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NEW TOWN EVENT GETS HIGH MARKS



FROM THE TOWN

Robin Ochoa Communications & Event Director

As the Town of Seabrook Island's new Communications and Events Manager, I wanted to take a moment to write about our Chow Town Food Truck Rodeo that has taken place this year. First, we would like to highlight that this was our second year hosting this rodeo and we'd also like to point out that our Assistant Town Administrator, Katharine Watkins, was the brainchild of the inaugural Chow Town last year.

There are several people and organizations to thank for such a successful Chow Town and among them are SIPOA for sending out information on our event and the Club for allowing us to use their parking area as overflow parking. This was a tremendous help

to us as the event continued to grow.

We would also like to thank our Council Members and everyone at the Town Hall for their support in helping put the event together each Wednesday! Robert Myer and Braxton Myer were tremendous in helping set up and take down all the tables and chairs as well as marking off the parking area and helping guide everyone as they drove through. It is also important to recognize Mike Williams, our Code Enforcement Officer, for keeping everyone safe and ensuring traffic was halted for pedestrians to cross the street safely.

When it came to making sure everything was neat and orderly, Nichole Nettles and Beth Rinehimer took to making sure the tables were clean and the rubbish was collected so the area was ready for all to enjoy. Finally, we would also like to thank all the vendors and musicians who provided such wonderful food and beverage as well as lovely music for all to enjoy and mostly, a huge debt of gratitude for everyone who came out to enjoy the atmosphere, the

music, the food, and the fun!

We honestly could not have pulled this all together without the help of everyone mentioned.

eryone mentioned.

Now, to recap this year, this summer's Chow Town Food Truck Rodeo was a gastronomic delight that brought together foodies, families, and friends for a memorable culinary adventure. Held at the Town Hall, this event showcased the diverse and delectable offerings of food trucks from across the region. Some came from as far as Myrtle Beach and Columbia to share their tasty treats with residents, visitors, and tourists.

From sizzling BBQ to homemade artisanal ice cream to vegan delights, Chow Town had it all. The aroma of grilling meats and the tantalizing scent of freshly baked goods from local restaurants wafted through the air, creating an irresistible atmosphere that lured in visitors of all ages.

What made this year's Chow Town special was the sense of community it fostered. Families picnicked on the grass, friends gathered at communal tables, and strangers became fast friends while waiting in line for their

favorite treats. Live music added ambiance, creating a lively backdrop to the culinary festivities.

The Chow Town Food Truck Rodeo was not just an event; it was a celebration of food, culture, and togetherness. As the sun set, and the food truck engines hummed away, the memories of this delicious summer soirée lingered on, leaving a craving for the next one. Many commented on how they would like to see Chow Town stick around throughout the year, which is proof that it is becoming a staple for the town.

As we look ahead to next year's Chow Town Food Truck Rodeo, it promises to be a vibrant tapestry of gatherings that will undoubtedly be a source of anticipation and excitement, fostering a sense of belonging and pride among residents. Chow Town will not only continue to entertain and unite us, but it will also serve as a reminder of the resilience and camaraderie that define our town. Food truck rodeos, like the highly anticipated Chow Town, will return, tantalizing taste buds with an array of international flavors.





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26th Annual Symphony Tour of Homes on Kiawah

Island Showcases Unique Homes to Support the Charleston Symphony and Music Scholarships





Event Chair, Sandra Ericksen, in- | the variety of beautifully decorated vites long time and new tour goers to join this highly anticipated event. "The 26th annual of the Symphony Tour of Homes promises to maintain the tradition of presenting unique homes on Kiawah Island. The eclectic selection of homes displays the variety of design and lifestyle present on this exclusive island. These homes showcase the talents of premier designers, architects, builders, and landscapers. Charleston Symphony Orchestra League has plans to make this day a unique experience, concluding with a concert by the Charleston Symphony. Join us!"

Guests will be treated to music by symphony musicians and talented music students as they experience

homes. The day will be capped at 5pm with a Charleston Symphony concert, sponsored by the Town of Kiawah Island Arts and Cultural Events Council at the West Beach Conference Center. The concert is a separately ticketed event, with a link included on the CSOL website.

This season, the Charleston Symphony (CSO) again brings a superb lineup of world-renowned guest conductors and soloists for the Masterworks Series, and a new lineup of entertaining Pops concerts. All proceeds from this Tour of Homes will support the Charleston Symphony and music scholarships for students in the Lowcountry. **\(\rightarrow\)**

What is **C.O.V.A.R.**?



C.O.V.A.R.

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

Established in 2001. COVAR stands for The Council of Villa Associations and Regimes. The original membership of twenty-three communities has now grown to a total of 41 Associations and Regimes.

According to the original Bylaws of July 14, 2001, the purpose of COVAR

"To provide a regular forum for Villa property owners to share and discuss common concerns, to collaborate with SIPOA in matters of mutual responsibility and interest, and to provide a single official voice for all Villa property owners.

COVAR needs new leadership and is actively seeking volunteers that are interested in filling upcoming board vacancies. The strength of any organization on Seabrook Island depends on the continued support of volunteers. COVAR encourages all residents to become informed and involved in the changes and improvements being made to the island that are in the planning and implementation stages or have been completed. Virtual attendance of SIPOA and TOSI meetings can be accomplished from anywhere. In addition, TOSI posts links to their public meetings on Tidelines.

COVAR welcomes all residents of Seabrook Island to participate in our meetings, not just those that reside in an association or regime. Many topics and issues that affect COVAR owners will be of interest to single family omeowners as well.

The primary focus of COVAR is to unction as a collective voice to represent our membership to Seabrook Island Property Owners Association (SIPOA), The Town of Seabrook Island (TOSI) and The Seabrook Island

I have had the honor of being a CO-VAR Board member since February

2020, first as Secretary, and starting in 2021 as President of the board. I have also represented COVAR on the Town of Seabrook Islands ATAX Committee and Disaster Recovery Council.

Since February 2020, with the help of my fellow board members, as well as invaluable input from the previous COVAR President, Deb Lehman, CO-VAR has accomplished many goals that we had set out to address.

In October 2020, COVAR was invited to participate in stakeholder meetings held by the Town of Seabrook Island (TOSI) Ad Hoc Committee who were gathering input regarding Short Term Rentals. TOSI Ordinance 2020-14(STR) was passed in the fall of 2020, effective on January 1, 2021. Association and regime presidents were invited to participate in two Zoom virtual meetings, to contribute ideas and suggestions regarding Short Term Rentals, as 80% of STR's are in one of the 41 Associations and Regimes.

Also in 2020, 8 of the forty-one associations and regimes in COVAR had adopted the new SIPOA ARC Standards manual. The advantage of this new format is the ease with which a homeowner can perform renovations or modifications to their properties in an expedient manner. Beach Club Villas, Golf Shores Villas, Homes of Hidden Oaks, Ocean Winds Villas, Sealoft Villas, Summer Wind Cottages, Tarpon Pond Cottages and Treeloft Villas have their homeowner's association standards in the new ARC approved

In October 2020, COVAR was invited by SIPOA Safety and Security Committee to discuss the continued problems with parking associated with rental properties, particularly with renters being allowed to call in Gate Passes, coupled with inadequate overflow parking at many of the COVAR member associations and regimes. This initial meeting led to subsequent meetings with the SIPOA Executive Committee, where information was shared. These meetings led to SIPOA rules and regulations changes regarding STR parking and gate passes, included in their Short-Term Rental

COVAR has been requesting updat ed lists of STR permits on Seabrook Island from TOSI, which have been broken down by Association and Regimes and forwarded to each of the 41 boards and their management com-

properties in their respective HOA's are STR's, with the emergency contact information for each unit, should a problem arise.

These are some of the goals that COVAR has advocated for in the past 3 years. Communications have reached our members through e-mail and virtual Zoom meetings, as well as posts to Tidelines and the "COVAR Corner" articles published in The Seabrooker.

In 2023, COVAR saw its website go live, with much work done by COVAR Treasurer Marie Valle Wardell and Lynn Baker, President of the board at Salt Marsh at Seabrook.

Concerns brought by COVAR members and addressed through emails and surveys to the membership were issues such as "Contribution to Capital," "Insurance Increases," and "Safety" relating to Grills and LSV's within the Associations and Regimes, to name a few. Our members reach out to ask for help researching matters that may have impacted other associations and regimes, and for referrals for contractors for upcoming Capital Improvement projects.

I will be resigning as COVAR President at the end of September, relocating back to New England to be closer to family members. Our secretary resigned her position In June due to the sale of her condominium, while our remaining two board members, Vice President and Treasurer do not plan to seek re-election due to family obligations. Our previous COVAR president has kindly offered her help during this transition period, and I will also always be available by email to help in any way in an unofficial capacity.

I strongly feel that COVAR has a relevant voice on Seabrook Island and am proud of the goals we have accomplished over the past two years. Without continued leadership, CO-VAR would no longer be included in pertinent discussions with the Town of Seabrook Island, SIPOA and SIC.

If you would like to find out more about COVAR and would be willing to volunteer your time and efforts, please reach out to me by email at joanne.fagan@comcast.net.

While I will miss Seabrook Island tremendously, I hope that I have been able to contribute to COVAR in a meaningful way and look forward to its continued efforts in advocating for

Seafields, Kiawah's Only 62+ Life Plan Community, Secures Long-Term Financing – Construction has Begun

25 best cities in the world – in July

2023 by Travel + Leisure World's Best

Awards). It is also within walking dis-

tance to Freshfields, the stylish out-

door pedestrian village offering some

of the area's best-loved shopping and

Seafields will have 90 independent

living residences with distinctively

spacious floor plans as well as accom-

modating assisted living apartments

and 24/7 nursing staff. Residents will

enjoy a maintenance-free and all-in-

clusive lifestyle featuring immersive

experiences, exclusive partnerships,

and high-end amenity and concierge

services along with discounts on fu-

"With the ever-increasing need for

communities in the 62+ age group,

Seafields will provide luxury living

and world class health care to resi-

dents. Bringing this project to fruition

culinary destinations.

the lifecare contract.

and BRP Senior Housing Management, LLC ("Big Rock Partners") the final round of bond financing to enable construction of Seafields at Kiawah Island, the first of its kind luxury life plan community in the Kiawah and Seabrook Island area. With over \$215M of investment committed, construction has begun.

"We are thrilled to be bringing this concept to fruition and moving forward with the next steps in the building process. Housing for seniors s becoming an increasing priority as demographic shifts bring additional 65+ residents to the Sea Islands (Johns, Kiawah and Seabrook) and we are excited that Seafields will help fill that need," said Todd Lillibridge, Chairman, Kiawah Life Plan Village

Driven by the demand for elevated senior housing and healthcare in sought-after areas, Seafields is the only luxury 62+ Life Plan Community located near Kiawah (named one of the best US islands in July 2023 for | with Big Rock Partners has been rethe 10th consecutive year by Travel | warding and we look forward to wel-

Kiawah Life Plan Village ("KLPV") | + Leisure World's Best Awards) and | coming Seafields residents to Kiawah. Seabrook Islands, and a short dis- They will undoubtedly be a vital part tance from downtown Charleston, SC | of the community," said Chris Ranannounced that they have secured (ranked America's favorite city for the dolph of South Street Partners, mas-

Seafields at Kiawah Island is almost fully reserved, with only 20 residences remaining. The deposit to lock in an opportunity to live the Kiawah lifestyle in perpetuity is 100% refundable until the Community opens. Construction is slated to be completed by the fall of 2025.

On the Horizon: MUSC Health Sea Islands Medical Pavilion

The nearby MUSC Health Sea Islands Medical Pavilion, slated for an opening in 2025, will offer primary and specialty care services, in addition to emergency care for Seafields residents. South Street Partners donated a \$6 million parcel of land to MUSC to ture healthcare needs guaranteed by meet this identified need for medical services in the Sea Islands and bring a world-class emergency medical facility for those in the community. South Street Partners was honored to make this investment as this partnership will bring vital emergency and senior healthcare to the Sea Islands.▲

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Five jaw-dropping facts about jellyfish

Lindsey Jean Schueman - Writer and Producer, One Earth



Along with sharks, jellyfish have

received a bad reputation in culture

as something to fear in the ocean.

Yet, upon looking past their sting-

ing tentacles, jellyfish are one of the

most fascinating creatures on our

planet. Evolutionarily, they are de-

signed to last and survive in partic-

Jellyfish are over

600 million years old

ularly every part of the ocean.

Before the dinosaurs, trees, or even fungi, there were jellyfish. They are the oldest multi-organ animal, surviving all five of Earth's mass extinction events. This includes the Great Dying, also known as the Permian-Triassic extinction event, which wiped out 70% of life on our planet. Despite having no bones and therefore no fossils, scientists have dated them by looking for what are called "soft fossils." These are when organisms leave an imprint in rock after being quickly buried in sediment. Some research has even suggested that jellyfish could be older, possibly 700 million years.

There could be 300,000 species of jellyfish

So far, over 2,000 species of jellyfish have been discovered and identified However, much like how the Drake equation estimates the number of extraterrestrial civilizations in the Milky Way Galaxy, scientists use a similar system to guess the number of jellyfish species in the unexplored

croscopic that they are practically invisible. The smallest are those in genera Staurocladia and Eleutheria, measuring only 0.5 millimeters (0.02 in) in diameter. But the world's largest is the Nomura's jellyfish with a diameter of 2 meters (6.5 ft) and weight of up to 200 kilograms (440

They have no brain and are 98%

The key to their survival is their ability to blend in with the ocean, which s achieved with bodies made up of 98% water. Not only that, but they also have no brain, blood, lungs, or heart. Instead of a brain, jellyfish have an elementary nervous system with receptors that detect light, vibrations, and chemicals in the water. Along with the ability to sense gravity, these capabilities allow the ellyfish to navigate. Absorbing oxygen through their gelatinous skin, they have no evolutionary need for lungs, heart, or blood. Some species of jellyfish do have eyes and "teeth," or rather thin hairs that pull in and bite down on their food.

One species may be immortal

As far as scientists can tell, the Turritopsis dohrnii jellyfish might be able to cheat death. Found in the Mediterranean Sea and in the waters of Japan, this species can undergo cellular transdifferentiation. When

ocean. Some jellyfish are also so mi- | threatened, sick, or old, it begins a process that reverts its cells to a polyp or adolescent stage and then forms a new polyp colony. Basically, creating younger versions of itself that will become identical to its mature adult form when grown. A jellyfish fountain of youth! Yet, other species aren't so lucky. Most jellyfish only live for about a year, with some only living for a couple of days.

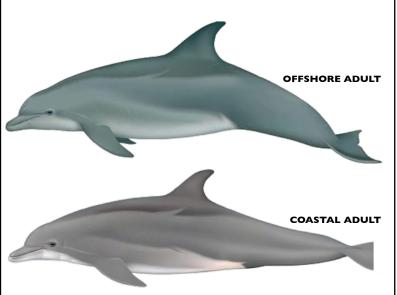
In their ecosystem,

jellyfish are effective predators As a food source for sea anemones, tuna, swordfish, sharks, sea turtles, and penguins, jellyfish have often been labeled as essential prev. Research now shows that jellyfish are potent predators, consuming fish, shrimp, crabs, and tiny plants. In a dual role, jellyfish keep these populations in balance and provide nutrition in the form of fatty acids to their predators. Jellyfish use the stinging cells in their tentacles to paralyze their prey before eating them. Called nematocysts, these small compartments house a tiny, needle-like stinger. When triggered, the chamber opens, letting ocean water rush in which causes the stinger to shoot out and venom to be released.

So, if you ever find yourself swimming in the sea with a jellyfish, perhaps you'll appreciate one of evolution's simplest yet compelling designs. If you ever happen to get stung, don't use urine. This myth will actually worsen the pain! ▲

New dolphin species discovered along SC coast, study shows. What makes them unique

Eleanor Nash - Myrtle Beach Sun News



A drawing of the offshore bottlenose dolphin (top) and the new coastal species (bottom). From Lowcountry Marine Mam

Scientists determined that botlenose dolphins found close to the shore off South Carolina and much of the east coast are a different species than those living in deeper waer, according to a study published

nanend's bottlenose dolphin, scien-

worked for eight years studying 147 skulls and 43 spines of stranded bottlenose dolphins. Some specimens were found in South Carolina or housed at the South Carolina State Museum in Columbia.

tight spaces of rivers and estuaries.

Tamanend's bottlenose dolphins ound in shallow water from Florida to New York, are also more closely related to coastal dolphins in the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean

The new species was dubbed Taific name Tursiops erebennus.

Researchers with NOAA and the University of Miami, among others,

Scientists found that members of the new species are smaller than their offshore common bottlenose counterparts, eat different fish and have spines adapted to navigating the

than their offshore counterparts.

Lauren Rust, executive director of the Lowcountry Marine Mammal Network, said this discovery emphasized the importance of protecting South Carolina's dolphins. "I think it's really critical that the community kind of understands how, how unique, how small this population is

and really how critical they are." The Charleston-based nonprofit collects samples and information on dolphins, whales and seals that wash up on South Carolina shores.

"This research kind of highlights the importance of going out to look at every dead dolphin, as gross as it is because we're getting really important data that has turned into a new species," Rust said. ▲

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There's Much To Be Humble About

By the time you read this, we will know if the budget impasse has resulted in a Federal government shutdown. I've seen research recently that suggests past shutdowns had only short term impacts on the financial markets and were never responsible for the economy slipping into a recession. That doesn't mean t won't be the focus of 24/7 media

Regardless of whether there is a shutdown, one thing is certain. Fiscal stimulus will continue. In fact, it appears probable that the Federal budget deficit for the fiscal year ended in September will be in the neighborhood of \$1.7 trillion. That is over 6% of GDP and is totally inexcusable for an economy that is operating at full employment. All of that money sloshing around since the pandemic s surely part of the reason behind

You might expect that this inflation problem would hurt the value of the US Dollar. However, that has not happened for two reasons. First, the Dollar benefits from being "the best house in a bad neighborhood". Currencies are priced relative to one another, so if you flee the Dollar, where will you go? To the Euro? The Yen? The Renminbi? Or maybe you'd like to convert your Dollars into Rubles? Cryptocurrencies might be an interesting speculation, but they are not easily spendable currency. I think the lack of true competition means the Dollar will continue to hold its value for the foreseeable future.

The second support for the Dollar is relative government bond yields and central bank policies. I looked at a table in the Wall Street Journal that showed US 2 year Treasury yields are higher than those of Western Europe, Britain, Australia and Japan. The only country on the table with a higher 10 year bond yield was Italy. I do not expect the Dollar's status as the world's reserve currency to be challenged any time soon.

From the central bank perspective, the Federal Reserve shows no signs of backing down in its belated battle against inflation. Two years



ago, the Fed thought inflation was "transitory" so their easy monetary policies of 0% short rates and QE bond buying nicely complemented the Federal government's fiscal largess. As inflation soared to multi-decade highs, the Fed came to their senses and began raising rates. Too little, too late? Maybe, maybe not.

While the Fed's dot plot forecasts of future GDP, Fed Funds rates and employment have been laughably inaccurate, the Fed has stuck to its guns and increased rates by 5% over the past 18 months or so.

{As a brief aside on the Fed's forecasting record, here are some changes they made in September. GDP growth for 2023 was raised from +1.0% to +2.1%; PCE inflation was cut from +4.1% to +3.8%; and the unemployment rate estimate fell from 4.1% to 3.8%. These changes were made with three fourths of the year in the rearview mirror! The Fed has hundreds of economists and their forecasts are still far off the

So, back to Fed policies. There was a great fear that Fed tightening and the resultant inverted yield curve would cause a recession. Many observers thought Fed Chair Powell would lose his nerve and end the rate increases. The futures markets have indicated a probable "pause and pivot" scenario for months. The Fed has (sort of) paused, but they have clearly stated they will not pivot to cutting rates until inflation is clearly on track to their 2% target. In fact, at the Sep-

tember meeting they indicated another 0.25% rate increase is still on the table for this year.

As my regular readers know. nave not exactly been a big fan of the Fed, which is often wrong but never in doubt. I find it interesting that Fed Chair Powell made a few comments recently that indicate the Fed may be becoming a bit aware of their poor image. In his September press conference he noted "Forecasters are a humble lot with much be humble about.

At the Jackson Hole Symposium this year, he said: "As is often the case, we are navigating by the stars under cloudy skies. At upcoming meetings, we will assess our progess based on the totality of the data and the evolving outlook and risks. Based on this assessment, we will proceed carefully as we decide whether to tighten further or, instead, to hold the policy rate constant and await further data." The latter part of that quote is pretty much what he has been telling the world for several months, so JPOW gets points for consistency.

The skies are definitely cloudy, so et's hope the Fed is careful as it navigates the rough seas we are experiencing... and that they are humble about their ability to manage the US economy.▲

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Folly Beach is turning 50!



Here are just some of its historical facts:

- Its name came from an old English term, "folly," a name for an area with foliage. Home to the Bohicket tribe before European set-
- Served as a temporary home to survivors of shipwrecks.
- During the Civil War, it was occupied by Federal troops. After the Civil War, it became deserted. Post-1940 — construction of various buildings
- In the 1960s Ocean Plaza was built and featured amusement rides, stores, a boardwalk, and
- 1980s suffered impacts from Hurricane Hugo

favorite places by far is the Edge of America, also known as Folly Beach. The city is approaching an exciting milestone this month — it's turning

50 years old. Folly Beach is one of America's last true beach towns. Just minutes from historic downtown Charleston, Folly Beach is a 12 square mile barrier island that is packed with things to do, see and eat. This is a funky, laid-back, come-as-you-are kind of beach. The pace is invitingly slow, the people are captivatingly unique and the shops and restaurants will receive you with good old fashioned

One of every Charleston native's | won't take long for you to feel right at home.

Surrounded by the Atlantic Ocean and the Folly River, visitors enjoy six miles of wide beaches, surfing, fishing, biking, kayaking, boating, eco-tours, and sea wildlife including several endangered species. The sunsets on Folly are legendary, so make sure you have plenty of space on vour camera or smart phone .. seriously, free up lots of space!

A few steps from the beach, downtown Folly features an eclectic array of locally owned stores and restaurants. Fun bohemian clothing, beach knick-knacks and surf shops Southern charm and hospitality. It | are mixed with fantastic seafood

restaurants, casual cafes and one-ofa-kind bars. With live music coming from all directions and fruity cocktails calling your name, your cares will melt away as you become lost in the Folly lifestyle. And when the sun goes down, Center Street becomes a lively mix of beach-casual nightlife and rooftop dance clubs.

Whether you need a beach front home for 20 or a romantic room for the two of you, Folly Beach is the perfect spot for vacations, reunions, beach weddings, or just a quick weekend getaway. Come visit us at 'The Edge of America' ... you'll love life on the edge.▲

Seabrook Island Village Brain Health with Age Seminar Oct 21

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

OCTOBER 2023

Seabrook Island Village is hosting an educational seminar to be led by Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) Clinical Neuropsychologists Travis Turner, PhD, and Andrea Sartori, PhD, on Saturday, October 21, at the Lake House from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm. Neurological disorders are among the leading causes of disability and death worldwide. Maintaining a healthy brain is a top priority in pursuing good overall health and longevity, especially for older

Seabrook Island Village welcomes all Seabrook Island residents to attend this seminar to learn about brain health and what we can do to maintain it. Advance registration is required on our website: www.seabrookislandvillage.org/

During their presentation, Drs. Turner and Sartori will define brain health for various age groups (and "red flags" one may look for). They will describe available treatments for neurological disorders and what may be on the horizon plus current research (including studies

underway at MUSC). They will also report on what is presently known about preventing and delaying the onset of cognitive impairment/dementia. Hard copies of their presentation slides will

be available to all attendees upon arrival, and there will be time for questions at the end. As clinical neuropsychologists, Drs. Turner and Sartori concentrate on the relationship between

the brain and behavior. They evaluate patients who are experiencing cognitive and/or behavioral changes resulting from central nervous system disease or injury, like Parkinson's disease, Alzhei mer's disease, stroke, or other related conditions. Neuropsychologists at MUSC and similar medical institutions work closely with providers in neurology, psychiatry, radiology, surgery, and other medical disciplines to assist in proper diagnosis and help develop treatment plans for patients that may include medication, rehabilitation therapy or surgery. \blacktriangle





the Town of Seabrook Island. Seabrook Island Village is grateful for the Town's generous support.)

turtles generally lay nests every two

to four years, making about three to

six nests a season. As a result, the

number of nests laid in any particular

year may vary from many to few. In

2019, Seabrook had 90 nests (an all

time high) while in 2018, only 31 nests

was on the low end of the equation - 40

endangered by natural predators -

crabs, ants and raccoons are the pri-

some eggs and occasionally, in the

case of raccoons, entire nests. This year Seabrook's nests were attacked

by another natural predator that hasn't been raiding turtle nests here

in at least 10 years - coyotes. One nest

was completely destroyed by coyotes

on the night it was laid, two others were partially destroyed on the night

they were laid and one nest was dug

In addition to predators, nests are

vulnerable to the tides. Although Seabrook Island Turtle Patrol (SITP)

volunteers will relocate a nest that is

king tides create a major challenge.

June king tide. The most damaging

event was Tropical Storm Idalia and

of the king tide. Six nests were totally

washed out to sea, some of the eggs

in another nest were washed away and

the remaining eggs were relocated

to a new location. Three other nests

were washed over by the tide but oth-

As a result, 32.5% (13) of Seabrook's

40 nests this year were impacted by

covotes, king tides or both. None-

theless, the hard work by the volun-

teers of the SITP did provide plenty

of good news. As of September 7th,

2,274 hatchlings have emerged from

Seabrook's nests, a mean hatch suc-

erwise remained intact.

up and partially destroyed about 6

weeks after it had been laid.

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Turtle Laying Eggs



Patrol members watching the female

remain to be counted. Patrol members were also rewarded with a rare sight on several days. Early morning walkers came across a female loggerhead still on the beach laying her nest on two different days while another female was seen swimming in a tidal pool after laying the nest until the high tide enabled her to return to the ocean. Experiences like that are genuinely unforgettable and help reenforce the need to continue to protect these cess rate of 61.2%. Three nests still | magnificent creatures that visit our

We appreciate everyone's support and well wishes and look forward to a more robust season in 2024. SITP is licensed by the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources and supported financially by the Seabrook Island Property Owners Association, the Town of Seabrook and public donations. More information can be found on the SITP website - www.situr-

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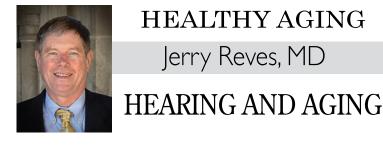
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Healthy aging does not mean perfect

health or remaining as one was in the

earlier years. No, quite to the contrary,

healthy aging involves several changes that cannot be prevented and are nor-

mal consequences of aging. One of the

body's many systems affected by aging

is the sense of hearing. Approximately

one-third of the elderly population have

ing change that are normal in aging. One

is the gradual loss of hearing that is called

up. Another common form of impairment

is tinnitus, a ringing in the ear or a dull

roar like the ocean. Some describe this as

a dull "white noise" similar to the back-

ground sound machines make. Tinnitus

can also be a sign of some illnesses so it

should be reported to a physician if it hap-

"Show and Go" Group

The Happy Kayaker

This article is part of an occasional series on sea kayaking around Seabrook Island and the Lowcountry. In this month's article, I will try to be less boring than the previous articles – this month I make my proposal for a "Show and Go" group on Seabrook Island with proposed dates and times in October.

Do you remember when people used to smoke cigarettes and they would say: "I'm trying to quit"? Didn't you always think: you are either a smoker, or not a smoker, what is "trying to quit?" So, are you really a kayaker, or do you simply "own a kayak" or "want to go kayaking"?

A Show and Go sea kayak group, is what it sounds like, a friendly informal meet up to go kayaking. No one is the official leader, no one is really responsible, rather someone proposes a sea kayak trip (location, duration, day, and time), people rsvp, then you show up, help each other launch your boats, go paddle to the destination, and then paddle back. Of course, you try to help each other as needed, as any good neighbor would do, but kayakers are expected to understand the trip and be physically up for staying in pace with the group. I will propose a series of Show N Go for October of various skill levels, all subject to change or cancellation (generally up to the day before) based on conditions - weather, tide, water temperature, and what time the Tar Heels play that day. My usual dates will be Wednesday midafternoon, and Saturday (sometimes Friday) morning. Here are proposed Show N Go details (all tides noted are for Charleston customs house, Seabrook Island will vary):

- Wednesday October 4 at 3:00 PM, high tide 12:37 PM meet at Crab Dock, paddle down to Inlet and back. 60 minutes (all times approximate round trip on the water time)
- Friday October 6 at 9:00 AM, low tide 7:53 AM, meet at Crab Dock, paddle down to Inlet and back. 60-90 minutes. Wednesday October 11 at 3:00 PM, low tide 12:15 PM, meet at Crab Dock, paddle down to Inlet and back. 60-90
- Saturday October 14 at 9:00 AM, high tide 8:22 AM, meet Boardwalk 9, paddle down beach and partly up Privateer
- Wednesday October 18 at 2:00 PM, high tide 10:43 AM, meet at Crab Dock, paddle down to Inlet and back. 60 min
- Saturday October 21 at 9:00 AM, low tide 7:02 AM, meet Boardwalk 9, paddle down beach and partly up Privateer
- Wednesday October 25 at 3:00 PM, low tide 11:36 AM, meet at Crab Dock, paddle down to Inlet and to the last Seabrook dock, and back. 60 minutes.

If you would like to join any of the above Show N Go trips, please find my phone number in the Exchange Club directory, and contact me (text, or call) the week before the trip. The day before I will send a group text confirming details and participants.



On a recent Show N Go, my friend Ed Heskamp and I paddled from his condo's dock on the Horseshoe Creek, out to the Bohicket Creek, up the other end of the "horse shoe". then over for a view of Cherry Point Seafood (picture attached) before heading back.

Feel free to call me with ideas or questions. Happy Kayak-



hearing loss, and the loss increases with increasing age. Particularly prone to loss are high-pitched sounds like the voices of women and children (perhaps a blessing for some men.) Hearing loss can range from a mild loss to total loss of hearing. Types of Hearing Impairment There are generally two types of hear-

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"presbycusis." It is usually about the same loss in both ears and gradually progresses over time. This tends to run in families and if one's parents lost hearing as they aged it is possible/probable that you will too. Signs of hearing loss are in the table. The most common sign of hearing loss is that one does not hear the phone ring or a watch alarm. Other signs are that in conversation, you frequently ask the person you are talking with to repeat or speak

Abnormal Causes of Diminished Hearing

Some easily treatable causes of loss of hearing are wax build up in the ear canal or a punctured ear drum. Viruses and bacteria can also cause hearing problems as can brain tumors. If there is loss of hearing one needs to be evaluated by one's physician to be certain that there is nothing causing it that can be treated. If there is sudden loss of hearing this is a medical emergency and needs to be dealt with as such.

Consequences

Losing normal hearing has many consequences. It can make socializing a lot less fun if you cannot hear what is being

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fret because they become frustrated in trying to communicate. They may even think that you are suffering from some form of dementia since you are not your old self. If alarms are not heard such as a smoke detector – results could be dev-

HEALTHY AGING

Jerry Reves, MD

Devices to **Enhance Hearing**

Hearing aids have improved and can be used very effectively to address many forms and degrees of hearing loss. There are also other devices for amplifying the phone and TV so that these sources of sound can be better heard. Likewise, doorbells, alarm clocks, and smoke detectors can be augmented with hearing enhancement so that the hearing impaired can hear them should they go off

Behavior When One Is L

osing Hearing The most important thing to do is be sure that those with whom you are with your hearing. Ask people to look at you when talking and to speak a little more loudly than normal (not shout) and to use facial expressions and hand gestures. Do not hesitate to ask them to repeat what was said.

When talking to someone who you know has lost normal hearing be patient, be supportive, and talk slowly, facing the individual. Do not try to

said. It can cause family members to | carry on a conversation in a very loud setting such as many of the Charleston restaurants. Never cover your mouth since lip reading and gesture reading are aids that the hearing impaired rely on for communication. The COVID mask-wearing time was a particularly challenging time for those who have hearing difficulties.

Bottom Line It is normal for people to lose some hearing as we grow older just as we lose other functions of an earlier age. It is important to rule out medical, treatable causes of hearing loss and then when necessary, get the appropriate hearing device aids. Your physician can assist you in dealing with this common and



Table 1. Signs of Hearing Loss

Trouble hearing conversation on telephones

Difficulty following conversations when two or more people are talking Often ask people to repeat what they said

Need to turn up the TV or radio – others notice the loud volume

Background noise makes hearing difficult

Others appear to mumble when speaking to you

Difficulty hearing children and others who have high pitched voice



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Charleston Collegiate's 9th annual Fall Festival at Kiawah River, featuring son-changing leaves in the Lowcountry. Pets are welcome and must be leashed at guaranteed a t-shirt. the Run Like the Devil 5K and Fun Run is Saturday, October 21, from 9am to all times. Attendees are asked to RSVP online prior to the event. Parking will be \$10 2pm. The family-friendly event is free and open to the public. All are invited to cash per vehicle. Parking attendants will collect payment upon arrival at the front

All proceeds support the Charleston Collegiate School's annual fund. Pre-registra- Home Design, Seacoast Church, Advanced Care Foot and Ankle, Coast With more than 2,000 acres of picturesque land, Kiawah River offers tion is required to participate in the Run Like the Devil 5K and Fun Run. Register by al Wealth Advisors, Colectivo, Holy City Orthodontics, Vintage Porcl October 6th to secure your t-shirt! Registrations received after October 6th are not



To get involved as an event partner or donate please contact Chri Copple at ccopple@charlestoncollegiate.org. Early events sponsors in clude Kiawah River Real Estate, Pam Harrington Exclusives, DLB Custom



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Jeri worked for 30 years on Capitol Hill. She knows legislative and constituent service. Our Island will benefit from that experience by electing her Mayor. From day one, she's made every effort to be part of the community by volunteering with SIPOA, the Club, and SI organizations. For the past 6 years, Jeri has served on Town Council and established herself as someone who gets the work done. She will also say, "I am particularly proud of what was accomplished during the 7 years I served on the Green Space Conservancy Board and chaired the Green Space Gala."

"Fred and I strongly believe in giving back, volunteering, and participating in public service," says Jeri. But this is not enough – giving your time and talents must work for the collective good. Being in constant opposition, in fighting progress, promoting obstruction – these approaches advance nothing except to divide the Seabrook Island community. Jeri is for positive change; that's what volunteers do. Work for the collective good.

Let's not let the Town be hijacked by those wanting to keep Seabrook Island frozen in time. The Island is almost fully built out, and this will challenge the Town, SIPOA, and the Club to be innovative and constructive in handling the growing Island population. It's time to embrace the POSITIVE and vote FOR the future of Seabrook Island and for JERI FINKE as MAYOR.

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Spooky Birds? Or just misunderstood?







Turkey Vultures - Photo by Glen Cox



Wood Storks - Photo by Glen Cox

Seabrook Island is blessed with beautiful birds. We instantly think of our songbirds, raptors, and birds of the marsh, shore and sea. But some of our feathered residents can be a little spooky, judging on looks and reputation.

Take the American Crow for example. Often thought of as sinister due to their all-black coloring, large bills and old wivestales, crows are actually quite intelligent and highly social animals. While it doesn't help that a group of crows is known as a "murder" of crows, scientific studies have found them to be excellent learners and problem solvers, such as using sticks as tools to pry food out of crevices. Even in Aesop's Fable, "The Crow and the Pitcher", a thirsty crow drops pebbles into the pitcher to raise the water level high enough to drink.

Vultures are another eerie bird. While there are many other carnivorous predators in the bird world, Vultures just look creepy. Black Vultures and Turkey Vultures are both full time residents in our area, seen circling high in the air, using their keen sense of smell to locate their next meal. (Turkey Vultures are the ones with the naked, bright red heads). According to The Cornell Lab's All About Birds, a vulture's stomach acid is so acidic that they can digest just about anything. This allows them to eat carcasses tainted with anthrax, tuberculosis, and rabies without getting sick. By taking care of carrion, vultures provide an essential service for the health of our ecosystem. Without them, carcasses would accumulate and diseases would spread.

Wood Storks are another common sight on Seabrook Island and win a spot in the spooky category based on looks alone. Their heads are featherless and covered in scales, giving them an appearance only another Wood Stork would find attractive. Often found wading in swamps and wetlands, they're also excellent fliers, soaring on thermals with necks and legs outstretched. They stand just over three feet tall, taller than many other wetland birds, making them easy to spot when foraging. They only occur in a few areas of the United States, and contrary to popular belief, do not deliver ba-

To me, there's no night sound more chilling than the tremulous whinny of an Eastern Screech Owl, or the haunting hoots of a Great Horned Owl. Both year-round residents, but more often seen than heard. they are fierce, nocturnal hunters that fly silently and secretively through the night. With glowing yellow eyes, hooked beaks, large claws, and heads that turn nearly 360 degrees, it's no wonder owls hold a spooky place in folklore.

wings outstretched, could appear ghoulish to some, as well as many of our hawks. Ravens and Common Loons, while not common in our area, also fit the bill for scary birds. If you've ever heard the mournful yodel of a Common Loon in summer, you'll know exactly what I mean. Some find it haunting, others find it beautiful.

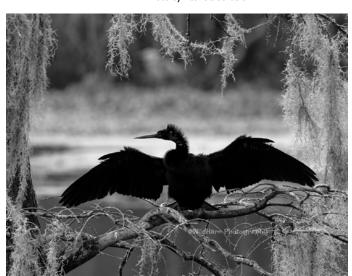
It's up to you to decide, are these birds frightening, or are they simply misunderstood, judged by their looks and reputations. Either way, with Halloween just around the corner, be on the lookout for some of our island's spooky birds. And if you're out at night and feel as though you're being watched, it might just be one of our mysterious owls, keeping you in their sights.



Wood Stork - Photo by Patricia Schaefe







Anhinga - Photo by Glen Cox





SEABROOK ISLAND GARDEN CLUB CELEBRATES!



Founded on Seabrook Island in October 1988

The Seabrook Island Garden Club members gathered on Friday, September 8th, to begin their new year of monthly meetings with exciting guest speakers, field trips, caring for the environment and the local community, hands-on gardening and decorating, and fun social events! But this year, the club has a special celebration to enjoy: the 35th anniversary of the founding of the garden club. Yes, in October 1988, a wonderful group of women came together to form the Seabrook Island Garden Club. Since then, the organization has expanded and thrived, recognizing old traditions, and creating new ones.

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After raffle winners were drawn, the business portion of the meeting was led by President Carol Price. Past president and Historian Karen Nutall led the group in a visual presentation of historic documents relating to our founding members. The club, originally known as the "Marsh Hens Garden Club", was highly involved in beautifying our island, planting flowers in the common spaces, and decorating much of the POA buildings for the holidays. They were passionate about making the mundane locations extraordinary with their talents in using clippings from much of our island vegetation in their designs. Also impressive was the thorough documentation of their activities. They took many photos, which they printed and arranged thoughtfully in scrapbooks. Current Garden Club members are grateful for this, as the 35th Anniversary Committee has perused and scanned hundreds of images they plan to share at monthly meetings.

In the first "Member Spotlight" series, Vice President and Anniver sary Committee Chair Sally Boudinot prepared a special recognition of long-time member Lee Hurd. As Sally read through the recorded history of the garden club, Lee's name was frequently mentioned. Lee served as president twice, was instrumental in adopting our bylaws, and served on countless committees. In fact, she originally suggested we treat our Seabrook community to an annual event known as our Open House, which we still host to this day. Lee is also well known for creating a magical garden in the lot beside her home. It is a place where she encourages neighbors and friends to visit and enjoy the fruits of her labor. Also note worthy is our current member, Karen Babb, whose mother, Janet, was also

an original garden club member. Garden Club members are looking forward to seeing what the 35th Anniversary committee has up their sleeves, and it is sure to be a fun-filled year ahead. The Seabrook Island Garden Club is still accepting new members. Annual Dues are \$25, and membership form and instructions can be found at Seabrook Island Garden Club (sigardenclub.blogspot. com) under the "Join Us" tab. The next meeting will be held on Friday, October 13th, at the Oyster Catcher Community Center, where the topic will be Orchids, and the guest speaker will be Gerri Greenwood-Koch, President of Coastal Carolina Orchid Society. ▲



Upcoming Events to Highlight Native Plants

Thursday, October 19th and Friday, November 3rd



There's a growing public awareness of what scientists have been telling us for years: native plants greatly benefit insects, birds, and other wildlife - and our own quality of life. Nevertheless, it can seem daunting to consider these plants, which include ferns, grasses, perennial and annual wildflowers and shrubs. Where do you buy them? Which are the best ones that have evolved and thrived in this coastal region? How can they be arranged in patterns along a driveway, a walkway, the side of a house, or in a small garden? What kind of butterflies and birds do they attract? Can I mix natives with non-natives? How do you maintain them? This fall, the Seabrook Island

Green Space Conservancy and the

Kiawah Conservancy will offer answers to these and other questions as part of a native plant initiative. By providing resources and expert guidance, the goal is to encourage many more homeowners on Seabrook, Kiawah, and John's Island to plant natives in a small section of a yard or even a large area. In this way, each patch of native plants becomes part of a collective effort to help counter the continuing loss of natural habitat and to mitigate wildlife decline. It is a strategy advocated by Douglas Tallamy, a well-known professor of entomology and wildlife ecology at the University of Dela-

On Thursday, Oct. 19, as part of Native Plant Week in South Carolina, the Kiawah Conservancy will host a gourmet luncheon featuring a virtual talk, "Designing in Nature with Mary Reynolds." An internationally known landscape designer from Ireland, Reynolds is the author of "We Are The Ark: Returning Our

Gardens To Their True Nature Through Acts of Restorative Kind ness.

At this same event, guests will be able to talk with local landscape designers, vendors, and plant experts, and obtain a free digital copy of the new Native Plant Guide for Seabrook and Kiawah Island. This Guide includes information and photographs about the top native shade and sun plants that do well in our sandy soils. The Guide also includes a set of six design templates to help homeowners visualize how different kinds of native plants can be assembled into beautiful arrangements The templates, which were created by Surculus, a Charleston landscape architecture firm, are linked to "plant packages" that can be pre-ordered. Each package contains the plants shown in a template, making it easier to arrange them in a yard.

To attend the lunch, one must register and purchase a ticket at the Kiawah Conservancy website: kiawah conservancy.salsa labs.org/ nativeplantweek2023

On Friday, Nov. 3, from 3 pm to 5 pm, the two conservancies will



also will be for sale, and visitors, while enjoying music and refreshments, can chat with plant experts and with local homeowners who are already using native plants and are glad to share their experiences.

In a recent interview, Michel Hammes, an adult services librarian who teaches children and adults about native plants at the John's Island Library, described what her personal experience has been like. "What I love about the native plants is that it's not just gardening," she said. "I mean, most of us like to put our hands in the dirt and you can pop a plant in the ground and all you do is give it some water and sunshine and it grows. And then if you add in the native plants, you get all this wildlife coming around. I mean, to me that is just amazing and mystical, and it brings joy to life."▲

Stan Macdonald Macdonald is a board member the Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy.





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Seabrook Island Art Guild Presents October Artist of the Month

Cynthia Reddersen Reception: Thursday, October 5th 4:30-6:00 at The Lake House



Cynthia has had a lifelong interest in art. As a young child she drew hundreds of horses, and continued her art journey taking figure drawing classes as a young teen. She painted small watercolors as mementos for herself and her family members depicting the places where they vacationed. She has worked in oils and acrylics as well.

In her busy life as a Web Master and then Communications manager for several companies in Tysons Corner and Reston VA and in Washington DC, she created one internal website, managed another, ran conferences, and created conference materials and newsletters. Fortunately, some of these jobs provided her the liberty to dabble in artistic creations.

In 2015 Cynthia and Bob bought their Seabrook Villa. And in the past few years, because of the pandemic, much time was spent at Seabrook where she found her greatest inspiration for her art and turned a sometime hobby into something more. She loves to paint landscapes, and waterscapes. Clouds are also a particular interest. She has also done several paintings of birds and

Cynthia belongs to the Seabrook Island Art Guild, on Seabrook Island, and also the Fairfax Art Guild in Fairfax City, VA, where she participates in a guild gallery and various shows.▲



To learn more about the Seabrook Island Art Guild go to www.seabrookislandartistguild.com/





Seabrook Island Art Guild Presents

Mark Horton

Demonstration Artist Tuesday, October 17th, 1:30-4:00 PM Live Oak Room, The Lake House

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Mark Kevin Horton was born and raised in rural North Carolina. After graduating from East Carolina University School of Art in 1983, Horton moved to New York City to begin a career in advertising and design. He carried with hi the dream of someday becoming a painter. Eighteen years of living in New York City were spent working as a creative director in various advertising agencies and eventually founding his own design company. Those years also provided a valuable opportunity for Horton to view firsthand the seemingly endless number of masterworks of art in the city's museums and galleries. Horton was captivated by the works of George Innes, Herman Herzog, Fredrick Church and the tonalist photographer Edward Steichen. He also admired and studied the realism of John Singer Sargent and Winslow Homer as well as the romantic landscapes of the Hudson River School painters. The experience had a profound effect on his artistic development.

During his years working as an artistic director and designer, Horton continued to nurture his "fine art side", drawing, sketching and painting whenever he had the opportunity. In early 2001 Horton made the decision to devote himself to painting full-time. He left New York City and returned to his southern roots, moving to Charleston, South Carolina.

Horton is particularly fascinated with the effect of light and weather upon the landscape. He paints beyond a literal interpretation of a scene to portray nature in a way the reflect his own ideas and sensibilities while capturing the spirit, color and changing light of a place.

Horton shows at Horton Hayes Fine Art 30 State Street, Charleston www.hortonhayes.com ▲



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October 15th, 4:00pm **Live Oak Room | Lake House**



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Gordon Weis - My goal of being on the Town Council is to work with the mayor and other members to help establish an open line of communication between residents and owners and the Town Council. My background includes retirement/pension planning, securities, and computers. gordon@weis.net



Darryl May - I was a Philadelphia-based lawyer doing commercial and financial services litigation. I serve on the House Committee of the Club, and on the Architectural Review Committee of SIPOA. I will work to ensure that everyone is heard and their views thoughtfully considered. darryl.may@comcast.net



Paul McLaughlin - My wife & I have been Seabrookers for 21 years. I served on the SIPOA Finance Committee for the building of the Lake House. I am active in advocacy, community services and faith-based endeavors. I believe in an open and TRANSPARENT governance. electpmclaughlin@gmail.com



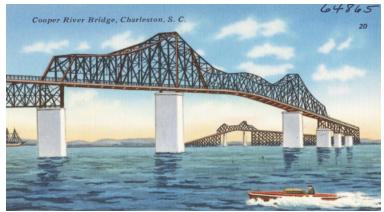
Raymond Hamilton - I have 34 years of accounting experience, 25 of which I served as a CFO. My career has provided me with skills and experience that would be beneficial to the Seabrook Island Town Council. Open communication and safety are my top priorities. raymond.for.council@gmail.com

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History of the Old Cooper River Bridges

Dive into the past of these iconic bridges.

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Take a look at the John P. Grace Memorial Bridge. PHOTO BY BOSTON PUB-

If you've lived in the Lowcountry long enough, you've seen many bridges come and go. The connection between Mt. Pleasant and downtown Charleston has transformed quite a bit over the past century, so we've laid out the history of the iconic bridges that have crossed the Cooper River.



GRACE MEMORIAL BRIDGE I PHOTO BY KEN BOWMAN PHOTOGRAPHY

John P. Grace Memorial Bridge

In 1928, the Cooper River Bridge Company began building the Grace Memorial Bridge, aka the Old Bridge. It got its namesake from former Charleston Mayor John P. Grace. This 250-foot-tall, \$6 million infrastructure opened in the summer of 1929 as the largest bridge of its kind in the world. The privately-owned structure consisted of two lanes stretched narrowly over the Cooper River and Town Creek. It became the only bridge to span the Cooper River which was previously traveled across by boat.

In the winter of 1946, a freighter collided with the Old Bridge, causing several fatalities and \$300,000 worth of damage. It was unusable for months, and a temporary one-lane crossing was built until Grace Memorial was fully restored in June 1946. The state took ownership of the bridge + the toll was ended.

As the population and industry rose, the need for a larger connection between the two towns became difficult to ignore. Safety concerns grew on the curb-less bridge + the structure earned a 4 out of 100 safety rating a decade before its demolition. Although the Old Bridge inspired fear in the hearts of many, it is affectionately remembered by community members. It was torn down in 2005, after 76 years of Lowcountry history. Watch the demolition. (SC Picture



GRACE MEMORIAL AND SILAS PEARMAN BRIDGES | PHOTO BY CHARLESTON CORPS

Silas N. Pearman Bridge

Construction on the Pearman Bridge, aka the New Bridge, began in 1961. The new structure opened in the spring of 1966 alongside the Old Bridge and measured 150 feet tall. It was named after former Chief Highway Commissioner Silas N. Pearman + cost a total of \$15 million. The structure had three lanes over a 38-foot-wide road, which probably felt vast in comparison to the narrow Grace Memorial. It stood for 39 years before being torn down in 2005 along with the Old



THE RAVENEL | PHOTO BY JAMES SIMPSON PHOTOGRAPHY

Arthur Ravenel Jr. Bridge

Fast forward to the 2000s. Modern freighters needed a passageway along the Cooper River, and many were unable to fit below the Old or New Bridge. The Arthur Ravenel Jr. Bridge was designed by several teams including MacDonald Architects + Parsons Brinckerhoff and was named after politician Arthur Ravenel, Jr., who was born in Charleston.

The Ravenel opened with a week-long celebration in the summer of 2005, becoming the largest of its kind in North America. The eight-lane bridge stretches 1,500 feet + features two towers reminiscent of sailboats that define the Holy City skyline. The Ravenel has a bike and pedestrian lane, and thousands of people trot across the bridge for the annual Cooper River Bridge Run.

The modern structure complements the historic charm of Charleston. It was built to last a century — so if you're a local reading this in the 2020s, the Ravenel will be a significant piece of Lowcountry architecture in your lifetime. (The State + SC Picture Project) ▲

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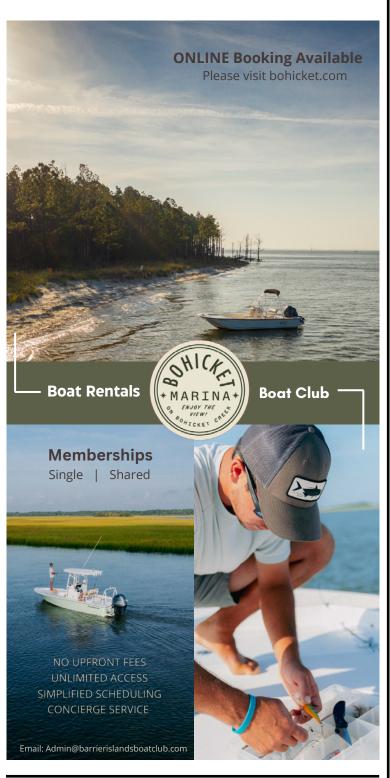
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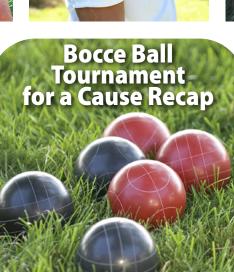






A huge thank you to all paricipants and spectators who came out for the bocce ball ournament.

This year's tournament holds a special purpose... "988 Suicide Crisis Lifeline". The 988 Lifeline provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones, and best practices for professionals in the United States.



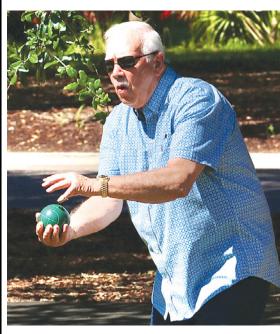
Twenty-six teams participated in a single elimination bocce ball tournament on a beautiful Friday afternoon. After five rounds of competition, the winners were the Bocce Vols!! Congratulations to the Bocce Vols, David Williams and Dakota Dimon!

Again, thank you so much for all the support. It is very much appreciated.

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The History of Mini Bottle Laws in South Carolina

Welcome, y'all! Today, we're diving into a subject that's uniquely South Carolinian and particularly prevalent in Charleston—the illus trious and somewhat baffling history of mini bottle laws.

You may have heard of them or even guzzled down a few in your day, but do you know how they shaped the drinking culture here? Buckle up; it's time for a nostalgic, liquor-laced trip down memory lane.

The Mini Bottle Era: The Quirk That **Defined Us**

Let's get straight to it: for many years, bars in South Carolina were forbidden from using anything but mini bottles—those 50ml cuties to serve hard liquor. These little guys weren't just airplane novelties; they were the linchpin of our state's drinking laws from the 1970s until

A Shot Too Far: **Splitting Shots** in Charleston

Unlike the average shot glass, which holds around 1.5 ounces of liquor, a mini bottle serves up a solid 1.7 ounces. Seems trivial, right? But trust a Charleston native, that extra 0.2 ounces adds up.

To adjust for this overpour, Charleston bars got clever and started 'splitting shots.' Simply put, bartenders would pour one mini bottle into two glasses to equate roughly to two 'normal' shots.

Why Charleston Keeps Splitting Here's the kicker: although the

state law has changed, Charleston is still one of the only places in the

USA where you'll find bars that split shots. Old habits die hard, and in Charleston, we relish these quirks

The End of the Mini Era, But Not the Culture

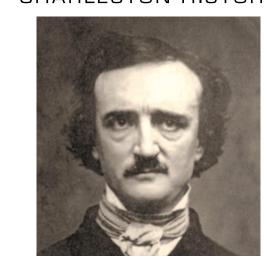
In 2006, the tides shifted. South Carolina finally relaxed its mini bottle restrictions, allowing bars to stock regular-sized bottles. And while the mini bottles may be less prevalent today, their cultural impac s far from forgotten.

Conclusion From their influence on splitting

shots to their quirkiness that both locals and tourists loved, mini bottles have left an indelible mark on South Carolina, especially in Charleston.

So, next time you're at a bar in this great city, order a split shot. You'll be tipping your hat to a strange yet wonderful slice of Charleston history.▲





When it comes to Charleston's history, the line between fact + fable tends to get a little murky. That's especially the case when it comes to chronicling the time Edgar Allan Poe, a man who rel-

ished in the mysterious, spent here. For instance, while we know it to be true that Poe spent thirteen months stationed at Fort Moultrie, we also know that he did so under a false identity: 18-year-old Edgar Allan Poe claimed to be 22-year-old Edgar Allan Perry when he enlisted in the U.S. Army.

The trailblazing American writer + poet died on Oct. 7, 1849 — and, just like his life, his death is shrouded in mystery. He was discovered lying in a Baltimore gutter in what a witness describes as being "in great distress." He was taken to a hospital, where he succumbed to his ailments days later-but he was never coherent enough to describe what exactly those ailments were.

Poe's stint on Sullivan's Island Long before achieving fame as an au-

thor, a teenage Poe took up temporary residence on Sullivan's Island. Starved for cash, he lied about his age + enlisted in the U.S. Army under the name Edgar

From Nov. 1827 to Dec. 1828, Poe was stationed at Fort Moultrie, serving in Company H, 1st U.S. Artillery Regiment. During that time, he rose from the rank of private to regimental sergeant major. He was discharged from the military a year later, where he em-

barked on a failed attempt to attend

In his short story, "The Gold Bug," which takes place on Sullivan's Island, he describes the area as such: "This island is a very singular one. It consists of little else than the sea sand and is about three miles long. Its breadth at no point exceeds a quarter of a mile. It is separated from the mainland by a scarcely perceptible creek, oozing its way through a wilderness of reeds and slime, a favorite resort of the marsh hen. The vegetation, as might be supposed, is scant or at least dwarfish. No trees of any magnitude are to be seen. Near the western extremity. where Fort Moultrie stands and where are some miserable frame buildings, tenanted, during summer, by the fugitives from Charleston dust and fever, may be found the bristly palmetto; but the whole island, with the exception of this western point and a line of hard, white beach on the seacoast, is covered with a dense undergrowth of the sweet myrtle..." - Excerpt from "The Gold Bug," shared via Sullivan's Island

Other than that, we don't know much about where Poe went while he was stationed on Sullivan's Island - but you won't be as hard-pressed to find local spots that celebrate his stay. There's Poe's Tavern, an Edgar Allen Poethemed restaurant right on Center Street, and the Charleston County Public Library branch on SI calls itself the Edgar Allen Poe Library.▲

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The current amount available to distribute is a little less than last year. Thankfully, last year, many of you generously made individual donations to help supplement the total distributed at Grant Night. We hope you will do the same this year. Some donations were undesignated, while others were "earmarked" to specific charities. The same may be done this year.

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You can also donate using a credit card by clicking on the Foundation Donation on the Home page of our website. Please let me (404) 788-6700 or Rich (204) 271-4825 know if you have any

As always, thank you. ▲ Ray C. Hoover III, FAIA

Seabrook Island Veteran's Day Charitable Golf Event

Kiawah-Seabrook Exchange Club will be sponsoring its 12th Annual Seabrook Island Veteran's Day Charitable Golf Event on Monday, November 6. 2023 to honor veterans who have served the country and raise money to support the Ralph Johnson Veteran's Hospital and the Friends of Fisher House. The Seabrook Island Real Estate Company and Hobson Builders will be major contributors. The United States Flag will be presented by St. Johns High School Jr. ROTC Cadets. Wounded Warriors from Iraq and Afghanistan will be participating as honored guests.

The event will be a captain's choice scramble format beginning with a 9:30 A.M. shotgun start. Teams will be flighted for awards based on total team handicap. The Club will be serving a Captain Sam's buffet with grilled burgers, chicken sandwiches, and all the trimmings in the Atlantic Ballroom following play. Team and individual registrations are welcomed.

The entry fee for Seabrook Island Club members is \$95 plus applicable golf fees. For non-club members, the fee is \$175. \$75 of the entry fee will be set aside as a charitable contribution to the Ralph Johnson Veteran's Hospital and Fisher House. You may register for the event by clicking www.golfgenius. com/ggid/yeynqh/register, calling the Seabrook Island Golf Shop at 843-



Ed Maher, Warren Peper, and wounded warrior look for name of South Carolina native killed in

768-2529, or sending an email to golf@

If you cannot play in the event but would like to make a contribution, you can send a check to Alan Armstrong, 2427 Golf Oak Park, Seabrook Island SC 29455. Checks should be made payable to the Friends of Fisher House or the Ralph H. Johnson Veteran's Hospital.

If you have any questions, please call Alan Armstrong at 410-274-7545 or email him at <u>alan9631@comcast.net</u>.▲

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Spanish conquistadors arrived in the 1502.

Naming Our American Bird by Paul Tillman

Wild turkeys are our American bird and are an integral part of our culture. Ben Franklin in a letter to his daughter vrote, "The wild turkey is a much more respectable bird [than the eagle] and withal the true original native of Amerca." Turkeys have a long history in America and are known to have been domesticated by the Aztecs long before the

Turkeys were domesticated over two thousand years ago because they are good to eat. The flavor of turkey comes from their which diet consists of nuts seeds, berries and an occasional worm. And It's their diet that gives their meat a darkened color and a mild-gamey flavor.

Interestingly, turkeys are genetically related to pheasants and pheasants are indigenous to Asia. The American wild turkey, as unlikely as it sounds, has a genome construction that links them primarily to the Asian pheasant. Could it be that ancient Asians brought turkeys to America thousands of years ago? It is rumored that the Chinese had a navy with large ships capable of making the trip. But who knows? It sounds improbable, but not impossible. And, the ring-neck pheasants we hunt today were not originally from America but were imported to Oregon from China in 1881.

How did the birds get the name, "turkey?" There are sev eral explanations and all of them seem a bit crazy but here's the best I could come up with. The Spanish ships, when they arrived back in Europe, entered the Mediterranean Sea through the Straights of Gibraltar. Supposedly the ships sailed past Spain, a mere 4 miles north, and sailed east to Turtey. There they docked for a while, then turned around and sailed back to Spain. When the ships finally arrived in Spain the birds were thought to have come from Turkey because they arrived from the east, the direction of Turkey. A more plausible explanation, has it that when western Europeans irst encountered the birds we now call turkeys in Armenia, an ancient country laying east of turkey bordering on Russia. The Armenians incorrectly linked the turkeys to a similar appearing Guinea Fowl called turkey-coq. As the turkey-coqs reached the tables of western Europe, the name turkey-coq was shortened to turkey and has been used by western Europeans ever since. The people of the middle ages were not as dense as these examples indicate. While the general populace back then thought the world was flat and that bathing was unhealthy, etc. But they did invent beer and pretzels so we have that to thank them for. Also, being geographically challenged, they had no idea where America was or how far the Spanish boats would have to sail if they, in fact, had brought the birds to Spain via Turkey. By the way, back then, no one called them turkeys. The Mexican people call turkeys, "guajolote," the Spanish called them, "pavo.

When the turkeys got to Europe they were eventually brought to England. The pilgrims thought to take them to the new world, presumably for thanksgiving dinner. They arrived only to find turkeys were already here. So, the turkeys, though a much-travelled bird, really are indigenous to America. I have seen them as far north as Ontario, Canada. The flock I saw was a bit smaller than our big birds but I'm

sure they would be tasty just the same. The male and female birds are easily distinguishable from each other by size and mannerisms. The mature toms are big, blustery and can weigh thirty pounds. The females are



shy and much smaller and have muted coloring suitable for disappearing in the shady woods. The toms, in mating season, strut and gobble, fan their tails, and wiggle their snood, the worm-like thingy that drapes down over their beak, to draw attention to how magnificent they think they are. The tom turkey's head is covered with a multi-colored layer of skin called a caruncle that turns red when they want to make

During mating season the toms don't court females directly. They just gobble and strut, and wait for a receptive female to come to them. When a female does find a tom that they think is up to the task of fatherhood, they stand back and act coy. They cluck, "tuk, tuk, tuk," and look disinterested in mating. But, since there are about 5,000,000 million wild turkevs in all states except Alaska, It's safe to assume their method of courtship works.

Turkeys can surprise us. Even though they look too big to fly, they can. To stay safe, they fly up to branches in the trees every night. Surprisingly, turkeys can swim. If necessary, they can pull their feathers close to their body, fan their tail out behind for floatation and paddle like crazy with their feet. All turkeys have string of feathers drooping down their chest called beards. Young turkeys are called poults and the immature males are called jakes.

Fortunately, on Seabrook, turkeys are used to us and sometimes we can see them feeding on the sides of the golf course. If we are lucky and quiet, we can hear them calling in the woods. If we are super sneaky we might spot them foraging back in the shadows and enjoy the sight of our true American OCTOBER 2023 THE SCAPTOOKER

Lighting the Way



Today, we explore one of Charleston's most famous landmarks, the Morris Is-

Standing at 161 ft over the Charleston Harbor, right off of Folly Island, it is the tallest lighthouse in South Carolina and has become an iconic sight. Its resiliency shines brightly throughout the many changes it's endured.

The history

Initially, the first lighthouse was built at 42 ft tall in 1767. In the late 1800s, the lighthouse was destroyed during the Civil War and in 1876, a new 161-ft tower was completed for \$149,993. The primary function was to provide straightforward navigation for ships + vessels.

The structure experienced effects from natural disasters, but the most significant threat was erosion. This problem was so bad that the lighthouse became fully automated in 1938 and in 1962, state officials ordered its closing.

In 1965, it was sold to a private citizen and in 1982, it was named one of the National Register of Historic Places.

In 1999, a local grassroots nonprofit organization, Save the Light, bought the lighthouse. Its mission is to "save and preserve the Morris Island Lighthouse for the People of South Carolina." The group continues to do work today.

How to visit

This lighthouse is beloved by both locals and tourists alike. Although this lighthouse is not open to the public or accessible by land, there are several ways to visit it by taking a trip to Morris Island, including the Lighthouse Inlet Heritage Preserve, Charleston Outdoors Adventures, and Adventure Island Tours among others. ▲



Bizarre Boat-Car spotted around Charleston – Here's the backstory



If you've been around Charleston lately or other parts of Carolina then you may have been lucky enough to spot a bizarrely modified boat-car. This has the wheels and driving of a regular car, mixed in with the exterior of a boat.

An image was uploaded to a social media site which showed it out and about. Note, that the skull and crossbones flag is a nice touch considering the context. For those wondering, this boat is completely legal to drive on the roads and despite looking unusual, it functions like a regular car. Nonetheless, it's not the sort of thing you'd expect to see every day and can certainly be described as

It turns out that this is actually a locally owned business (Carolina Boat Car) that has been operating out of Charleston for a number of years. Here, small boats are combined with cars and turned into amphibious cruisers. Their Facebook page shows a number of custom builds that can travel on water and on land. According to the Facebook page, some of these boats can sell for over

Because of this, you may see a number of different boat-cars driving around Charleston and surrounding areas every now and then. Nonetheless, as this seems like a one-man operation, don't expect to see the local streets filled with them anytime soon either.

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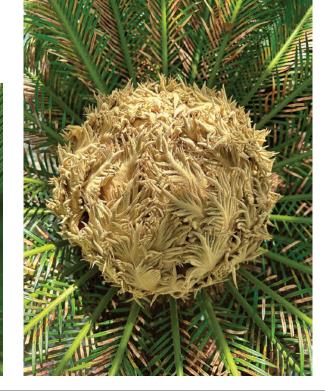






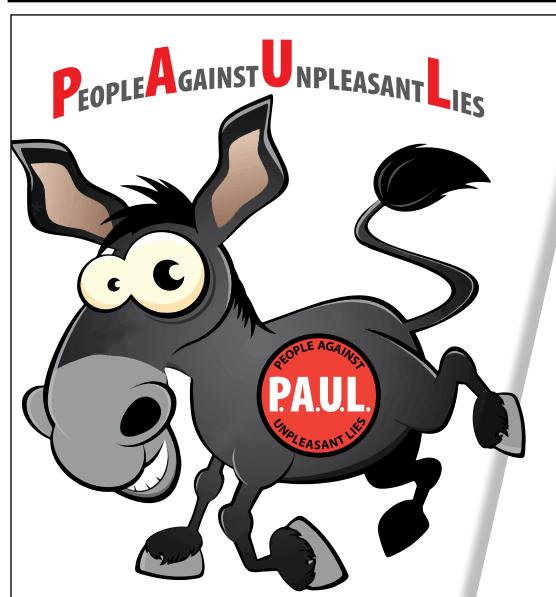


AN ARTIST'S VIEW: **SEGO PALMS** AROUND SEABROOK









P.A.U.L. (People Against Unpleasant Lies) is a movement started on Seabrook Island, SC to defend against the ridiculous bantering and harassment of our leaders, volunteers, town staff, and our elected officials on the platform Next-Door. The "PAUL's", as we call them, on Seabrook Island are a select group that spend all their time on NextDoor ranting, complaining, and attacking the good people of our Seabrook

Enough is enough! Let's let our qualified, experienced citizens of Seabrook feel comfortable that they can volunteer and make a difference on Seabrook Island without being victimized by the "PAUL's". The "P.A.U.L." movement is an effort to address this issue and promote more respectful and fact-based discussions.

The movement's call for November elections to decide town leadership rather than online discussions on NextDoor highlights a desire to shift the focus of community decision-making away from the platform where negativity and harassment are prevalent.

Promoting respectful debates and requiring participants to base their arguments on facts is a reasonable approach to fostering a healthier online community. It's important to remember that online interactions can have real-world consequences, and maintaining civility and respect is crucial for productive discussions and community cohesion.

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Yep, SC has a state amphibian and it's poisonous. Is it dangerous to you?



A pair of spotted salamanders, cousins to red-spotted newts, have been studied in the past at Cowans Ford Wildlife Refuge. John D. Simmons/jsimmons@charlotteobserver.co

Many may know that South Carolina has an official state bird (Carolina Wren), that the official state spider is the Carolina wolf spider or even that the state has its own official state shell. But did vou know that the Palmetto State also has a state amphibian?

That's right. South Carolina has an official amphibian that represents the Palmetto State. This famous amphibian is none other than the spotted salaman-

"The spotted salamander (Ambystoma maculatum) was designated the official state amphibian of South Carolina in 1999 after a year-long campaign by the third grade class at Woodlands Heights Elementary School in Spartanburg," ac-

At the time, third grade teacher, Lynn K. Burgess, and her 1997-1998 class were studying about South Carolina when they found that the state did not have an official state amphibian and decided to do something about it, according to net state. Following several attempts and some persistence by the group, on June 6, 1999 House Bill No. 3111 was approved by the South Carolina Legislature and on June 11, 1999, the legislation was signed by Governor Beasley making the spotted salamander the official state amphibian of South Carolina. Aside from South Carolina, the Palmetto State shares its state amphibian

Spotted salamanders generally spend

What do spotted salamanders look like?

The spotted salamander can be hard to initially spot and can be recognized at first glance by its dark-colored exterior and the bright yellow or orange spots along its back. These creatures have two bright-yellow rows of spots beginning at their heads and continuing down the length of their bodies. Occasionally, it is possible that orange or yellow-orange spots may appear on the head, but this is more unlikely. The darker hues of the body generally range from a very dark blue to black, a dark gray or occasionally, brown. They can vary in size ranging



Saturday in Raleigh it's the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences' annual Reptile and Amphibian Day, a daylong celebration of turtles, snakes, salamanders, frogs and a host of other related creatures. News

from 5.5 to 9 inches in length, according to Sciway. Regardless of reaching a fair size for a salamander and having brightly-colored spots, these amphibians can be quite difficult to spot.

Where can you find them?

a majority of their adult lives under-

ground in burrows but can also be found beneath rotting logs or various fauna. For this reason, they aren't frequently seen by people unless vegetation is being overturned. They tend to prefer deciduous forests with ponds containing a limited fish population.



the road to get to its breeding pool, on in Keene, N.H. (Brett Amy Thelen/Harris Center for Conservation Education via AP)
Brett Amy Thelen/AP

These salamanders eat a variety of things which include insects, insect larvae, spiders, beetles, millipedes, snails, slugs, mollusks and large quantities of earthworms. "They emerge from their subterranean hiding spots only at night to feed and during spring mating. They will actually travel long distances over land after a heavy rain to mate and lay their eggs in vernal pools and ponds," according to National Geographic.

Are they dangerous at all? Spotted salamanders do produce poisonous skin secretions, which allow them to taste bad to predators. For a human, these skin secretions are more

irritating and would not kill an adult or even a child, even if ingested. However, these secretions can kill a mouse, or other small rodent and can potentially make other small animals sick, according to Amphibian Planet.

However, while technically not poisonous to people, they have been known to carry Salmonella, which can be detrimental to any person to come in contact with one. Handling these creatures should be kept at a minimum. If handling is necessary, be sure to wash your hands promptly and practice good personal hygiene following the encounter.



the N.C. Museum of Natural Sciences, col lects a skin swab sample from a spotted salamander as part of a general health check up to screen for the presence of amphibian chytrid fungus. N.C. Museum of Natural

Although these small creatures may be docile toward people, humans can pose a danger to them. While exciting to see, the spotted salamander should not be handled by humans if at all possible. The amphibian's skin has a sensitive, slimy coating, which, if removed through handling, could seriously harm



Brian Fox won first place in the Wildlife category for his photograph of a



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Fall Festivals

Here are seven festivals you may want to go to this fall in the Lowcountry. Celebrate the season with these festive events featuring corn mazes, costume contests + fall



Boone Hall Pumpkin Patch

Friday, Sept. 29-Sunday, Oct. 29 (Fridays through Sundays) | Times vary | 1235 Long Point Rd., Mt. Pleasant | \$15+ | A prime spot for fall shenanigans, explore an 8-acre corn maze, petting zoo, obstacle courses, and pumpkin patch.



West Farm Corn Maze

Friday, Sept. 29-Sunday, Oct. 29 (Wednesdays through Sundays) | Times vary | 2641 Cooper Store Rd., Moncks Corner | \$5+ | When you're not wandering through the maze, try your hand at the apple slingshot — this year's theme is "Dinosaurs!"



Edisto Beach Fall Festival & Turtle Auction

Saturday, Oct. 7 | 11 a.m.-4 p.m. | Jungle Road in front of Palmetto Plaza | Free | Enjoy live music and baked goods, then bid on painted turtle statues to support nonprofits through the Turtle Tide Art Project.



North Charleston **Harvest Festival**

Sat., Oct. 21 | 4-7 p.m. | East Montague Avenue | Free admission | This annual event will celebrate fall with an artist market, costume contests, trick-or-treating, and a pop-up petting zoo.





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The Sandcastle

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Piano Bar with the Tango Lovers: Volver Wed., October 11, 2023 Thu., October 12, 2023 7:30 p.m. West Beach Conf. Center



Lowcountry Voices Sun., October 22, 2023

Holy Spirit Catholic Church Cost: No Charge



Cost: \$30

Dan Tyminski Band Piano Bar with Sat., November 11, 2023 **Glenn Brown** Wed., November 15, 2023 West Beach Conf. Center 5:00 - 7:00 PM The Sandcastle

No Tickets Required



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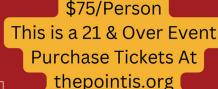
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Presentation at 7:00 pm



This evening's program will be a conversation with photographer

J. Kevin Foltz about his experiences as an assignment photographer in the world of travel photography including an emphasis on his recent work in Mexico and Japan. The conversation will address different approaches to image making on the road and how to be ready for encountering unexpected visual treasures. The conversation will also touch on culinary photography which is one of Kevin's travel specialties.

About J. Kevin Foltz ...Kevin is a wanderer. Raised in the Carolinas, Kevin has been a working photographer for thirty-five years. Kevin has owned commercial photography studios in Nashville,TN, Lima, Peru and Miami Florida. In the commercial realm of photography Kevin has worked with clients ranging from Western Union to Coca-Cola.

After closing his studio in Lima, Kevin moved to Miami where he was awarded two consecutive three-year residencies at Oolite Arts, formerly ArtCenter South Florida. Kevin was also awarded the Florida Arts Consortium Artist Grant. When living in Miami Kevin changed career paths to become a full-time travel and destination photographer working with various airlines and countries hotel and visitor's guides. Kevin is currently a resident artist at Redux Contemporary Art Center on King Street in downtown Charleston and continues to work closely with clients in the travel and restaurant industries

Advanced

This meeting is free to Seabrook Island Photo Club members. For guests and on-members we request a \$10 donation



ATTENTION ALL MAH JONGG PLAYERS

SAVE THE DATE TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023

for Seabrook Island Village - Neighbors Helping Neighbors

2ND ANNUAL SIV MAH JONGG DAY

MAH JONGG Fundraiser Registration/Entry Form Forms also available at the Lake House

Phone#

☐ Intermediate

Details: • 4 rounds played with a break for lunch

New partners each round

Level of Play (check one): ☐ Beginner

Email:_

- Your score, based on games won, counted at the end of each round
- No money will be exchanged
- Checks should be made payable to SEABOOK ISLAND VILLAGE

Send Registration/entry form & check to: SUE COOMER | 2833 CAPTAIN SAMS RD | SEABROOK ISLAND, SC 29455 843-901-0447 | seabrksue@att.net

Join fellow mavens on

Tuesday, October 17th • Atlantic Room • SI Clubhouse • 10AM to 3:30PM

Play Mah Jongg & support Seabrook Island Village –our Island non-profit providing members with health and wellness activities & services. Prizes, pastries, lunch, camaraderie & maybe even a few jokers – We promise you a fun day!

Cost: \$80 per person

Price includes a continental breakfast, lunch & your charitable donation to Seabrook Island Village...Neighbors helping Neighbors.



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Susan Sullivan hosted a get-together for Seabrook and Kiawah residents at her home on Kiawah Island. The evening was highligted by members of the Charleston Theater singing arias from a number of opera productions. Included was "Una furtiva lagrima" from Donizetti's L'Elisir d'amore.

The full opera will be performed at the Sottile Theater on Friday, October 6th at 7:30pm and Sunday, October 8th at 3pm. Highly recommended!

Ticket info: CharlestonOperaTheater.org

RIGHT: (soprano & 3rd year

BELOW: L-R: Harold Meers (Executive Director), Saundra DeAthos-Meers Director), Denni Woiciech Milewsk (Music Director?), Lauren Funkhou er (soprano & 3rd **Edward Brennan** (Director of Devel-









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TICKET PRICES

Adult: \$49.50 - \$80.50 | Senior (60+): \$47.50 - \$80.50 Students (ages 3-25) and Active Military: \$42.50 - \$80.50

For tickets, visit: https://charlestonstage.com/shows-and-tickets/the-prom





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3067 MARSHGATE DRIVE \$6,700,000

Ocean/River/Marsh View | 6 BR | 4.5 BA | 6,633 SF



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Ocean/Marsh View | 4 BR | 4F & 2H BA | 6,390 SF



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Ocean View | 4 BR | 3F & 2H BA | 3,270 SF



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Marsh View | 4 BR | 3 BA | 3,500 SF



2525 THE BENT TWIG \$2,150,000

Golf View | 4 BR | 3 BA | 3,711 SF



1327 PELICAN WATCH \$614,000

Ocean View | 1 BR | 2 BA | 1,000 SF



195 HIGH HAMMOCK ROAD \$509,000

Golf View | 2 BR | 2 BA | 1,036 SF



2465 SEABROOK ISLAND RD. \$425,000

Marsh View | Lot 29, Block 4 | 0.41 Acres

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Standing: Tom Peck, John Halter, Amanda Benepe, Ryan Straup, Patsy Zanetti, Ingrid Phillips, Mary Ann Lloyd, Stuart Spisak, Joy Dellapina, Michelle Almeyda-Wiedemuth Seated: Pat Polychron, Chip Olsen, Stuart Rumph, Kathleen McCormack, Marc Chafe

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