

# INSIDE



Pickleball - page 3



Cornhole - page 5



Green Space - page 6



Art Guild - page 12



Garden Club - page 13

PRSR STD  
U.S. Postage  
PAID  
Charleston, SC  
Permit No. 1057

THE Seabrooker  
P.O. Box 30427  
Charleston, SC 29417

# THE Seabrooker

VOL 26 • ISSUE 3 • MARCH 2023

## Big Plans Ahead for Racquet Sports at Seabrook

SEABROOK ISLAND CLUB / Racquet Sports Committee



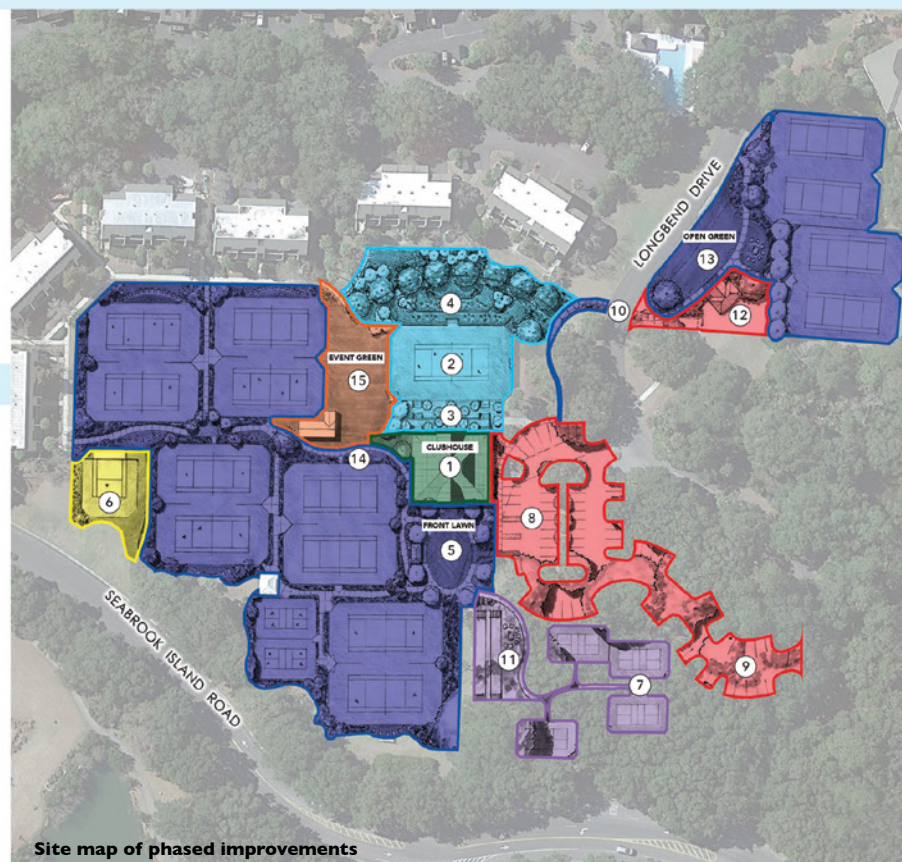
### Racquet Sports Capital Improvements

#### PHASES

- 1A Sidewalks & Landscape Improvements
- 1B Pickleball Courts & Bocce
- 1C Clubhouse Improvements
- 2A Tennis Hitting Wall & Storage
- 2B Event Green
- 3A Parking Improvements, Maintenance, & Restroom Building
- 3B Center Court Improvements

#### LEGEND

1. Racquet Club Pro Shop (Clubhouse)
2. Center Court
3. 2-Tier Spectator Deck
4. Grass Terrace
5. Front Lawn
6. Hitting Wall and Storage Building
7. New Pickleball Courts (courts subject to field adjustment)
8. Renovated Parking Area
9. Expanded Parking (parking subject to field adjustment)
10. Relocated Sidewalk Crossing
11. Bocce Courts
12. New Maintenance and Restroom Facility
13. Open Green
14. Realigned Wider Sidewalk
15. Event Green



Site map of phased improvements

After years of planning, the renovation project for Seabrook Island Club's Racquet Sports complex is underway. Groundbreaking ceremonies were held on November 17th and the project is anticipated to be complete in about two years.

#### HISTORY AND NEED

The current tennis courts, irrigation system, landscape, and hardscape were installed in 1986. In 2009, the Club added the current Pro Shop. Two lit pickleball courts were built in 2017. Outside of that, the complex has seen very little change and investment. While it is well-known for having some of the best tennis courts in the Southeast, and for its beautiful canopy of live oak trees, the deferred maintenance is significant. There is also an incredible opportunity to increase the social ambiance and experience outside of actual play. Laura Ferreira, Director of Racquet Sports for Seabrook Island Club, explains: "I have fond memories growing up at a tennis facility that my parents managed. It was more than a

place to play tennis. It was a gathering place for the community. This renovation project will evolve our current complex from a place to play, into a place where Members want to play and stay."

#### SERVING UP SOCIAL

To this end, in addition to the sorely needed facility upgrades, the renovation includes two bocce courts, fire pits, grab-and-go food, and refreshments (including beer and wine), as well as other gathering options to attract all Members. To accommodate more Members at the Racquet Club, and them spending a longer amount of time there, 40 more parking spaces are planned, along with a one-way traffic flow for greater efficiency getting in and out. Anyone who has played pickleball knows how social it is. It is also the fastest growing sport in America and at Seabrook Island Club. The existing two pickleball courts simply are not adequate for Member demand. So four new pickleball courts are coming, along with a pickleball teaching professional.

#### A PHASED APPROACH

The vision and plan for the renovation project was presented in-person to the Club Membership on June 18, 2022; and a video recording is available in the Member Central section of the Club's website.

The components of the renovation project, with forecasted start and completion dates are as follows. Whenever possible, disruptions to play will be minimized.

**Phase 1A:** Landscape and hardscape renovations (Nov 2022 – May 2023).

**Phase 1B:** Addition of four pickleball and two bocce ball courts (June 2023 – May 2024).

**Phase 1C:** Renovation of Racquet Sports clubhouse (Feb 2023 – June 2023).

**Phase 2A & 2B:** Addition of tennis hitting wall and event kitchen/lawn (Nov 2023 – May 2024).

**Phase 3:** Parking improvements, Maintenance building and Center Court area improvement (Dec 2023 – June 2024).

#### MEETING GROWING DEMAND

Racquet Sports are Seabrook Island Club's fastest growing programs. More than 90% of the tennis and pickleball usage is by Club Members. Leagues played a major role in this year's tennis program. Seabrook Island Club was represented in five USTA teams and three CALTA teams throughout the year. Pickleball court reservations increased by 18%.

There are several reasons for this increase. First, the popularity of pickleball has skyrocketed nationally and at Seabrook. It's a unique sport where a beginner can quickly improve and feel comfortable playing with more experienced players. That has led many Members to give it a try. Another contribution to the growth in Racquet Sports participation is its committee's recent commitment to contact every new Member of the Club who has expressed an interest, and help them join groups that fit their skill level and preferences. Last, but not least, is the Racquet Sports staff's commitment to

*continued page 3*

## Update from the Town of Seabrook Island Public Works Committee



### FROM TOWN HALL

Barry Goldstein  
Councilman

To keep the residents and visitors of the Town of Seabrook Island informed on public works and related activities on-going in and around our Town, the following information is being provided:

**Multi-Use Pedestrian/Bicycle Path along the Outbound Side of Seabrook Island Road from the Town Hall to the Circle at Freshfields** – The asphalt path and associated greenway is being updated and improved. Some of the improvements will include additional benches for sitting and updated/new landscape areas. Some older, diseased plants and shrubs will be removed and additional flower beds installed. Several bluebird boxes will be placed along the path to provide our local feathered friends new housing. A sitting area will also be installed with hardscape and benches. The

existing old split rail fence will be removed and replaced with a new fence. Several additional dog waste stations and trash cans will also be added. Hopefully these improvements and additions will make the path more useable and encourage more people to enjoy it.

**Seabrook Island Road** – The design for re-paving Seabrook Island Road is scheduled to be completed sometime this spring. The design includes raising sections of the road to improve drainage in an attempt to reduce nuisance flooding (from tides and rain). Although the Town and de-

signers did contemplate raising the road as a potential way to minimize storm flooding (hurricane storm surge could be several to many feet of water above the land), this was determined to be very difficult from an engineering standpoint and almost impractical from a cost perspective. Consideration was also given that even if Seabrook Island Road was raised to a higher elevation, starting at the Freshfield Circle, Betsy Kerrison Parkway is at a lower elevation and would still be subject to flooding, making leaving the island during extreme flooding still a concern.

*continued page 2*



# THE Seabrooker

Please send correspondence to:  
**TheSeabrooker@yahoo.com**

"Communication is the beginning of understanding."

The Seabrooker will report regularly on island happenings, as well as newsworthy events that affect property owners and residents. As Seabrooker volunteers with a common objective, we are committed to securing the facts and reporting to you in a forthright, honest and unbiased manner.

Co-Founders: Red Ballentine, (1924-2006) Fred Bernstein (1924-2010) Co-Founders

Editor: Michael Morris | Publisher: Bernstein Lash Marketing | Advertising & Layout: Teri B. Lash

THIS MONTH'S SEABROOKER VOLUNTEERS (ARTICLES & PHOTOS)

Anne Bavier	Joanne Fagan	Ed Konrad	Steve Penkhus, MD
Wayne Billian	Maureen Healy	Bob Leggett	Racquet Club Committee
Susan Coomer	Vivian Jaklik	Susan Leggett	Jerry Reves MD
CHSToday	Faye Jensen	Susan McLaughlin	Katharine Watkins
Sydni Ellis			Mary Wilde

### CONTACTING THE SEABROOKER

Please send correspondence and inquiries regarding editorials to

**Mike Morris • TheSeabrooker@yahoo.com • 843.408.3707**

The entry deadline for all items is the 15th of the month. Please limit Cap'n Sams letters to 400 words. Photos should be in high resolution (5"x7" at 200 dpi or more).

**FOR ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES, PLEASE CONTACT**

**Teri B. Lash/Publisher • 843.747.7767 • TLash@BernsteinLash.com**

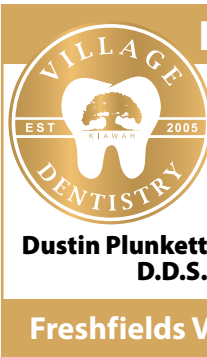


**CARPET & UPHOLSTERY CLEANING**

**843-991-7388**

**Free No Hassle Estimates!**

americanpurecleanllc.com  
 americanpurecleanllc@gmail.com



**KIAWAH VILLAGE DENTISTRY**

• Implants • Veneers  
 • Crowns • Whitening  
 • Bridges • Invisalign  
 • Extractions • Cleanings

**\* Emergencies \***  
**(843) 768-8376**  
 Accepting New Patients!

**Dustin Plunkett D.D.S.**

Freshfields Village • KiawahVillageDentistry.com

## FROM TOWN HALL – continued from page 1

The actual paving of Seabrook Island Road will likely be held off until most of the construction from Seafields and the MUSC facilities are completed. Paving the road before the major construction activities of these two projects could subject the newly paved road to possible damage.

There are some updates/improvements to Seabrook Island Road that will take place in the near future, including the installation of solar powered cross walk signs. These signs will be installed at both the Bohicket Marina and Landfall Way cross walk locations, and will have visual signalization to warn oncoming traffic of a pedestrian crossing. In addition, solar powered radar speed signs will also be installed on both inbound and outbound lanes on Seabrook Island Road. Although signs indicating the vehicles actual speed themselves will not physically slow speeding drivers, it will at least warn them that they are exceeding the posted speed limit; and hopefully be a reminder to slow down.

**Town Hall Garage** - As the Town has grown over the years, the Town has self-performed more of its own functions such as landscaping, maintenance, code enforcement etc.. Consequently, the Town now has several vehicles and also landscaping and maintenance equipment. Presently, there is no inside storage for vehicles or large equipment. Small equipment is stored in temporary storage containers. Given the equipment represents a major capital expenditure, the Town concluded that a garage to house and protect the equipment would be prudent. The garage is currently being designed and will be located on the north side of the Town Hall.

**Electric Charging Stations** - The

Town requested and was fortunate enough to receive a grant from Berkeley Electric Cooperative to install public electric vehicle charging stations at the Town Hall. Four charging stations will be installed across from the new garage in a publicly accessible parking area. Presently, it is anticipated that the charging stations will be installed as part of the garage construction project.

**Town Hall Annex** - Again, as the Town has grown, so has the staff required to keep the Town operating. The current Seabrook Island Town Hall was constructed in 2001. Office space is now limited and staff is doubled up in several offices. To address this, the Town is considering building a Town Hall Annex addition adjacent to the existing Town Hall. The Annex would be located and attached to the north side of the present building. The Annex would include new and larger council chambers, new office space and will serve as the new Town Hall entrance. The "old" Town Hall building would be used as is and modified as needed for additional office space.

**Seafields at Kiawah Island Construction** - As many of you look at the "mounds" of soil at Seafields and wonder "what is going on?"; first, a reminder...this is not in the Town of Seabrook Island and the Town has no direct control over the property. The Seafields contractor was contacted and asked for an update/status of the project. The contractor was kind enough to provide the following as their current target "...building foundations starting in mid-April and a 24 month schedule for completion". They also mentioned from now until mid-April, some miscellaneous site activities and moving soil around the site will occur.▲

# THE Seabrooker



## CAP'N SAM EDISTO

Dear Cap'n Sam,

*Below are a few comments regarding the Garden Club's party - see page 13.*

Congrats to the Seabrook Island Garden Club for just an outstanding get together Sunday evening. The food was fabulous and abundant, the Prosecco drink mixture was excellent, and it was so good seeing everyone in this Post-Covid world enjoying a beautiful evening! Well-done!

*Jaime Geiger, Seabrook Island*

Thanks Jamie! It was a perfect evening to get together with the community. I'm glad everyone had such a good time. The food and drinks were outstanding! I might be biased but I think it's an event that should not be missed. Football or not. Ha!

*Karen Nuttall, Seabrook Island*

Tons of great food! I mean TONS of yummy!!!!

*Paul McLaughlin, Seabrook Island*

Thank you Karen and Garden Club for a lovely evening!

*Barbara Long, Seabrook Island*

I concur! It was a wonderful event! Attendance was full, food was yummy and plentiful, the punch was super and the only problem with the terrific raffle was that I didn't win anything! Thanks for a lovely event and for the support of great causes!

*Marsha Papanek, Seabrook Island*

So glad everyone had a good time. It was a great effort by many ladies from the garden club!

*Victoria Fehr, Seabrook Island*

Dear Cap'n Sam,

Mr. Breen's Letter to the Editor about rebuilding Property owners pool area in today's February 2023 issue Seabrooker, page 2. Holy cow, just 2500 properties owners dividing the costs into a very large number, and all of this just for us, no renters, only owners and accompanied guests.

*Lori Hilker, Seabrook Island*

Dear Cap'n Sam,

While watching the presentation of the SIPOA Focus 50 plan, I could not help but be struck by the creation of such a visionary plan that unfortunately so completely ignores the fundamental reasons so many of us were drawn to Seabrook Island.

All credit must be given to the people who worked so hard to bring this project forward. The goals were commendable and, in most cases, correct. As stated by the planning sub-committee, the attempt is to provide for the future needs of Seabrook residents and improve the convenience and offerings available to all residents. I do not mean to diminish their efforts, and acknowledge they are open to change, but I certainly have a fundamental difference of opinion regarding the scope of the project and the assumptions they believed the residents would find acceptable, desirable, or in many cases, even the least bit necessary. This project envisions a grand, over the top, twenty-four million dollars plus plan of what could be. It is a truly a visionary plan but exactly whose vision it satisfies, I do not know, certainly not mine, or many of the residents I have spoken with. Focus 50 concentrates too much on the future and what may be while overlooking the resident needs of the present and the character of the community at large. This is particularly true in two regards, the financial impact on the current residents, and the fact that this plan as presently envisioned would entirely change the character and focus of what is one of the most beautiful spots on our island, the North Beach community and the surrounding beach area.

As a sixteen-year North Beach property owner, I know first-hand the role North Beach and the Oyster Catcher facility play in our community. This area is solely focused around beach activity. People come from all over the island, park, enjoy hanging out or walking on the beach, playing with their dogs, and maybe when they return, occasionally take a quick dip in the Oyster Catcher pool. How did the planners not know, or worse yet, choose to disregard that these are the principal attributes and the main attractions of people to this neighborhood? North Beach/Oyster Catcher is not a grand meeting area, it is a place

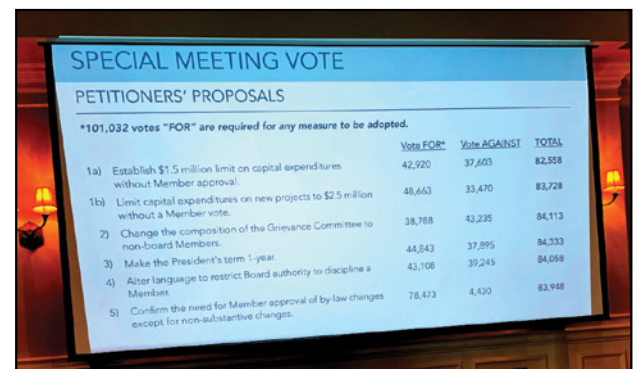
you come to go to the beach! Simply because it is the only piece of property that is conveniently available is no justification for trying to make this space into something that was never intended, and shoehorning it into a residential area where it clearly does not belong.

The Oyster Catcher facility is currently relatively small and closely surrounded by the North Beach community homes. It is a quiet residential neighborhood. A project of this grand scope and ultra-modern design simply does not belong or stylistically fit in a residential, beach community neighborhood. By comparison, other Seabrook facilities, like the lake house, the club house, the equestrian center, the pelican's nest and pool along with their sunning areas all sit on isolated lots. The vision of turning the low country beauty and tranquility of the North Beach community into the equivalent of what you might see in a modern downtown area within a major city is misguided and totally out of place.

If Oyster Catcher is truly the only area where a new facility can be built, and it is determined building is an absolute must, by all means, replace the existing building with something perhaps twice the size. Provide for additional parking under the structure. Replace the pool with an area where residents can float around with perhaps a separated lap pool area, and please don't forget at least one more area where people can clean off their dogs as they come off the beach. This would accommodate and supplement the current uses and still provide additional space for meetings and interest groups to gather. Perhaps most important, keep the style of the structure in character with our other community facilities. No offense to the planners but come on, do we really need a clock tower! People come to Seabrook to escape places that look like the inner cities, not to be reminded of them! And one last thing that should never be forgotten, bring it in under ten million so some of those older, seemingly forgotten residents on fixed incomes can still afford to live on Seabrook Island. They deserve a little respect and consideration as well.

*Jerry Toepfer  
 215-499-7941*

## ANNUAL MEETINGS



	Vote FOR*	Vote AGAINST	TOTAL
1a) Establish \$1.5 million limit on capital expenditures without Member approval.	42,920	37,603	82,558
1b) Limit capital expenditures on new projects to \$2.5 million without a Member vote.	48,663	33,470	83,728
2) Change the composition of the Governance Committee to non-board Members.	38,788	43,238	84,113
3) Make the President's term 1 year.	44,943	37,895	84,333
4) Alter language to restrict Board authority to discipline a Member.	43,108	39,245	84,058
5) Confirm the need for Member approval of by-law changes except for non-substantive changes.	78,473	4,430	83,948

*The weekend of the Annual Meetings for the Club and POA plus the Renew 50 presentation on Saturday unfortunately conflicted with The Seabrooker's deadline this month. Here is a brief overview. More substance to follow in our April issue.*

The Friday Special Meeting of the Club to address possible changes to its bylaws as required as a result of a member generated petition failed to garner a majority of the eligible votes. (see chart)

### The SIC annual meeting saw the following members elected to the Board of Governors:

- JT Carpenter
- George Conbeer
- Missy Whitmore

### The SIPOA annual meeting's election results were:

- |                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| • <b>Board of Directors</b>    | • <b>Nominating Committee:</b> |
| - Susan Ferland - 3-year term  | - Timothy Croal - 2-year term  |
| - Susan May - 3-year term      | - Lucy Hoover - 2-year term    |
| - Joyce Phillips - 3-year term |                                |
| - Mike Sankovich - 3-year term |                                |

The Renew 50 meeting on Saturday of the annual meetings was a first step in getting feedback about its \$24 million project for a new facility at the present Oyster Catcher and renovation of the Lakehouse. Much of that feedback concerned a) property owners close by the project and its effect on their property, b) the initial design was out of character with Seabrook and c) the \$9500 assessment.



RACQUET SPORTS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - *continued from page 1*

learn every Member's name and engage them in conversation to positively impact their experience.

This growth is only possible if you have high-quality professionals motivated to help Members improve and enjoy the game. Laura Ferreira and Barbar Akbar elevated our teaching programs in 2022. Under their leadership, lesson volume increased 48% last year.

**CHARITABLE COMPONENT**

The Club is proud to continue to support the annual Alan Fleming Senior Open Clay Tournament in October of each year. 2022 broke records with more than 290 participants, 48 of whom were Club members. The highly competitive tournament draws players from across the nation competing for national points awarded by the United States Tennis Association (USTA). The staff, committee, and volunteers work diligently to deliver a premier event. The USTA has recognized their efforts by awarding the Level 1 ITF senior clay mixed doubles to the Racquet Club for four consecutive years. Seabrookers and tournament players once again generously donated to designated tournament charities raising \$51,385.

2023 will be an exciting time for Racquet Sports on Seabrook Island! The staff and current enthusiasts look forward to welcoming more Club Members into the fold as the exciting new offerings come to fruition. ▲



Racquet Sports Pro Shop interior renovation



Hardscape and landscape improvements are currently underway.



Two pickleball courts will grow to six.

# Pickleball for Beginners

SIX EXPERT TIPS FOR THOSE JUST STARTING THIS EXCITING AND ADDICTIVE GAME

BY SYDNI ELLIS - INVITED MAGAZINE



There are 4,800,000 people who play pickleball around the world — which is more than 195 times the population of Bainbridge Island, Washington, where the game was invented in 1965. The sport has grown 39.3% over the past two years, according to a 2022 report by the Sports & Fitness Industry Association (SFIA), making pickleball the fastest-growing sport in the nation two years in a row.

**“The pickleball learning curve is so easy, 95% of all players can have fun the first day they start playing.”**

Approximately zero percent of picklers are surprised by this number. Just ask anyone who has played the addictive game, which is challenging, a fantastic workout and so much fun.

It's also quite easy to learn. Jonathan Fralick, national director of racquet sports for Invited Clubs, calls pickleball contagious because it's so enjoyable.

“This sport is contagious and is very social,” Fralick tells Invited. “The pickleball learning curve is so easy, 95% of all players can have fun the first day they start playing.”

He explains that the sport, which is a combination of tennis, badminton

and ping-pong, has seen “early signs of massive growth,” even with people who don't typically play racquet sports. Fralick does issue a warning for new players, though: “Be prepared to play every day.” You just won't be able to resist!

John Kudrick, director of racquet sports for The Clubs of Kingwood in Texas, tells Invited that players looking to improve their skills shouldn't lose sight of what's most important: having fun. “It is possible to see improvement in your game and still make fun a priority,” he says.

Consult a doctor before beginning pickleball (or any new exercise routine), and make sure you're wearing

comfortable clothes that you can move around in. Then, follow these six tips for beginner pickleball players:

- 1/Start by playing with those in the know.** “Start with a clinic or a few seasoned players to learn the basics,” Fralick advises. “Be prepared to learn ‘what is the kitchen,’ scoring and the basic rules of the sport.” There are pickleball ambassadors in almost every market, according to Fralick, who assures newbies that they “will quickly find a network of players because this sport is so inviting for new players.”
- 2/Continue to train off the court.** Improve your pickleball skills in your downtime with some off-court training. “Start in the gym with a trainer, hop on a treadmill and build some endurance,” Fralick recommends. Kudrick agrees. “Playing a lot of pickleball will automatically improve your game, but since it is still a sport, getting into a better physical shape by cardio workouts and strength training will take your game further.”
- 3/Don't eat a big meal beforehand.** “Eat healthy and light so you can stay quick on your feet,” Fralick says.
- 4/Don't sweat the rules on the first day.** Pickleball has a unique

scoring system and rules that are definitely confusing. Those will come with time, but for starters, focus on the game. Kudrick says, “It does not take long to get the hang of hitting a pickleball. Most of the time it is the scoring and rules that take the longest.”

**5/Enjoy the social aspect.** Unlike many other sports, pickleball is generally fun and welcoming for everyone — so embrace it! “Personally, I love how pickleball brings couples, families and friends together,” Kudrick says. “There are not many physical or skill activities that allow our differences to become more equitable. There is a new game night in town, and it's called pickleball!”

**6/Keep your eye on the ball.** It's a classic tip for a reason and one that Kudrick reiterates. “One of the best tips for beginner pickleball players is one that will stay with you even as you advance your skills: Watch the ball!”

Pickleball is so much fun and easy to learn,” Fralick says. Whether you want to simply enjoy its lighthearted, recreational nature or find a more competitive group, Fralick encourages all players to “find what works for you. After just one day, you will be having so much fun.” So pick up a paddle and get lost in the joy of pickleball. ▲





# "For Every Bird a Nest" (Emily Dickinson)

Article by Mary Wilde | Photos by Ed Konrad

Architects design many types of homes for humans to inhabit. Small apartments, tall condos, singular spaces. They use a variety of styles - colonial, modern, ornate, simple. Building materials vary dramatically - wood, brick, clay, glass, metal. We're aware of the many variations for our homes. Let's think about the home a bird designs and builds.

The shape, size and placement of nests varies dramatically. Cup shaped nests are common, found in bird houses or free standing in trees or shrubs. Some birds construct this shape of nest from mud and attach it to trees or other stabilizing structures. Some birds build pendant shaped homes that hang with the entrance at the bottom of the nest. Platform nesters are eagles, osprey and storks. Swans and Grebes erect floating nests, a modification of the platform nest for water environments. Nest spaces located in tree cavities are common, and woodpeckers actually create these holes for their nests. Natural cavities or abandoned woodpecker nest holes are the choice of owls, wrens, bluebirds and tree swallows. On the beach, the sand is simply pushed away making an indentation for egg laying. Creating this scrape-style nest is common for shorebirds like Piping Plovers and Least Terns.

How birds learn to build a nest is unknown. They left a nest as a fledgling, and then as a young mature adult they need to create their own nest. Parents may have taught the young bird some building techniques. Some knowledge may be innate and there is evidence that birds get better at nest building with practice. The nest is typically built from available materials found in the bird's habitat. Materials used are grass, sticks, cottony material from cattails, mosses, lichens, mud, small stones and sand. In contrast to humans, where we think of using our home through many seasons, birds need their nest for one reproductive season, usually one clutch of eggs, abandoning it once the young have fledged.

The nest functions as a space for egg incubation, allowing development to progress once the egg has been laid. Continued development requires critical conditions for the hatching and fledging of the offspring. The nest must be structured for maintenance of temperature and humidity. It must have space for the adults, the eggs, and then the young birds as they develop. It must be safe, so the eggs and young birds aren't at risk of falling out and are protected

from predators. Adult birds sit on the eggs to keep them at or near body temperature. In birds nesting during hot seasons, the adult's presence in the nest may cool the eggs. If the adults are frightened off the nest for an extended time, the eggs overheat and become non-viable. Egg shells are porous, so the correct humidity needs to be maintained. Birds have been known to bathe and return to the nest damp to moisturize the eggs. Parents are busy turning the eggs to keep a good equilibrium for growth, and they respond to movement and sound from within the egg as it approaches hatching. Predators such as raccoons, cats, snakes, squirrels and fire ants are always a threat. The adult bird will act out to distract or try to fight off predators, defending the nest.

In precocial birds the young are born in an advanced state and able to feed and move almost immediately. Think of ducks, turkeys and many shorebirds who nest at ground level, their young hatch with feathers, are mobile and begin feeding independent of the parent soon after hatching. The nest is used for a longer time in altricial species as the young are born underdeveloped and require parental support for maturation. The parents return many times to the nest bringing food to the maturing young until they can leave the nest on their own. Birds may reuse a nest for multiple broods in one season, but it is typically not reused year to year. Large raptors like eagles return to a nest space but usually rebuild and refresh it with new materials for the next clutch of eggs.

The used nest is a mess - once the eggs hatch it is a sloppy place. Egg shells which are sharp and dangerous to chicks are eaten by the adults or carried away. With all the feeding that begins so comes the byproduct... poop! How do they deal with it? In many species the fecal matter excreted from the young bird comes out in a small mucus coated pouch. The parent can quickly take this away from the nest. As the immature birds grow, they learn to poop over the side of the nest without falling out. All of these techniques help with nest cleanliness, but the nest is still pretty stinky. Some birds add moss or dry grasses to freshen the nest. The smell is a problem as it can attract predators. Mold and mildew settle in, fleas, ticks and mites can become a problem. So, once the babies fledge, abandoning the nest is typically the decision made. It has served its purpose, supporting a new generation of birds to mature. ▲



American Robin, Princeton NJ - cup nest (Mary Wilde); Cliff Swallow, Atlanta GA - mud nest



Osprey, Acworth GA - platform nest



Western Grebe, ND - floating nest; Piping Plover, ME - sand scrape nest



Peregrine Falcon, ME - cliff nest



Bald Eagle, Acworth GA - rebuilt nest

References:  
Cornell Lab of Ornithology, *Essential Ornithology* by Graham Scott,  
*How Birds Work* by Marianne Taylor



Red-headed Woodpecker, GA - cavity nest; Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, GA - lichen nest



Common Merganser, SD - ground nest, independent ducklings

Save the date: Sea Island Shorebird Festival - May 11-12, 2023  
More info & registration website coming soon!



The Seabrook Island Birders Shorebird Stewards are working together with Kiawah Shorebird Stewards, Kiawah Conservancy, SCDNR, SC Audubon & Manomet to host the first shorebird festival on our islands, Thursday and Friday, May 11 & 12, 2023.

Please join us for bird walks on both islands and field trips to Captain Sams Inlet. Prominent shorebird biologists will present exciting new information on the critical importance of Kiawah, Seabrook & Deveaux for shorebirds. Shorebird organizations, artists and photographers will be featured at the Festival hub on Friday afternoon.

Seabrook Island Birders presents  
**Red Knots in the Southeast:**  
Acting Locally,  
Thinking Globally  
Thursday, March 23, 2023



We've told the amazing story of Red Knots' 9000 mile migration from the tip of South America to the Arctic to breed, making an important stop at Seabrook Island to rest and fatten up. But did you know that many Red Knots spend entire winters along the Southeastern coasts, including Seabrook?

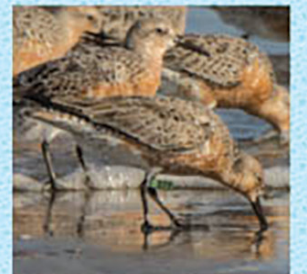
Join us for Fletcher Smith's discussion on this Red Knot subspecies that rely on developed SE coast beaches for most of the year before flying to the Arctic. Fletcher has been a migratory shorebird researcher for 20 years, working from Arctic to SA. He's a wildlife biologist with GA DNR, doing research/monitoring of shorebirds along the GA coast, and the Red Knots at Seabrook and Kiawah.

Fletcher will review Red Knot life cycle, breeding season, wintering ecology, and the critical linkage Seabrook and Kiawah provide as stopover for all Red Knot migration. And why our habitat is important to this threatened species.



Click on QR code to register & attend the program!

Volunteer for SIB Shorebird Stewards!  
email us for info:  
[sibstewards@gmail.com](mailto:sibstewards@gmail.com)



Date: Thursday, March 23, 2023, Live Oak Hall at the Lake House  
Registration starts 7:00 pm - Program starts 7:30 pm  
Join/Renew SIB in 2023 for only \$15.00  
Questions? Email us at: [SeabrookIslandBirders@gmail.com](mailto:SeabrookIslandBirders@gmail.com)





**C.O.V.A.R.  
CORNER**

JOANNE FAGAN  
C.O.V.A.R. President

### Short Term Rentals in Associations and Regimes

Rental season on Seabrook Island is underway! While the winter months usually see more long-term rentals, short term rentals typically start in earnest around Easter, which is April 9th this year.

Ordinances, Policies and Guidelines have been adopted and developed by both the Town of Seabrook Island (TOSI) and the Seabrook Island Property Owners Associations (SIPOA) to regulate Short-Term Rentals on Seabrook Island.

Approximately 80% of the current Short-Term Rentals (STR) licensed and permitted are in the 41 COVAR Associations and Regimes. Two issues new association and regime homeowners should be aware of are rental occupancy limits and rental

guest parking as they apply to STR's. TOSI developed and adopted Ordinance 2020-14, which governs STR's on Seabrook Island. One of the most important aspects of this ordinance was the establishment of **Occupancy Limits** for each STR, depending on square footage of the property. Occupancy limits for STR's did not exist before the establishment of this ordinance. Occupancy is verified using current tax information for each rental unit, obtained from Charleston County tax records. The ordinance allows 2 people per bedroom plus an additional 2 guest for units under 2500 square feet, while those units over 2500 square feet are allowed 2 people per bedroom plus an additional four guests. Children under the age of 2 are not included towards total occupancy. This information is provided to the Town by the homeowner or their rental agent when applying for the required Business License and STR Permit.

**Short Term Rental** parking and the issuing of **Gate Passes** are controlled by SIPOA, which maintains our entry gate.

On May 16, 2022, the SIPOA Board of Directors voted to approve a new policy regarding STR's, with revisions made in December of 2022 and implementation effective as of January 1, 2023.

This new policy clearly defines the number of vehicles/gate passes that can be issued to a STR.

The policy allows one car per bedroom, with an exception made for one bedroom units. For example, a one- or 2-bedroom unit is allowed 2 gate passes, whereas a 3-bedroom unit is allowed 3 gate passes and so on. Please note: several regimes have limited parking and have established their own parking guidelines. It is recommended that owners con-

tact their HOA Board of Directors for clarification within their community. Please be aware that an LSV is considered a vehicle when issuing gate passes to a STR.

The new policy **does not allow renters to request additional Gate Passes from Security**. Additional gate pass requests must be processed through the rental agent or homeowner.

New in 2023 is the implementation by SIPOA of a fee of \$40 for each Short-Term Rental Gate Pass issued. All rental gate passes must be collected at the new Gate Pass distribution site, which is located at 1900 Seabrook Island Road. In addition, all Short-Term rentals must register their property with SIPOA. This assures that security will have 24-hour emergency contact information for each rental unit. There is no fee for this registration.

With the newer TOSI STR Ordinance 2020-14 and the new SIPOA Policy and Guidelines for Short-Term Rentals, now would be a good time for each association and regime to review their Rules and Regulations. It may be necessary to add language regarding the new parking and occupancy limits and listing LSV's as vehicles. All COVAR member Board of Directors should review their community rules and regulations to be sure their homeowners are aware of the new restrictions.

Finally, COVAR encourages each association and regime board to consider reaching out to the various STR rental management companies and owners who manage their own rentals to provide an updated list of your association/regimes Rules and Regulations. This will be very helpful and well received by the companies.▲

# TEAM CLEARY

If you are looking to sell or buy real estate, give us a call today!

We are a full-service real estate team offering exceptional service, targeted marketing, and smooth transactions for our clients.

### Client Testimonial

*Wes and Cathy have an enthusiastic and knowledgeable passion for real estate. Their communication and ability to advocate for their clients is second to none. They made us comfortable, and we always felt as though our needs were a priority to them. As sellers who did not live in the home, they went above and beyond for showings, and always added that special "Team Cleary" touch which gave us immense peace of mind. We are very grateful for their patience and hard work throughout our selling process.*

## Cathy & Wes Cleary

828.808.6790  
828.785.2115



TeamCleary@SeabrookIsland.com



SEABROOK ISLAND  
Real Estate

seabrookisland.com

### Seabrook Island Village Neighbors Helping Neighbors

## Let's Clash!

By Susan Coomer & Anne Bavier



The 4th Annual Cornhole Clash is now open for registration and we've made some great changes.

- Date: Saturday, April 15th**
- Time: 12:30~4:00pm**
- Place: Lake House Lawn**
- Cost: \$80 per adult team**
- \$40 per person**
- \$30 Children's team under 12**
- \$15 per person**

Starting at 12:30 gives all a great time to enjoy a box lunch (supported by the Seabrook Island Club) and visit with neighbors and guests—a wonderful part of our island experience. Play begins at 1 pm.

#### Registration deadline: April 7

While we retained the structure of a single elimination tournament, we are ending the festivities by declaring champions in four divisions: women, men, adult mixed and children. With only 65 lucky teams playing, we will reach full capacity for our boards and scoring (be sure to sign up now and get one of those team spots). Several local shops and restaurants are providing gift certificates for our winners. Those terrific sponsors will be announced closer to the date.

Seabrook Island Village, Neighbors Helping Neighbors, is a volunteer organization fostering the ability of residents to remain in their homes and enjoy our island life. We acknowledge



that people may need help for a short time or all year. For example, last year our volunteers provided more than 1000 hours driving members to appointments, events and exercise groups. In addition, volunteers helped with household items and checked-in on residents. Members pay a small fee that we strive to keep as low as possible. Our fundraising efforts support computer systems to organize requests, train volunteers, reduce members' costs for programs (like our very popular Social Fit) and relevant programs open to the whole island, such as discussions with the

head of Charleston Probate Court. Our volunteers are our heroes who make it work!

Early sign up entitles you to a box lunch, t-shirt and the enjoyment of a fun game with families and friends. You are helping our neighbors.▲

Get entry forms at the Lake House, the Racquet Club, and the SIV website: [seabrook.helpfulvillage.com](http://seabrook.helpfulvillage.com)  
Questions contact: Susan Coomer [seabrksue@att.net](mailto:seabrksue@att.net)





## Preserving Green Space on Seabrook Island



2517 Pelican Perch



2961 Deer Point Drive

In the late 1990s a group of Seabrookers grew concerned that Seabrook Island would be built out and the large undeveloped sections of the island would disappear along with the wildlife habitat. Sound familiar? Thus with the foresight of a number of "green space" volunteers, the Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy was born and became a 501(c)3 tax-exempt corporation. At SIPOA's 2001 Annual Meeting, property owners showed their support for protecting the island's environment by voting to allow the POA to accept donated green space properties and to waive assessments on those properties.

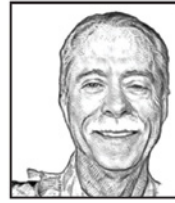
In the early years of the Conservancy two highly visible land tracts were preserved—the horse pasture at the entrance to the Island and the tree canopy along Seabrook Island Road. Fundraising became critical to the organization's ability to acquire properties for conservation and the first full-fledged Green Space Gala in 2010 boosted the Conservancy's financial abilities. Strategic planning also became critical as all undeveloped lots on the island were assessed with regard to their environmental importance.

As land prices continued to rise, preserving lots for green space grew more challenging. In 2013 a big step forward occurred with the first lot donated by private owners. Roger and Vivian Steel donated a lot adjacent to their property on Marsh Hen. By the end of the year a lot on Privateer Creek was donated by Ed and Mary Dear. These two donations became the catalyst for many more donations in coming years.

In 2022 two acquisitions for conservation were funded partially or entirely by donations from neighbors of the acquired lots. These lots are 2761 Deer Point Drive (.4 acres) and 2754 Old Forest Drive (.26 acres). To date the Conservancy has been able to preserve 42 lots totaling more than 30 acres. These lots are owned by SIPOA with a conservation easement specifying that no construction of any kind whatsoever is permitted.

If you would like to help the Conservancy continue to preserve our beautiful island, please visit our website at [www.sigsc.net](http://www.sigsc.net) to learn more about conservation on Seabrook Island and to make a donation. ▲

*Susan Leggett*



GLASS HALF FULL  
*Perspectives*  
BOB LEGGETT

## Thinking Some Cheerful Thoughts

My wife and I were enjoying dinner with several of our friends recently and the economy and markets were a topic of conversation. More specifically, my Glass Half Full Perspectives column was discussed and everyone agreed recent columns have been more toward the Glass Half *Empty* end of the spectrum. The question then posed was "Can't you say something cheerful?"

That seemed like a reasonable request, so I decided to write as cheerful a column as possible this month. Let me know what you think about this at [rmlegg8@gmail.com](mailto:rmlegg8@gmail.com)!

The first reason to be cheerful is that I believe in the longer term growth of the American economy which leads to earnings growth which leads to higher stock market values. It may seem our partisan political leadership and the media are doing their best to undermine our natural and cultural advantages, but the fact is that we have survived tests like this in the past, and I expect we will survive and thrive once again.

In the near term, virtually everyone expects a Recession and we rarely get what everyone expects! I will be much more cheerful if economic data indicates we can skate by with a soft landing/slowdown in the economy rather than a Recession.

The continued strong growth in employment and rising wage levels should continue to fuel solid consumer spending. Consumer spending is about two-thirds of GDP, so this is meaningful. Keep an eye on your fellow consumers as the year unfolds.

Subsiding inflation rates are another positive. Even Fed Chair Powell has noted that consumer goods prices are disinflating, so it must be pretty obvious. In my opinion,

overall inflation will remain sticky and problematic, but it will be good news for consumers, businesses and investors if the debate switches from will inflation subside to how quickly will it do so.

The Fed remains unfriendly, but the probability is they are in the late innings of this tightening cycle. Rates are already up from zero to nearly 5%. After the carnage caused by four 0.75% rate hikes in 2022, they downshifted to increases of 0.5% and 0.25% at the December and February meetings. I will feel more cheerful if they hit the "pause" button this Spring.

I am not optimistic about bond yields, but I have to make the same point as in the preceding paragraph: Bond yields are already up a lot. Over the long term, the 10 year US Treasury has yielded about 2% above CPI inflation. Even if inflation falls, what if it settles out at 3%, rather than returning to the Fed's 2% target? That would call for the 10 year US Treasury yield to be closer to 5% - and it is under 4% as I write this column. Sorry, that's as cheerful as I can force myself to be about bonds. On the other hand, the stock market has a few positive spins for those who are striving to be cheerful.

There was panic liquidation of growth stocks in October at the 2022 lows of the Bear Market. Investor surveys reached pessimism extremes that generally lead to solid price advances over the following year. While investors grew more optimistic during the early 2023 rally, the improvement was somewhat muted, so investor sentiment is on the plus side of the ledger.

A technical measure that has a solid track record is the so-called Golden Cross. Short term price trends are measured by the 50-day

moving average (50MA) of daily closes for the S&P 500 Index. Obviously, a rising 50MA trend means prices are heading higher. The longer term trend is measured by the 200-day (200MA). A Golden Cross occurs when the 50MA stops going down, turns up and then crosses up through the 200MA. The 50MA turned up last December and the Golden Cross took place in February. For reference, the opposite signal (called a Death Cross) occurred in March 2022, followed by 8 months of falling prices.

The four year Presidential Election Cycle switched to a favorable period for stocks after last year's mid terms. Since 1914, 21 of the 27 mid-term years saw an important stock market low that was followed by significant gains within the next 18 months. Another analysis of the Cycle shows that the third calendar year (ie, 2023) is by far the most likely to record positive returns.

Finally, I will present the cheerful message of the January Barometer. I wrote about the Barometer history in my February 2022 column, titled "Does A Weak January Portend a Difficult Year For The Markets?" We now know the answer was YES! This year is off to a different start as the S&P 500 posted a gain for the first five days of the year and went on to gain +6.3% for the month.

Even if the January gains turn out to be a mere Bear Market rally, I feel ever-so-slightly more cheerful. And it's all due to that question from my buddy Ken.▲

### IMPORTANT DISCLOSURES

*The opinions voiced in this commentary on current economics and markets are my own and not the opinions or positions of any entities or organizations with which I may be affiliated or associated. This column is for general enjoyment and not intended to provide specific advice or recommendations for any individual or institution.*

# Gadsden Glen

CENTER FOR HEALTH & REHAB



The award-winning Gadsden Glen welcomes the Charleston community for their short-term rehab needs within the Christie Rehab Center.

Gadsden Glen Center for Health and Rehab was built to restore strength and spirit, providing a healing experience unlike any other in the Southeast.

With costs in-line with the Charleston area, Medicare and insurance coverage allows you to select Gadsden Glen for your short-term post-acute rehabilitation, thus setting you on a successful course of improved health and wellness.

Located on James Island, within the Bishop Gadsden Episcopal Retirement Community.

For more information - 843.406.6251, [www.bishopgadsden.org](http://www.bishopgadsden.org)





## HEALTHY AGING

Jerry Reves, MD

### Online Medical Advice

Got a medical question? Hard to get an appointment with your doctor? Want a quick answer to your medical question? Don't worry. All you need is your trusty smartphone or computer with an internet connection – or should you worry?

We live in the fast-food, immediate-gratification world and when we want answers we want them quickly. So, if you use the search engine, Google, (another example of instant answers, but that is for another columnist) and type in "medical advice online" you get in 0.45 seconds nearly 6 billion (with a "B") places to go for medical advice. That is really a lot of "help." So where do you start?

#### What Sites are Out There?

OK, so there is a lot of advice available, but are we talking about your health or a question you have about family, a friend, or you? You don't want to get bad information and your chief question is where can I get a trustworthy answer to my question?

Of the billion sites available, where should I take my question? If you use Google as your guide the ones listed at the beginning are listed there because they pay Google advertising fees and are so marked. That doesn't make them unreliable. After all advertising is the American way to direct consumers and to influence their behavior. These sites allow you to explore conditions, drugs and supplements, well-being, symptom checker, find a doctor (based on your condition and location). That is a wealth of information.

There are other services that have doctors at their keyboards waiting for questions from you. The doctors are unnamed but star ratings of their service are provided. How can you go wrong if others rate these anonymous physicians as 5 star?

Many other sites have a wide variety of information based on symptoms or specific to a disease. In other words, the sites will help you make your own diagnosis or give you information about a problem that you know or think you have. You become your own diagnostician with the help of the internet, but you know how problematic that might be – you have lived with yourself a long time.

Other sources of excellent information can be obtained at disease-category sites like the American Heart Association, American Cancer Society, or a host of other non-profit organizations that focus on disease-specific statistics and information.

There are governmental sites as well. The National Library of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health have marvelous resources online for those of us who want a more academic approach to our

medical questions. The information on these sites is rigorous, authoritative, and peer reviewed by experts in the field.

Wikipedia, the online encyclopedia, as you can imagine has information on most common medical diseases and offers treatment advice in a useful format that is generally respected.

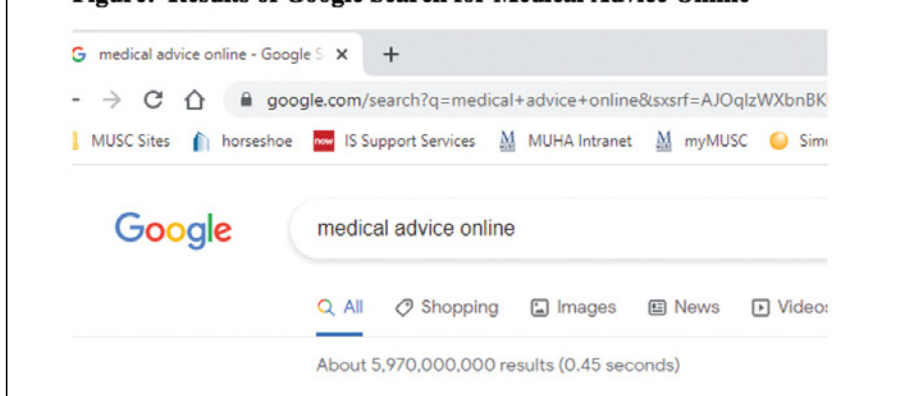
And lastly, there are thousands of home remedies, experimental, and pure snake-oil types of approaches to the medical problems you have. Charlatans are alive and well on the internet. Obviously, these are to be read and followed at your peril.



Table: Selected Medical Advice and Information Websites

WebMD	<a href="https://www.webmd.com/">https://www.webmd.com/</a>
Mayo Clinic	<a href="https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions">https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions</a>
Merck Manual	<a href="https://www.merckmanuals.com/home">https://www.merckmanuals.com/home</a>
24 hr. MD Consultation	<a href="https://www.justanswer.com/medical/">https://www.justanswer.com/medical/</a>
National Institutes of Health Public Information	<a href="https://www.nih.gov/health-information">https://www.nih.gov/health-information</a>
National Institute of Aging	<a href="https://www.nia.nih.gov/health">https://www.nia.nih.gov/health</a>
National Helpline Addiction	<a href="https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/national-helpline">https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/national-helpline</a>
American Heart Association	<a href="https://www.heart.org/en/">https://www.heart.org/en/</a>
American Cancer Society	<a href="https://www.cancer.org/">https://www.cancer.org/</a>
Arthritis Foundation	<a href="https://www.arthritis.org/">https://www.arthritis.org/</a>
American Lung Association	<a href="https://www.lung.org/">https://www.lung.org/</a>
American Diabetes Association	<a href="https://diabetes.org/">https://diabetes.org/</a>

Figure: Results of Google Search for Medical Advice Online



#### What is the Best Strategy When Seeking Online Medical Advice?

There are several reputable sources of information that are user friendly. The table lists selected sites that are popular and useful. If clear and easy to understand information is what you desire WebMD, Mayo Clinic, and Merck Manual for Consumers are appropriate. These are sites to get you started.

For the more authoritative and sometimes less easy to understand sites, I recommend the National Institutes of Health and the disease-specific organizations shown in the table. These sites all offer search functions and you can type in the specific problem you wish to get information concerning. You will not get a doctor who will make a diagnosis. These sites are best used to amplify or expand the information you already have about your particular condition.

The online medical advice from a practicing physician would be a high-risk strategy to use, in my opinion. A medical diagnosis requires a thorough history, physical exam, and usually some diagnostic testing. All this should be done by a personal physician.

The newest development in your own doctor's practice that has followed COVID is the advent of telemedicine or telehealth. Live consultation is now often offered online to patients at your health facility. This allows you to be literally "seen" by a clinician, dialogue with her/him about your problems, and have a diagnosis and treatment plan developed. This is not the same as in-person care, but a suitable substitute for some.

Lastly, do not rely on advice, testimonials, or products that are online for the profit of the sponsor and that have not been shown to be scientifically valid by medical research published in a credible scientific medical journal.

#### The Bottom Line

With a billion places to find medical advice and diagnosis it is tempting to rely on the internet. There is a lot of wonderful information that gives you knowledge that is useful. However, there is no substitute for the face-to-face medical consultation required in evaluating symptoms and making diagnosis. The online material ideally is used to supplement information that you originally received from your physician. It is not optimal to self-diagnose on the internet, but the role of telemedicine is emerging as a convenient and adequate method for rapid consultation. ▲



Just Listed

STUNNING VIEWS & STEPS FROM THE BEACH

## 2261 Seascape Court Seabrook Island

\$2,499,000

3,946 SF Home · 5 Bedrooms, 4 Bathrooms

This home is located on a corner lot, just steps from Boardwalk #2 to Seabrook Island's renowned North Beach. Overlooking the entire fairway of the Ocean Winds 14th hole along with spectacular ocean vistas, this home offers incredible views and one of the best locations you will find on Seabrook Island. The home features an inverted floor plan to take full advantage of the stunning views from the second story. Outdoor living space is abundant with two levels of decks and two levels of screened porches.



Emery Macpherson  
emery@akersellis.com  
843.408.3143



Nick Macpherson  
nick@akersellis.com  
954.591.5741



## Passion for Excellence

We have many years of professional experience representing individuals and corporate clients on Seabrook and Kiawah Islands, Mt Pleasant, downtown Charleston, and the surrounding areas. Our passion for excellence in a demanding real estate market is what motivates our desire to exceed every client's expectations.

**Jill Butler**  
AGENT  
JillButler@thomascottingham.com

**Matt Butler**  
PRINCIPAL BROKER  
MattButler@thomascottingham.com

**Ann Clark**  
AGENT  
AnnClark@thomascottingham.com



**THOMAS COTTINGHAM**  
REALTY  
843.352.8152  
www.thomascottingham.com

## FREE IN-HOUSE PICK-UP DONATING TO HABITAT RESTORE HAS NEVER BEEN EASIER.



**Call Today**  
**843-559-4009**



All proceeds benefit our mission to build simple, safe, decent homes for families that need a hand up, not a hand out.

**Donations are tax-deductible.**

3304 Maybank Hwy • Johns Island, SC 29455  
843-559-4009 • restore@seaislandhabitat.org  
www.seaislandhabitat.org



Faith-based • Not-for-Profit

## Begin Your Easy Life at Franke!

Independent Living Apartments & Patio Homes  
Assisted Living & Memory Care  
Short-term Rehab • Long-term Care

Ask about our virtual tours!

843.216.2222 or 800.940.7435

1885 Rifle Range Rd. • Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464 • FrankeAtSeaside.org

## PONDERISMS

Looking at Life  
Like You Never Thought  
Possible or Necessary



WAYNE BILLIAN

- Why do peanuts float in a regular coke and sink in a diet coke? Go ahead and try it!
- I used to eat a lot of natural foods until I learned that most people die of natural causes.
- Can you cry under water?
- How important does a person have to be before they are considered assassinated instead of just murdered?
- Why do you have to "put your two cents in" ... but it's only a "penny for your thoughts"? Where's that extra penny going?
- Once you're in heaven, do you get stuck wearing the clothes you were buried in for eternity?
- What disease did cured ham actually have?
- How is it that we put man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?
- Why is it that people say they "slept like a baby" when babies wake up like every two hours?

- If a deaf person has to go to court, is it still called a hearing?
- Why are you IN a movie, but you're ON TV?
- Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?
- Why do doctors leave the room while you change? They're going to see you naked anyway.
- Why is "bra" singular and "panties" plural?

- Why do toasters always have a setting that burns the toast to a horrible crisp, which no decent human being would eat?
- Can a hearse carrying a corpse drive in the carpool lane?
- If the professor on Gilligan's Island can make a radio out of a coconut, why can't he fix a hole in a boat?
- If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, what is baby oil made from?
- If electricity comes from electrons, does morality come from morons?
- Why do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune?
- Why did you just try singing the two songs above?
- Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?
- How did the man who made the first clock know what time it was? ▲



## KIAWAH REAL ESTATE 2022

NOTE: With Seabrook real estate having a very good year in 2022, I thought it would be informative to see the results at neighboring Kiawah.

Just published is the Kiawah Island Real Estate 2022 Property Report, highlighting Island-wide trends throughout the year that shaped our market. The Island saw a return to a more normalized sales pace for the first time in over two years. Transactions were down 47%,

although dollar volume dropped just 29% due to significant increases in average and median prices, offsetting the transaction decline. Highlights include:

- 386 transactions for \$742M in sales volume - the 3rd best year in the history of the Island

- Average sales prices on the Island jumped 36% and median pricing was up 61% year-over-year
- Overall island-wide inventory has gradually replenished, but remains at just 2.4%
- Average single-family home sales price increased 22% to \$3.3M ▲



## SOUTH CAROLINA HISTORY

### February, 1779: The Battle of Port Royale

After the British took Savannah, Georgia, in December 1778, they decided to establish a base to the north, on Port Royal Island, South Carolina. They hoped this action would enable them to cut the supply line of the American troops commanded by General Benjamin Lincoln, who were stationed at Purrysburg. Port Royal Island was defended by a small garrison of roughly 20 men stationed at Fort Lytleton who were commanded by Captain John DeTreville.

British General Augustine Prevost sent British Major James Gardiner with about 200 men from Savannah to Hilton Head Island. The British soldiers were transported on the HMS Vigilant, an unseaworthy ship that was used as a floating battery and towed by men in longboats. In the first volume of The History of Beaufort County, the authors point out that passage of such a large ship through the backwaters would have required the knowledge of someone familiar with the area. They suggest that Andrew DeVeaux IV, who defected to the British after the fall of Savannah, assisted the British as they sailed to Hilton Head and on up the Broad River to Port Royal Island. They anchored near the plantation of General Stephen Bull and Gardiner sent Captain Patrick Murray to scout the island while the British ships bombarded the plantations along the river. Murray and his men set fire to several properties, including buildings owned by Thomas Heyward, Jr.

Due to his concern that Fort Lytleton might fall to the British, Captain DeTreville ordered the fort's cannons spiked and the bastion blown up on January 31st. He was unaware that on that same day General William Moultrie arrived at the Port Royal Ferry with about 300 men. Moultrie's artillery units were commanded by Thomas Heyward, Jr. and Edward Rutledge. The following day the troops moved into Beaufort. On February 2 Heyward and Colonel Bernard Beekman were sent to defend the northern side of the town. As they took their positions, Gardiner and his men landed at DeVeaux's plantation. From there, British scouts moved toward the Beaufort Ferry, where they had a brief skirmish with the Beaufort Militia. They then attacked Stephen Bull's plantation and burned the buildings. Once his scouts discovered the presence of Moultrie's troops in Beaufort, Gardiner turned his forces to advance.

On February 3, Moultrie learned of the British action from the previous day. He marched his troops out of town, joining with the detachments of Colonel Beekman and Captain Heyward. The small forces met on top of Gray's Hill where the British occupied a tree line and the Americans were positioned in an open field. At about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, the British advanced with fixed bayonets. Moultrie's artillery fired and forced the British to retreat but they regrouped and exchanged

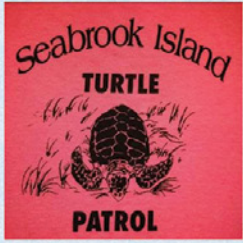


"The Plan of Port Royal" from a 1776 map by John Gascoigne. This map is part of the collections of the South Carolina Historical Society.

fire for about 45 minutes. Both sides were low on ammunition and Gardiner ordered a retreat. As the British fell back, Captain John Barnwell's calvary captured 26 men, but the British defended themselves and took all but eight back. Both sides lost seven men in the conflict, and, with the destruction of Fort Lytleton by the Patriots, the battle did not advance the American effort significantly. However, it did boost morale as reports of the victory spread throughout the colonies and it also deterred the British as they sought a route to capture Charleston.▲

Faye Jensen,  
SC Historical Society





## Seabrook Island Turtle Patrol Prepares for the 2023 Season



**MISSION:** The mission of the Seabrook Island Turtle Patrol (The Turtle Patrol) is to recruit, train, and organize volunteers in a collective effort to monitor, preserve, protect, and facilitate the propagation of sea turtles on Seabrook Island. This is accomplished through identification and protection of nests, inventory of nests, data collection, and education of island residents and visitors.



**New Members:** If you are new to turtle patrol and want to join this year, register each person at:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdoOE5KBrBTQ0V6s-pK11QzIOBzysSzkYnd2vUS8RFm44WZ1A/viewform>

**Kick-off meeting:** Thursday, March 30, 6 pm at the Lake House. New members will learn what the patrol does and will have the opportunity to sign up for walking and other assignments and order patrol tee shirts. Tee shirts are mandatory to work on turtle patrol.

**Existing Members:** If you were a 2022 member, an email with ordering and sign-up details has been sent.

**More information on various volunteer opportunities::**

<https://www.siturtlepatrol.com/volunteer-resources>

Questions? Email us at: [hello@SITurtlePatrol.com](mailto:hello@SITurtlePatrol.com)

**www.seabrookrealestate.com**  
843.768.3921

**1156 Ocean Forest Lane**  
4BR/4F 2H BA,  
marsh to ocean views  
**\$5,322,000**

SEABROOK ISLAND REAL ESTATE *Life starts here & your journey begins with us.*



**1412 Dune Loft Villa**  
2BR/2BA + loft,  
Hardie Plank exterior  
**\$749,000**



**2125 Royal Pine Dr**  
Blk 40 Lot 43, lagoon  
front corner lot, .26 acres  
**\$199,000**



*Family Owned & Operated since 1975*  
**COMMERCIAL – RESIDENTIAL**  
**CALL US TODAY • FREE ESTIMATES**

**843-766-8298**



Visit our website for Special Offers:

[www.LedfordsPestControl.com](http://www.LedfordsPestControl.com)



2740 Colonel Harrison Drive, Stonoview | \$949,000



3143 Privateer Creek Road, Seabrook | 0.47 Acre | \$295,000

*The Kiawah Seabrook Group*

**dunes properties**

SERVING THE ISLANDS OF KIAWAH, SEABROOK, JOHNS, AND WADMALAW

Come See us at Bohicket Marina Village! | 1887 Andell Bluff Boulevard | 843.768.9800



2719 Old Oak Walk, Seabrook | 0.22 Acre | \$189,000



0 Nesting Egret Dr # 37, Briar's Creek | 5.24 Acres | \$475,000





Steve Penkhus, MD



**SLEEP WELL,  
LIVE WELL  
AND  
LONGER**

Good sleep hygiene is now considered one of the major life style factors associated with good health and longevity. Many studies are showing more and more links between the two. With smoking related deaths recently declining, sleep deprivation has been called the "new smoking" when looking at health and longevity. Many of us might have taken pride in thinking we could get on very little sleep so that we could accomplish more in each twenty four hour day. We are now finding that thinking was probably not the best thought process.

Humans are very hard to study and studies of the human brain are even harder to study because of so many uncontrollable variables. So it needs to be said that the vast majority of medical studies show more associations than cause and effect. This is true with sleep studies. There is still much to be learned in this relatively new field and this is probably a good example of "we don't know what we don't know." Having stated this, the evidence is still very convincing and we need take a serious look our sleep habits.

Good sleep habits have been associated with many reported health benefits including:

- Living longer because of less medical problems.

- Maintaining a healthy weight and decreasing the risk of obesity.
- Less risk of heart disease and diabetes, stroke, hypertension, anxiety, depression, alcohol abuse, some types of cancer and dementia.
- Less stress and anxiety.
- More sensation of happiness.
- Thinking more clearly and improved academic performance and productivity.
- Less accidents. Sleeping 6 hours a night is associated with a 33% increased risk of a car crash.

Some common recommendations for healthy sleep habits include:

- Maintain a regular daily sleep - wake schedule and try for 7-9 hours of sleep a night. Children need more. More or less hours of sleep are both associated with more problems.
- Avoid caffeine, alcohol, nicotine and other chemicals that might interfere with sleep for several hours before sleeping.
- Avoid screen time right before

- going to bed.
- Making your bedroom a comfortable sleep environment.
- Establishing a calm, relaxed pre-sleep routine.
- Not watching the clock at night.
- Not eating or drinking too much soon before going to bed.
- Regular exercise, but not right before going to bed.
- Only taking naps of 20 minute or less naps during the day.
- Keeping the room as dark possible, even when going to the bathroom. Eye masks might help.
- Keeping the room as quiet as possible. Ear plugs might help.
- Using the bed only for sleep, not for screen time or reading.

If these measures don't help or there is obesity, episodes of apnea, snoring or unusual daytime sleepiness, a sleep study should be considered to investigate correctable medical conditions and treatments.

Hopefully some of us will feel less guilty about some extra time under the covers.▲

Overnights • Walks • Food • Medicine

**Pet Sitting**

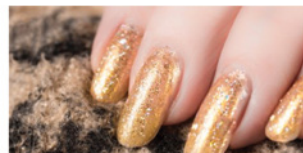
Loving pet care either in my home on Seabrook or in your home.

**Irene Quincy • 843.270.7001  
IreneQuincy@gmail.com**

REFERENCES UPON REQUEST



*Time to Treat Yourself!*



Manicure



Pedicure



A La Carte



Hair

**GLAM & GLITZ**  
HAIR • NAILS • FACIAL

Bohicket Marina Village | Mon-Fri 9:00-5:00 | Saturday by Appointment Only

**843.768.0911**

[www.glamandglitzbohicket.com](http://www.glamandglitzbohicket.com)



**INSPIRED BY  
NATURE,  
CAPTURED ON  
FILM**

**BEN HAM**

**MAR 16  
6:30-8:00PM  
LAKE HOUSE**



Ben Ham is a fine art, landscape photographer who works exclusively in traditional, black and white film. He is self-taught and his work is highly influenced by the work of Ansel Adams.

Ben's photography showcases some of his favorite places in the world. From the mountains and lakes of Colorado to the sweeping landscapes and shorelines of the Pacific West, to the tranquility of the Lowcountry, each collection of Ben's work offers viewers a distinct perspective and reflect his deep love and appreciation for the natural world.

Ben's talk will share how he approaches his work - what drives his inspiration and the process he uses to create each image. He'll discuss his background and what drives his artistic vision. Ben will be bringing some framed pieces for discussion and he will describe the story of the images and their inspiration. We'll also have time for a Q&A session - so bring your questions!

Ben owns and operates two Ben Ham Galleries, one in Charleston, SC and one in Bluffton, SC that exclusively sell his art. All of his work, from printing to framing to shipping, is produced in his 4000 square foot studio on Hilton Head.

Refreshments at 6:30.  
Presentation at 7:00 pm

This meeting is free to Seabrook Island Photo Club members. For guests and non-members we request a \$10 donation (which can be applied to an annual Photo Club membership.)

**Join us Easter Sunday  
for a Waterfront  
Brunch & Egg Hunt!**

**A LEGENDARY  
WATERFRONT EXPERIENCE**

**OUTDOOR DINING** ■ **BREAKFAST BY THE BOATS** ■ **FANTASTIC SUNSETS** ■ **ICE CREAM SHOP**

**Easter Eggstravaganza | Sunday, April 9th**  
Egg Hunts at 11am and 12:30pm • Brunch starts at 10am

**PLAN YOUR SALTY DOG EXPERIENCE**  
[charleston.saltydog.com](http://charleston.saltydog.com)



**WASHINGTON** - U.S. Senator Tim Scott (R-S.C.) is now accepting applications for internships in his Washington, D.C., North Charleston, Columbia, and Greenville offices for the summer of 2023. The internship program offers undergraduate and graduate students the chance to work with public service professionals and gain practical experience in constituent services, government policy, and more. Students of all majors, particularly those studying

governmental affairs, public policy, or communications, are welcome to apply.

**Washington, D.C. Office:** In Washington, interns will research legislation, attend congressional hearings and briefings, assist with press tasks, and help manage correspondence on various issues. Responsibilities also include answering phones and other administrative tasks. Interns in this office will gain a stronger understanding of the lawmaking process, while

also improving their communications skills.

**South Carolina Offices (North Charleston, Columbia, and Greenville):** In the state offices, interns will take an active role in the community, working on state-based projects while also answering phones, completing research, and being an integral part

of day-to-day office operations. Interns in these offices are able to assist with issues that affect South Carolinians each day.

Internship hours are flexible to accommodate students' course schedules but generally run from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Students may also gain course credit for completing

the internship program. Interested students can apply through our website at <https://www.scott.senate.gov/constituent-services/internships>. For additional questions, contact the internship coordinator at [internships@scott.senate.gov](mailto:internships@scott.senate.gov) or (202) 224-6121. ▲





## Barrier Islands Free Medical Clinic Annual Golf Invitational: March 27

Barrier Islands Free Medical Clinic is pleased to announce that their 16th Annual Golf Invitational will take place Monday, March 27, 2023, at the Ocean Course at Kiawah Island.

The golf tournament will begin at noon, with a box lunch provided beforehand. Prizes for various skill contests will be awarded before and during the day's festivities. A cocktail hour with buffet dinner, Lowcountry Drawing and awards ceremony will take place immediately following the tournament.

### About The Course

Home to the 2021 PGA tour, the infamous Ocean Course at Kiawah Island boasts not only incredible views but a true test of skill. With a 155 slope rating — the maximum difficulty allowed by the USGA's rating system — players will prepare to tackle nearly 8,000-yards of green all the while hoping that the winds are in their favor that day.



According to Golf Magazine, "The Ocean Course, designed by Pete Dye, features a series of remarkable ocean vistas down the final nine holes. It was the ocean that inspired Dye's wife Alice to recommend raising the green complexes to provide players with better views of the water. Ultimately, the Ocean Course presents one of the

game's great challenges in one of its most awe-striking venues, a 7,876-yard, par-72 test of both mettle and might."

The Ocean Course requires the use of one caddy per foursome. The fee for the caddy is included in your registration fee (\*Players are welcome to tip their caddy on the day of the event.) ▲



## Kiawah Island Club to Host 8th U.S. Amateur Four-Ball Championship

The Kiawah Island Club will be joining an impressive list of past venues, including The Olympic Club and Winged Foot.

Introduced to the USGA schedule in 2015, the U.S. Amateur Four-Ball replaced the U.S. Amateur Public Links, an individual tournament that was played from 1922 to 2014. The Amateur Four-Ball has quickly become one of their most popular events, with close to 2,500 entries every year.

The U.S. Amateur Four-Ball is played by "sides" of two golfers, each with handicap indexes of 5.4 or less. 128 sides compete in a 36-hole stroke play qualifier that determines the field of 32 sides for match play. Play is conducted using a four-ball format, where the lowest score by either player on each hole is the score

for the side.

The winning team obtains a ten-year exemption into the tournament but also automatically registers them for the U.S. Amateur Championship, where a victory leads to exemptions for the next year's U.S. Open, Open Championship and The Masters.

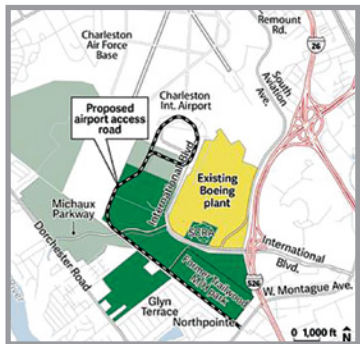
The championship will take place May 20 – 24, 2023 at Cassique. The courses will be open for complimentary spectator viewing and there will be various volunteer opportunities available as well.

"We have forever etched our names in USGA history as a strong supporter of amateur golf and look forward to giving all those involved a taste of the magic our Island so graciously provides." - Dylan Thew, Kiawah Island Club's Director of Golf. ▲

## PROPOSED NEW AIRPORT ACCESS ROAD

The black-dotted line shows the proposed new access road to Charleston International Airport. It will replace the existing entryway to the airport via International Boulevard and allow for Boeing Co. to expand across International Boulevard on land it acquired in 2013. (Source: ESRI)

With goals to improve the flow of traffic and reduce congestion in the area, the proposed five-lane roadway's anticipated route extends alongside a



power line off Montague Avenue and leads into the current loop road at the airport.

This access road is expected to replace the current entryway at International Boulevard after construction is finalized.

The target time frame for bids to go out is currently spring 2024, after which construction will begin. The multi-million dollar project is expected to take two years. ▲



## PHOTO PICKS OF THE MONTH

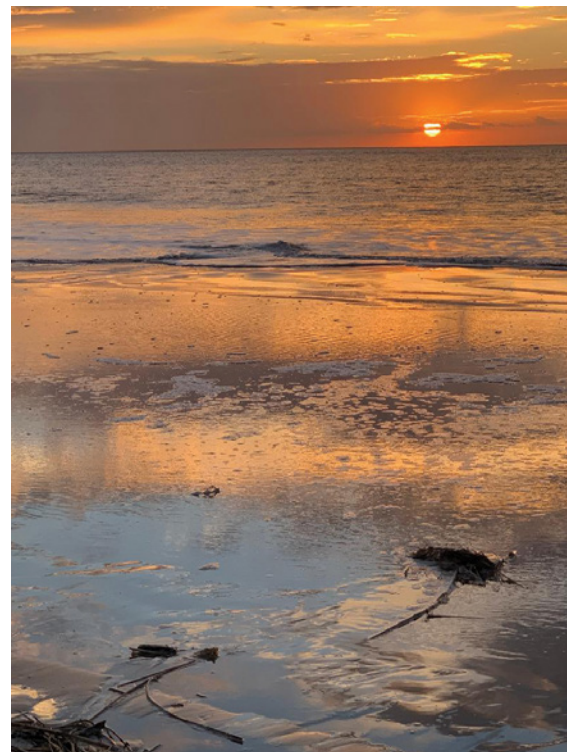
### ATTENTION ALL PHOTO BUFFS!

Have you taken a spectacular photo recently? Send your photo, along with your name and a title to [www.TheSeabrooker@yahoo.com](mailto:www.TheSeabrooker@yahoo.com).

See if you are our next issue!



"Close Encounter" - by Peter Smith



"Waking Up on North Beach" - by Terri Goslin

## TOWN OF KIAWAH Arts & CULTURAL EVENTS



### Art Film Series – The Quiet Man

Friday, March 3, 2023  
The Sandcastle  
3:00 - 5:00 PM  
No charge  
No tickets required



### Charleston Men's Chorus

Saturday, March 11, 2023  
Church of Our Savior  
7:30 PM  
No charge  
Tickets required (limit 2 per household)



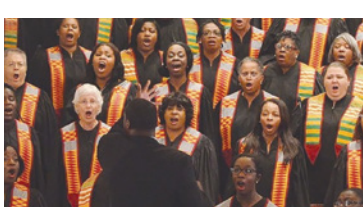
### Quentin E. Baxter Presents . . . René Marie & Experiment In Truth

Sunday, March 12, 2023  
West Beach Conference Center  
4:00 PM  
Tickets - \$35



### Piano Bar - Chris Dodson

Wednesday, March 23, 2023  
The Sandcastle  
5:00-7:00 PM  
No charge  
No tickets required



### LowCountry Voices Featuring Charlton Singleton

Sunday, March 26, 2023  
Holy Spirit Catholic Church  
4:00 PM  
No charge  
Tickets required

Visit: [www.kiawahisland.org/events/](http://www.kiawahisland.org/events/) for full details of above



Seabrook Island Artists Guild Presents  
**Oil Palette Knife Workshop**  
 with James Pratt  
 March 6-7, 2023, 9:00-4:00pm  
 Oyster Catcher Center Seabrook Island  
*"Strictly with a knife, not a brush in sight!"*

James Pratt, one of the "Modern Masters" of palette knife painting, will be conducting a two-day oil palette knife workshop at Seabrook Island, on March 6-7, 2023.

Pratt will introduce a new and exciting way to paint with the palette knife and develop strokes that will allow the students to paint wet on wet and finish a painting in one session (Alla Prima). Students will achieve texture, vibrant color and dimension, work on composition, on creating values and learning the proper technique on how to hold the knife, apply the correct amount of paint to the blade and how to pick up the paint correctly.

Pratt will start each day by demonstrating different strokes and spend quality time and guide each student in perfecting the strokes and techniques. Afterwards, students will begin and finish their own paintings that day.

For Pratt, "Painting with a knife, one can achieve the suggestion of

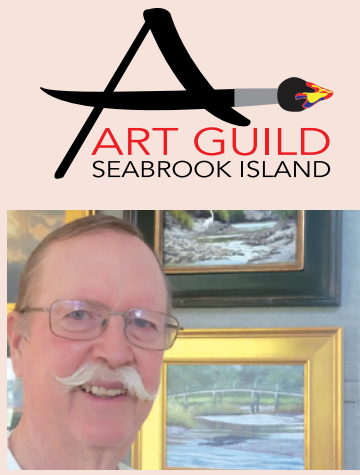
movement and the changing of light by adding textures which can be thin or ridged. Using the knife this way allows the paint to stand out and encourages a lively and impressionistic treatment, providing an exciting contrast of scale which adds greatly to the impact of the finished painting."

To learn more about James Pratt, his portfolio, DVDs, books, and Online Academy videos, please visit [www.jamesprattfineart.com](http://www.jamesprattfineart.com)

**Workshop registration is limited to 10 and ends February 24.**

For SIAG members: Cost is \$200 payable by check to the artist, James Pratt. Please mail to Monique Boisier-Sporn, 1404 Nancy Island Drive, Seabrook Island, SC 29455.

Non-Members who wish to attend SIAG workshops, must join the Guild by sending a check for \$30 (annual dues) payable to SIAG, to Treasurer Lee Fritz, 2285 Marsh Hen, Seabrook Island, SC 29455.▲



Rob Bavier grew up on the water. An early photo shows him at 10 months holding myself up by the tiller of an Interclub Dingy. He comes from a family of sailors. Both his grandfather and father participated in the America's Cup with his father being skipper of Constellation in the 1964 successful Cup defense. With that background, it is not surprising that his earliest memories are of racing on Long Island Sound and cruising the ever-changing coast of Maine. The changing moods of the sea always fascinated him and are reflected in his art. Glassy calms with a few cat's paws playing across the surface, fierce Nor'easters with spindrift blowing off the wave tops, the isolation of a sunrise in a secluded cove in Maine, the frenzy of a 100-boat start at Larchmont Race Week all provide inspiration for his art. He no longer races, but has retired to Seabrook Island near Charleston, SC, where the ocean and tidal marshes fill his daily routines and he returns every summer to sail the coast of Maine. Trained as an architect, Rob started doing watercolor renderings of his designs and then branched out into watercolors as an art form. He has added oils and pastels as alternative mediums and now switches back

Seabrook Island Artists Guild  
 March Artist of the Month  
**Rob Bavier**  
*"Painting the World of Water and Boats"*



and forth as the subject matter and mood dictate. His awards include a membership in of the American Society of Marine Artists and the Oil Painters of America. His paintings have received "Best In Show" and "Best Watercolor" at juried exhibits. Rob was invited by the Marlborough Arts Center to present a eight week one man show titled "Sea Change" featuring his work. Most recently his work has been accepted for the

ASMA 2021 North Regional Exhibition at Krasl Art Center and OPA's 2021 Salon Show at the Quilan Visual Arts Center. He is Vice President of the Seabrook Island Artist Guild and leads their weekly plein air outings.

There will be an artist reception on Thursday, March 2 at The Lake House. Please come to the Lake House and see Rob's beautiful artwork and talk with him. Light refreshments will be served.▲

Seabrook Island Artists Guild Presents  
**Lisa Willitts**  
 Tuesday, March 21, 1:30 - 4:00pm  
 The Lake House, Seabrook Island



What began as an after work hobby for Lisa Willitts in the late 1990s soon turned into her passion. Lisa was drawn to oil paintings as a medium because it best captured her love of color. Much of her early art training was at the Gibbes Museum School in Charleston. With the encouragement of family and friends, she "took the leap" in 2005 and began working full-time as an oil painter and exhibiting her work.

*"I am fascinated by the colors and glow of early morning or evening skies, the incredible cloud formations here on the coast, and the vistas that stretch out forever. I love paintings with a strong sense of atmosphere and I like to emphasize that quality in my art work as well. I feel very fortunate to live here in the Lowcountry and I want to share its unique beauty with my collectors."*

Lisa is one of the owners of Lowcountry Artists Gallery in Charleston, SC, where she has exhibited her work since 2013. She paints at her home studio in Mt. Pleasant, SC. Her paintings are included in private and corporate collections. She recently installed a commissioned triptych "Sky's the Limit" at the South Carolina Aeronautical Training Center at Trident Technical College.

Lisa is an associate member of Oil Painters of America, and past coordinator of Charleston Outdoor Painters Association (COPA). She was also a past Director of Artistic Growth for the Charleston Artist Guild. She is a participant in the annual Piccolo Spoleto Outdoor Art Exhibition in Marion Square, a juried show of South Carolina artists.

To see Lisa's portfolio of works, check her website: [lisawillitts.com/works](http://lisawillitts.com/works).▲



For more information on the Seabrook Island Artists Guild, its membership, classes, events and workshops, please visit our website at [www.seabrookislandartistguild.com](http://www.seabrookislandartistguild.com)





**SEABROOK ISLAND GARDEN CLUB**

PHOTOS BY  
SUSAN  
MCLAUGHLIN  
AND  
VIVIEN JOKLIK



(L-R) Paula Murphy and Victoria Fehr

For 35 years the Seabrook Island Garden Club's Annual Holiday Open House in December has been an island-wide tradition. Each year the Club extends an open invitation for everyone on Seabrook to gather at the Lake House for an evening of food, drinks, fellowship and fun.

After a two year break due to the pandemic, the Garden Club decided it might be time to change things up a bit and develop some new traditions. This year they hosted a Winter Open House on January 29. All of the

old traditions were maintained—an island-wide open invitation to all Seabrook residents and guests with welcoming hospitality and plentiful food and drinks—but with a new blue winter theme, raffles, music and Paula's special punch. In spite of rain and having to compete with football playoff games, there was a great turnout. A much deserved thank you goes to Victoria Fehr, her committee members, and all of the Garden Club members for helping make this event a success. ▲

Susan McLaughlin



(L-R) Karen Nuttall and Ann Zielinski



(L-R) Pam Gerstmayr, Lee Fritz and Leslie Baylis



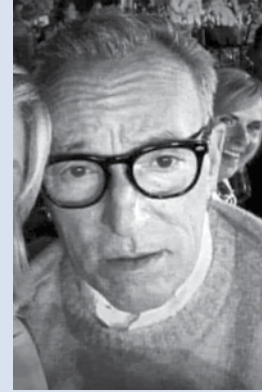
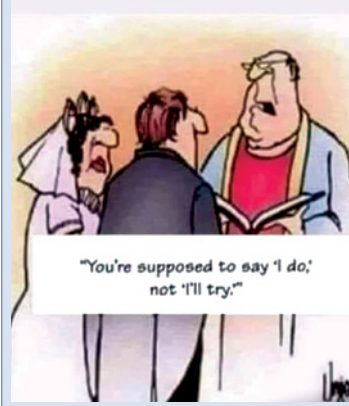
(L-R) Mary Beth Halligan, Richard Gwyn, Kathy Loy and Al Loy



(L-R) Jack and Pixie Hider, Judy Roraff



(L-R) Marilyn Armstrong, Kathy Maher and Patricia Schaefer



Want to feel old?  
That's not Woody Allen.  
It's Bruce Springsteen.



Kiawah Women Supporting the Arts

**2023 Art and House Tour on April 14th**



45 Lemoyne



Horned Grebe

The 21st annual Art and House Tour, presented by Arts, etc. will take place on Kiawah Island Friday, April 14 from 1-5 pm. The tour includes five unique homes never before open to the public. Varied in their views, architectural style, art and details, they are representative of the homes on beautiful Kiawah Island.

A lagoon-side, spacious, family-oriented home has expansive windows and a large screen porch taking advantage of the view. The house features beams reclaimed from upstate New York, coffered ceilings, and antique black American walnut floors. In addition to a great room and vast kitchen and dining areas, an enormous game room, deck, plunge pool and screened porch with a stacked stone fireplace invite family togetherness. A floating staircase leads to four bedrooms, one with a rugby-inspired decor.

In Ocean Park, "Magnolia House" is a marvel of wood, glass and metal, offering sweeping marshland views. Features of the home include scraped walnut floors, Jefferson triple windows, and an imposing staircase topped by a unique skylight. A handsome study is paneled in rich mahogany and the state-of-the-art kitchen and bathrooms are all highlighted by Calacatta Gold Carrera marble. Curated art and antiques are displayed throughout the home. The rooftop sitting area showcases a large brick fireplace and incredible views of the Kiawah River and marsh.

In Cassique, the home on tour exemplifies the Arts and Crafts tradition of the neighborhood. The hand-hewn antique maple and oak beams of the great room and kitchen complement the rough-sawn cedar beams in the screened porch. In the kitchen and master bedroom cypress-paneled

curved walls of windows offer extensive views of the marsh and the 17th hole of the Cassique golf course. Throughout the home an eclectic art collection, antiques, locally crafted furniture and iron chandeliers and sconces are highlighted. A walkway from the tower stairs leads to the art studio and office.

The Preserve home is transitional in style with huge windows, multiple deck areas, screened porches and a great room at the highest elevation to capitalize on captivating marsh views. Primary colors accent the crisp blues throughout the seven bedroom house. There are two master suites as well as a bunkroom and a large media/gaming/family room. Outside, a pergola shielded dining area overlooks a plunge pool. The guest house has a spacious study featuring a soaring 20 foot cypress ceiling and additional bedrooms.

On the beach front is a striking industrial modern home. The immense two story windows take advantage of exquisite ocean views. An open concept floor plan is enhanced by exposed steel beams and a floor-to-ceiling fireplace. One of the ten bedrooms is on the first floor along with a cozy family room. Doors lead to the patio, fire pit and hot tub. There are five bedrooms on the second floor, with access to a patio running the width of the house. The third floor master suite includes a gym, outdoor shower, sitting room and office with antique carved doors. An attached two story pool/guest house incorporates three bedrooms. Oversized modern photographs complete the look throughout.

In conjunction with the house tour an online auction begins March 20 and closes at noon on April 15, the day after the tour. The link to the auction site can be found at [www.kiawahartsetc.org](http://www.kiawahartsetc.org).

The auction includes paintings, art glass and sculpture, a diamond bracelet from Diamonds Direct, golf opportunities, and catered dinners.

The Kiawah Art and House tour is generously sponsored by F.N.B. Corporation. Proceeds from the auction and the tour provide arts experiences in music, dance, theater and literature for the children at elementary, middle and upper schools on Johns and Wadmalaw islands. Arts, etc. funds program partners who take performances to the schools or provide educational opportunities off school grounds. One-time performances and weeks long programs are included.

Tickets are \$75. For more information on tickets, the auction or to contribute, visit [www.kiawahartsetc.org](http://www.kiawahartsetc.org). ▲





# SEED to SOUP

FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT FIELDS TO FAMILIES' HAUT GAUP STUDENT GARDEN ON JOHNS ISLAND

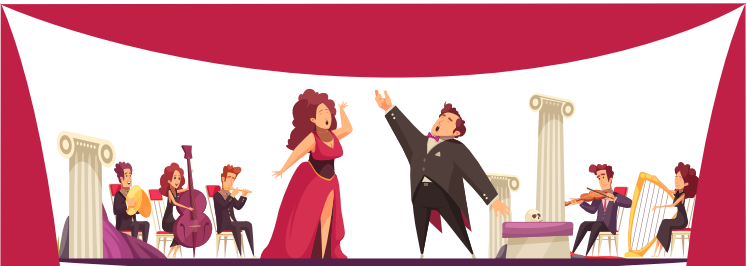
**FRIDAY, MARCH 17 • 5-7PM**

St. Johns High School Cafeteria • 1518 Main Road

**CHOOSE:** from a selection of ceramic bowls made especially for this event by Haut Gap students

**TASTE:** soups and breads from local restaurants and St. Johns Culinary Institute students

**GIVE:** \$25.00 ~ Purchase tickets on Eventbrite [seedtosoupfundraiser2023.eventbrite.com](https://seedtosoupfundraiser2023.eventbrite.com)  
Soup and bread are complimentary. The bowls are yours to keep as a reminder there are hungry people in our community.

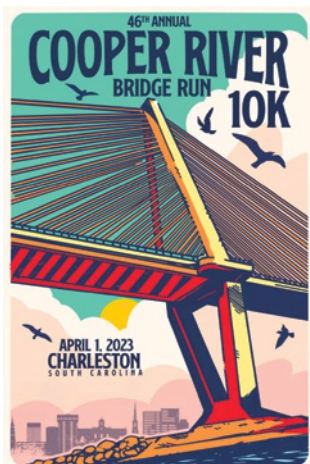


## List of March '23 Opera 101 Series

The Sandcastle on Kiawah Island. Start time is 2:00pm. All Seabrookers are welcome!

- 03/07 ..... "Die Gotterdammerung" (Richard Wagner)-Epic/Romantic (G)
- 03/14 ..... "Der Rosenkavalier" (Richard Strauss) - Romantic/Modern (G)
- 03/21 ..... "Akhnaton" (Phillip Glass) - Contemporary (A)
- 03/28 ..... "Fire Shut Up in my Bones" (Terence Blanchard)-Contemporary (A)

A, American; F, French; G, German; I, Italian



## IT'S NOT JUST A RACE IT'S AN EXPERIENCE

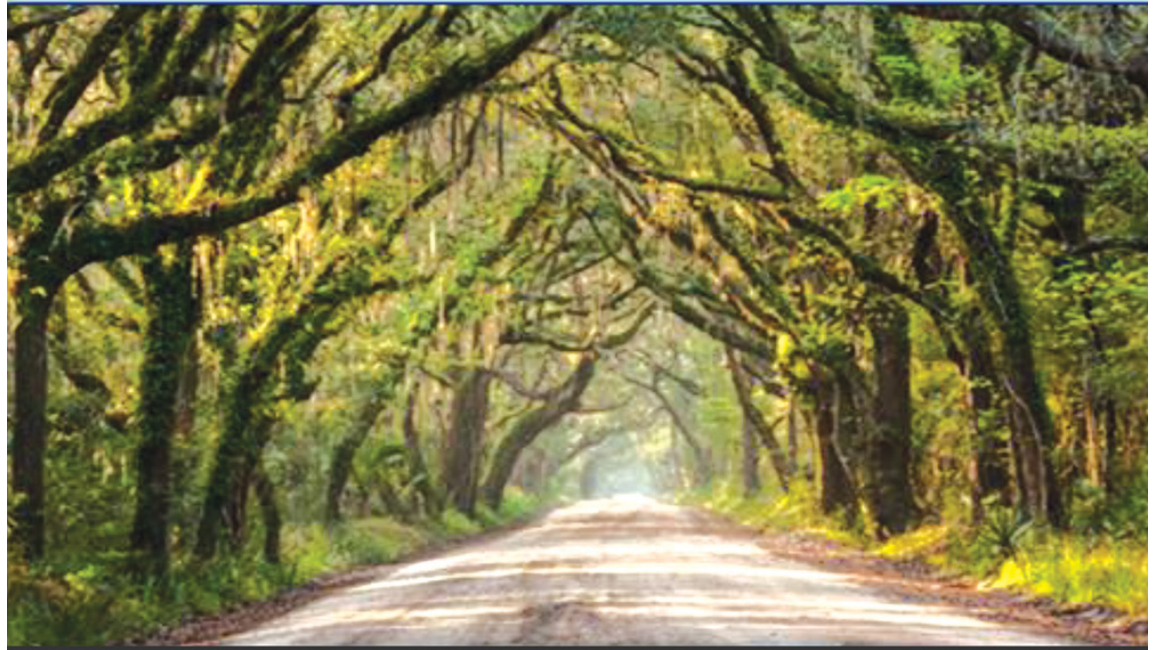
SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2023

The Cooper River Bridge Run is the best organized and best conducted 10K race in the world. It includes world-class competition in a unique setting with unparalleled participant satisfaction. It broadens community cooperation and participation in healthy events throughout the year. The Cooper River Bridge Run serves as a model of health motivation for other communities throughout the world.

To register, visit: <https://raceros ter.com/events/2023/37453/cooper-river-bridge-run> ▲

# OUT OF THE SOUTH

## A CAROLINA MUSICAL JOURNEY BACK IN TIME



## CHARLESTON COASTAL CHOIR

Van McCollum, Conductor Jessica Minahan White, Piano

**Friday, March 31, 2023 • 5:00pm**

**Church of Our Savior, 4416 Betsy Kerrison Pkwy, Johns Island, SC**

Join us for...

# Growing the Green

SEABROOK ISLAND GREEN SPACE CONSERVANCY

SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2023

# Oyster Roast



Live Auction

Live Music

Roasted Oysters

The Lake House

Casual Dress

5 to 8 PM

BBQ Pork & Fixings

Beer & Wine Open Bar

Tickets \$125

(includes a SIGSC Oyster Knife)

RESERVE YOUR TICKET by mailing a check to SIGSC

130 Gardeners Circle, PMB 521  
Johns Island, SC 29455



Come join us to support conservation on Seabrook Island. SIGSC protects land for the environment, for habitat, forever.



**STRONG WOMEN BUILD STRONG COMMUNITIES**

## Save The Date

Week of March 25 - April 1






Thank you so much for all of the support of the 2022 Women's Build! Thanks to all our volunteers, we were able to build a new home for Mr. Jerome Gathers on his family land. Mr. Gathers has worked for many years in the hospitality industry and he is now so excited to be able to host his family and friends for dinners and parties in his own home. Through your support Mr. Gathers closed on his home in October of 2022. He has been so grateful for his new home and it was an honor and pleasure to work with this homeowner.

Women's Build is an annual opportunity for our community to come together and create something incredible for our future homeowners. In just one week, we will see everything from walls going up to roofs and windows being installed. It's time to make plans for our 2023 Women's Build.

This year we will be building a home on Wadmalaw for Alejandra & Fernando! Alejandra said, "This Habitat House will mean we have a place to call home - a place we can grow our family once we begin having children!"

More details on event registration and sponsorship opportunities will follow soon - we hope to work with you again this year! ▲

*Kristen Nooe*  
Development Manager



**GIVE BLOOD SAVE A LIFE**

**Seabrook's Community Blood Drive** is scheduled for **March 9** at the **Lake House** from **10:30 to 3:30** and you all are invited to attend. All you have to do is contact [RedCrossblood.org](http://RedCrossblood.org) and select your appointment time. This notice is for our many regular donors as well as new residents who may not be aware of this vital service we provide quarterly for the folks desperately needing our blood. Should you need additional information or encouragement about the event contact [Kathy Rigtrup@ktrup2@aol.com](mailto:KathyRigtrup@ktrup2@aol.com) or 973-715-3005 who will answer any questions you may have. Also our donors have found that using [RedCrossblood.org/RapidPass](http://RedCrossblood.org/RapidPass) the day of the drive speeds up the intake process and saves waiting time.

Seabrook is extremely proud of our blood donors who have established a reputation for exceeding the goals set for us by the Red Cross. Join us on March 9 - we need your help! ▲





## Field To Fork

**SUNDAY, MARCH 26**  
**4PM - 7:30PM**






Join us for a seat at the table at the Ambrose family residence for a multi-course fundraising dinner benefiting local women who are facing challenges and need our support. Once again, Babs and Pete Ambrose will be our gracious hosts for this delicious meal locally sourced straight from the Ambrose Family Farm.

You'll dine al fresco amongst the picturesque live oaks draped with Spanish moss coupled with live music, beer and wine, and an astonishing Lowcountry sunset overlooking beautiful Adams Creek.

This will be a one-of-a-kind meal prepared by Chef John Simon. Classically trained in New York by Giuliano Hazan, Chef Simon is well known for his award-winning cuisine. He is the owner of *The Secret Recipe Chef Services* specializing in in-home catering and has years of experience creating unique dining experiences for his patrons.





### \$150 A PLATE

Eight VIP Tickets available (\$175) to sit with Farmer Pete.  
Scan the QR Code to Purchase Tickets or visit our website at: [www.thepointis.org](http://www.thepointis.org)


The Point is a local women's 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to supporting women facing emotional, medical, and financial challenges throughout the Barrier Islands and West Ashley.

A Charitable Event Hosted By:





Brought To You In Part By:



Ambrose Family Farm

*"We Sell the Best & Fix the Rest"*

## TAKE US FOR A TEST-DRIVE TODAY!

# ELECTRIC BIKES

OFFICIAL DEALER  
**AVENTON**





**J.I. SMALL ENGINE REPAIR**  
**843-718-0828**

3444 Maybank Highway  
Johns Island, SC 29455  
[JISmallEngineRepair.com](http://JISmallEngineRepair.com)



## CHARLESTON THEATRE

Here are 10 theaters and performance venues around town.  
Heads up: This is not a comprehensive list.  
CHSToday

**34 West** | 200 Meeting St. #100 | Shows are written by 34 West's own actors and designers. Check out plays like "Can't Buy Me Love" and "I'm Still Standing."

**Dock Street Theatre** | 135 Church St. | Known as "America's first theater," Dock Street is home to Charleston Stage performances including "JFK and Inga Binga."

**Black Fedora Comedy Mystery Theatre** | 164 Church St. | Charleston's only live comedy mystery theatre presents productions like "Sherlock's Other Brother by a Southern Mother."

**Sottile Theatre** | 44 George St. | CofC's theater has reopened after a major renovation project. Get dressed up for Charleston Opera Theater's "Grande Serenata."

**Theatre 99** | 280 Meeting St. | This improv comedy hub offers shows including "Laughway to the Weekend" and "Take the Funny and Run" weekly.

**Charleston Gaillard Center** | 95 Calhoun St. | The center was named after a previous mayor of Charleston and hosts Broadway musicals such as "Jagged Little Pill."

**Queen Street Playhouse** | 20 Queen St. | Home of the Footlight Players, this is the city's original theatre company. Catch shows including "The Mountaintop."

**James F. Dean Theatre** | 133 S. Main St., Summerville | See the Flowertown Players perform at this historic theater and experience musicals like "Boundless."

**Holy City Magic** | 49 1/2 John St. | See where the magic happens with performances by magicians including Howard Blackwell and Gogo Cuerva.

**PURE Theatre** | 134 Cannon St. | This professional regional theater features diverse artists and audiences. Experience the world premiere of "Septima."



We have rescheduled the **Love Your Neighbor Celebration** to **SUNDAY, MARCH 12.**

We are grateful for your understanding, patience and continued support while we take this additional time to ensure we are bringing you the best event possible.

Tickets already purchased will be honored for the rescheduled date.

We look forward to seeing you on **March 12th, 11:00am at the Seabrook Island Club!**

For tickets, refunds or questions about the Love Your Neighbor Celebration, click below or call us at 843-559-4109 x109.





# SEABROOK ISLAND

Real Estate



1156 Ocean Forest Lane - \$5,322,000  
Marsh/Ocean View | 4 BR | 4F & 2H BA | 6,390 SF



3075 Marshgate Drive - \$4,650,000  
Marsh/Ocean/Creek View | 4 BR | 3F & 2H BA | 4,325 SF



2213 Rolling Dune Road - \$4,200,000  
Beach Access/Ocean View | 5 BR | 3F & 2H BA | 3,870 SF



3017 Rascal Run Court - \$2,900,000  
Marsh/Ocean View | 3 BR | 3.5 BA | 3,357 SF



2634 Seabrook Island Road - \$1,823,325  
Proposed Construction | 5 BR | 4.5 BA | 3,100 SF



506 Cobby Creek - \$789,000  
Golf View | 3 BR | 3 BA | 1,490 SF

We list and sell more real estate on Seabrook Island than all other companies combined. If you are looking to purchase a new home, cottage, villa, or homesite — or list your property — contact one of our expert REALTORS® today.



512 Cobby Creek - \$699,000  
Lagoon View | 3 BR | 2 BA | 1,490 SF



2778 Hidden Oak Drive - \$650,000  
Golf View | 2 BR | 2 BA | 1,173 SF



1243 Creek Watch - \$560,000  
Marsh View | 2 BR | 2 BA | 1,104 SF



2532 Clear Marsh Road - \$398,000  
Lagoon View | Lot 84, Block 5 | 0.55 Acres



164 High Hammock Villa - \$379,000  
First-Floor Villa | 1 BR | 2 BA | 1,026 SF



2114 Kings Pine Drive - \$245,000  
Lagoon View | Lot 32, Block 42 | 0.25 Acres

[seabrookisland.com](http://seabrookisland.com) | 843.768.2560

1002 Landfall Way, Seabrook Island, SC 29455 | [realestate@seabrookisland.com](mailto:realestate@seabrookisland.com)

Seabrook Island Club membership is required for ownership. Club amenity use is for Members and guests. Lake House use is for Members, property owners, and their guests.

