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FROM TOWN HALL

Communications

Everyone wants to be "in the know." To that end, the Town makes it easy. Follow us on social media with either Twitter or Facebook to get the latest on general announcements of community interest, including events such as Town meetings or overviews of new or amended ordinances. Page through photos we have received from our residents. Read features we post from time to time on residents' contributions to the community. Submit photos or nominate a resident for a spotlight feature. It's all part of a communication plan to ensure you can be engaged with the Town at whatever your level of interest might be.

The Town website is the place to find information of a more comprehensive level—Town meeting dates, agendas for upcoming meetings, minutes for meetings of Town Council and standing committees. Go to www.townofseabrookisland.org and select "TOWN" from the menu bar at the top of the main page, or go direct to www.townofseabrookisland.org. We are really excited about our project to redo the town website. The new site will be cleaner and have a more attractive appearance, in part from using local photographers' photos to highlight the natural beauty of our community. The website will be more mobile-friendly, designed to work the same way across all devices. "Mobile-friendly" means website pages will display accurately across your desktop/laptop computer and mobile devices such as smart phones (iPhone, Android, Blackberry, etc.) and tablets (iPad, Kindle, Galaxy, etc.). Mobile-friendly is a "best practice" for all website development. The new site will also be easier to use. Drop down menus will show what is included in each heading. Intuitive navigation will get you to the information you are seeking more quickly.

Our target is to go live with the website in October. We will certainly announce when the new site is available, and when we do we hope you will visit for a "test drive." We welcome your feedback—what you like, don't like, and why—and your suggestions as to how you think we might make the website even better. Our goal is to foster more transparency and more engagement with you.

One more note that should be of interest to you. In June, we conducted a review of Town emergency communications equipment as part of ensuring our response from initiation of emergency procedures through recovery is as thorough and effective as it can be for any situation. We identified each device we have in our inventory (for example, 800mHz and HAM radios), where they are kept, and how they are maintained. We tested each piece to make certain it operated as expected. This project also helped us to identify additional or replacement pieces of equipment for consideration in our budgeting process for the coming years.

Providing effective communications during any emergency, maintaining an efficient and user friendly website, and making it easy for you to follow us on social media are all elements the Town uses as part of keeping you "in the know.

You should also know that the town recently kicked off an update to its Comprehensive Plan, a process which is required by state law to be completed every 10 years. A Comprehensive Plan serves as a type of "strategic plan" for the community.

The plan will include a total of nine topics or "elements" including: land use, transportation, housing, natural resources, cultural resources, economic development, population, and priority investment. The plan will include an inventory of existing conditions, as well as specific goals and implementation strategies for each element. The plan will serve as an overall vision for the community and will guide future policy decisions of Town Council.

As part of the planning process, the town will be asking residents to participate in a community survey during the month of August. The town's comprehensive plan survey is separate and distinct from other surveys you may have received, including those from the Club or SIPOA. Those surveys are used for Club and SIPOA purposes and are not a part of the town's efforts to review and update our Comprehensive Plan.

The draft version of the Comprehensive Plan is expected to be completed by the end of this year. Prior to adoption, the town will host a community drop-in meeting and a public hearing, both of which will take place in early 2019. The Town of Seabrook Island values your feedback, and we hope you will take the time to participate in this important process.
BISHOP GADSDEN IN YOUR HOME

Bishop Gadsden is now providing companion and personal home care services throughout the greater Charleston community.

Let us bring our experienced and reputable staff right to your door.

PHOTO BY CHARLES MOORE

**INTRODUCTION**

The most common species of sea turtle nesting on South Carolina’s beaches is the loggerhead \( \text{(Caretta caretta)} \). The loggerhead spends most of its life offshore in marine and estuarine habitats. While the female loggerhead will briefly come ashore to lay eggs or to rest near the beach, the male loggerhead will spend most of its life offshore, swimming during the sea. Sea turtles represent some of earth’s most ancient creatures. They have been around since before the dinosaurs and continue to thrive. Mating occurs between the sexes, and their populations have been measured with the two critical traits of (a) the proportion of their population that (b) lays eggs. The following sections discuss various factors that may affect the numbers of sea turtles who lay eggs during the nesting season.

**FEMINIZATION OF SEA TURTLE POPULATIONS**

Feminization of sea turtle populations is the feminization of a population, where the majority of offspring are female. This phenomenon is observed in many species of sea turtles, and its causes are not fully understood. However, it is believed that feminization of sea turtle populations may be caused by several factors, including temperature and oceanic conditions. In the southeastern US, the more northern, cooler beaches in Georgia and the Carolinas are estimated to produce nearly 90% female hatchlings. Conversely, the more southern, warmer beaches in Florida and the Carolinas are believed to produce close to 50-60% female hatchlings. From the male sea turtle perspective, feminization of the population is a good thing because it means more female hatchlings. More female hatchlings mean more genetic diversity in the population and more offspring that can continue the species.

The feminization of sea turtle populations is of great concern to conservationists and marine biologists. As sea levels rise, the temperature of nesting beaches increases, which can lead to feminization of the population. This feminization is caused by a phenomenon known as thermalization, where the temperature of the nesting beach is raised to a level that favors the production of female hatchlings. This phenomenon is exacerbated by global warming, which increases the temperature of the nesting beaches.

**DEATH NOTICES**

Death notices include basic information about the deceased: the person’s name, age, occupation, date of death and place of death information. Notices can be sent to theseabrooker@yahoo.com.

**GATE PASSES FOR VJBO GUESTS**

Our security staff is finding that many of these properties do not have gate passes on file when the rental guests arrive at the gate. To help us serve your guests promptly and accurately, please remember to arrange gate passes for your rental guests prior to their arrival, and verify guest name(s) and arrival/departure dates.

**A new way for you to bring your business to the Seabrook Island community**

Contacting The Seabrooker

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**COVAR CORNER**

**NINA LEHMAN, president**

Council of Villa Associations and Regions Information

**COVAR Corner**

COVAR Committee is in the process of developing a very valuable document with the help of Lynn Cramer to standardize the format of the VAR Program. COVAR will work with Lynn and Ka-

COVAR Study – In 2016 a study identified a need in rental property and how they are used in rental property. This study is being re-done to be included in the Annual package for the VARs.

**COVAR Board Meeting**

The monthly COVAR Board meeting was held on July 19th. The following are topics that were discussed:

- The COVAR Board met with SIPOA on June 19th to discuss the new subcommittee held its’ first meeting on June 19th.

- A meeting with the Club, COVAR, and the Town is scheduled for July 31st. Sealoft, Treeloft, and Tarpon Villas. SIPOA security will respond to Trespassing on private regime

- There is a Tideline Q&A on this new trend which was held on July 31st.

- Ocean Winds 17 and 16.

- The Women’s South Carolina Gold Association has announced the issue of a new “PAL” License number for Rental Property which will be a direct conduit to the Regimes and not just with Presidents.

- There are currently 3 co-ops in the area which are very new. They are asking for ideas on how to make the co-ops more inviting and not just with Presidents.

- The following was announced:

  - “Guest Speaker on Scams/Security

  - Tutorial on Gate Access software

  - Tutorial on how to use the one call system

  - 4th of July Picnic Basket Program

  - Woods and Dunes Paint

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TOWN HALL MEETING
June 26, 2018

After the pledge of allegiance, Mayor Ciancio called the meeting to order at 7:28 p.m. Mayor Ciancio commented on the upcoming franchise meeting. Mayor Ciancio stated that he would like to express his appreciation to the Mayor’s Office staff for their service. Mayor Ciancio introduced Dan Ciancio, who outlined the project schedule for the Town’s Traffic Roundabout and the South Street Roundabout. Mayor Ciancio stated that the project will be completed in phases, with the first phase expected to be completed by September 15.

Mayor also explained that the Town Council will discuss the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2019. Mayor Ciancio stated that the Town’s budget for the fiscal year 2019 will be presented to the Town Council at its next meeting on July 10, 2018. Mayor Ciancio stated that the budget will include a proposed increase in the property tax rate.

Mayor Ciancio also stated that the Town Council will consider the nomination of Dan Ciancio as the Town’s Traffic Engineer. Mayor Ciancio stated that the nomination will be considered at the Town Council’s next meeting on July 10, 2018.

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The idea for having an annual 4th of July Parade came the year after 9/11. Pat Parsons, who was a SIPOA board member at the time, wanted to find a way to help support the United States of America. We had just been through the terrible experience of September 11, 2001 and the country was still hanging American flags from their houses and cars to show our unity. Pat thought that we should do something on Seabrook to celebrate the United States and the 4th of July was just the right holiday to do that. She thought that having an all-island parade on that day would help us continue our tradition of celebrating freedom.

Pat Parsons proposed this idea to the Seabrook Board early in 2002 and the board loved the idea and agreed to sponsor the event. It was a huge event with many of our local groups, individuals, and families coming together to take part in the parade. The rest is history. It is hard to imagine having the 4th of July on Seabrook without an all-island parade. It is a real community event and continues to help make this island a special place where all can participate and the crowds that line the parade route can rejoice in seeing our islanders’ patriotism.

Residents and visitors alike can participate and this year continued to make this event special for all.

We can all appreciate Pat’s contribution to the island. She and her late husband, Barnes, lived here for many years before moving to be near family. What a special place Seabrook Island is and this event helps make it even more so.

Sue Holloman

The First Seabrook Island 4th of July Parade

Seabrookers Join Annual Parade

The Many Faces of Seabrook on the 4th of July

Dan Korzenecky

Family Fun

Children with Face Paint

Marilyn Whatley

Run with Face Painting

Babe with American Flag Outfit

Marilyn Donsod

Faye Abraham - Town Clerk

Jill Newson

Another Face Painting on Child

Child - Meri Thoughtful

Dona Tovar - Mayor of Seabrook Island

Faye Abraham - Town Clerk

Another Face Painting on Child

Child - Most Thoughtful

William Nelson

Portraits of Our Children

Susan Meloy

Patriotic Ears!

Bill Wilson and John Nelson

Family Time

Faye Abraham - Town Clerk

Another Face Painting on Child

Fig Newton

Flyover

William Nelson - Mayor of Seabrook Island

Fireworks

Fireworks lit up the sky!
Sea Islands Hunger Awareness Foundation

Lives Up to Its Name... and More

The Sea Islands Hunger Awareness Foundation, also known as the Sea Islands Hunger Coalition, gets to the point — and does it impressively and ingenuously. But many organizations with impressive names often seem to talk about themselves rather than doing something about it by doing nothing, that’s what makes Sea Islands Hunger Awareness Foundation unlike them.

As its monthly board meeting held Friday, July 21 at the John’s Island Community Center, the group presented, updated, questioned, and discussed with a huge amount of activity to the point that it is without a doubt the most active non-profit on the Island.

It is important to state from the start of this that I have had a bad pet, astroturf, a car, and a string of dogs. That being said, pets are such an integral part of our culture that people manage to weave pet ownership into their lives. If there is one thing I have learned it is that pet care is a necessity in our lives, it is not a luxury. Pet care is for everyone, regardless of income level.

There are hundreds, maybe thousands of pet owners who are on the fence about whether or not to have a pet in their household. This is especially true when it comes to senior living, where the success or failure of a senior living facility often hinges on the ability to attract and retain residents.

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Congratulations to ALL THE WALK / RUN and TRI IT KIDS TRIATHLON Participants!!

Thank you to all participants, volunteers and spectators for once again making our Fourth of July events a huge success!!

PILATES CORE 360

Pilates Core 360 utilizes a system of strengthening and stretching exercises designed to develop the body's core, boasting over 200 exercises which engage all aspects of daily living and assist in life's physical, mental and emotional needs.

One of the innumerable benefits of Pilates is that core work increases body awareness which helps in all aspects of daily living and assists in the goal of living and aging powerfully. Other beneficial participants can experience include improvements in range of motion, flexibility, coordination, posture, balance, and stamina. PILATES CORE 360 is designed to benefit many types of people of all fitness levels.

Want to be stronger, more toned and carry yourself with more posture? Join Alison Standard on Thursdays at 3:00 PM for her brand new class, PILATES CORE 360 to work around the entire body!

LAKE HOUSE SPOTLIGHT

LAKE HOUSE FITNESS CENTER GUIDELINES

1. Children 15 years and under must be under the direct supervision of an adult.
2. Use of fitness equipment is limited to people 14 years of age and older. All youth may use the exercise and stretching rooms under the direct supervision of an adult.
3. Proper fitness attire is required; i.e. closed toe shoes must be worn.
4. Please wipe down all equipment after use.
5. Beverages in sealable plastic containers are permitted. Food is not permitted in the fitness center.
6. Please use equipment properly to prevent damage and ensure personal safety.
7. Please return all equipment to the proper place after use.
8. Do not leave personal items in the areas provided.
9. In case of emergency, call 911 or use the emergency call button in the hallway next to the director’s office.

We thank you in advance for following the above guidelines.

SEPTEMBER ISLAND HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

Seabrook Island Healthcare Professionals Group

Seabrook Island Healthcare Professionals Group is open to all healthcare professionals on Seabrook Island. We meet monthly to discuss health topics of interest amongst ourselves and our community.

Meetings are open to all and are held on the first Thursday of each month at The Lake House.

Next Meeting

Thursday, August 2nd at 7:00PM

Interested healthcare professionals can join our group on NextDoor and receive regular communications.

REMININDER

The speed limit on Seabrook Island is 25 MPH OR BELOW. Please observe all signage, and drive safely, especially as the Summer months bring increased visitor and bicycle/performance traffic.

Thank you.
NV Realty Group to Host Local Artist Reception

On August 8th Featuring Colleen Wiessmann

NV Realty Group will host an artist reception and an art sale at the work of Colleen Wiessmann of Seabrook Island on Wednesday, August 8th from 4:30 to 7pm. Colleen Wiessmann is an artist residing in Seabrook Island with a background in textile design. Colleen Wiessmann has been teaching art to adults and children for 25 years and is a member of the New York Botanical Garden. Ms. Wiessmann stated, “I like to tell a story in my abstract printings, through words, lines and color. I use collage and cutting into the creative process, my energy. By channeling my energy into my materials, I use the medium to see the world through an artist’s eye.”

The event is free to the public and we will have art for sale by the artist and 25% of all sales will be donated to the cause. Over 11,000 has been raised through the NV Realty Group Artist Reception and Stabilized homes.

Colleen Wiessmann grew up in Northern New Jersey and on Seabrook Island. After studying at the school of art in New York, she worked as an interior designer for 12 years, before turning her art into a more simmering and design. Ms. Wiessmann stated, “I like to tell a story in my abstract printings, through words, lines and color. I use collage and cutting into the creative process, my energy. By channeling my energy into my materials, I use the medium to see the world through an artist’s eye.”
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