several tournaments.

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JAMES ISLAND CUP: NOV 20-21



DISA U10 Spurs Champions: Coaches Jeff Terry and Hal Cauthen



DISA U13 Arsenal Champions: Coach Vladimir Henderson-Suite

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DISA teams earn awards at fall tournaments

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CESA FALL CHALLENGE: NOV 20-21



DISA U15 Finalists: Coach Patrick Khouri



DISA U19 Finalists: Coach Patrick Khouri

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JAMES ISLAND CUB: NOV. 20-21

- DISA U10 Gators Consolation Winners: Coach Erik Cobb

ADIDAS CLASH IN GREENSBORO, NC: NOV 13-14

- DISA U18 Boyz Champions: Coach Vladimir Henderson-Suite

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- DISA U10 Chelsea Champions: Coaches Blake Easterling and Danny Triplett
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Bobey and her husband, John, moved to Daniel Island in 1997, they

were the seventh family to live on the newly developing island. They have two daughters, Drew and Alex, who are in college, plus two dogs.

"I play Pigskin Pick'em because I love football and competitions," she wrote via email. "Sports have always been a major part of my life, I have always loved watching, playing and

coaching all types of sports."

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HEATHER MACQUEEN JONES

Your holiday shopping for the lady real estate agent, femme power executive or women-owned business boss is in the bag with one stop at Aleysa Macatol's Spring Street studio downtown.

The Daniel Island resident's namesake studio, Aleysa Bags, is the perfect space to represent the brand she's built for the last 10 years. In her studio and in her bags, everything is simultaneously sleek and organized.

The talented handbag designer started her career at a search engine in Silicon Valley. The big thing then was when you started your job, you got one of these ugly nylon bags with the logo from the company. She was trying to dress for the job that she wanted, not the job that she had, and she felt like the bag ruined it every time. Her laptop became ultra-important, and she had to bring it to job interviews in its unattractive bag.

After 9/11, Macatol became homesick and moved back to Detroit and started working for a tech start-up. Her boss was very entrepreneurial. She would watch him start businesses and soon thereafter caught the bug.

Macatol dreamed, designed and didn't miss a detail when bringing her vision of the perfect laptop bag to light in 2008 just before moving to Daniel Island with her husband, Josh. The entire purpose is to look like a handbag and relieve working women of clutter, disorganization and the ugliness of laptop bags made for women in the past.

"My goal is to make the woman feel powerful and confident when she walks into a room," Macatol added.

Everything in Macatol's bag design and in her studio has a purpose and a place. The shopping experience in the studio is a welcomed introduction to what this wonderful woman's work bag will deliver.

There are two styles, named after Macatol's two beautiful daughters, Dorothy Lee and Maribelle. Dorothy Lee is the smart, everyday bag and Maribelle is the scaled up impressive traveler, designed to slide over



PROVIDED

Aleysa Macatol designs fashionable laptop bags for working women.

your luggage handle. There are three colors: indigo, brandy and black. All bags have a signature powerfully pink liner.

Why pink?

Macatol noted, "I used to be a pink hater but I think it's really strong. There are so many bags out there for men, and this was the quickest way to get the message out there" that this bag is for women.

The handbag designer has also designed an easy way to shop for the sophisticated, fashion-forward working women in your life. On Saturday, Dec. 18, pop into Macatol's Open House Party from 9-11 a.m., catered by Daniel Island's MPISHI restaurant with mimosas and small bites. The designer will be offering local shoppers \$100 off any bag.

"Following this fun event will be a wrap party: If you come in Dec. 20-24 and buy an Aleysa Bag, we will wrap all your other presents for you too! So we will wrap her bag and any other presents too! We are stocked up with paper," Macatol exclaimed.

Aleysa Bags studio is located at 107B Spring Street, or find more items online at AleysaBags.com.

Heather MacQueen Jones is an artist on Daniel Island. Follow her on Instagram @heARTpalette, on Facebook or at MacQueenJones.com.

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meeting NOTES

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

City of Charleston TRC meetings

Date: Dec. 16

• **A site plan for Point Hope Retail at Renaissance Lane in Cainho (second review).** This is a .5-acre site plan for a 5,000 square foot retail building. The owner is Joseph Lasardi. The applicant is Earthsource Engineering. Contact: Vince Sottile, sottilev@earthsourceeng.com.

• **A preliminary subdivision plat for Cainho Hopewell Residential - Phase 2 at Hopewell Drive in Cainho (first review).** This is a 74.8-acre plat for a 126-unit, single-family residential subdivision. The owner is Cainho Lumber & Timber, LLC. The applicant is Thomas & Hutton. Contact: Will Cox, cox.w@tandh.com.

• **Road construction plan for Cainho Hopewell Residential - Phase 2 at Hopewell Drive in Cainho (first review).** This is a 74.8-acre plat road construction plan for a 126-unit, single-family residential subdivision. The owner is Cainho Lumber & Timber, LLC. The applicant is Thomas & Hutton. Contact: Will Cox, cox.w@tandh.com.

Date: Dec. 23

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

• **Road construction plans for Parcel K Infrastructure at 2000 Daniel Island Drive on Daniel Island (first review).** This is a 36.9-acre plat for public roadway, utilities, stormwater and a major subdivision (4 lots)

for future development. The owner is Holder Properties. The applicant is SeamonWhiteside. Contact: Abigail Richardson, arichardson@seamonwhiteside.com.

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

RESULTS FROM PAST MEETINGS

Date: Dec. 9

• **Site plan for Project Throughput at Charleston Regional Parkway on Cainho (third review).** This is an early site work plan for 172 acres for a new container handling and storage facility. The owner is South Carolina Ports Authority. The applicant is Thomas & Hutton. Contact: Scott Greene, greenes.s@tandh.com. **Result: Revise and resubmit to TRC.**

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

REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETINGS

• Berkeley County Council conducts its regularly scheduled meetings on the fourth Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner.

• Berkeley County Board of Education meetings are held twice each month. The second meeting of each month includes special recognitions of students, employees and community members. Executive Committee meets at 5:30 p.m.; meeting starts at 6:30 p.m.

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

SAVE THE DATE EVENTS

CANDIDATE FORUM – CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1

The Daniel Island Business Association will host a question and answer session with the candidates running for Charleston City Council District 1 on Jan. 3, 6:30 – 7:30 pm at the Daniel Pointe Theatre, 514 Robert Daniel Drive. Arrive early to network and meet the candidates.

ELECTION DAY – CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 SPECIAL ELECTION

The election will be held on Tuesday, January 11.

REGULAR MEETINGS

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

DANIEL ISLAND CONNECT 50-plus age group. December 16: Meet at Daniel's Landing Clubhouse 6-9:30 pm. Normally meets the third Thurs. of each month, 6-8 pm, at the Crow's Nest. Free. Call Kathy at 502-387-3046.

DI GARDEN CLUB meets the second Wed. of the month at 3 pm at Holy Cross Church Parish Hall. The Daniel Island Garden Club's next meeting is Wed., Jan. 12, 2022, 3 pm. The speaker is Shannon Stambaugh from Green Roots Gardening. Her topic is flower box and container gardening design. Contact Linda Price at lmcwpr@gmail.com with any questions.

DANIEL ISLAND GOP CLUB meets the third Mon. of the month, 8 am, at the Daniel Pointe Retirement Community. Free and open to the public.

DANIEL ISLAND LIBRARY CLUB EVENTS

Capt. Daniel's Pipers Recorder Group: Tues. 2-3 pm; Needleworkers: 2nd and 4th Tues., 11:15 am; Book Club: 3rd Tues, 11 am – noon; Deepthinkers Discussion Group: Wed., 10:30 am to noon; Social Bridge Club: 2nd Fri. and 4th Mon., 1-4 pm; Writers Group: 1st Wed., 4:30-6 pm.

DANIEL ISLAND WYDLIFE

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

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

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

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

SOUTH BERKELEY DEMOCRATS meet at 4 pm the third Sun. of each month at Daniel Pointe Retirement Community. berkeleydems.com.

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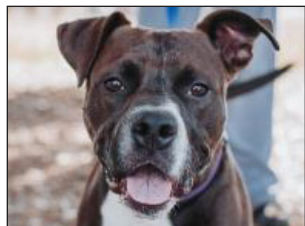
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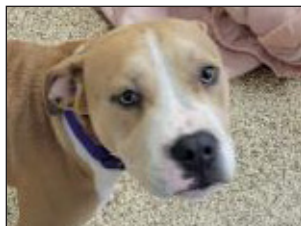


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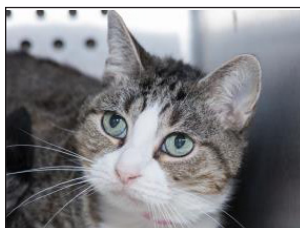
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By Charles Preston

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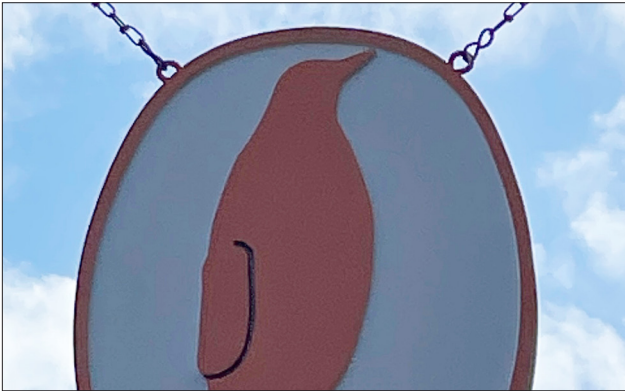


CONGRATS TO LAST WEEK'S WINNER MAUREEN PRICE!

The winner of the Mystery Photo Contest from the Dec. 9 edition is Maureen Price, who correctly identified the photo as part of the topiary reindeer located in front of the BB&T building at the corner of Seven Farms Drive and River Landing Drive. Price wrote via email, "This is how I know it is the start of the Christmas season! Love the decorations!"

Congrats also to Karen Fedder, John Pancoast, Robert Peiffer, and Carole Lapinsky for responding with the correct answer. Cheers to all our contest participants!

CAN YOU GUESS THIS WEEK'S PHOTO?



If you recognize this photo, please send your answer, along with your phone number, to mysterypic@thedanielislandnews.com by noon on Saturday, Dec. 18. The names of the winners with the correct response will run in next week's paper.

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FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

DECEMBER 14, 2006:



The top news story was the dedication of the Seven Farms Apartments. On Dec. 7, the 72-unit complex was dedicated in a ceremony attended by former Mayor Riley and U.S. Rep. James Clyburn, as well as by other community leaders and residents.

At the annual meeting, Daniel Island Company President Matt Sloan reminisced about how minimally the island was developed just 10 years before in 1996. Ten years later, in 2006, Daniel Island had roughly 2,500 residences and a growing population of 5,500. In 2006, there were 14 restaurants, three schools, two churches and more than 20 community groups based on the island. In addition, there were 150 businesses and professional offices. “I remember when we had two,” Sloan said.

TEN YEARS AGO

DECEMBER 15, 2011:



It was reported there was an optimistic economic forecast for 2012 from Daniel Island resident Stephen Slifer, owner and chief economist for Number-Nomics LLC. At the conference just over 10 years ago he said, “Over the course of the next four years, get the words ‘recession’ and ‘double dip’ out of your vocabulary. Just forget them for a while.”

In business news, A Dollar World opened in the Publix Shopping Center and was located next to Lucia’s Premium Pet. That store closed shortly after.

In other news, the POA was negotiating with both Charleston and Berkeley counties for a curbside recycling option for Daniel Island. Jimmy Bailey, who was head of the POA at the time, also noted that 40% of the DICA, DITA and DIPA budgets were spent on ground maintenance and 12% on pools.

FIVE YEARS AGO

DECEMBER 15, 2016:



The cover and centerspread featured The Daniel Island News’ holiday gift guide with pictures and descriptions for a dozen or so local gift shops and businesses.

In other news, children in Huger received a new playground just in time for the holidays. The Baldwin Carson Community Outreach Center, a satellite facility of the nonprofit East Cooper Community Outreach, was the beneficiary of the special gift completed by local volunteers. The funding for the project came in equal parts from the Daniel Island Rotary Club and Daniel Island Community Fund.



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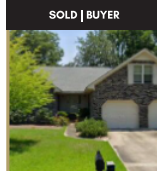

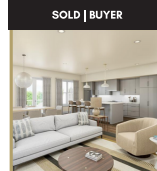


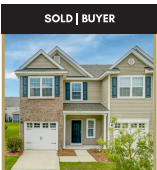


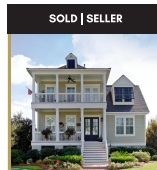

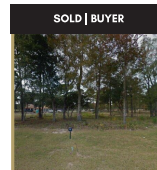

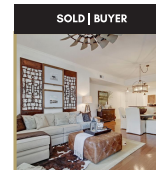
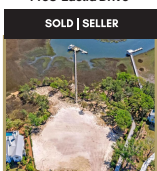
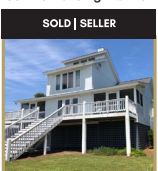


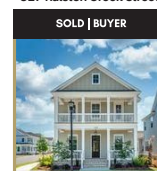


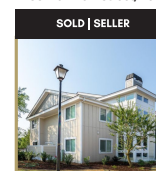
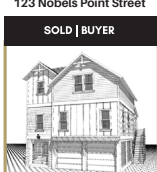
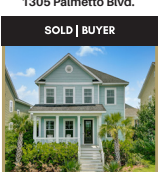


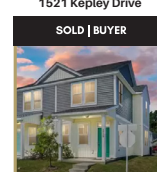
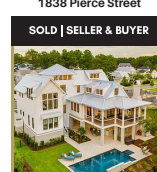
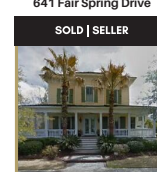
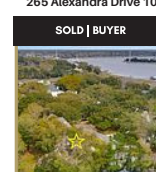



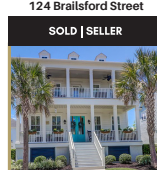
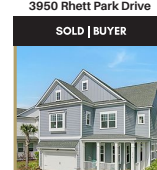
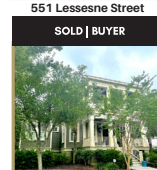
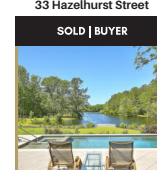
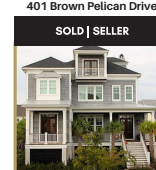



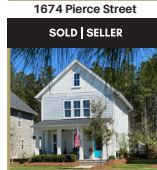


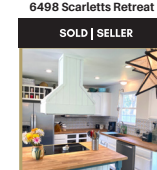


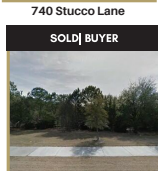
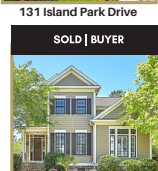
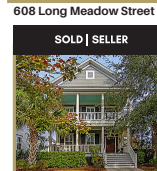


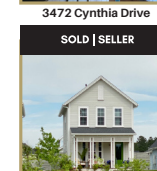
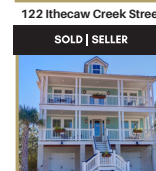
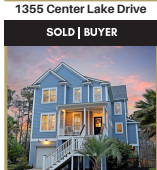
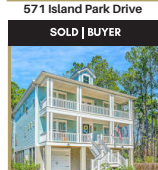
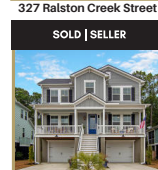
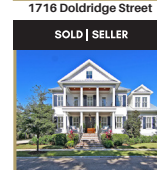

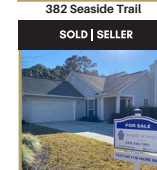
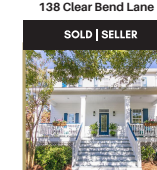
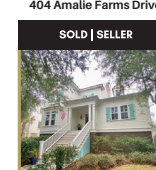
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