

# THE Seabrooker

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## SEABROOK CELEBRATES INDEPENDENCE DAY

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PHOTO BY BILL NELSON

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Seabrooker wishes to thank both Bill Nelson and Ralph Secoy for all the Independence Day photos. Ralph Secoy included the following comments with his.

"Water guns were ubiquitous and fun for everyone. There were cans full of water so that the participants could reload. Some of the spectators returned fire. The battle was cool on both sides, but the floaters won the day. (Although he was hit in the back by dastardly cowards, the photographer's \$,,\$,\$\$ of equipment came out unscathed).

We wish we had the space to show you everyone who made up the festivities, but we want to thank all of our participants and spectators including: a Turtle Patrol Humvee, a giant red, white & blue hat, a U.S. Airborne Military truck, our Mayor, WW II Vet/U.S. Marine Semper Fi pickup, a BMW Z3 contingent, S.I. Garden Club, Happy Birthday America from the Hider Families & Friends, a "Little Red Corvette", an Antique Chevy pickup, Betsy Ross, SIPOA, Water Wise, Statue of Liberty, and more. We apologize to those not mentioned as there were too many to keep track of.

A special thanks go to our Security staff directing traffic, leading the Parade and bringing up the rear.

There was even Roto Rescue stopped and waiting for the Parade. They had the courtesy to bring a red and blue van that was perfect." ▲



PHOTO BY RALPH SECOY

## Town of Seabrook Island selected for Municipal Achievement Award



FROM TOWN HALL

JOE CRONIN

From statewide awards to long-term planning, plastics and mosquitoes, it has been another busy summer in Seabrook Island!

During a statewide conference held in Greenville on July 18th-21st, the Town of Seabrook Island was honored with its first ever Municipal Achievement Award from the Municipal Association of South Carolina (MASC). Established in 1987, the Municipal Achievement Award program recognizes cities and towns across the state for superior and innovative efforts in local government. The program also provides a forum for sharing the best public service ideas throughout the state of South Carolina.

The town was recognized in the 1,000-5,000 population category for its Dolphin Education Program. Established in the spring of 2018, the town's Dolphin Education Program is a field-based program designed to engage and educate beachgoers while reducing human disturbances to the local dolphin population. The program is managed by the Lowcountry Marine Mammal Network (LMMN), under contract with the Town of Seabrook Island, and relies on the support of citizen volunteers. Each day during the peak tourist season, educators are present at Captain Sams Inlet to interact with beachgoers and collect valuable data about strand feeding activities. Mayor Ron Ciancio attended the MASC annual conference in Greenville and proudly accepted the award on behalf of the town.

As of this writing, Town Council is expected to give final reading approval on July 23rd to two significant ordinances which have been under consideration for quite some time.



Mayor Ciancio holding the trophy. Councilman John Wells (who initiated the Dolphin Education program in 2018) on the left, and me on the right

With the passage of Ordinance No. 2019-06, Town Council will adopt a ten-year update to the town's comprehensive plan. The South Carolina Local Government Comprehensive Planning Enabling Act requires all municipalities and counties in the state to develop

and maintain a planning process which will result in the systematic preparation and continual re-evaluation and updating of their comprehensive plans. The planning process must include, but not

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Dear Cap'n Sam,

I am very pleased that the Greenspace Conservancy has placed signage (albeit temporary) on each of the SIPOA owned Greenspace lots. Having the signs in place during the busy weekend will bring the Conservancy's valuable work to the public eye during this busy holiday week. The Conservancy is, of course, completely dependent upon donations of

Dear Cap'n Sam

Jeri Finke of the Seabrook Island Town Council had an article in the recent July 2019 edition of "The Seabrooker" concerning "our" plastic footprint, in which she stated "We already have a robust recycling program (overseen by SIPOA) ..." Obviously, she has never visited the recycling center, and my guess would be that you, Heather, have not either. I use it frequently, and it is generally a total filthy mess. From the looks of it, I have no doubt that the residents of SI are as much, or more, to blame than the contractor responsible for



property and money to buy property. What better way to keep the conservancy's good works and ongoing

needs in the forefront of folks' minds than by using signs that identify each donated Greenspace area. Kiawah recognizes the marketing value of placing permanent signage (signage that does not detract from the Greenspace) on each donated parcel so that owners are reminded of the need to continue to support Greenspace initiatives. I would like to see Seabrook consider the same permanent signage. Although the Greenspace rules for Seabrook states that the Greenspace may not have any improvement or development, a simple, permanent sign would not detract from the Greenspace environment.

Barry Cranfill  
Seabrook Island  
Green Space Conservancy

emptying the recycling containers. However, why can't the SIPOA police the area better, particularly since the area is right next to the supposed "maintenance center" housing SIPOA personnel, and also require the contractor clean up the area after emptying/replacing the bins?

Additionally, have you ever (once again I doubt it) tried to empty your individual household recycling bin(s) into the bins at the recycling center? It is impossible to do so without either placing the items individually into the larger bins, or trying to

prop up the lid with your shoulder while emptying your individual container. No easy task for a 77 year old! Why can't the contractor place bins there that are more "user friendly" and accessible?

My venting is over, but seriously, attention to the above two issues would increase the use of the recycling center, if indeed SIPOA, and The Town of Seabrook, thinks recycling is a good thing!

Thanks,

Doug Darran  
1917 Marsh Oak Lane

DEATH NOTICES

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**Elsie Easterbrook** entered into eternal rest on Saturday, July 20. Born August 4, 1931, Elsie was 87 years old.

Elsie was a Seabrooker for more than 20 years moving here from Glastonbury, Connecticut.

She was an accomplished pianist who studied at the Juilliard School in New York City. While in New York, she performed in recitals under Leonard Bernstein's direction. Locally Elsie played with the Island Choralists beginning way back in 1999. Her piano accompaniment was admired by the entire men's chorus and her easy-to-smile spirit beloved by them as well.

Elsie is survived by her two sons Bradford and Craig and their two families. A memorial service for Ms. Easterbrook is in the process of being scheduled.



**Richard Joseph Little** died suddenly on the afternoon of Monday, July 15th, 2019. He was devoted to his wife of fifty years, Elizabeth Ecton Little ("Libby"). He was a graduate of Loyola High School, Johns Hopkins University and obtained his MBA at the University of Maryland. Richard spent most of his career in the insurance industry. He and Libby raised their children, Brad and Sarah, in Baltimore, MD and both are graduates of St. Paul's. To say Dick adored his family is an understatement; Libby, his children and his grandchildren are the lights of his life. He also had so many terrific friends in Baltimore and on Seabrook Island, SC, where he and Libby had retired. Dick loved lacrosse and football, he loved the beach, and he loved his dogs ("Nellie" misses him). He taught his children to be confident, honest, and hard working. He loved reading books to his grandchildren and he loved Berger cookies. His younger sister, Christine, remembers that he held her hand for the first six years of her life. He has three nieces, Betsy and Emily, daughters of Christine, and Grace, daughter of Randy and Suzie Ecton. His parents, Ruth Gettler Little and Harry Anthony Little, owned the well-known "Harry Little's Carryout" shops in Baltimore. Richard lovingly cared for his wife who is living with Parkinson's Disease, so the family is asking for donations for The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's.

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SHANA'S TALE: A WATER WELLNESS STORY



Restoring Water Wellness On The Islands

"I always wanted to live on an island." Shana, a mother of two young children told us.

"Moved here from Illinois, but did not know of the water condition when we moved in. Pretty soon we figured it out. Looks like mud in the water, stains clothes and smells bad. I woke up at night smelling it. It seemed like that smell filled up the house." Her son added that he never felt clean after a shower, that he felt a it there were "blobs of stuff in the water" that stuck to him.

Shana and her husband tried to improve the situation by shutting down the water whenever they left the house, and by purchasing dark clothing, so the stains wouldn't show. She estimated that they spent about \$50/month for bottled water.

Because they stopped drinking the water, Shana wasn't too concerned about it's affect on their health. That is, until she filled up a baby pool for her little one, and he began drinking the water while in the pool.

Thanks to Water Wellness Mission, Shana's family got a new well and filtration system, providing them with pure water. She no longer worries about her baby drinking dirty pool water. They now feel clean after a shower, and no longer need to purchase expensive bottled water.

There are literally hundreds of stories similar to Shana's, for those living on Wadmalaw and Johns Islands, with contaminated well water. Consider Nellie Boykin, who lives with her 7 grandchildren. Nellie was entirely dependent on bottled water for drinking, bathing and cooking. Both Mr. Brishbon and Mr. Middleton, army veterans with health issues, were also forced to spend precious dollars on bottled water. Many folks say that living with dirty, smelly water is worse than living with no water at all. That was the sad case of one elderly, blind lady, who lived without any water unless her son carried bottled water to her.

But it's not just about smelly or costly water. The list of water contaminants is long and varied, with many commonly found on this beleaguered barrier island. Hydrogen sulphide is a



flammable gas, and poisonous if at high levels in the water supply. But, even a low levels, it emits the disgusting odor of rotten eggs. Fecal bacteria, carrying viruses and parasites, can seep into well water if septic and well systems lie within the recommended 75 foot separation. Many wells do not adhere. In our maritime forrest, saltwater intrusion often occurs in aging, failing wells, again leaving water undrinkable. Add to all this the possibility of high levels of iron, manganese, and lead, and families are at elevated risk for diarrhea, nausea, headaches, dysentery, and worse.

Wadmalaw and Johns Islands may lie just up the road from Seabrook Island, but its inhabitants live very different lives. Over 1/4 of the population live below the poverty line. Municipal water does not exist on Wadmalaw, so families are well dependent, with most unable to pay for well water tests. The estimated costs to connect these residents to city water is considered simply too high to install in this less populated area, and some folks say they could not afford the related bill, anyway.

This problem remains a silent epidemic. Hundreds of barrier island families still urgently await clean, safe water to pour forth from their wells. Water Wellness Mission may be their only real chance at that realization.

In 2016, it was recognized, with the distribution of healthy food to our needy neighbors, that the need for healthy water was just as great, and had gone unaddressed. The breadth of that need was staggering.

Shirley Salvo, founder of Sea Island Hunger Awareness (a 501(c)3 foundation) partnered with Bill Britton to address the matter, and Water Wellness Mission was born. An all volunteer organization, we exist under the umbrella of SIHAF, with the sole goal of delivering new wells and filtration systems to the many who suffer with contaminated water.

We are now on the way to eradicating the problem, one well at a time. To date, WWM has installed over 90 such systems, 30 this year alone, altering the lives of over 400 people. There are still 57 families on our waiting list, and, with your help, we can reach them. At a cost of \$6500 per system, many more dollars are needed to provide our neighbors with the most basic life source, pure water.

We are proud to note that over 98% of all donations go directly toward well/filtration installations, meaning that your dollars directly change lives. Please consider tapping the **DONATE button on our website; [www.waterwellnessmission.org](http://www.waterwellnessmission.org)**

Cathy Coleman

FROM TOWN HALL -

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be limited to, an inventory of existing conditions, a statement of needs and goals, and implementation strategies with time frames. By law, a comprehensive plan must cover nine planning elements: land use, transportation, housing, cultural resources, natural resources, economic development, community facilities, priority investment and population.

The draft plan was prepared by the Seabrook Island Planning Commission, with assistance from the Charleston County Planning Department. The planning process also included a community-wide survey, meetings with various stakeholder groups, a public drop-in meeting, and a public hearing. The new comprehensive plan will serve as a long-term vision for the community and will guide future decisions over the next 10 years. The plan may be viewed in its entirety on the town's website.

With the adoption of Ordinance No. 2019-08, Seabrook Island will join a growing list of coastal communities which have adopted restrictions on the sale and distribution of single-use plastic items, including: Beaufort, Bluffton, Charleston, Folly Beach, Hilton Head Island, Isle of Palms, James Island, Kiawah Island, Mount Pleasant, North Myrtle Beach, Port Royal, Sullivan's Island, Surfside Beach, Beaufort County and Charleston County. Plastics, especially single-use plastic bags made from forms of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) - a non-renewable and non-biodegradable petroleum or natural gas by-product - have proven to be an environmental hazard, contributing to extensive litter and water pollution that is life-threatening to wildlife, marine species and humans.

The new ordinance, which is scheduled to take effect on January 1, 2020, will ban the sale and distribution of single-use plastic carryout bags, plastic straws, and polystyrene coolers, cups and other food containers by any business establishment operating within the town's municipal limits. For the avoidance of doubt, this ordinance applies only to the sale and distribution of those items; it will NOT prohibit any individual from using or carrying such items.

Lastly, as much as we enjoy the long days and warm ocean breezes, the hot summer months also signal the arrival of the one insect we all love to hate: mosquitoes. With heavy rains during the month of June, we have already received dozens of mosquito complaints this year. The town contracts with Charleston County for mosquito control, and the county has already conducted its first ground spraying on June 27th-28th.

On August 1st, the town will launch a new mosquito complaint tool on our website, giving residents the ability to log mosquito complaints electronically. To access the form, please visit our website at [www.townofseabrookisland.org](http://www.townofseabrookisland.org), click on the "Services" menu, and then click on "Mosquito Control" from the drop-down menu. By providing your name and address, we will be able to better track the number and location of all mosquito complaints. You can also sign up to receive alerts when ground and aerial sprayings are scheduled to occur. This is one of many new enhancements that we are pleased to offer our residents through our new website. As always, please contact Town Hall at (843) 768-9121 if we can ever be of assistance.

Get Off Track,  
Marc & Allissa

OFF TRACK ICE CREAM

A Unique Ice Cream Shop Now Open  
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**Off Track Ice Cream**, an ice cream shop that offers both traditional + vegan ice cream, opened at 6 Beaufain Street downtown on June 2.

**Off Track Ice Cream** creates traditional and vegan ice cream in classic and inventive flavors. They make their ice cream from scratch using the freshest, Lowcountry-sourced ingredients and never any artificial flavorings, additives, or stabilizers because real just tastes better. By purchasing ingredients from local farmers and purveyors, **Off Track Ice Cream** gets to support the great Lowcountry economy.

It all began a handful of years ago when Marc and Allissa started making ice cream as a creative outlet. As they

practiced and studied their craft, their passion for the art of ice cream making grew as did our desire to share our ice cream with others. Their philosophy on ice cream is different from other ice cream makers: Marc and Allissa believe that ice cream should only be made from, and tastes best when it's made from, natural ingredients and stripped back of any and all inessential ingredients. This is why they make all of our ice creams from scratch starting with just four ingredients: cream, local pasture-raised milk and eggs, and cane sugar. With the same philosophy in mind, they make vegan ice creams with just raw cashews, organic coconut cream, sunflower oil, and cane sugar. From these bases, they



create a variety of flavors using only real foods and clean ingredients that are essential to the flavor at hand.

Every batch of ice cream is made by hand. Marc and Allissa are continually enhancing, tweaking, and perfecting recipes and techniques. Their mission is to bring you the most flavor-packed, creamy, decadent ice creams possible, because you deserve great ice cream.



**C.O.V.A.R. CORNER**  
DEBORA LEHMAN  
President  
Council of Villa Associations and Regimes Information

NOTE: The following is a re-print of Allan Keener's article dated July 2015. Where appropriate, the information was updated.

What does your Association/Regime (Association for short) do when one of your residents falls behind in fees and assessments? Hopefully it is of short duration and you work with the owner who is perhaps going through some tough times financially. We are all neighbors and we try to support them as long as we can.

At some point you may have to take action. Most times it is your Property Manager who works with your attorney to begin the legal process. To understand what is done, we asked Anisley H. Willis, McCabe Trotter & Beverly, PC, to answer the basic questions often addressed to her firm concerning the South Carolina Community Association Assessment Collection and Foreclosure Litigation Process.

**Q: Why are assessments needed?**  
A: Associations have financial obligations that must be met such as maintenance and replacement of community property, reserve funding, legal expenses for covenant enforcement and other bills like landscaping, insurance and property management.

**Q: How should the Association go about collecting assessments?**

A: Begin with the Conditions, Covenants and Restrictions (CC&R), Bylaws and Rules in place and consider the needs of the community. The Board should establish a collections policy that takes into consideration the Association's financial obligations, cash flow and when assessments are due (monthly, quarterly, annually). This policy should outline the due dates, warning letters, grace periods, late fee, etc. and establish when a Notice of Lien will be filed and when foreclosure litigation will be commenced. The goal of the Board should be to not allow owners to get too far in arrears

as it will become increasingly more difficult for these owners to become current.

**Q: Why should the Association utilize the foreclosure process instead of seeking a personal judgment?**

A: If an Association's governing documents permit it to foreclose for delinquent assessments this is often the most effective tool at the Association's disposal. Foreclosure is a process used by a creditor to force the sale of a real estate asset that a borrower has pledged as security for a debt. In South Carolina, judicial foreclosure is required, meaning the mortgaged property is sold through a court proceeding after certain required legal steps have been taken. If the Association obtains a personal judgment, it must still take additional steps to execute the judgment and collect assets of the debtor which are sold to satisfy the judgment. South Carolina law affords certain protections to debtors under the Homestead Exemption Act, which do not apply in association foreclosure suits. These protections operate to make most South Carolinians judgment-proof, so the Association is unlikely to actually collect on the debt it is owed. Personal judgments attach to the real and personal property of the debtor only within the county in which the action is filed; therefore, the Association would need to file in every county in which the debtor owns property. In many cases this property is the debtor's only asset in South Carolina. This means the Association would need to retain counsel in the debtor's home state to pursue collection after obtaining a judgment.

**Q: What are the steps in the foreclosure process?**

A: First, the Association must send the debtor all required notices pursuant to its collections policy before turning over a file to its attorney to begin foreclosure. In South Carolina, corporations must be represented by an attorney in Circuit Court, which is where foreclosure litigation suits are filed. The attorney begins by filing a Notice of Lien on the property in the county's property records office. The Notice of Lien provides record notice to prospective purchasers and the mortgage holder in case the debtor seeks to refinance his or her mortgage. A Notice of Lien also operates to get the attention of the debtor.

The next step in the foreclosure process is to file a Lis Pendens and Complaint with the Circuit Court. The debtor is personally served with these documents and has thirty days to file his response with the court. Generally, the Association will refer the case to the Master-in-Equity's office, which is a division of the Circuit Court where equitable cases such as foreclosure cases. The Master will hold a hearing to determine the amount of the debt and rule on any issues raised by the debtor's response. The Master then either orders the property to be sold by judicial sale or dismisses the action.

**Q: What is the priority of the Association's lien?**  
A: The Association's lien arises when the debt becomes due. It is junior to any mortgage previously recorded, (First Fed. Savings and Loan Ass'n of

Charleston v. Bailey, 316 S.C. 350, 450 S.E.2d 77 (Ct. App. 1994)); junior to any mechanic's lien previously recorded; junior to any property tax and junior to any tax lien previously recorded. When a senior lienholder forecloses its lien, junior liens are extinguished. Bailey held that a community association's lien did not relate back to filing of the Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions, but rather it arose when the assessments became past due.

**Q: What happens if the debtor files bankruptcy?**

A: In the event an owner enters bankruptcy, the Association must discontinue its collection efforts for as long as the owner is protected by the bankruptcy court. The period after filing bankruptcy is called the automatic stay, which gives the debtor some breathing room from his creditors. Actions that violate the automatic stay include sending collection letters, continuing to deny use of Common Area amenities and other penalties imposed by the Association. The Bankruptcy Code may allow an Association to collect and foreclose on assessments that accrue post-petition, but the Association should request permission from the bankruptcy court to pursue those actions while the automatic stay is in place. The Association is considered a secured creditor in bankruptcy proceedings, so it will stand in line with other secured creditors hoping to be repaid as part of the bankruptcy plan.

**Q: What happens if the Association successfully forecloses on a Property?**

A: The property is advertised once a week for three weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county. The court then sells the property to the highest bidder at a foreclosure sale. The high bidder has twenty days to comply with his bid. The court will issue an order confirming the sale and will give the high bidder a master's deed to the property. The Association is paid from the proceeds of the sale. The property remains subject to all senior liens and mortgages.

**Q: What happens if there are no other bidders at the sale?**

A: The Association is required to cast the first bid at the auction. The Association's bid is a "credit bid" meaning the Association does not have to pay the amount bid. Instead their bid amount is credited against the debt owed to the Association. Typically, the Association will bid up to the amount of the debt owed to it because it is not required to actually come out of pocket up to this amount. If the Association is the high bidder it takes title to the property subject to all senior liens. The Association can rent the property, sell it, or simply hold it and wait for the senior lienholder to foreclose its interest.

I hope that this has been of value to not only Association/Regime Boards and their Property Managers, but to villa owners, as well.

The next COVAR meeting will be announced via Tidelines and an email message to all Presidents, Association/Regime Representatives and Property Managers. All Seabrookers are invited to attend. ▲

## THE HISTORY (AND MYSTERY) OF SOUTH CAROLINA'S OFFICIAL FLAG



**That's no moon...or is it? POP QUIZ:** What symbols adorn the South Carolina state flag?

If you answered a palmetto tree + a crescent moon, you're wrong. Or, at least, you could be wrong. Here's the thing: as is often the case when it comes to history, we've lost track of some of it. And now, modern-day historians disagree on what we're actually looking at when it comes to the state flag. Confused? Don't worry - we'll explain.

### Started at Fort Moultrie

The story begins with one man: Colonel William Moultrie. From his fort on what is now Sullivan's Island, Moultrie defended the Charleston Harbor from British warships.

For nine grueling hours on June 28, 1776, British battleships pounded Fort Sullivan with cannon fire - but to no avail. That's because its walls were fortified with palmetto logs that, rather than shattering, absorbed the force from the cannonballs.

Eventually, the Redcoats withdrew. Of course, they did go on to carry out a successful siege of Charleston - but thanks to the fierce protection by the palmetto logs, today, Fort Sullivan (now Fort Moultrie) was still standing by the end of the Revolutionary War.

How does that play into the story of our state flag, you ask? Two ways. One: because the life-saving work of the palmetto logs can be attributed to the sabal palmetto ultimately being designated South Carolina's State tree. And two: because Colonel Moultrie designed a flag that hung at Fort Sullivan - one that eventually inspired the design of the state flag.

Col. Moultrie's chose blue to be the

color of the flag so that it would match the color of his soldiers' uniforms.

The crescent, with the word "liberty" written across it, also paid homage to their uniforms: their caps were adorned with silver crescents, along with the words "Liberty or Death." (Or was it a gorget? More on that in a second.)

Does this all look familiar? It should. After the war ended, state leaders used this flag as a basis for the design of the official state flag in 1861. The word "liberty" was taken out, and, of course, the palmetto tree was added.

The crescent, positioned over in the top left corner, seems to welcome the comparison of a moon shining over a palmetto tree. But a lot of people will tell you that it's not a moon at all, but a crescent-shaped piece of armor worn across the throat called a "gorget."

Some argue that the gorget symbol was worn on the hats of soldiers as a way of paying tribute to the days of wearing body armor. And being that the crescent symbol on the flag was taken from the uniforms, that would mean the symbol on the flag is also a gorget - not a moon.

Historians have scoured records from the time in an attempt to identify the object once and for all. They even read Col. Moultrie's diary in the hopes it would shed some light on the mystery - but even in his most private confessions, Moultrie only referred to the symbol as a "crescent." ▲



## On Wine

Michael Morris - Vintage Wine

As I write this I am a week away from a trip to Budapest, Hungary. Although I won't be traveling to wine country I am looking forward to tasting the wines of this sleeping giant that are mostly unavailable in the US. Hungary has one of the oldest wine cultures in the world. While many people look to the classification of Bordeaux in 1855 or the creation of the crus of Burgundy, it is Hungary that was the first to create a system of recognizing its most important vineyards back in the 16th century.

While I am going for a distinctly modern concept of a gigantic rock music festival (the Sziget Festival), I am looking forward to experiencing a culture and learning about a history that, while mostly overlooked in this country, was once the epicenter of Eastern Europe. I am excited to share my experiences in next month's edition of The Seabrooker. ▲



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## KIDS on Seabrook

### The School Suppliers vs. The School Supply Shredders Do the kids on Seabrook enjoy school supply shopping?

As the summer is coming to a close, the kids on Seabrook are busy preparing for a strong start to the school year. This is a fun and exciting time of year. Many kids are returning to schools they have been attending for years and are excited to see their friends and teachers again, while others are preparing for a fresh start at a new school. Some kids can be found reviewing math flashcards and preparing book reports in the library at the Lake House, while others are seen running down the Haul Over prepping for the upcoming cross country season. But the most important day for getting ready for the school year is coming soon, the day for school supply shopping!!

You walk through the automatic sliding glass doors. The loud Beeping of cash registers and the sounds of rolling carts fills the air. You breathe in the smell of binders and newly printed notebooks. This is a paradise for some kids, while others consider it pure torture. One kid may say that this day is the day they have been waiting for all summer, while others say this is the day they have been dreading all summer.

Those who dislike school supply shopping say that it reminds them that the new school year is quickly approaching and looming over them. They say it is a reminder that their freedom is coming to an end, and soon they will be stuck at a desk filling out worksheets or giving high pressure public speaking presentations. School supply shopping means that once the school year begins, there will be no more time to spend at the pool or catching minnows in the tidal pools. No more sand castles! The horror!

But, we should not forget that some kids enjoy learning, and they have been waiting all summer for this opportunity. They enjoy researching Ancient Greece and learning about mul-

tiplication. Some kids receive a thrill while picking out notebooks with cute puppies and Disney characters. They love deciding what kind of backpack or lunch box they would like this year. Some of our kids sometimes even want to go school supply shopping early.

We have an amazing idea! Let's have... **A BATTLE FOR BACK TO SCHOOL SHOPPING!** Music in the background! You must choose a side. Let's read the opinions of the kids on Seabrook. Do they like school supply shopping, or not?

Now up first, the School Suppliers!! They love shopping for back to school! On this team are the writers for The Kids On Seabrook column, Reagan Passantino and Emily Horn! Reagan and Emily think of school supply shopping as a way to become excited for the school year! Another member of the School Suppliers is MJ Feeley! MJ attends Charleston Collegiate School and is entering the 6th grade. She loves shopping for school supplies and finding supplies with fun patterns on them. While MJ loves shopping for supplies, she is still dreading the end of the summer and will miss the freedom of summer once school begins again. Jack Long is another member of the School Suppliers. Jack is a new member of the Kids on Seabrook. He will be home-schooled this year and is entering the 1st grade. He loves shopping for school supplies with his mom and looking for cool notebooks. Jack is fairly ready for the new school year, and his favorite parts of his school day are lunch and animal science. He will miss seeing all of the fun lizards on the island once summer ends.

Now, let's read from the School Supply Shredders! \*silence\* Let us repeat... now let's read from the... ummm... all of the kids on Seabrook love school supplies!!!! The School Suppliers win!

Feel free to contact us at [kidsonseabrook@gmail.com](mailto:kidsonseabrook@gmail.com).



Reagan Passantino

[seabrook@gmail.com](mailto:seabrook@gmail.com). If you have children on Seabrook, please email us updates including sporting events, awards, and recent adventures that you would like to share. Please send us any ideas on what you look forward to reading about in this column of The Seabrooker. If you feel that your child's opinion has not been represented in our articles, please feel free to request a survey by contacting us through our email. We distribute surveys to hear from the kids on Seabrook and to properly represent their opinions.▲

Reagan Passantino & Emily Horn



## Turtle Patrol Sets All-Time Record Number of Nests Inventory and PHAT Teams Swing Into Action

As of July 15th the Turtle Patrol had located and protected 82 Loggerhead Sea Turtle nests on Seabrook Island beaches. This easily eclipses the prior record of 75 nests set in 2015. The record levels of sea turtle nests are not just at Seabrook Island. The South Carolina and Georgia Departments of Natural Resources are reporting that both states are experiencing sea turtle nesting activity at an all-time high.

The Turtle Patrol's busiest time of year is from early July through the end of August. During this period all facets of the Patrol are in full swing. New nests are still being laid and earlier nests are hatching.

The Turtle Patrol's 150 members perform a wide variety of functions. The Walkers who identify potential nests and maintain existing nests have been very busy since early May. The Probers, who are experts in locating nests, have been on the beach almost daily, sometimes locating and setting up protective equipment for several nests in a single morning.

Two of the busiest groups are the Pre-hatch Activity Team and the Inventory Team.

#### Pre-Hatch Activity Team

Starting in late June the Pre-hatch Activity Team, led by Amanda and Joshua Shilko, began monitoring nests that are close to hatching during their evening rounds. Their purpose is to provide the best possible conditions to help sea turtle hatchlings reach the ocean.

- Here's a list of their responsibilities:
- Monitor nests and nearby beach for signs of hatchling activity, predation, and hazards.
  - Maintain habitable conditions on and around the nests by clearing excess sand, maintaining nest equipment and other predator deterrents, and keeping the pathway to the water clear of debris.
  - Protect hatchlings from predators and other hazards by filling in ghost crab holes near the nest, filling in sand pits and clearing sand castles above the tide line, and picking up garbage and



- other debris.
- Educate beachgoers on the use of flashlight filters, removal of beach equipment and other belongings, requirements for extinguishing bonfires, and general wildlife protection.
- Report findings and maintain records regarding nest conditions and future maintenance requirements.

#### Inventory Team

Nests are inventoried about three days after they hatch. This is an important and complex activity which is handled by the Inventory Team which is led by Terry Fansler. Inventory schedules and locations are reported on Tidelines and the Patrol's web site, [www.seabrookturtlepatrol.com](http://www.seabrookturtlepatrol.com), under *Turtle News*. Spectators are welcome.

Here's a summary of the responsibilities involved in an inventory:

- Appropriate statistical data is collected for submission to the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources.
- All equipment is cleared from the nest for storage and use next year. This includes protective wire mesh, pegs and the nest flag.
- The nest is opened by digging with hands and the nest is emptied of its contents which include egg shells, unhatched eggs and live and/or dead hatchlings.
- Live hatchlings are protected during their walk to the sea. This consists primarily of crowd control.
- Spectators are educated about sea turtles and the role of the Turtle Patrol.

These functions are all assigned and carried out by dedicated Turtle Patrol Members resulting in an accurate inventory of each nest, a rewarding and educational experience for spectators and the safe passage of any live hatchlings to the ocean.

As usual, the success of the Turtle Patrol is a direct result of the hard work of our members who walk our beaches, protect the turtle's nests and collect data for the Department of Natural Resources. These volunteers put in thousands of hours to make this all work. The turtles are grateful! ▲

Gary Fansler



Joshua Shilko training the Pre-hatch Activity Team.



Lori Porwoll conducting the education session at an inventory



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# A year in the life of a Piping Plover

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They're baaaaaaack! said a July 16 email from Melissa Chaplin, Biologist, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. "They" are the Piping Plovers, returning from northern breeding areas. Plovers breed April to June in three US and Canada population areas - Great Lakes, Atlantic coast, and Northern Great Plains. In July they migrate to southern Atlantic and Texas coasts, and the Bahamas, to "winter" until the following spring. Atlantic and Great Plains Piping Plovers are Federally Threatened. Great Lakes plovers are Federally Endangered. The Great Lakes were once home to 800 pairs of Piping Plovers. Today, only about 70 nesting pairs remain, due to nest disruption by people, dogs, predators, weather, and development.

In addition to providing habitat for Piping Plovers that pass through during fall and spring migration, South Carolina hosts a number of Piping that remain here to winter. To better understand the challenges they face, and our responsibility to protect them, a view of their full year cycle is helpful.

In April, Piping Plovers leave their wintering grounds, and head to the northern breeding areas. After mating, they typically lay a clutch of four eggs. The nest is a small scrape on the beach, usually in an area with small stones that camouflage the eggs. Both parents participate in sitting on the eggs. Chicks hatch in June and into July. They can run about and feed themselves within hours of hatching. It takes 3-4 weeks for them to be able to fly.

During the first weeks after hatching, chicks are unable to maintain their own body temperature. They spend much time tucked in under their parents' wings staying warm. Adults defend their chicks from predators, and sometimes do a broken-wing act to lead predators away. They also give a call that warns the chicks to hide if danger threatens. They'll flatten down, and the sand color of their backs makes them nearly invisible.

On a recent July trip across the country, Aja and I stopped at Whitefish Point in the Michigan Upper Peninsula. We found three volunteers watching over a nest of Piping Plovers and learned that day was the possible hatch date. The nest was in stones on the beach, covered with a wire cage to protect it. This



On nest Whitefish Pt, Jun 2019



Chick Whitefish Pt, Jun 2019



Nest Whitefish Pt MI, Jun 2019



Female Whitefish Pt, Jun 2019



Great Lakes Area PIPL, North Beach, Apr 2019



Flock, North Beach, Apr 2019

year there was only one nesting pair at Whitefish, as opposed to multiple pairs in previous years.

The volunteers were concerned that the male had not been seen for

over 3 hours, which was unusual. As we watched, the female would get up from the nest to chase a Killdeer and a Semipalmated Plover, leaving her nest exposed. Suddenly a volunteer

would not be able to keep the chicks warm and sustain her brood.

Later we learned from Alice Van Zoren, researcher with the Great Lakes Piping Plover Conservation Team, two of the four eggs hatched successfully. Thankfully, the male returned. When the chicks were banded, both adults were still there, and the two chicks were doing well.

In mid-July, the plovers head south to their wintering grounds, where they remain until the following spring. On their winter territories, Piping Plovers follow a predictable routine. As tides ebb or recede, plovers are on exposed tidal flats or sandy shores to feed on tiny crustaceans and marine worms. They typically spend most daylight hours foraging, and then at high tide retire to high beach areas to rest.

In March and April, just prior to their return north, Piping Plovers molt feathers on their heads and breasts, regaining their forehead and neck bands. The base of the bill changes to orange. Then the cycle begins again!

So, the Piping Plover wintering season begins at Seabrook Island! And with their arrival, comes our responsibility to protect them so they can remain healthy and strong for next spring's return north to breed.

Please make a difference when you're on North Beach by following these simple steps:

1. Keep away from birds. When you see a flock give them space.
2. Don't force the birds to fly. If birds are calling loudly or taking flight - step back immediately.
3. Follow Seabrook's beach rules for dogs. Shorebirds will be anywhere on the beach including the dogs off leash zone. Please don't have your dog chase any birds! Our shorebirds' survival is not a game.
4. Be a good steward. Learn about our shorebirds and their needs and share the word. Shorebirds are one of the many natural treasures of Seabrook for us to understand, enjoy, and most importantly protect.▲

Aja and Ed Konrad

Life Cycle information from Great Lakes Piping Plover

Joleen Ardaio



## TOWN HALL MEETING Town Council Meeting June 25, 2019

After the pledge of allegiance, Mayor or Ciancio called the June 25, 2019, Town Council meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Councilmembers Crane, Gregg, Finke and Wells, Town Clerk Albritton and Town Administrator Cronin attended the meeting. The meeting was properly posted, and the requirements of the SC Freedom of Information Act were met.

**Minutes:** The Town Council-Planning Workshop Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2019; Ways & Means Committee Minutes of May 21, 2019; Town Council Minutes of May 28, 2019 and Ways & Means Committee Minutes of June 18, 2019, were all unanimously approved as written.

**Financials:** Mayor Ciancio reported that the total fund balance for the period ending May 31, 2019, was \$4,783,924 compared with \$4,940,697 for the same period in 2018. Unrestricted Revenue for May totaled \$44,184 compared with \$104,321 for the same period in 2018. On a year to date basis, Unrestricted Revenue amounted to \$547,765 compared with \$528,788 for the same period last year. Expenditures for May totaled \$160,444 compared with \$51,551 for the same period last year. For the first five months of the year, expenditures have totaled \$589,595 compared with total expenditures of \$285,729 for the same period last year. For the month of May, expenditures exceeded revenue by \$116,260. On a year to date basis, expenditures have exceeded revenue by \$41,483. Last year, for the same year to date basis, revenue exceeded expenditures by \$277,959.

**Citizens/Guests Presentations, Comments:** None

**Reports of Standing Committees, Commissions, Boards:**  
**Public Safety/Club Long Range Planning Committee** - Councilman Gregg

**Public Safety Committee** - The Town's Public Safety Committee met on June 17, 2019. Members of the Committee began consideration of review and revision of the Town's 2013 Memorandum of Understanding with the Seabrook Island Property Owners Association in respect to revised guidance from FEMA concerning reimbursement of costs for clearance of debris from private roadways to enable passage of emergency vehicles. The Committee is also reviewing debris management plans from Hilton Head Island, Dorchester County and the SC Department of Transportation. These plans are not required by any federal or state agencies; and, if the Town were to adopt such a plan, it would be entirely voluntary. The Town's HAM radio will be transferred to the newly acquired Chevy Tahoe; and, instead of using a fixed antenna mount, a magnetic base antenna will be tested for effectiveness. The next meeting of the Public Safety Committee is scheduled for July 8.

**Disaster Recovery Council** - The Disaster Recovery Council held training and exercise sessions on June 4th and 5th based on a hurricane scenario. At the June 4th session, the 2019 update pages for the Town's Comprehensive Emergency Plan were distributed to DRC member representatives. A DRC meeting will be scheduled for July to review the report of the Town's consultant from the training and exercise sessions.

**Disaster Awareness Day** - Disaster Awareness Day, which is jointly sponsored by Seabrook Island and Kiawah Island, was held on June 14th at the Seabrook Island Club with about 150 people attending. Councilman Gregg thanked Town Administrator Cronin, who developed the program and arranged for participants in panel discussions, and Stephanie Edgerton, Communications Manager for Kiawah, who assisted with preparation of the program brochure.

**Hazard Mitigation Plan Update** - At

the June 13th meeting of the Charleston County Project Impact Committee meeting, Carl Simmons, from Charleston County Building Services, described a proposal to create a committee dedicated to countywide floodplain management issues contemplating engagement with governments outside impact areas. Katie Faith, also from Charleston County Building Services, presented a new approach to collection of information for the next Hazard Mitigation Plan five-year update that would be jurisdiction centered rather than impact centered. Work on that update will begin this summer. The next Project Impact Committee meeting is scheduled for July 17th.

**Public Relations/Communications** - Councilman Crane - No Report

**Special Projects/Beach Administration** - Councilman Wells  
**Update on Dolphin Education Program for 2019** - Councilman Wells reported that the 2019 Dolphin Education Program has 18 volunteers, compared to 11 volunteers last year. The volunteers have been working since about May 15th and have spoken to approximately 600 people. A new calf has been spotted in the area strand feeding. Councilman Wells also stated that the two-hour shifts for the volunteers is working out well.

**Community and Government Relations** - Councilmember Finke - No Report

**Ways & Means** - No Report  
**Planning Commission** - No Report  
**Board of Zoning Appeals** - No Report

**Reports of Ad Hoc Committees:**  
**Accommodations Tax Advisory** - No Report

**Reports of Town Officers:**  
**Mayor** - No Report

**Town Administrator/Zoning Administrator** - Joe Cronin  
**Beach Patrol Update** - Town Administrator Cronin reported that, since we are in the peak beach season, Beach Patrol currently has two vehicles with four personnel on the beach. One vehicle with two personnel is on the beach from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and the other vehicle with two personnel is on the beach from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Town Administrator stated that they have issued 80 warnings so far this season, with the majority of those being for leash law violations. One citation has been issued for a leash law violation because the offender refused to put his dog on a leash. The Beach Patrol has assisted this season with first aid (6), 3 swim assists, 2 boat assists, 1 missing person, 10 people stranded on a sand bar, 4 kayakers, removed a rattle snake from the beach and assisted with 2 grounded boats. Some of the numbers quoted are incident based and not based on the number of people involved. This is just a short summary of the beach patrol report but interested parties can view beach patrol reports on the Town's website.

**Beach Club Renovation** - The Town Administrator reported that the Town has issued a Zoning Permit for the Beach Club renovation project and the Seabrook Island Club can now proceed to begin the permitting process with Charleston County.

**Town Council Members** - See Above

**Utility Commission** - Chairman Morawski reported that the Utility Commission sold 30,000,000 gallons of water during the month of May, which was 97% of the water purchased from St. Johns Water. This was an increase from 22,000,000 gallons sold last year during the same period. Seabrook Island Utility Commission also had a net income of \$20,000 for the month of May. The Commission is reviewing their standard operating procedures for financial transactions and has changed their billing company, which should change the look of the water bill for next month.

**Petitions Received, Referred or Disposed of:** None

**Ordinances for First Reading:**  
• **Ordinance No. 2019-04:** An ordinance amending the Zoning Map of the Town of Seabrook Island so as to change the zoning designation for Charleston County Tax Map Number 147-02-00-036, containing approxi-

mately 0.95 +/- acres located at 2820 Dove Nest, from the SR Single-Family Residential District to the AGC Agricultural-Conservation District. Town Administrator Cronin explained that this property has been obtained by the Greenspace Conservancy and transferred to the Seabrook Island Property Owners Association and will remain an undeveloped "open space" lot. The Planning Commission voted unanimously on June 5th in favor of recommending the rezoning request. The Public Hearing and second reading of the ordinance are scheduled for July 23. Councilman Gregg made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 2019-04, in the form as presented to Council, for first reading. Councilman Wells seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

• **Ordinance No. 2019-07:** An ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of a not to exceed \$4,500,000 General Obligation Bond, Series 2019, or such other appropriate series designation, of the Town of Seabrook Island South Carolina or one or more notes issued in anticipation thereof to pay the costs of repairs, replacements and debris removal arising from a major disaster and the cost of issuance of such bond or notes; fixing the form and details of the bond; authorizing the Mayor and the Town Administrator, or either of them acting alone, to prescribe certain details relating to the bond; providing for the payment of the bond and the disposition of the proceeds thereof; and other matters relating thereto. Mayor Ciancio stated that this ordinance authorizes Council to issue either short term bond anticipation notes (BANs) or longer term general obligation bonds, in the amount of \$4,500,000, for which the proceeds may be used exclusively for:

- (i) the cost of repairs or replacement of Town property, (ii) debris removal and (iii) fees and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the debt, in each case following a natural disaster. The Mayor also noted that:
- The interest rate of the debt will be determined at the time of issuance;
- The maturity date of the bonds is not to exceed five years and the maturity of BANs is not to exceed one year;
- The ordinance establishes a committee consisting of the Mayor and one other councilmember to be chosen by the Mayor with the authority to determine:
- The principal amount of the debt, maturity dates and principal payment dates of the bonds or BANs;
- The interest rate and the interest payment date of the bonds or BANs;
- The redemption provisions, if any;
- The date and time of sale; and
- Whether the BANs or general obligation bonds are to be sold in public or private sale

The Mayor stated that if general obligation bonds are issued, the Town will be obligated to levy a tax on all taxable real property within the municipal limits of the Town sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the bonds at their maturity. Mayor Ciancio explained the initiative and far, the best Comprehensive Plan the Town has ever had. Other entities, both on and off the island, had input into the document by means of a series of stakeholder meetings and, from citizens, by means of a comprehensive citizen's survey. Input was received at the stakeholder meetings from St. Johns Fire Department, SC Department of Transportation, Bohicket Marina, Berkeley Electric, Camp St. Christopher, the Seabrook Island Club, the Property Owners Association, CERT, Seabrook Island Birders, Greenspace and others.

Town Administrator Cronin explained that the Town entered into an agreement in 2018 with the Charleston County Planning Department to assist the Planning Commission in the 10-year rewrite of the Comprehensive Plan. The process of the rewrite began in April of 2018 with a joint meeting between Town Council, the Planning Commission and Charleston County Planning staff. A community survey was sent out and stakeholder meetings were held before the Planning Commission and members of the Charleston County Planning Department began drafting the document in October of 2018. The Planning Commission voted to endorse the draft Plan at their March 20, 2019, meeting. The Plan then went out for public review and comment. The Planning Commission voted to recommend the plan at their

July 23, 2019, meeting. Town Council held a workshop to review the draft document on May 17th and gave Dan Frazier, from the Charleston County Planning Department, their comments. After making minor changes, the document was sent back to Council for review. A Public Hearing and second reading of the ordinance adopting the Town's Comprehensive Plan will be held on July 23, 2019. Comments can be made at the Public Hearing and also by way of the Town's website. Town Administrator Cronin also thanked Dan Frazier for the work the Charleston County Planning Department did in assisting the Planning Commission and the Town with the Comprehensive Plan rewrite. Councilman Gregg made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 2019-06, in the form as presented to Council, for first reading. Councilman Crane seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

• **Ordinance No. 2019-08:** An ordinance prohibiting the distribution of single-use plastic carryout bags, plastic straws, and polystyrene coolers, cups and other food containers

by any business establishment operating in the Town of Seabrook Island. Councilman Gregg made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 2019-08, in the form as presented to Council, for first reading. Councilman Crane seconded the motion. The Mayor noted that this ordinance is not scheduled to take effect until January 1, 2020, so that the merchants affected by the ordinance can use their existing inventory. The vote to approve the motion was unanimous.

**Ordinances for Second Reading:** None

**Miscellaneous Business:** None

**Citizens Comments:**  
In response to a question about the senior living facility, the Mayor stated that the Planning Commission had approved an encroachment permit, subject to conditions, and the owners of the property and developer filed a pleading in the court of common pleas of Charleston County against the Town with respect to the conditions. Town representatives met with the developer to attempt to negotiate a settlement to the dispute and reached an agreement that sets forth several conditions in which the encroachment would be granted. Mayor Ciancio commented that we are now down to several issues, yet to be resolved, and nothing is final yet. If an agreement is reached, that agreement will come back to Town Council for approval. A Public Hearing will likely be held before Council consideration.

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BOB LEGGETT

**Preparing for Possible Disasters in the Natural World and Financial Markets**

It's the time of year for advice on minimizing hurricane risk to life and property and I think there are interesting comparisons and contrasts between undertaking Hurricane Preparations (HP) and Bear Market Preparations (BMP).

One similarity between Hurricanes and Bear Markets is that both events are relatively rare. A storm forming off Africa doesn't mean a hurricane will hit our area. It's also true that strong local winds and rain don't mean a hurricane has arrived - we experience many such storms but very few hurricanes. Similarly, just because valuations are higher doesn't mean a Bear Market is about to hit your portfolio. Stock prices falling from high levels doesn't even mean a Bear Market has arrived - we experience many corrections, but few turn into Bears that see prices down by 40-50% or more.

In short, Hurricanes and Bear Markets are counter-trend events that exhibit varying degrees of severity. One hurricane may impact you with wind and another with flooding. Recent history tells us that one Bear Market may damage you by decimating technology stocks and the next by taking down over-leveraged financial stocks. Those of you with long memories will recall the 1970's Bear Market that ravaged bond holders. One difference between HP and BMP is the reality that there can be literally zero likelihood of a hurricane except during the normal hurricane season. The experts from the government (NOAA) and the media (Weather Channel) agree on that point. In contrast, there is always some possibility of a Bear Market and the "experts" are in constant disagreement.

One challenge with Hurricane Preparations for your home and with Bear Market Preparations for your investments is that the risk indicators often give "false positives". If I reacted to every hysterical warning from the Weather Channel, I'd be panicked into HP two or three times each hurricane season! Sadly, the track record of the "experts" who predict Bear Markets is far worse. The media have a lot of airtime to fill, so perma-bears are called upon if the market is sliding and perma-bulls get airtime during rallies. Neither camp is likely to help you with timely BMP advice!

The good news is that there are indicators that can warn you that risks are rising. If NOAA tells me a September weather pattern near Africa may be forming into a hurricane, I will pay attention to their assessment of those winds in the days that follow. Even if the skies over my house are clear, I may do my HP and consider evacuation if their models suggest high risk of a direct hit. For one thing, the cost of HP is fairly low. I just have to spend some time moving various items to safer spots or tying them down, and plan where to go if evacuation is required.

Major hurricane risks can be insured, as wind, hail and flood insurance are provided in a manner that shares risk across many property owners which lowers the cost to any individual. That is not the case with investment portfolio insurance using futures, options, inverse funds, etc., all of which can be costly and not be implemented individually. The opportunity cost of avoiding risky assets, whether coastal properties or stocks and corporate bonds, could keep you from living where you want to live or greatly reduce your investment returns. Since we cannot rely on the experts for timely and correct advice for BMP, we have to weigh the evidence ourselves. Over 40 years of analyzing market data I have developed a checklist of Bear Market indicators that I monitor.

My current assessment is moderately bullish: 1) investors are far from irrationally exuberant, 2) forward earnings estimates are slowly rising, 3) market breadth and momentum measures are solid, 4) GDP is expanding and 5) the Fed is shifting back to accommodative policies. Possible indicators of future turbulence are 1) negative estimate revisions and flat year-over-year earnings growth and 2) the forward p/e of 17x is near the upper end of the normal 15x-18x range.

My conclusion is that the Glass is Half Full, but after a long hot summer, I am planning modest HP and BMP... just in case. ▲

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**HEALTHY AGING**  
Jerry Reves, MD  
**Breast Cancer and the Case for Mammography**



There are several diseases that we can prevent and/or lower the risk of having, but ultimately aging is an unrelenting process that inevitably produces diseases. Breast cancer is certainly one of the best example of this. Approximately 10% of women will have breast cancer in their lives. However, the good news is that early detection of this potentially lethal disease can lead to long-term survival. This brings us to the question of how to detect early breast cancer. In the past physicians advocated self-examination to find "lumps" but the current recommendation is regular mammography.

**Screening and Diagnostic Mammograms**  
All women age 40-54 should have an annual screening mammogram. Starting at age 55 it is best for you and your doctor to decide how often you have a mammogram but not less than every 2 years and often continued annually are recommended as long as you are in good health. Both screening and diagnostic mammograms are performed with X-ray machines that can visualize each breast separately. Diagnostic studies are performed to examine areas of the breast that might have malignancy. Screening mammograms use less radiation and are performed more quickly. Your physician and radiologist will help you decide what type of mammogram is right for you. There are, of course, consequences to having mammogram ranging from low dose radiation to both false positives and false negatives. However, the risks to mammograms are overall minimal and the benefit is that cancer can be detected at an early stage (see below).

**Why Screen as We Age**  
There is a very important reason to continue breast cancer screening with mammography as we age. The figure shows that as a woman (and man) age the detection of cancer increases. In fact the peak discovery of breast cancer is between ages 74-79, but there is a steady increase from about age 30 until 79. The median age for diagnosis of breast cancer in the U.S. is 62 (this means that half the people with cancer are detected before age 62, but the other half are after age 62). Thus, as age increases so does the incidence of breast cancer detection. It remains a problem in women over 85 (see figure) which is why you are never too old to have a screening mammogram. In fact second to being female, age is probably the strongest risk factor for cancer although there are many others as delineated below.

**Risk Factors for Breast Cancer**  
Some risk factors for breast cancer cannot be modified. For example, age, race, gender, genetic make-up, height, age of menarche and menopause are risk factors generally out of our control. There are genetic variables that predispose women to develop cancer and these are generally thought to be inherited. The BRCA1 and BRCA2 gene mutations among many others are associated with the development of breast cancer. U.S. Ashkenazi Jewish Heritage (descendants of Eastern European Jewish Women) have a prevalence of the BRCA gene mutations and are at higher risk. A family history of first degree relatives with breast or ovarian cancer increase the risk and, interestingly, a first degree relative with prostate cancer increases the risk. Breast density on the mammogram is a risk factor for development of cancer and also makes the diagnosis more difficult. Bone density if diminished leads to broken bones, but women with high bone density ironically enough have a much higher incidence of breast cancer. Much has been learned about the risk of cancer and some of the information can be used to modify or decrease

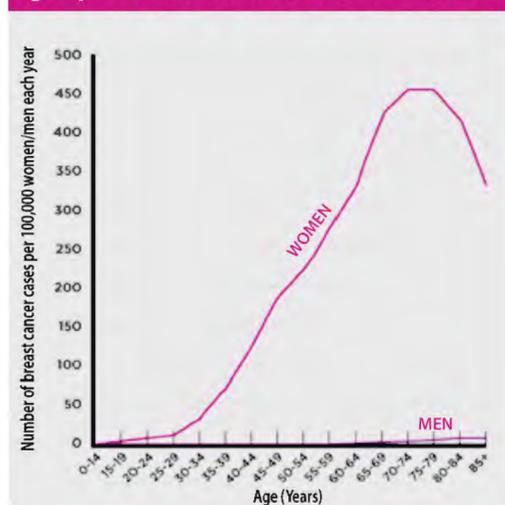
the risk of breast cancer. As with many diseases, exercise and healthy diet have been shown to be associated with lower incidences of breast cancer. Drinking alcohol (over 1 drink a day) increases the risk of breast cancer and breast cancer recurrence. After menopause being overweight or obese increases the risk of breast cancer. Hormone replacement, especially prolonged use of combined estrogen and progesterone are associated with higher risk of breast cancer.

**Detection and Survival**  
Most people will survive breast cancer. This did not used to be the case, but many medical advances are responsible for this. However, no advance is more important than early detection with mammography. The facts are clear: the earlier the stage that cancer is detected the higher the survival rate. Breast cancer is staged which means that when a woman learns that she has cancer it is labelled a stage 0 to stage 4. The table indicates criteria used for staging breast cancer. The National Cancer Institute reports that 61.4% of women are diagnosed at stage 0 or 1.

Survival can never be purely a reflection of the stage at which the cancer is diagnosed, but in general National Cancer Institute aggregate data allows probabilities to be computed which may or may not be accurate for an individual, but hold for a large group. Thus, the stages have probabilities of survival. Stage 0 and 1 have a very high survival rate between 98.8 and 100%. This is a truly remarkable statistic. As the stages increase survival is reduced so that Stage 2 survival is 93% and Stage 3 is 72% while stage 4 (metastatic disease disseminated in the body) will have a 22% five-year survival. All of this means that the earlier the cancer is diagnosed and before it has spread the chances are excellent to be a "survivor".

**The Bottom Line**  
Early detection of breast cancer can be life-saving. The best method of early detection is for a woman and her physician to sit together and formulate a prevention/detection plan that at a minimum includes the regularly scheduled mammogram most of one's life. ▲

**Age-Specific Rates of Breast Cancer in the US**



**The Stages of Breast Cancer**

**STAGE 0**

- There are abnormal cells present
- Doctors may recommend having the tumor removed surgically
- Also referred to as carcinoma in situ, or "non-invasive"

**STAGE 1**

- The earliest stage of invasive breast cancer, meaning cancer has grown or spread into nearby or surrounding breast tissue
- Tumor is 2cm (approximately the size of a peanut) or smaller
- It may or may not have spread to the lymph nodes

**STAGE 2**

- Tumor may have started to grow up to 5cm (approximately the size of a lime) and sometimes larger
- Cancer may or may not start to appear in the lymph nodes

**STAGE 3**

- Cancer has usually spread to lymph nodes

**STAGE 4**

- This stage means the cancer has spread beyond the breast and nearby lymph nodes to other parts of the body
- Also referred to as "metastatic"

From: [www.cancer.gov/about-cancer/diagnosis-staging/staging](http://www.cancer.gov/about-cancer/diagnosis-staging/staging)  
[www.breastcancer.org/breast-cancer-diagnosis/breast-cancer-types/](http://www.breastcancer.org/breast-cancer-diagnosis/breast-cancer-types/)

**Robert Sandford's Incredibly Long Journey to Seabrook**

By Tony L. Smith

If you search the keywords "Seabrook Island History" in Google, you will undoubtedly encounter several entries that read something like, "The island was first discovered by settlers in 1666 when Lieutenant Colonel Robert Sanford claimed the area for England's King Charles." While these entries are accurate on the surface, they fail to paint a complete mosaic of the exploration of what was then Carolina, or of the man largely responsible for its settlement: Robert Sandford.

In 1651, Sandford, a member of England's New Model Army, was dispatched by Lord Protector Oliver Cromwell to Surinam, a developing colony on the northeast coast of South America. It was in that year, after several failed attempts at colonization of the area by the Spanish, Dutch, British, and French, that a permanent settlement, Paramaribo, was finally established by Lord Francis Willoughby, Governor of Barbados. Sandford's mission was clear: fashion the settlement into a colony subject to the laws of England, with a government elected by the colonists. He was joined by a small battalion of men and settlers to achieve this mission.

One of those men, William Byam, was elected Governor of the colony shortly after its formation, and served in that capacity for several years. During that period, Byam's hunger for power became great, and he managed to build a strong constituency of faithful followers, uniting them into a ruling party. He then decreed that, upon a proclamation of the new King, Charles II, his party and authority would continue in power without regard to elections. But it was a proclamation that he refused to present for inspection by the settlers.

Unhappy with Byam's iron-fisted rule, and suspecting of his motives, a group of colonists that included Sandford rose up in dissent and were subsequently arrested, tried without being heard, then exiled from Surinam. Sandford returned to England under shackle, where, on September 22, 1662, his grievances with Byam were heard by His Majesty's Privy Council.

Sandford was eventually released from detention and next settled in Barbados - some 700 miles off the coast of Surinam - which at the time was England's wealthiest colony in the New World. It was also the ruling seat of Lord Willoughby.

There, Sandford was employed by

Sir James Drax, an English baron who had been successfully growing and milling sugar in both Surinam and Barbados.

Sandford quickly rose to favor among the Barbados rulers, and became a member of the Royal Assembly within one year of his arrival. However, in 1663, he raised the ire of Willoughby when he questioned the Lord's governance. Willoughby, with the memory of Sandford's unruliness in Surinam still fresh in his mind, ordered Sandford and three other Assembly members arrested and imprisoned for high treason.

Citing a lack of evidence against them, Sandford and his alleged co-conspirators were ordered discharged by the Barbados Council. However, Willoughby exercised his right as governor and banished the men from the colony. They returned to England where their grievances were heard by the King.

It was during these proceedings that Sandford caught the attention of the Lords Proprietor, a group of eight distinguished men who had been granted land in what is now the Carolinas by King Charles. Among them, Lord Anthony Ashley Cooper, 1st Earl of Shaftesbury, took a particular interest in Sandford, perhaps because of their shared interest in non-conformance. Ashley Cooper was known as the more vocal of the eight Lords, and the one for whom the King felt little endearment.

In August of 1664, Sandford and Lord Ashley dined. During that dinner the two entered into an agreement concerning the exploration and settlement of Carolina. A year earlier, several settlers from Barbados had established a colony of their own on. After William Hilton had explored the land and returned to the lords with favorable reports, they sent a vessel to explore Carolina and determine its suitability for settlement. It is possible that Lord Ashley felt Sandford's connection to Barbados colonists and experience with establishing settlements would prove invaluable.

In November of 1664, Sandford was appointed Secretary and Register of Clarendon County by the Lords Proprietor. He immediately set sail for Carolina.

During the two years that followed, England endured monumental tragedy. In 1665, The Great Plague took the lives of 100,000 Londoners - nearly 20% of the city's population. In 1666,

over 80% of the city was destroyed by the Great Fire, including 13,000 homes and 89 churches.

Across the Atlantic, however, hope reigned. Sandford was to be united with the newly commissioned Governor of Clarendon, Sir John Yeamans, at the new Charles Town settlement near Cape Fear (Charles River). Yeamans had set sail from Barbados under the same charge as Sandford - explore the coast south of the lands surveyed by William Hilton in 1663; namely, the lands from Cape Fear south to Port Royal, a stretch of approximately 200 miles.

Yeamans, who had left Barbados in October with three vessels at his command, reached the Charles River in early November. However, one ship in his fleet was destroyed by storm just short of landfall. When he found the Charles Town settlers, they were in despair, failing in health, and in great need of provisions. He sent one of the remaining ships to Virginia to return with aid, and set sail himself on the other to return to Barbados.

Before Yeamans left, he ordered that the ship of Captain Edward Stanyarne, upon its return from Barbados, be hired by Sandford to complete the exploration of the southern coast. Sandford sat in wait under the miserable conditions at Charles Town, determined to eventually find a suitable settlement for the long-suffering colonists.

Six months later, Stanyarne's ship returned. Stanyarne himself, however, was not aboard. He had jumped overboard in an apparent fit of insanity on the return trip and was drowned. Although Sandford now had a ship, he did not have a capable captain or pilot knowledgeable of the waters along the southern coast. He was not deterred. He assembled the best crew he could and set sail on June 14, 1666.

The accounts of Sandford's journeys south are documented in letters and a narrative he wrote to Lord Ashley, 1st Earl of Shaftesbury. They were retained by Lord Ashley, then passed along his line of successors until the 9th Earl of Shaftesbury deposited them with British Public Record Office in 1886. These letters, notes, and narratives comprise what is known as The Shaftesbury Papers.

Sandford's narrative, titled A Relation of a Voyage on the Coast of the Province of Carolina, 1666, includes the following description of his navigations in and around what is today

Seabrook Island:

"The 22nd [June] about 7 o'clock in the morning we mad the land and a fair River to Leward of us (having bene driven out to Sea by a Southwest wind from the 18th to the 21st, when a strong Easterly gale brought us in with the shoare againe). Wee bore up to this River [North Edisto] and a great way kept our depth of six and five fathom water without any signe of breakers. Att length it shoaled, and Wee could plainly discern a breach in the Easter board [possibly between Deveaux Bank and Seabrook]. The River when wee first made it bore N.W. by W. of us, and by this time we had brought it to N.W. by N.: being there come into two fath. Water and judging our selves on the banks of the visible eastern shoalings [river bank, possibly Pelican Beach] Wee steered more Westerly and presently deepened our Water to three fathom and soe upwards.

"Being come about foure or five miles within the River I anchored, and a Canoa with two Indians came presently aboard mee and told mee that was the Country of Edisto [Edisto Island] and that the chief towne or seate of the Casique was within on the Westerne shoare somewhat lower downe towards the Sea, by which relation I guessed this to be the same River that some English in a former discovery mentioned by the name of Grandy.

"The Woods on each side entering, to us seemed to consist most of live Oake, the land level, of an habitable height generally, with steepe redd bankes here and there appearing over the Marshes, on which in many places wee could see the fields of Maiz greenly flourishing.

"The next day, being the 23rd June, I went with my boate into a creek on the East shore opposite to where the Vessel rode, a very faire and deepe creeke or River going North and Easterly to appearance a long way [Bohicket Creek]. Being gone about a mile up [approximate location of Rockville] I landed and, according to my instructions, in presence of my Company, took a formal possession of turffe and twig of that whole Country [Seabrook Island] from the Lat. Of 36 deg. North to 29 d. South and West to the South Seas by the name the Province of Carolina."

Sandford went on to explore the upper North Edisto the following day, before his eventual return to the sea and southward travels. He recorded encounters and interactions with several

native tribes, including the Kiawahs, Stonos, Edistos, Casiques and Bohickets.

He eventually made his way to Port Royal where he and his crew discovered the ruins of a French Huguenot settlement that had been abandoned nearly 100 years before. The church bore the name Port Royal. Sandford was greeted there by friendly Edistos. One of his crew members, Dr. Henry Woodward, remained behind with the Indians to learn their culture and language, while one of the Indians, a nephew of the chief, accompanied Sandford back to Cape Fear.

The remaining colonists of the original Charles Town relocated from Cape Fear to Port Royal in 1667. In late 1669, 92 new settlers traveling by way of Barbados arrived at Port Royal, Lord Ashley's personal choice for a permanent settlement. After a brief stay, they moved north and settled on the Ashley River at Albemarle. In 1670, the colony became Charles Town.

Standford is credited with having discovered Charleston Harbor, with having named the Ashley River after Lord Ashley, and, with the help of Kiawah Indians, having found a suitable site along the Ashley for a new, permanent Charles Town colony.

During a life spent mostly in service to England, Robert Sandford traveled over 10,000 nautical miles in search of his ultimate destination - a settlement that provided safe harbor, fertile soil, and the opportunity for religious freedom and self-rule. It was a long journey, but one that proved fruitful beyond the wildest imaginations of the permanent Charles Town colonists. ▲

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# EXCHANGE CLUB NEWS

RON SCHILDGE



Dear Fellow Exchangeites,  
 Yes, that's what they call all members of the National Exchange Club which consists currently of over 650 local clubs and over 20,000 members. Last year the National Exchange Club celebrated their 100th Anniversary as we celebrated our 36th Anniversary. One of the first things that I did as a new member back in 2016 was to recite the "Covenant of Service" which was handed to me by Charlie Davis at my first meeting. This was written by Thomas Bailey, a former President of the Club who went on to become the Governor of Mississippi from 1944 through 1946. It was adopted by the organization in 1927 and reflects the core beliefs we should uphold as members of the Kiawah-Seabrook Exchange Club.

"Accepting the divine privilege of single and collective responsibility as life's noblest gift, I covenant with my fellow Exchangeites:  
 • To consecrate my best energies to the uplifting of Social, Religious, Political and Business Ideals;  
 • To discharge the debt I owe to those of high and low estate who have served and sacrificed that the heritage of American citizenship might be mine;  
 • To honor and respect law, to serve my fellowmen, and to uphold the ideals and institutions of my country;  
 • To implant the life-giving, society-building spirit of Service and Comradeship in my social and business relationships;  
 • To serve in Unity with those seeking better conditions, better understandings, and greater opportunities for all."

I look forward as President of the Club to upholding these beliefs and creating opportunities for all to express their personal commitment to these ideals by finding new ways to serve our community. I hope to further our service to our community by reaching beyond the grant writing that we do currently to encourage personal volunteer efforts. This could include working with our local schools through mentoring and partnerships, assisting in providing nourishment and housing to people of Johns and Wadmalaw Islands and meeting other needs of the community as are necessary. Thank you all for being members of the Kiawah-Seabrook Exchange Club and I look forward to a fun and fulfilling year ahead. ▲

## 2018-19 GRANTS

### Youth and Education

Student of the Month	\$2,100
Student of the Year	\$3,000
Scholarships	\$10,000
Angel Oak Summer Program	\$4,000
Barrier Islands Environmental Learning	\$2,000
Camp HI Hope	\$4,000
Charleston Animal Society	\$500
Cha Coil School Library Books	\$1,500
Charleston Symphony \$1,200	
Communities In Schools, General Program	\$4,000
Johns Island Regional Library	\$1,025
Junior Achievement	\$2,000
Mt. Zion Weekly Dance Lessons	\$1,600
Unallocated	\$1,075

### Community Service Hunger

Backjack Buddies of Seabrook	\$2,000
Blessing Basket	\$4,500
Bridges	\$2,000
Fields 10 Families	\$2,000
Hebron Zion Food Pantry	\$2,500
Hebron Zion Sr. Citizen Outreach	\$1,000
Meals on Monday	\$4,500
Meals on Wheels	\$3,000
Next Step Johns Island	\$2,000
Sea Island Cares	\$2,500
Sweetgrass Garden	\$5,600

### Community Service Health

Adaptive Expeditions	\$2,000
Barrier Island Free Medical Clinic	\$6,500
Bumper T Caring Clowns	\$1,000
Camp Happy Days	\$2,500
Habitat for Humanity	\$4,500
Our Lady of Mercy (Dental)	\$6,100
Respite Care of Charleston	\$2,000
Water Wellness	\$5,000
Waterproofing	\$2,000

### Child Abuse Prevention

Dee Norton Lowcountry Center	\$22,300
Lowcountry Orphan Relief	\$3,000
Florence Crittenton on Programs of SC	\$5,000

### Americanism

Vets on Deck	\$2,000
Vets Day Golf Outing	\$1,000
Friends of Fisher House	\$1,000
Angel Oak Award	\$5,000

**TOTAL.....\$140,500**

## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Dr. Jacobe Mintzer**  
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# MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY BALL RETURNS TO THE ISLANDS

November 11 Event at Kiawah's Sandcastle to Celebrate the Corps 244th Anniversary



The beautiful, oceanside, Sandcastle on Kiawah Island will be the site of the 2019 Marine Corps Birthday Ball from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM, Monday, November 11, reports Kiawah Island resident and Marine Corps veteran, Jim Bannister, the Ball's Co-Chairman. "There hasn't been a Marine Corps Birthday celebration on the sea islands for several years, so my fellow Co-Chairman, Justin Follmer, a Johns Island businessman and Marine Corps veteran, and I decided to not only revive the custom, but also make it even larger, grander, and more inclusive than ever before. We are opening-up the event to all Marine Corps active duty and Reserve personnel along with their spouses/guests, as well as Marine veterans, spouses and other guests who want to help celebrate this highly revered Marine Corps tradition. We especially invite veterans of all other U.S. military branches and their guests", informs Bannister. "We are already experiencing considerable interest and support for the 2019 Birthday Ball. Our "The Few... The Proud" Sponsorship Level already includes five individuals and businesses which have contributed \$1,500.00 each to help ensure the event's early

success. We are also offering "Semper Par" Sponsorships at \$1,000 each and "Devil Dog" Sponsorships at \$500 each. All Sponsorship levels include tickets to the event. Individual tickets will be available for sale once we have the Sponsorships filled", reports Justin Follmer, the Ball's Co-Chairman. Birthday Ball attendees will enjoy a delicious family-style, sit-down dinner prepared by a leading local caterer, as well as an open bar throughout the evening and dancing to live music performed by a popular area band. The evening's activities will also include all the traditional elements of a Marine Corps Birthday celebration including a formal presentation of the colors by a Marine detail, video of the Commandant of the Marine Corps Official Birthday Message, ceremonial sword cutting of the cake, and other Marine customs. Persons interested in being a Sponsor and/or attending the Birthday Ball may contact Jim Bannister at jim@bannister.com. Sponsorship checks should be made payable to Marine Corps Birthday Ball and mailed to 377 Green Winged Teal Road, Kiawah Island, SC 29455-5616. ▲



# The October Fleming Tennis Tournament Lends a Hand HUNGER EXISTS ON WADMALAW AND JOHNS ISLAND

Inside of the gates of Seabrook and Kiawah islands, residents rarely get a glimpse of poverty and hunger. But on the other side of those gates a vexing hunger problem exists.

The total number of families living below the poverty level is currently estimated to be 3,700 on Wadmalaw and Johns islands.

The Alan Fleming Senior Open Clay State Champion Tennis Tournament for a second year will be dedicated to helping neighbors on Wadmalaw and Johns islands who struggle to feed themselves and their families. This will be the 36th annual Fleming Tennis Tournament and a goal has been set to raise \$40,000 for the Sea Islands Blessing Basket, a Sea Islands Hunger Awareness Foundation (SIHAF). It is a 501 (C) (3) non-profit which supports charitable food-related programs to feed the hungry and provide drinkable well water to those who do not have fresh water in their residences.

Cat Russo, Fleming chair, said the decision to target proceeds from the tennis tournament for a second year to Blessing Basket was made based on the challenge of area hunger and that a number of Seabrook Island residents are volunteers for Blessing Basket. She emphasized that the extraordinary effort by Blessing Basket made it a logical choice for the upcoming tournament.

Distribution of food occurs one Saturday a month and the goal of the program is not just to provide food but to also make sure that the groceries provide a healthy diet. The baskets include canned goods, rice, bread, cereal and other staples. Recipients also receive fresh meat, vegetables and fruit.

Jada Phillips, a Seabrook Island resident, manages the program and said, "being the recipient of the Fleming tournament proceeds has made a huge impact on the quality of food we can afford to buy each month. More specifically, fresh fruit and a healthy meat protein have been increased."

She said the high cost of fresh fruit has limited how much can be offered to recipients, adding "that changed last fall when we received the generous donation from the 2018 Fleming tennis tournament. Each and every month since we have handed out oranges, apples, bananas and even pineapple!"

A balanced diet is critical to those participating in the Blessing Basket food program. Many struggle with health issues such as diabetes and obesity. Blessing Basket helps to encourage healthy diets by not only providing fresh fruit and produce, staples and protein but they also provide recipes and cooking ideas.

Phillips said that Blessing Basket currently serves 336 families and they deliver the food to 109 of these families. Altogether they serve 709 people. A majority of those receiving food aid are seniors and children.

Seniors are particularly vulnerable to the problem of food insecurity. Because they often live on fixed incomes and may be faced with unexpected expenses like healthcare costs, their ability to purchase the quantity and quality of food they need can be difficult," Phillips said. "The question they face is 'do I eat, buy my medications or heat my house?'"



Blessing Basket has seen an increase in the number of children they serve. Phillips emphasized that children with regular access to nutritious food make better grades in school and have better attendance records and fewer behavioral issues.

She also offered a shocking statistic about the children on Wadmalaw and Johns islands — 90 percent are living below the poverty level. Clearly, the need for SIHAF and its Blessing Basket program cannot be overstated.

### TOURNAMENT UPDATES

The Fleming is popular with tennis players from across the country. The United States Tennis Association (USTA) most recently named South Carolina's Adult Tournament of the year, the third time it has received that award.

The tournament is also popular with Seabrook and Kiawah residents. Admission is free to the 44 events, including singles, doubles and mixed-doubles for men and women ages 35-80.

For general information visit [www.alanflemingtournament.net](http://www.alanflemingtournament.net).

### TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION STARTS SOON

Registration for tournament players opens on Monday, August 5th. To register for this year's tournament visit [www.usta.com](http://www.usta.com). The tournament ID is 700053619.

The tournament attracts nearly 250 players and is the highest USTA amateur level competition. For amateur players the mixed doubles division represents the USTA's highest amateur level competition.

This will be the 6th year the Fleming will host the Mixed Doubles National Gold Ball events with this competition worth 1,000 points to those players. Past Fleming tournament players have included Former Davis Cup players, Collegiate Division 1 standouts, South Carolina and Southern Hall of Fame players, highest ranked national and international amateur. Tennis players from Kiawah and Seabrook also participate.

The Seabrook Island Racquet Club is also a draw having been ranked as one of the top tennis centers in the United States. ▲

Patti and Dale Leibach



If you're not familiar with the work of Steven Wright, he's the famous Erudite (comic) scientist who once said: "I woke up one morning, and all of my stuff had been stolen and replaced by exact duplicates."

He sees things differently than most of us.

Here are some of his gems:

- I'd kill for a Nobel Peace Prize.
- Borrow money from pessimists – they don't expect it back.
- Half the people you know are below average.
- 99% of lawyers give the rest a bad name.
- A conscience is what hurts when all your other parts feel so good.
- A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.
- If you want the rainbow, you have got to put up with the rain.
- The early bird may get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.
- OK, so what's the speed of dark?
- How do you tell when you're out of invisible ink?
- Depression is merely anger without enthusiasm.
- When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.
- I intend to live forever. So far, so good.
- Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.
- What happens if you get scared half to death twice?
- My mechanic told me, "I couldn't repair your brakes, so I made your horn louder."
- Why do psychics have to ask you for your name.
- A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking.
- Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.
- The hardness of the butter is proportional to the softness of the bread.
- To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research.
- The sooner you fall behind, the more time you'll have to catch up.
- The colder the x-ray table, the more of your body is required to be on it.
- Everyone has a photographic memory; some just don't have film.
- If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.

And the all-time favorite:

• If your car could travel at the speed of light, would your headlights work?

Wayne Billian

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# SIPOA

Administrative News from the Seabrook Island Property Owners Association



**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S CORNER**  
Heather Paton  
hpaton@sipoa.org

The following is Executive Director Heather Paton's operational report as of the July 15th Board meeting.

**Operations & Maintenance:**

SIPOA maintenance staff is doing repairs to the Community Center steps, supports and railings. The old pressure treated wood is being replaced with IPE.

**Administration:**

Eight accounts have been sent to the Attorney for collection on the 2019 assessments due. There were 18 property transfers in June. 11 single family homes and 7 villas. Sales value totaled over \$11M.

On July 11 and 12, Seabrook Island hosted a Community Associations Institute Continuing Education Program for managers of large-scale communities. Twenty-one managers from across the US came to learn about best practices and how our community operates. The agenda was comprehensive, and we had volunteers from the Board (Guy Gimson, Dennis Pescitelli and Veronica L'Allier) speak to the group about governance, long range planning, communications, Tidelines, etc. Steve Hirsch, Katrina Burrell, Nic Porter and I presented information on our ongoing infrastructure improvements, Inlet Relocation, ARC process, greenspace, Audubon, finances, staffing, recreation, lifestyle, etc. Other volunteers from Turtle Patrol (Gary and Terry Fansler) and SI Birders (Judy Morr) gave presentations about our unique environmental features. On Friday, the group travelled to North Beach to learn about dolphin strand-feeding from the Lowcountry Marine Mammal Network. The dolphins didn't feed, but everyone was amazed to see dolphins nearby, visit the beautiful beach, and see the inlet relocation area they had learned about the day before. Judy Morr showed the group various bird species during the walk. It was a very thorough, comprehensive program and many participants said they'd enjoy a class here again.

**Lake House:**

All the July 4th events were well attended, and Tidelines posted several articles and photos of the events. We've had a part-time employee stationed at the Community Center parking lot during peak times to advise drivers of the parking rules.

**Safety & Security:**

The Saturdays before and after the 4th are typically our busiest days of the year. Volume is down slightly this year. The Fast Access pass vouchers combined with the new Saturday visitor pass processing routine has kept traffic lines to a minimum. We positioned the portable radar at the inbound lanes from 6/20 - 7/4 to make drivers aware of their speed, and to conduct traffic counts. During that two-week period, 64,435 vehicles entered the island through the two traffic lanes. ▲

**ARC ACTIVITY - JUNBE**

<b>New Homes:</b>	
Applications Pending =	8
New Homes Approved, not yet started =	3
New Homes Under Construction =	22
Completed YTD =	4
<b>Repair &amp; Maintenance Projects:</b>	
Maintenance Projects Approved by staff in June =	13
Total YTD =	362
<b>Enforcement Actions = 13</b>	
Enforcement Actions YTD =	55

**COMMUNICATIONS: publiccomment@sipoa.org**  
**ACTIVITY - JUNE**

Topic	# of comments/questions
Barcodes	1
Alligator Signs	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>

## Calling All Candidates



### SIPOA is Looking for a Few Good Candidates

It's that time again! The launch of the annual Call for Candidates! The SIPOA Nominating Committee is on the lookout for Seabrook Island property owners willing to serve on the SIPOA Board and Nominating Committee. This year we need to fill 4 Board positions each for 3-year terms and 2 Nominating Committee positions for 2-year terms.

Lines from an old song come to mind "Accentuate the Positive, Eliminate the Negative and don't mess with all the in between." Keeping these lines in mind this is YOUR chance to Accentuate the Positive and to WORK to Eliminate the Negative by seeking a seat on the SIPOA Board or Nominating Committee. We live on an Island that is beautiful and unique. Just as in many small communities there are many opinions, ideas and conflicts that float throughout our Island. Some good - some bad, and Seabrook is not an exception. The only way to deal with problems that arise is to get in there and work together to try to find a solution. You have that chance and can be part of the solution by serving on the Board or the Nominating Committee.

We are seeking Seabrook Island property owners in good standing:
 

- who are willing to give their time and talents to help keep Seabrook Island the close community it is as it continues to grow.
- who work well with others.
- who can look at a problem and help to solve it rather than exacerbate it.
- whose skill set matches an open position on the board.
- who can work well in a committee structure, and convey committee recommendations to the Board, and
- who can represent the interests of all property owners.

For the Nominating Committee we need candidates who:
 

- who have a broad social network and a willingness to put in the time needed to identify outstanding candidates.
- who show excellent leadership skills.

If interested, go to [sipoaadmin.org/candidates](http://sipoaadmin.org/candidates) to find the application form and an informative video as well as documents to help prepare for the election process. ▲

SIPOA Nominating Committee

## More Info On Fast Access

FastAccess is a Gate Access function (online and on the Gate Access app) which enables a Property Owner to transmit gate-pass vouchers to guests in advance of their arrival. The vouchers contain a QR code that can be emailed to the guest and printed before arrival or stored in their smart device. When the guest arrives at the gate, the QR code is scanned by the Security Officers and a pass prints automatically.



**Why not just call in a pass?**

Use of the Gate Access website and/or app with the FastAccess vouchers enables our Security officers to create passes in about 20 seconds per pass! That reduces processing time by a minute-plus per pass, which REALLY adds up over the summer with lines at the gate.

FastAccess is available both at [gateaccess.net](http://gateaccess.net) and on the Gate Access app for your mobile device. In both instances, it is an option included when entering a new guest pass. (Added bonus on the app: You can also choose to text the QR code to your guest's mobile number.)

Need help with online access or using the app? Stop in and see Rhiannon at the SIPOA office; she will walk you through everything you need to know. Email for more information: [receptionist@sipoa.org](mailto:receptionist@sipoa.org) ▲



The next monthly Brown & White pick-up is scheduled for Friday, August 9.

Bulk items can be left curbside by 7:00 am. Place items including furniture, appliances, grills, lawn furniture, or other similar household items where you would normally leave your trash and recycling.

Hazardous waste such as old paint cans, electronics, batteries, fluorescent lights, and old yard or household chemicals can be taken to the Maintenance area (adjacent to the Community Garden) that morning between 7:00 am and 2:00 pm. Hazardous materials must be handed directly to the attendant on duty. The materials cannot be left on the ground. ▲



## REMINDER

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



**PRESIDENT'S LETTER**  
Guy Gimson  
2019 President SIPOA  
Board of Directors

SIPOA has been working to improve incoming traffic flow through the Gate for as long as we've owned property here - that makes 12 years. In days of yore, it was common for there to be traffic backups past Landfall Way and the Town Hall on half a dozen summer weekends; we all grumbled but accepted it as a cost of

living in a little piece of paradise that is popular with summer visitors.

Over the years, a number of things have changed, and important process changes have been made:

- Summer rental volume and traffic have increased dramatically; this year, over the 2 week period June 20 to July 4, 64,435 vehicles entered the Island through the 2 incoming traffic lanes. That's more than 4600 per day, we estimate 25% up from last year, and probably 40% up over 5 years. Rentals have roughly doubled from 2015 to 2019; it's great that Seabrook Island is becoming more and more popular but the challenge is to get every vehicle through speedily and safely.
- Buildout continues; Seabrook has averaged 15 new homes every year for the past 10 years. 22 are currently under construction.

So what has SIPOA changed in response? The list is long!

- We rebuilt the Gatehouse about 100' south of the old one to give us a longer stretch of road between the Gate and Landfall Way. That only equates to just about 5 car lengths, but every foot counts. We were also able to upgrade the internet connections as part of that project, giving us better wifi and internet capability.
- We upgraded our gate access software to ABDI just over a year ago, allowing us to make some big improvements; FastAccess, is now mandatory for rental companies (who handle about 440 rental properties). It's ease of use has allowed us to speed the flow of all visitors, whether rental guests or not.
- Starting in 2018, we have Security staff with wifi connected iPads pre-processing visitors while they are in line before the Gate, on busy

days. That allows visitor passes to be immediately ready for pickup when the vehicle reaches the Gate.

- We've invested in an additional visitor pass printer (not cheap!) that is installed at the Landfall Way office; that allows us to divert some visitors to the main SIPOA office during peak times to pick up a pass.
- Our security contractor, Norred, brings in 3-5 extra staff on summer Saturday afternoons.
- We've worked with the Club to improve our handling of major events, many of which take place on summer Saturday afternoons and evenings. That's helped too with our handling of both tennis and golf events outside peak times.

Where you can help is by (a) using the online tools and apps to send FastAccess passes to your visitors and renters, rather than calling in passes over the phone, and (b) avoiding the incoming stretch of Seabrook

Island Road between about 2 pm and 6 pm on summer Saturdays, (c) try not to schedule furniture or other deliveries around that time. Also, be sure your personal and rental guests know the exact address they are going to and encourage them to carpool if possible. Use of FastAccess will be mandatory for all rentals (including VRBO and similar sites) starting in 2020.

The bottom line is that we can't guarantee that you'll never again be stuck in an almost static line of traffic close to Town Hall, but our staff, volunteers and contract Security staff have worked constantly to improve matters. This is a regular topic at the Safety and Security Committee; why not join the Committee next February to bring new brainpower onto the issue? When my phone doesn't ring on summer Saturday afternoons, I know that traffic is moving. Along with everyone else, I like that. ▲



Seabrook Wild Things  
by Members of the Environmental Committee

# The Importance of Green Space

Article prepared by Barry Shedrow, a member of the SIPOA Environmental Committee and the Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy Board.

What is green space? An image of land that is covered with vegetation (trees, shrubs, and/or grass) immediately springs to mind. Representative examples include community parks and gardens, woodland, cemeteries, farmland and residential lawns. Ecosystems such as wetlands (marshes and swamps), shallow lakes and ponds, estuaries and beaches also qualify as green space. This is because of the presence of large plant communities (e.g., cord grass and/or algae) within these habitats. On Seabrook Island, the dominant forms of green space are undeveloped tracts of maritime forest, fairways, and residential lawns.

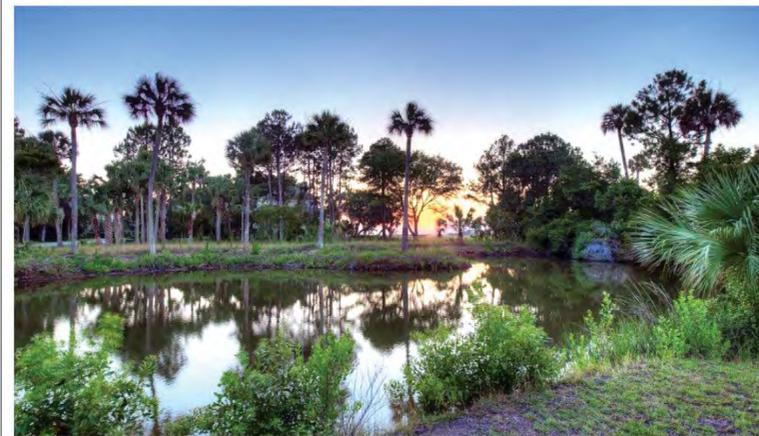
Green space provides significant benefits to both the human and natural environments. The following describes a partial listing of these benefits.

**Environmental Benefits**

- **Air Quality** - green space improves air quality by removing gaseous pollutants (e.g., volatile organic carbons) and airborne particles (e.g., dust) from the atmosphere. Gaseous pollutants are absorbed by leaves and biodegraded by microbes (bacteria) living within the plant. Airborne particles are filtered from the surrounding air by deposition on plant leaf and stem surfaces.
- **Water Quality** - green space improves water quality by removing precipitation-borne contaminants, reducing the potential for their transport to surface and ground waters. As rainwater passes through the tree canopy and infiltrates the soil column, dissolved pollutants are absorbed by plant leaves and root systems and immobilized by clay and organic matter within the soil matrix.
- **Flood Control** - green space functions as a sustainable storm water management system. Vegetation and soil intercept and temporarily store rain water, reducing the potential for surface runoff, soil erosion and downstream flooding.
- **Groundwater Recharge** - rainwater infiltrating green space soils serves to recharge the water table aquifer.
- **Wildlife Habitat** - green space provides natural habitat for wildlife. Strategically located green space tracts can also serve as corridors for wildlife to move easily between multiple habitat areas, improving the potential for biodiversity and self-sustaining population growth.
- **Carbon Sequestration** - green space reduces atmospheric carbon dioxide (CO2) concentrations and serves as a carbon sink. Vegetation absorbs CO2 from the atmosphere and incorporates the carbon into organic compounds used for energy and plant growth. Decomposition of biomass within green space contributes to the formation of humus which results in the retention (se-



Nancy Island



Horseshoe Creek Tract

- **Quality of Life** - research indicates that green space has a restorative effect on humans. It reduces stress, helps to combat depression, and improves mental health.
- **Recreation** - green space can promote physical health by presenting opportunities for physical activity (e.g., walking, wildlife watching, bike riding, fishing). On SI, there are multiple walking trails that course through relatively undis-

- **Social Benefits**
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turbed natural environments (see [www.sinhg.org](http://www.sinhg.org)). The Lake House lawn and adjacent Lake Palmetto are available for sports-related activities, fishing or quiet contemplation.

- **Economic Benefits**
  - **Increased Property Values** - green space improves the aesthetic quality/appeal of a community and is attractive to prospective buyers.
  - **Tourism** - green space encourages tourism by enhancing community

attractiveness and providing recreational opportunities.

**Some of Our Protected Green Space**

The acquisition and protection of selected green space tracts on Seabrook Island is the responsibility of two community-based organizations: the Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy (the Conservancy) and the Seabrook Island Property Owners Association (SIPOA). The Conservancy was incorporated as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in 2000. It is governed by a Board of Directors composed of Seabrook Island (SI) property owners who volunteer to serve for a period of three years. The Conservancy's objective is to preserve SI's natural environment. This objective is accomplished by acquiring tracts of undeveloped green space, either through charitable donation by property owners or conventional purchase by the Conservancy. Money for conventional purchases is raised primarily by an annual fund raiser, the Conservancy Gala, which has enjoyed wide community support. After title to a tract of green space has been obtained by the Conservancy, the property is deeded over to SIPOA. SIPOA is responsible for maintaining the property in its natural state and enforcing applicable protective covenants. To date, 30 green space tracts (approximately 26 acres) on SI have been acquired by the Conservancy and subsequently deeded over to SIPOA. The subject green space tracts are inspected annually by both the Conservancy and SIPOA's Environmental Committee to ensure against illegal dumping and mitigate any potential safety hazards. Additional information regarding the Conservancy and protected green space tracts can be found on the Conservancy's website ([www.sihg.org](http://www.sihg.org)).

Seabrook Island is rapidly building out. Consequently, the acreage of undeveloped green space on the island is diminishing, as is the opportunity to acquire and protect the subject land. This scenario lends a sense of urgency to the Conservancy's efforts. If you wish to participate in protecting SI's natural environment for present and future generations, seriously consider joining the Conservancy Board. No particular expertise is required to qualify. Alternatively, you can donate land or contribute funds. Tax benefits may apply.

The conservation of green space is an excellent way to achieve sustainable development while maintaining our quality of life. Further information regarding the Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy can be gained by contacting Thad Peterson (404-386-0658) or Lori Leary (843-991-5662). If you wish to donate land, please contact Rich Boss at 240-271-4825. Financial donations can be mailed to Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy, P.O. Box 185, Johns Island, SC 29455. ▲

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# Meet Some of the Oldest Businesses in Charleston

Charleston is one of the oldest cities in America, having survived crashing economies, blazing fires, the blasts of cannons, and natural disasters. A few keys to its success—the resilience of its residents + the businesses they built from the ground up.

Throughout the 18th century, Charleston's population grew from 18,824 to 54,955, and with the influx of newcomers came a boom in business as locals searched for ways to support their families. During this time, the Charleston City Market was built in the heart of the city for meat, vegetable, + fish vendors – while other merchants sought property in the surrounding area to sell their products as well.

From apparel to pharmaceuticals, the Lowcountry has multiple family-owned businesses that have been around for more than a century.

Here are businesses that have been serving the Charleston area for more than 100 years.



### Berlin's for Men & Berlin's for Women

- 114 King St.
- Est. 1883
- Products/services: Men's custom clothing, formal wear, + alterations. | Women's clothing, jewelry, shoes, handbags, + other accessories.
- Brief history: The clothing store was opened at the corner of King St. & Broad on Sept. 20, 1883, by Henry Berlin – who came to the United States from Eastern Europe with \$1.38 in his pocket. He started his business peddling + selling out of his car until he made enough money to open the store. To this day, the store is still run by the Berlin family. Ellen Berlin is the fourth generation to own + operate Berlin's for Women



### Croghan's Jewel Box

- 308 King St.
- Est. 1903
- Products/services: Jewelry, appraisals, gifts, custom jewelry, engraving, + repairs.
- Brief history: William Joseph Croghan, jeweler + engraver, opened his business on the porch of a Charleston single house on King St. Eventually, he expanded to take over the entire building. It is the oldest family-owned jewelry store in Charleston.



### Fielding Home for Funerals

- 122 Logan St.
- Est. 1912
- Products/services: Funeral services + embalming.
- Brief history: According to an interview with his son, Bernard R. Fielding traveled to New York to attend a training school for embalmers in 1912. When he returned to open his business on the peninsula, most of the clients he started off with were from James Island, Johns Island, + the surrounding islands



### Jantzen Lock and Safe Co.

- 276 Meeting St.
- Est. 1864
- Products/services: Locksmiths
- Brief history: A family-run business for 150+ years, Jantzen Lock and Safe Co. is known for the sculpture outside its building at 276 Meeting Street. Look closely to see hundreds of keys embedded in the front sidewalk.



### McCrary's Tavern

- 2 Unity Alley
- Est. 1778
- Products/services: Dinner, brunch, dessert, wine, cocktails, + private events.
- Brief history: Built by Edward McCrary, McCrary's Tavern has attracted numerous high profile guests – including George Washington himself – since having first opened its doors in 1778. At some point, the original McCrary's Tavern closed, and throughout the years the structure lived several different lives – including as a coffee shop and a paper company – before reopening as the tavern in 2006. Sadly, the McCrary's Tavern will be closing at the end of this month, and the owners are selling the building. Maybe it will reopen again someday – or some century – in the future as McCrary's Tavern once again. In the meantime, McCrary's Restaurant will remain open right around the corner on East Bay Street – and there, you can still find a tasting menu that's comparable to what George Washington tasted at the original McCrary's.



### Nelson Printing

- 100 Columbus St.
- Est. 1844
- Products/services: Prepress/graphic designs, printing, bindery, + shipping products.
- Brief history: In the early 1900s, the company began under the name Southern Printing, publishing a German-language newspaper, "Deutsche Zeitung", in Charleston + Savannah for the immigrants from Germany. After World War I, Louis A.R. Nelson began working for the company, eventually taking it over and changing the name to Nelson's Southern Printing and Publishing Company. Today, the Nelson Printing Corporation is owned by Nelson's grandson, Eric H. Nelson.



### SUMMER FARMER'S MARKET

Every Monday • 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Pick from the freshest produce and local crafts at the weekly summer Farmer's Market featuring local certified organic produce, fresh local seafood, packaged and prepared food including jams, jellies, pecans, olive

### STARLIGHT CINEMA

8:30 pm – 10:30 pm

Each Wednesday now thru August 21, guests can bring a blanket, chair, and picnic and enjoy a free family outdoor movie under the stars.



August 7  
**Christopher Robin**  
(PG, 1 HOUR 44 MINUTES)



August 14  
**Coco**  
(PG, 1 HOUR 45 MINUTES)



August 21  
**Lego Movie 2: The Second Part**  
(PG, 1 HOUR 47 MINUTES)



### MUSIC ON THE GREEN

Every Friday • 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Join us this summer for our Music on the Green series, held Friday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. on the Village Green. This family friendly, outdoor concert series will feature local groups and top acts from across the Southeast in all genres of music. The concerts are free, and guests are encouraged to bring a beach chair or blanket.

**August 2: Diverse Groove**  
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**August 9: Fifth Divine**  
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**August 16: Shem Creek Boogie Band**  
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**July 23: Shrimp City Slim**  
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**July 30: The Rising Tide**  
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# ISLAND NOTICES

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### SEABROOK STITCHERS

Lake House  
Mondays 11AM-1PM  
For more information,  
contact Denise Doyon  
dendoyon@gmail.com



### SEABROOK ISLAND RUNNING GROUP

Calling all runners!  
There is a running group forming on Seabrook Island. The goal is to get runners of all levels together for running and socializing.

**Group Run • Saturdays at 8:00AM**

- We will meet in front of the Lake House. Any distance/level welcome.
- As the days get longer, we will schedule evening runs.
- For more information on all future events, runs, and socials, please join our SI Running Group Facebook page. For questions, please call or text Isabel at 912-399-1793.



### MONDAY MORNING BRIDGE

Welcomes New Members!  
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### ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE: CJO PLAYS THE BEATLES

Sun. August 11 | 7:30 p.m.  
East Beach Conference Center

All You Need is Love, Yesterday, Eleanor Rigby, and Here Comes the Sun are just a few of the classic songs written and recorded by the 4 'young lads' from Liverpool. The music catalog of The Beatles is vast and has been long recognized as some of the best-loved music of all time. On this special night on Kiawah Island the CJO will pay tribute to one of the world's greatest bands. Joining them on stage to perform these Beatles classics will be the ever-versatile vocalist Kanika Moore.



### the Gibbes museum of art



### GIBBES UNPLUGGED: BLACK REFRACTIONS TOUR WITH JONATHAN GREEN

August 8 • 2:30-3:30PM  
Join artist Jonathan Green for a unique tour of Black Refractions: Highlights from the Studio Museum in Harlem.  
Included with admission for Non-Members  
Advanced registration is required.



### THE ART OF JAZZ: ARSHAK SIRUNYAN QUARTET

August 21 • 6:00-7:00PM  
Born and raised in Yerevan, Armenia, composer and pianist Arshak Sirunyan moved to the United States in 2002 and has recorded several acclaimed albums as a leader. In 2014, he released 'Hoodman's Blind' which featured several Grammy Award winning artists, such as Mike Stern, Omar Hakim, and Eric Marienthal.



### CURATOR-LED TOUR OF THE PERMANENT COLLECTION

August 8 • 2:30-3:30PM  
Explore the permanent collection of the Museum with a curator. Advance reservations and/or tickets for public tours are not needed. Members may check in at the Visitor Services desk when they arrive and non-members may purchase tickets when they arrive at the museum for the tour.



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*Wooded View - 4BR/3.5BA*  
**\$759,000**



*2935 Seabrook Island Road*  
*Lagoon View - 4BR/3.5BA*  
**\$719,000**



*3027 High Hammock Road*  
*Golf View - 3BR/3.5BA*  
**\$540,000**



*1732 Live Oak Park*  
*Marsh/River View - 3BR/3BA*  
**\$499,000**



*751 Spinnaker Beachhouse*  
*Ocean Area - 3BR/2BA*  
**\$459,000**



*1160 Summer Wind Lane*  
*Golf View - 3BR/2BA*  
**\$315,000**



*109 High Hammock Villa*  
*Golf View - 1BR/2BA*  
**\$157,500**

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