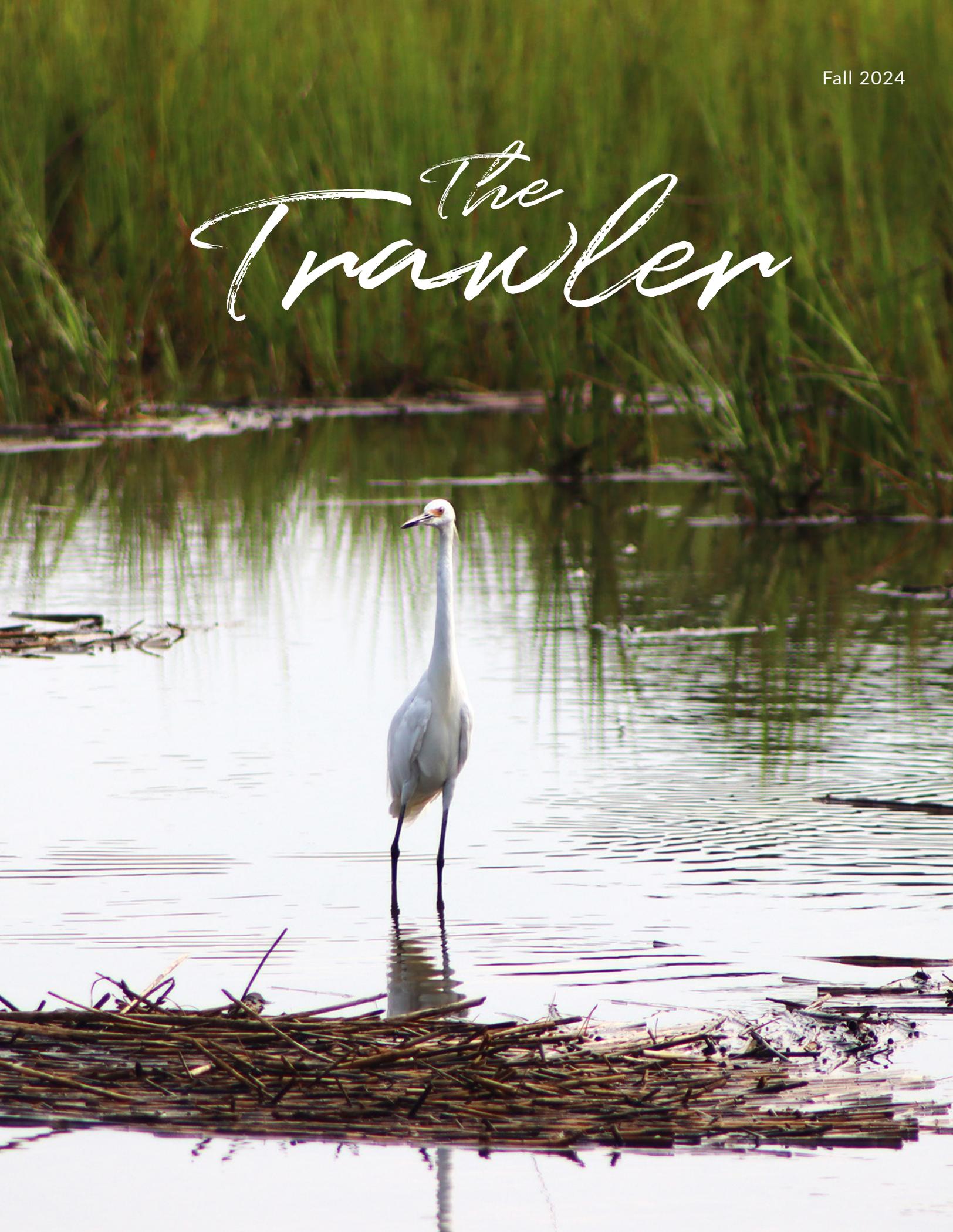


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EDITOR'S LETTER

I have gotten positive feedback on my letters and how they have been bringing back some great memories for a lot of people. That's exactly what I set out to accomplish with these letters and hope that they are relatable to your own experiences, and bring a smile to your face, or maybe even grateful that your experience was better than mine, and here's an example.

Kids are going back to school and seeing them at the bus stop is a reminder for me of just how long ago it seems, but also seems like only yesterday. It's also a reminder of some great memories and even some embarrassing memories.

I will admit that my middle school years were not the best due to a series of unfortunate mishaps, mainly caused by my social awkwardness and trying hard to be popular. Plus, trying to figure out what I wanted to be when I grow up and feeling like life was a constant audition.

My dad was the life of the party, always "on stage", and seemed to captivate a crowd everywhere we would go. Often, people told him he should have been a comedian. I admired his quick wit so much. He also had a gift to be able to have conversations with anyone about anything. I wanted to be just like him. A natural comedian that made people laugh and feel at ease.

People used to tell me I was a lot like dad, so I thought I was ready for my big debut as a comedian. I made my parents laugh, I made my closest friends laugh, so why not gather a larger audience, and launch my career. So, at twelve years old, I decided to host a recess "Stand Up Comedy Show". It was going to be a great story for the David Letterman show someday. I would be telling him all about my first gig on the playground and how it all got started and then we would talk about my new comedy to hit the theaters, my book and how I would be hosting Saturday Night Live the following week.

I remember doing my best five-minute routine of jokes that I had heard my dad tell and skits that I thought were SNL worthy and waiting on my thunderous applause and roaring laughter.

I took my bow and when I stood up, I was looking at about nine kids glaring at me like I was an alien from another planet with my own language they couldn't understand, coupled with a look of second-hand embarrassment, pity or maybe a bit of both. In hindsight, the skits didn't make sense, some of it was out of context parts of shows and movies, and the jokes were all mixed up with the wrong punchlines.

Thankfully, we didn't have TikTok, Facebook, or YouTube, so that the entire world could bear witness to the worst recess show of all time. Half of seventh grade having seen it was bad enough. What we did have was a Sears camcorder and I am forever haunted with some of my "best" skits and acting on VHS that still causes me to cringe. Like me and my monkey puppet lip syncing to Queen's 'Under Pressure'.

I feel like most people will not relate directly, after all, by that age, most kids were aspiring to be doctors, lawyers, and teachers. Certainly not comedians. But maybe it reminds you of a funny memory from your school days.

One day I may tell the story of how I found out that a singing career was also off the table. It's a slightly more embarrassing story than this one, if you can imagine. I should have stuck to lip syncing.

Stacie



FIPOA

The Election Committee is
Seeking Candidates for
the FIPOA Board of Directors

**It is time to elect new members to our
Board of Directors**

**We are seeking to fill 2 Resident positions and
1 Non-Resident position.**

We want candidates with diverse backgrounds and skills.

That is why we are asking **YOU** to consider running for the Board.

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You can fill out the application online, or if you prefer to fill out the online pdf version, print it out to mail in, you can find the forms and links [here on the website](#). If you have questions, please contact the Election Committee at fipoanominee@gmail.com.

*Candidates must submit completed forms and documents by October 15th, 2024,
at 4:30 PM EST.*

We look forward to receiving your application.

ROMEIO

MEN'S LUNCH CLUB



Fripp Island ROMEIO Men's Lunch Club for fellowship
at a Casual, Catered Lunch with Noteworthy Special Guests

Contributed by Bart Lehman

Make plans to join us each month,
starting in September 2024 through
May 2025.

The assembly is at 11:30 a.m., and
lunch is only \$15 (CASH ONLY),
including a drink, served at Noon.
Adult beverages are available for a \$2
donation (CASH ONLY).

Transportation is available. Please
contact Bart Lehman at 803-237-7754
at least 24 hours in advance to make
arrangements.

If you want to be added to the list,
please email: frippromeo2024@aol.com.

Events are subject to change. Please contact club director to
confirm if you are not on the club email list.

ROMEIO hosts a monthly Special Guests. 2024-2025 Guest Speaker Schedule

Sept 24	Lewis Tabb Fort Fremont
Oct. 22	Dan Cotter Fripp Island Sea Rescue
Nov 19	Craig Walker Honey Bees
Dec 17	Will Grimsley Intro to the Revolutionary War in SC
Jan 21	Kevin Anton Miracle on the Hudson Experience
Feb 25	Zabo McCants Hunting Island State Park

SPLINTERS FROM THE BOARD

Continuing the FIPOA Board of Directors' commitment to share important information with its Members, this is the fourth "Splinters From The Board" for 2024. The first was included in the 2024 Spring, Vol I edition of The Trawler [and can be viewed here](#). The second was included in the 2024 Spring, Vol II edition of The Trawler and [can be viewed here](#). The third was included in the 2024 Summer edition of The Trawler and [can be viewed here](#). Since that edition two months ago, the FIPOA Board has been hard at work making consistent progress on the issues that are most important to Fripp Islanders. Here are just a few highlights, or splinters, from the FIPOA Board:

- Regular updates from FIPOA Board President, Nancy Wingenbach, outlining recent progress and future plans on key items.
- Hosted a Storm Water Master Plan Town Hall on June 26 with ATM Engineers, who presented the plan and answered Member's questions.
- Provided status on the front of the island erosion project at each monthly Board Meeting, reviewing the efforts of the FIPOA

staff, and their work with requisite Fripp Island Committees, agencies, consultant engineering and other firms working to ensure the stability of the front of our Island. Coordinated plans with the FIPSD.

- Approved, undertook, or completed projects for maintenance and improvement of infrastructure:
 - o Approval of Dam Inspection Proposal.
 - o Began and completed the installation of new piping project along part of the Ocean Point Golf Course to improve the functionality of the Fripp Ditch. All drainage pipe work on the Ocean Point Golf Course was completed on August 24 and all equipment removed as August 27.
 - o Received the pump for the Marlin Pump Station Project. Installation has begun.
 - o Utilized new water pumps to assist with flooding mitigation prior to, during, and after Tropical Storm Debby. Ran pumps related to the Tropical Storm Debby from July 31st until August 14th.

SPLINTERS FROM THE BOARD (CONT.)

o Hired two additional maintenance staff to increase the efficiency (reducing cost improving schedule) of infrastructure repair and maintenance.

o Introduced a Project Update segment at all Monthly Board Meetings provided by Jonathan McCarter, Project Administrator.

o Cleared Fripp Ditch Outfall at Porpoise Drive. This project was performed by inhouse staff to help improve the flow of the Fripp Ditch to the ocean. It required removing several feet of sediment from the outfall pipes returning them to a state where water will flow through and out of the drainage system. Work is continuing along the Fripp Ditch to address additional maintenance concerns.

o Working to relocate the Greenery's landscape equipment.

o Supported PSD in its efforts to recover from Tropical Storm Debby.

o Resealed several odd beach accesses. Replaced boards and rope at several of the beach accesses.

o As part of cleanup from Tropical Storm Debby removed downed and damaged trees.

o Replaced and installed several new street name signs around the island.

o Facilitated Terracon Engineering completing the field work related to the inspection of Blue Heron Dam. A report of findings will be posted when received.

o Contractors are working on repairing the sink holes located on Tarpon and Davis Love Drive, as well as completing asphalt road repairs around the island.

• Published 2024 Proposed ARB Guideline Changes to the community for review and consideration.

• Attended Beaufort County Zoning Hearing regarding Sea Glass development and apprised Members of the status of the proposed project.

• Hosted a Community Educational Meeting on July 3rd to discuss concerns regarding Alligators present in a pond located near Beach Accesses # 6 – 9.

• Hosted the Sand Sculpting Contest on July 11th.

• Continue to inform Members of ongoing discussions with Fripp Island Resort (FIR) regarding issues of mutual concern.

• Continue to update members at each Board Meeting about FIPOA financials. Financial reports are published monthly on FIPOA's website.

FIPOA Members can see details of all these highlights on the frippislandliving.com website by selecting the "Owners Resources" section of the site. If you are a FIPOA Member and have not created an account, you can do so at frippislandliving.com. If you need assistance, please contact Communications Coordinator Stacie Thrush at communications@frippislandliving.com. Stacie will be happy to assist you. This is a tremendous information resource for all FIPOA members.

FIPOA Members are encouraged to attend FIPOA Board meetings, which occur the third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM at the FIPOA office as well as being available on Zoom. All FIPOA Committee meetings are also open to the Members. Schedules of these meetings are posted on the FIPOA website. FIPOA Members can access meeting minutes, committee activity and governing articles by accessing the "Owner's Resources" on the website.

The FIPOA Board of Directors wishes to thank the FIPOA staff, volunteers, and Members for the service to and support of the Fripp Island Community



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The Fripp Island Women's Club thanks Ester Vierheilig and Monette Smoak, (CakeWalk co chairs) and all the volunteers and participants for making our annual July 4th Cake Walk a fun, very successful event. The \$2100 raised will help support our Out Reach programs within the Beaufort community.



Fripp Island Sea Rescue

Written by Mary Jacobs
Communications Officer

Women Making Waves!
September 2024

Recently, someone commented to me the number of women that are serving in the Fripp Island Sea Rescue (FISR). I reviewed the number of women that have joined since I was invited to be a part of the organization in 2018. I had never even thought about the number of women because the members of FISR work well together and we all have a vital job to do. So, I decided to interview the current women serving with FISR. I was amazed and pleased by what I learned about these women and their on the island. I asked several questions to better understand their back grounds as well as their former professions. Here are my interviews.



Karen Myers – Officially joined FISR in April of 2022

• Before moving to Fripp where did you live and what was your profession?
Karen moved to Fripp in 2018 from the Boston area where she lived for 30 years.

Karen’s professional background has varied in Sales, Marketing Research & Account Management for over 20 years. Prior to leaving Boston, Karen had gone full circle. She ended up with a private practice as a Perspective Coach helping individuals through change, challenge & crisis whether it was physical, mental, emotional, or spiritual.

• Why did you decide to join FISR?
Over the years, Karen has seen FISR’s impact as first responders on the water, most notably when her husband, Jimmy received a handwritten note saying “Thank you for saving my life”. Karen noted: “Water and other barrier islands surround Fripp Island and we have a very active commercial and residential boating community. The Coast Guard cannot always navigate our small creeks and rivers, so FISR volunteers fill in the gap for this critical rescue service.” Karen’s skills as a proficient fundraiser and licensed Boat Captain are put to good use with FISR.

• What are some tasks that you do for the organization?
Between 2019 & 2022, Karen was very active with the annual fundraising and was one of the co-founders of the online auction. She officially joined FISR as Revenue Officer in April 2022, assuming the responsibility for all fundraising efforts including the annual St. Paddy’s Golf Tournament hosted by Fripp Island Resort and run in conjunction with Beaufort Water Search & Rescue (BWSAR). Karen noted: “Combined , FISR and BWSAR average 125 Missions per year. The

funds raised are necessary to keep the organizations afloat (pun intended).” Karen also serves on Missions and Service Calls as needed.

Karen had served by assisting with the golf tournament before she officially joined FISR. She is such an extremely creative person and a treasure to work with, especially when it comes to specific projects.



Joanne Cotter - Joined FISR in April of 2024

- Before moving to Fripp where did you live and what was your profession? Before coming to Fripp Island Joanne worked and lived in Decatur, GA. She was an accountant by profession. Joanne recently retired and she now spends 50% of her time on Fripp Island.
- Why did you decide to join FISR? Joanne’s husband (Dan) loves boating and being out on the water. When Dan purchased a boat, Joanne felt the need to learn how to operate it and enhance her boating skills. Joanne enrolled in the Boat USA course. Once she received her boating certification, Joanne thought it only made sense to put her skills to good use by volunteering to help others.
- What are some of the tasks that you do

for the organization?

Joanne serves as a Boat Duty Crew member, helping with tows, rescues and Coast Guard Helicopter Training missions. She also serves as the FISR Secretary, keeping the minutes for the monthly meetings.

Joanne joined FISR and, within a few months agreed to be the Secretary. Her leadership and willingness to serve is commendable!



Katherine Samples - Joined FISR in November of 2020

- Before moving to Fripp where did you live and what was your profession? Katherine, and her husband Daryll, moved from Johns Creek, GA., a suburb north of Atlanta. She was a director of eMarketing, managed two websites, presented at conferences, and organized large scale company events and marketing materials.
- Why did you decide to join FISR? Katherine, originally from Connecticut, has been a boater most of her life, sailing on Long Island Sound and up the Northeast Coast. She thought her experience might be a good fit to assist boaters in distress. Katherine was also interested in learning how different the Low Country waters were from those up the Northeast Coast. Initially, Katherine thought FISR was limited to boat owners. When she learned

this was not the case, Katherine quickly submitted her name as a candidate and was accepted in November of 2020.

- What are some of the tasks that you do for the organization?

Katherine serves as a Boat Duty Captain. As such, she is the person that is responsible for the boat and crew during Rescue Missions, Training Runs or Service Calls. Many times, Katherine may have the position of Boat Duty Crew, assisting another Boat Duty Captain, stand-by at a dock to receive a towed vessel, or providing “eyes-on” from the shore. There are other duties associated with most day-to-day boating tasks. Katherine stated that supporting the Coast Guard during their HELO training sessions has provided her with amazing boating knowledge.

Katherine brings a wealth of boating knowledge on a Mission. She is an excellent Boat Duty Captain, focused and knows what she is doing!



Nancy Wingenbach - Joined FISR in January of 2019

- Before moving to Fripp, where did you live and what was your profession?

Nancy lived in Northeast Ohio for 46 years raising a family, volunteering in communities and working in Education. After her children completed their

education and her husband passed, Nancy sold her home of 33 years in Hinckley, Ohio and moved closer to her work in Chagrin Falls. Being an educator, she worked in the public schools as a teacher, supervisor, curriculum director and as the Superintendent of a school district.

- Why did you decide to join FISR?

When Nancy moved to Fripp as a permanent resident, she decided to work as a volunteer in a variety of ways that would be interesting, entertaining, challenging and of service to the community. In truth, Nancy was afraid she would be bored in retirement. Nancy read about FISR and, though she was not a boater at the time, she figured she could be trained in some way to help provide support. Nancy said the members took her in, they trained her in boating and rescue skills, gave her opportunities to put those skills to work, which assisted her in learning to operate a boat that she now owns with Mary Jacobs.

- What are some of the tasks that you do for the organization?

Nancy has worked Base Duty, which involves communications with Beaufort County Dispatch and FISR Boat Crew on Missions. This function is now largely provided by Beaufort Water Search & Rescue. However, FISR & BWSAR work hand-in-hand. Nancy has served as Revenue Officer and Chair of the Golf Tournament, and she currently serves as the Quartermaster. She is responsible for ordering clothing and supplies. Nancy also assist with Boat Duty Crew functions.

Nancy has been a fast learner and is willing to help in any capacity. Her leadership is evident in all areas!

Sara Larsen - Joined FISR in January of 2024

- Before moving to Fripp where did you live and what was your profession? Sara is the only person in her family that was raised in the South. She lived her entire life in Georgia and graduated from University of Georgia in 2022. GO DAWGS! Her parents retired and moved to Fripp. When Sara graduated, she moved to Fripp Island to work and save money until she returns to graduate school. Sara is employed by the Fripp Island Resort.



Mary Jacobs (sometimes called MJ) -
Joined in February of 2018

- Why did you decide to join FISR? Sara grew up on Lake Lanier and she spent every moment possible on the water. A family friend and her family shared a dock together. There, she enjoyed riding wave runners, canoes, kayaks, paddle boats, wakeboarding etc. Her parents retired and sold the family boat. She felt as if a part of her life was missing when the boat was sold. Sara also has an affinity for helping others. Hus, when Sara learned about FISR, it became the best of both worlds; now Sara can both help people and be on the water!

- What are some of the tasks you do for the organization? Sara is on Boat Duty Crew and training to be a Boat Duty Captain. Sara has been on several HELO Missions ad one distress Mission. Sara also helped break in the new wave runner. Sara also helps with FISR social media handling all FB posts. Sara also helps with the St. Paddy's Golf Tournament and the on-line auction.

Sara is our youngest member, but she brings a wealth of skills to FISR. She has moved our FB messages to a higher level! Sara's social media ideas are amazing.

- Before coming to Fripp where did you live and what was your profession? Prior to coming to Fripp, I lived mostly in Georgia. My husband and I purchased the house on Fripp in 2004, retired in 2016, and moved permanently to Fripp. I was an educator and served as a teacher, middle school principal, curriculum director, gifted education and math coordinator. I have also done consultant work in Georgia and Alabama, and was a professor at Mercer University for 15 years. I have retired three different times in my career! I also write children's books and volunteer on Fripp Island and in Beaufort.

- Why did you decide to join FISR? My husband, Rudy was a member of FISR and passed in 2018. Rudy and I always had boats and loved being around the water. Soon after Rudy passed, Dick Work (Skipper in 2018) asked me to join FISR to assist with new ideas for the Golf Tournament. Rudy was very passionate about FISR and by joining FISR myself, I felt it a good way to honor his memory.

- What are some tasks that you do for the organization?

I have served on Base Duty, assisting with the Golf Tournament, crew trainings, and HELLO duty. I currently serves as the Communication's Officer and write articles for "The Trawler" about FISR.

I learned and enjoyed getting to know the five other ladies that serve on FISR. The common thread that I found throughout the interviews was the desire to serve their community, especially in water safety! FISR currently has 6 female and 9 male members.

Words from Skipper Dan Cotter:
Women have been an important part of this Fripp Island Sea Rescue from its origin, including serving in senior leadership positions such as Skipper.

The presence and contributions of women within FISR has become even more visible and recognized in recent years. As seen in the interviews above, women serve in all capacities; from Base Duty to Boat Duty Captains, ensuring that no call for help goes unanswered.

Each role within FISR is vital. On Base Duty, the first point of contact when a distress call was received was often a woman. The calm and efficient handling of information can be the difference in a successful outcome. They have managed communications, coordinated with local authorities, and ensured that the rescue teams are dispatched quickly.

On the water, female crew and leadership is equally essential. As Boat Duty Captains and Boat Duty Crew, they lead rescue missions with skill and precision, navigating sometimes challenging Low Country waters with a steady hand. Women members have earned the respect of their peers and the gratitude of those they have rescued. Their expertise is not limited to boat navigation, but also includes towing, first aid, and other similar tasks.

Additionally, the stories of these women inspire. In a small community like Fripp Island, role models are often neighbors, friends, and family members. Young girls can see women leading rescue missions and managing emergency situations and confirm that there are no limits to what they can achieve.

It is important to acknowledge the women who serve FISR. Their dedication, skill, and bravery are necessary to the overall success of FISR. Our community owes a debt of gratitude to the women who are always ready to answer the call when someone finds themselves in distress on the Low Country waters.

FISR assists those in distress on the waters surrounding Fripp Island and its neighboring barrier islands. FISR is very grateful for the support it receives from the community.

To volunteer, donate, or just learn more about FISR, visit us at www.fisarecue.org

What Black Friday deals can you expect?

Source: <https://www.techradar.com/black-friday/black-friday-deals-sales>

According to Adobe Analytics, some of the best Black Friday deals are on tech products, with electronics leading the way for the biggest consumer spending. This is due to pricey items like TVs, laptops, headphones, smartwatches, and gaming consoles getting discounted to record-low prices you won't find outside of Black Friday.

Apple devices are also extremely popular during Black Friday with fresh discounts on brand-new 2024 gadgets and best-ever offers on older model products.

Other popular categories include clothing, furniture, home appliances, and toys.

The most popular deals always include budget big-screen TVs, OLED displays, robot vacuums, cheap smart home devices, AirPods, air fryers, and gaming consoles.

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HALLOWEEN CANDY SURVEY

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10. Tootsie Rolls
9. Bit-O-Honey
8. Black Licorice
7. Smarties
6. Mary Janes
5. Wax Coke Bottles
4. Peanut Butter Kisses
3. Necco Wafers
2. Candy Corn
1. Circus Peanuts

When it comes to sweet treats, [candystore.com](https://www.candystore.com) did a survey to find out what are the best and worst treats. No surprise that some of the favorites are candy bars.

Some of the favorites include Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, M&Ms, Skittles, Snickers, Sour Patch Kids, Kit Kat and Twix.



Source: <https://www.candystore.com/blogs/holidays/definitive-ranking-best-worst-halloween-candies>



MGA Men's Golf

**The MGA is the Golf Association for Fripp Island
All Rounds are played at the Ocean Point and Ocean Creek Courses.
Each course is rotated on a monthly basis and alternate
monthly throughout the year.**

Get the Schedule of Events and Tee Times at Fore Tees

2024—2025

Fripp Island Yacht Club Events

- Sept 14** Boat trip to Skull Creek HHI
Social & Luncheon
- Oct 26** Golf Tournament
- November 9** Annual Meeting/Dinner
- December 7** Boat Parade/Party
- December 12** Holiday Luncheon at
Fish Camp

Must be a 2024 member to attend above events

2025 Events

- January 25 Commodore Ball

A graphic for a flu shot clinic. At the top, a blue banner reads "FIGHT THE FLU". Below it, the text "Get Flu Shot" is written in green. In the center is a blue and green syringe. At the bottom, a grey box contains the text "SAVE THE DATE!" in large blue letters, and "WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2" in white letters. The background shows a cityscape.

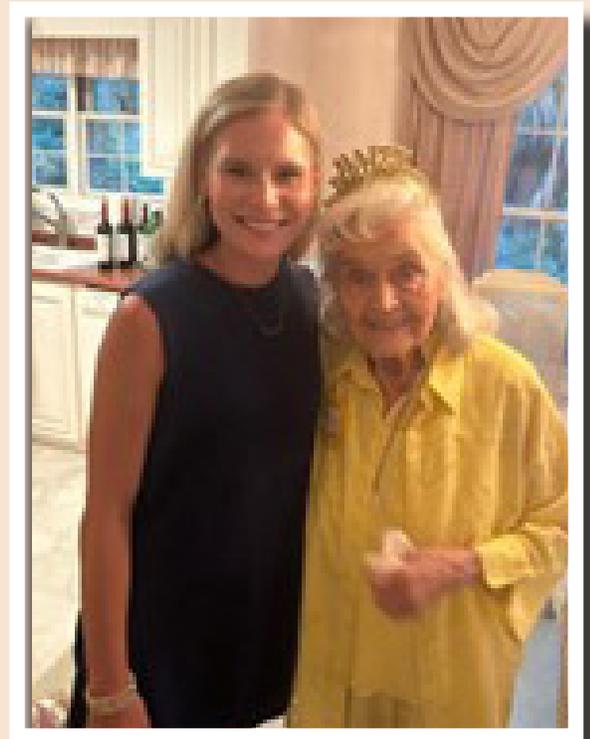
Annual Bonnie Combes Flu Shot Clinic
10 AM - 3 PM
Fripp Island Community Centre

*Happy Birthday
Irene O'Neill!*

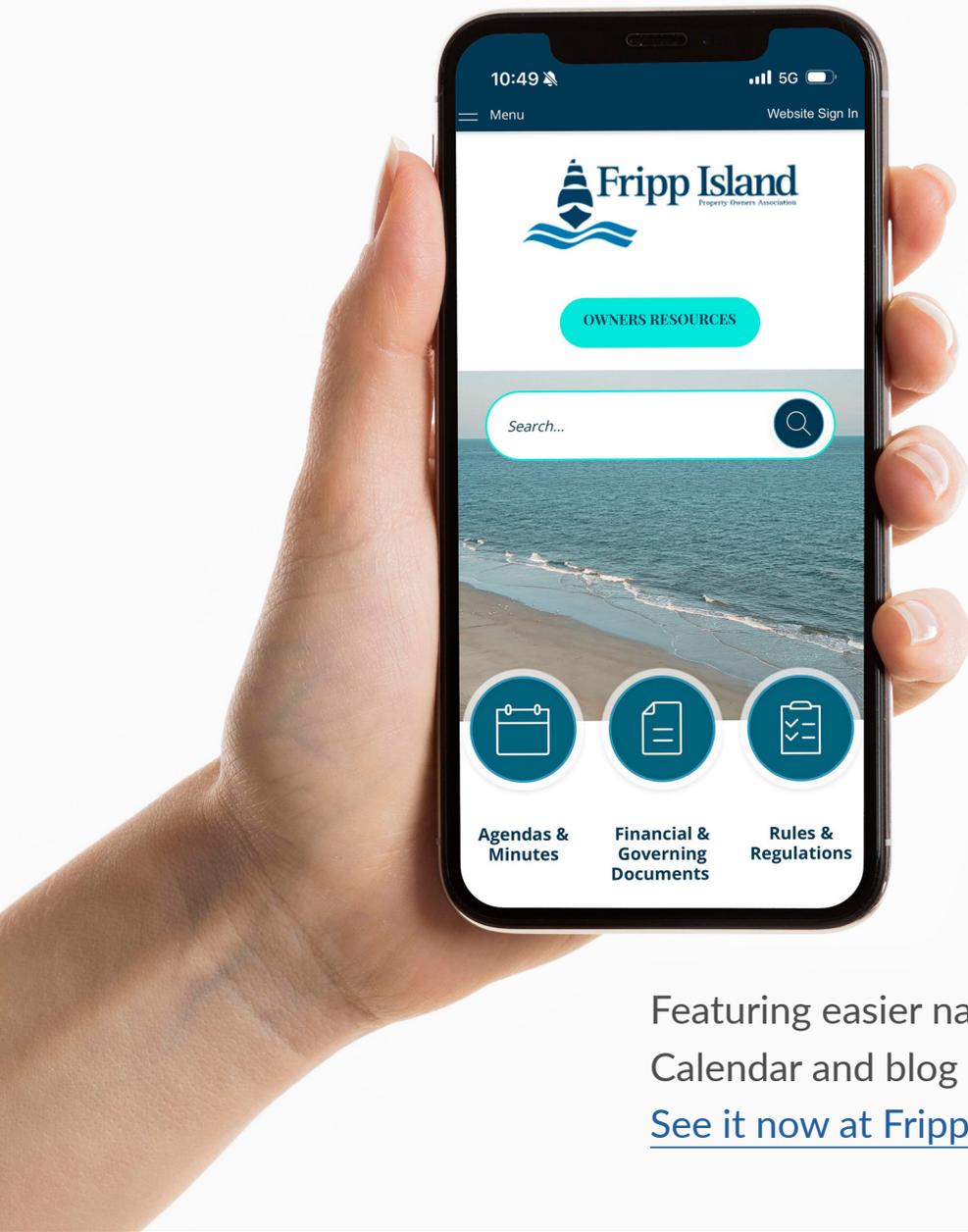
Submitted by Flo Kamradt

A Fripp Island resident for over 35 years, Irene O'Neill recently celebrated her 96th birthday with her family. Irene is the mother of 6 sons, 18 grandchildren, and 7 great grandchildren. She and her late husband, Joe, enjoyed boating and beaching and Fripp Island living during their retirement.

Irene is currently an active member of the Fripp Island Women's Club, participates in Bible Study, enjoys Bingo, golf cart rides and only recently gave up her pink, two wheeler bicycle tooling around Fripp. She is a devout member of St. Peter's Church and makes well over hundreds of rosaries for the young marines and their families stationed on Paris Island. A visit to her home always ends with: "I Love you and God Bless!" Many more happy Fripp Years, Irene!



Irene and Granddaughter, Victoria O'Neill



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Spring II (May 2025) - Due Date Thursday 4/24/25	
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Fripp Island Friends of Music Our 40th Anniversary Concert Season - 2024-2025

Submitted by Margit Resch

Help us celebrate the 40th anniversary of Fripp Island Friends of Music and enjoy our five concerts this season (see below). Consider becoming a member of FIFOM. It's such a deal! The Basic Membership is only \$100 (it saves you \$50 over the cost of buying individual \$30 tickets per concert). And you know, don't you, that you are invited to a complimentary reception after each concert, where you can chat with the musicians and enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres prepared by Harold's Chef Services. To become a member or if you have any questions, call, text or email Membership Chair, Vanessa Peñaherrera, at (704) 807-0255, or vandy116@gmail.com. For additional information, see our website: www.frippfriendsofmusic.com

**Here is the line-up for our 40th season:
October 20: Junwen Liang, classical pianist**



Junwen embarked on his piano career in his home town, Nanning, China, with a solo debut at age 13. Since then, he has been praised by audiences and critics all over the world for his captivating performances. Recent reviews called him “an extremely gifted and promising young artist” with an “engaging stage presence, helpful spoken introductions to the music, and confident programming skills.”

Junwen has not only made a name for himself as a solo artist, but he has also played with famous musicians of all kinds, with internationally known orchestras and in notable music festivals. In spring 2019, Junwen's achievements were crowned with the exclusive Spencer Merit Award at the National Society of Arts & Letters in Bloomington, an honor given to only one pianist that year.

Come to Fripp and see for yourself, or better: hear for yourself, whether he is poised for a major career as a pianist.

November 17: Zoë Lewis, singer/songwriter



“A multitude of instruments, gypsy jazz, swing, world-beat grooves, original tunes, quirky storytelling, huge sense of humor.” This is how Zoë Lewis introduces herself in her internet bio. What more do you need to know to be tempted to come and experience Zoë? Originally from the UK, she's lived in Provincetown, MA, for the last twenty-eight years.

“A band in a body,” she plays anything from the piano to the spoons, has toured with stars like Judy Collins and Richie Havens, produced nine CDs of original material, and she wrote two musicals, which were staged to packed houses in her adopted town. Zoë is admired as much for her storytelling as she is for her music. “Equal parts musician and story teller, this British transplant is blessed with the uncanny ability to uncover the extraordinary beauty in the seemingly ordinary.” So says the Boston Globe. A composer, a musician, and a story-teller. What a gifted lady.

January 12, 2025: South for Winter, 3 multi-instrumentalists and songwriters



This eclectic trio has its roots on a Peruvian rooftop, where New Zealander Nick Stone and Coloradan Dani Cichon met while building

greenhouses, and where they wrote their first of many songs together, "Fallen Seeds." They established their duo in Christchurch, eventually moved to Nashville, and there teamed up with Michigander Alex Stradal.

South for Winter combines elements of classically-trained cello, percussions, acoustic and electric guitar, mandolin, poetic lyricism, suitcase stomp, haunting melodies and lovely vocals into a genre-defying sound. The trio soon hit the road, selling out shows all over Europe, New Zealand, and the United States, and bringing audiences to their feet. Their blend of dreamy acoustic duets, foot-stomping folk and bluesy ballads, all "laden with delicate harmonies, intricate guitar-work, and earthy vocals... impeccable sound," has been praised by sites such as American Songwriter. From listening to South for Winter's recordings, I am confident that they will bring even us Beaufortonians to our feet.

February 2, 2025: PROJECT Trio, flute, sax and bass



Here is another trio that is going to bring us genre-defying music, that will change our notion of chamber music. The PROJECT Trio is presented as a chamber music ensemble comprised of three virtuosic composers and performers from Brooklyn, New York. However, the trio plays music ranging from baroque to nu-metal and adopting pretty much every style in between; so clearly a mixture of musical genres.

Reviewers like Gramophone Magazine praised the trio's performances as being "packed with musicianship, joy and surprise" and "exciting a new generation of listeners about the joys of classical and jazz music." The Wall Street Journal hailed the trio for their "wide appeal, subversive humor, and first-rate playing." Wide appeal, indeed. PROJECT Trio has impressed audiences with their performances in twenty-five countries on four continents and in most of our United States. They will impress us, no doubt.

March 16, 2025: Robert Gardiner Jazz Quartet



Influenced by the great musicians from the 1940's to today, this classic instrumental jazz quartet is led by saxophonist Robert Gardiner.

As Professor of Music at Lander University, Dr. Gardiner offers music education courses, gives saxophone lessons, teaches brass and woodwind methods and jazz improvisation, and leads the Lander University Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Combos.

Dr. Gardiner is also the founder of the South Carolina Jazz Foundation, Artistic Director of the South Carolina Jazz Masterworks Ensemble, Director of the 16-piece Columbia Jazz Orchestra, and Director of The Capital City Big Band, based in Columbia, SC—a 20-piece band playing jazz hits from the big-band era as well as contemporary jazz arrangements. Dr. Gardiner's range of activities leaves me breathless.

Who are the other three musicians of the jazz quartet? That is a surprise. You know they will be mind-blowing.



Questions about membership?

Contact Membership Chair,
Vanessa Peñaherrera
at vandy116@gmail.com or
(704) 807-0255 (text or call)

FRIENDS OF MUSIC IMPACT ON THE SCHOOLS

Peg Gorham Memorial Fund.

Fripp Island Friends of Music arranges for our performers to visit a Beaufort County school on the morning after each Fripp concert. With performances tailored for the younger ages, these talented musicians captivate their student audiences, exposing them to a world beyond the Sea Islands. In addition to our school visits, FIFOM supports local young musicians with scholarships and financial contributions, particularly to the Beaufort Youth Symphony Orchestra, as well as providing grants to teachers in Northern Beaufort County schools. See more at <https://www.frippfriendsofmusic.com/music-in-the-schools.html>. All this is thanks to the Peg Gorham Memorial Fund.

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Surplus Operating funds (from memberships, advertising, and other sources) may be transferred to the Peg Gorham account to increase our contribution to the Music-In-The-Schools activities.



Hildy Aldrich Memorial Fund

In partnership with her beloved Friends of Music, the Aldrich Family has maintained a “Hildy Fund” to help promote music education at St. Helena Elementary School. You can help by providing an additional contribution to this fund.

Sponsored by Hargray and Fripp
Island POA Community Involvement



**JOIN US FOR A COOKOUT,
MUSIC AND FUN WITH
YOUR FRIENDS AND
NEIGHBORS!**

An illustration of two condiment bottles, one red and one yellow, with white caps, and a hotdog in a bun with red and yellow mustard. The hotdog bun is sesame seed topped.

Cookout with

HARGRAY

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**3PM - 5PM
DAVIS LOVE PARK**

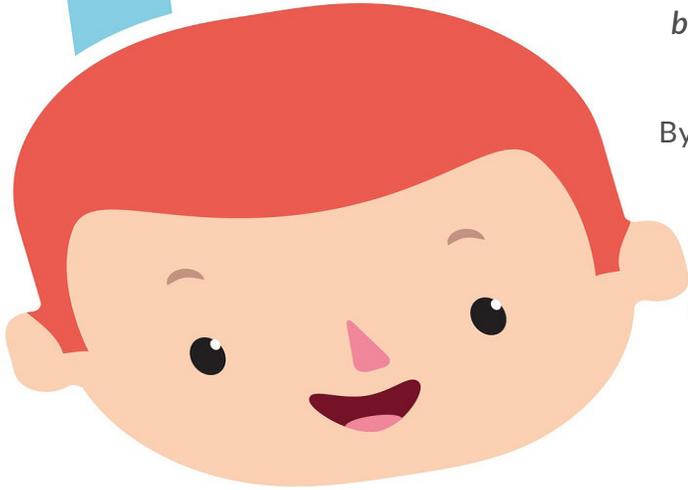
**ENJOY FREE
HOTDOGS**

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Contributed by Mary T. Jacobs

"You can do anything you want to do in life, if you have a fierce belief in yourself, a strong will, a big heart, and some role models to inspire you."

By Tyrone "Muggsy" Bogues, in the Land of Giants.
Something to think about



Character Building Words

Parents: Please discuss this with your child.

A person has better odds of winning the lottery than making a National Basketball Association team. Now add to the equation being 5' and 3" a full 16" shorter than the average NBA player. No one took Tyrone Bogues's life-long dream of becoming a professional basketball player seriously except Tyrone. And that's why he became the smallest player in the history of the NBA.

In the next several articles I will be discussing character words. I will share the words and explain how to share, teach and understand the words!

There are 109 words that describe character. I will share some, but not all 109.

First, I will define character.

Character is the overall mental and moral qualities of an individual. This includes their basic personality, talents and habits.

Parents, please do the following:

- Use an index card to write the words and post them on the refrigerator once a week. Then the next week add another word to the refrigerator, but review the other words as well.
- Ask your child to draw what the word means
- Name a person or persons they think the word describes

Let's continue with a few D's, E's and F's!

1. Determined: Having made a firm decision and being resolved not to change it.

Sentence: His mother was determined to finish writing the poem.

2. Eager: A person of wanting to do or having something very much.

Sentence: Bob was eager to finish and puzzle in just a few hours.

3. Forgiving: Ready and willing to forgive.

Sentence: I am in the process of forgiving you for your mistakes.

I hope you are enjoying your first few days of school.

Now, it is time to go to the beach, eat pizza at the Beach Club and of course finish with a delicious ice cream from the ice cream truck.

Fripp Audubon Club

Submitted by John Wellborn

September is here and peak birding season is about to begin. From late September through April birding in the Low Country is outstanding. We are also fortunate that our area has a very impressive group naturalist, biologist, and top tier birders who generously share their knowledge.

For those unfamiliar, The Fripp Audubon Club is a great introduction to birding and nature in the South Carolina. Our most popular events are our monthly “Ten Eyck Lecture Series” meetings featuring local expert presentations and our birding field trips. Meetings are at the community center and open to all; due to group size limitations members get first choice to sign up for the outings.

This year, we’ve added an incentive for you to be more than a Basic member. The higher your membership, the more guests you may bring along to the outings. Follow the membership application link below to join for the current season.

We’ll be sending out announcements for each of the outings that will tell you how and when to sign up. Look for them throughout the year. Also, be on the lookout for notices of our monthly meetings, featuring guest speakers you’ll not want to miss. You

can also check out our programs on our web site, frippaudubonclub.org.

We kick off the 2024/25 season on September 25th with our annual outing on the Fripper (Fripp Island’s pontoon boat). Our “Ten Eyck Lecture Series” begins October 24th with Dr. Al Segars, Veterinarian, Ret. SC DNR. Members from last year will be eligible to attend our first 2 outings as they are scheduled before our first regular meeting. New members will need to sign up in advance of the outings to be eligible (these trips usually fill up). Follow link below to go directly to membership application. [Application is also on our general web site.](#)



Below is a summary of our programs for the coming year (a work in progress):

Ten Eyck Lectures

Oct 24th Al Segars

Nov 21st Jake Zadik and Juliana Smith

Dec 19th Nemours ?

Jan 23rd Kimberly Ritchie USC Beaufort

Feb 27th Andy Jones Spring Island Trust

Mar 27th Birds of Prey

April 24th Bruce Beehler

May 22nd David Slaunwhite -SC Blue Bird Society

Audubon Outings

September 25 – Fripper - \$30/pp- (32 people) - 9:00 – 12:00

October 7 – Jarvis Creek Park with Jenn Clemontoni (12 people) – 10:00 – 1:00

November 15 – Nemours Plantation with Steven Guy & Heather Knauss (20 people) – 8:30-12:30

December 4 – Penn Center, Carolina Causeway, Station Creek & Lands End Pond with John Wellborn & Steven Guy (12 people) – 9:00 – 12:00

December 19 – Christmas Bird Count

January 15 – Savannah Wildlife with Buddy Campbell – 8:30 -12:00 – 20 people, four to a car

February TBD - Bear Island & Donnelley WMA with Jess Kinsella

March 26 – Webb Wildlife – 9:00 - 12:00 – 24 people

March 28 – Harbor Island with Peggy Lucas (10 people) – 10:30

April 1– Harbor Island with Jenn Clemontoni (10 people) – 8:45

April 19 – Spring Island with Andy Jones (15 people) – 7:45 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

May sometime during week of 5th -9th – trip to Blueridge Parkway for two nights

Mid to late May TBD – Beidler Forest (15 people) - \$15/person – 9:00-12:00

We look forward to you joining us for another fantastic season.

[Get more details about membership on our website here.](#)

CAPTAIN RALPH'S COOKING CORNER

COLORS OF SHRIMP

White, brown, and pink shrimp each have their own characteristics and flavor profiles. There are 3,500 species of shrimp. We at Fripp are concerned with 3 species; brown shrimp with a strong flavor due to a small content of iodine, white shrimp with a milder flavor and pink shrimp, larger with a sweet taste. In the spring and summer shrimpers catch the brown species of shrimp and fall and winter the white species. Pink shrimp are occasionally in the Carolina coastal area. Competition with pond raised shrimp and imported shrimp have had a devastated effect on our local shrimpers, but nothing better than our local shrimp.

SHRIMP FETTUCCINE

1 stick of butter	2 Onions thinly sliced
4 teaspoons minced garlic	1/4 cup white wine
1 or 1 1/2 pound large raw shrimp, peeled and (de-veined suggested)	1/4 c. finely chopped parsley
1/2 " liquid crab boil	1 C grated Parmesan cheese
1/8 Tsp. black pepper	
1 (8 oz) PKG. fettuccine noodles	

Melt the butter in a large skillet, saute green onions 2-3 min, Add shrimp, liquid crab boil. black pepper and wine cook about 5 minutes or shrimp are pink , Cook fettuccine noodles in boiling water for 10 min. Drain and put noodles with shrimp mixture, add cheese and parsley and stir well. Serves 4.

Get Ready For A Great Dinner

QUICK FIX SHRIMP

In a large skillet 1-2 lbs, large shrimp, half can of beer (that's right) 1/2 stick of butter heat pan and turning over shrimp, add seasoning and keep turning shrimp till they are all pink, then drain. This is the famous recipe of Antoine's famous Restaurant in New Orleans. Easy and DELICIOUS



Fripp Island Ladies Nine Hole Golf

**Come join a fun group of ladies
Beginners are welcome**

Schedule:

Tuesday: play your own game

Thursday: tournament play with a

Different game weekly

Often meet for lunch after play

Yearly luncheon

Prizes awarded

**Alternate play on Ocean Creek
and Ocean Point course**

Yearly dues: \$35

Can join anytime

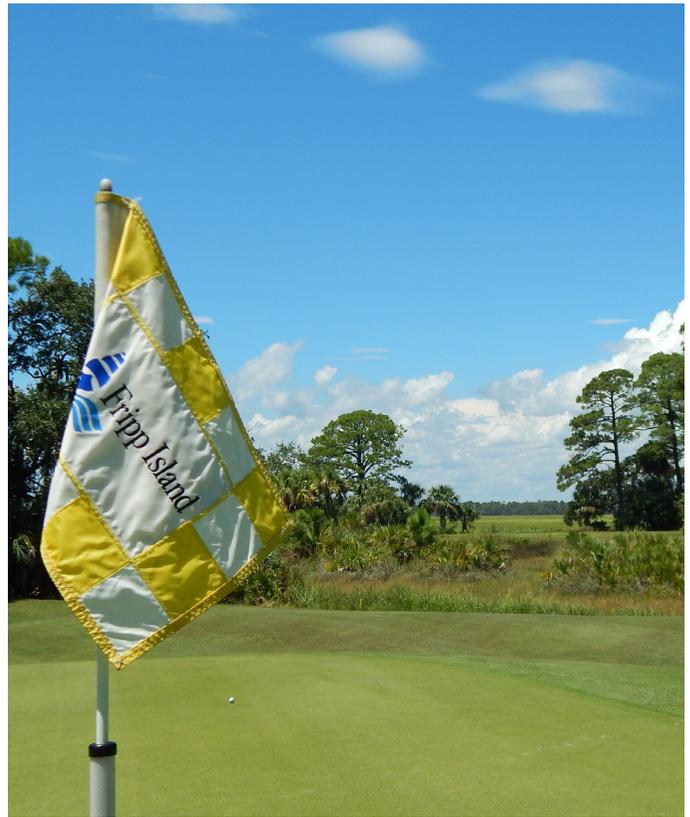
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FRIPP ISLAND WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

Fripp Islands Women's Golf Association (FIWGA) is winding down our summer play. During the summer we award points to the winner of Tuesday's game and at the end of the summer a cash award is given to the individual with the most points. You also receive a point just for participation. This has been a challenging summer as it has quite steamy. Looking forward to cooler days and our regular play.

We have many fun tournaments planned for the fall, starting off with our Philanthropy Day! So plan to join us on September 24th for a fun day of golf with a cause. We will be supporting one of Fripp Island's gems, the Turtle Patrol, by raising money to help them fund their genetic testing program. This tournament is for both the 18 and 9 hole ladies. Format is a Scramble with lots of help.

The FIWGA will also continue our year long battle to determine who will be crowned the Queen of the Course. Concluding with a playoff of the Divine 9 on November 24th.

The FIWGA also will be holding on Fall quarterly meeting on September 24th. FIWGA Awards Meeting will be held on November 15th.

Upcoming tournaments include:

The Club Championship - Oct 5th and 6th

Member/Member Tournament - Oct 15th and 17th

Coastal Cup at Dataw - Oct 24th

FIYC Halloween Tournament - Oct 27th (FIYC event)

FIWGA CHAMPIONSHIP - Nov 5th and 7th

Divine 9 Playoff - Nov 24th

FIWGA Invitational - Nov 13th (Dataw, Oldfield, Riverton Clubs)

The Fripp Island WGA welcomes new members and hopes that anyone with an interest in playing will come out and join us.

For further information, you may contact Allison Baker, President, 313-300-9060 or email taka43@comcast.net, or either of the two Pro shops.

Article and photos submitted by Ann Lyman



HURRICANE SEASON 2024



Hurricane season is through the end of November. It's something we don't like to think about, but we do want you to be mindful that hurricanes pose a serious threat to both your life and property. And we want you to be prepared. We have some great resources on our website including how to prepare, how to get alerts, and how to return home safely. All the links and resources can be found here:

<https://frippislandliving.com/221/Hurricane-Preparedness>

FIWC 2024-25 Pat Conroy Scholarship Applications

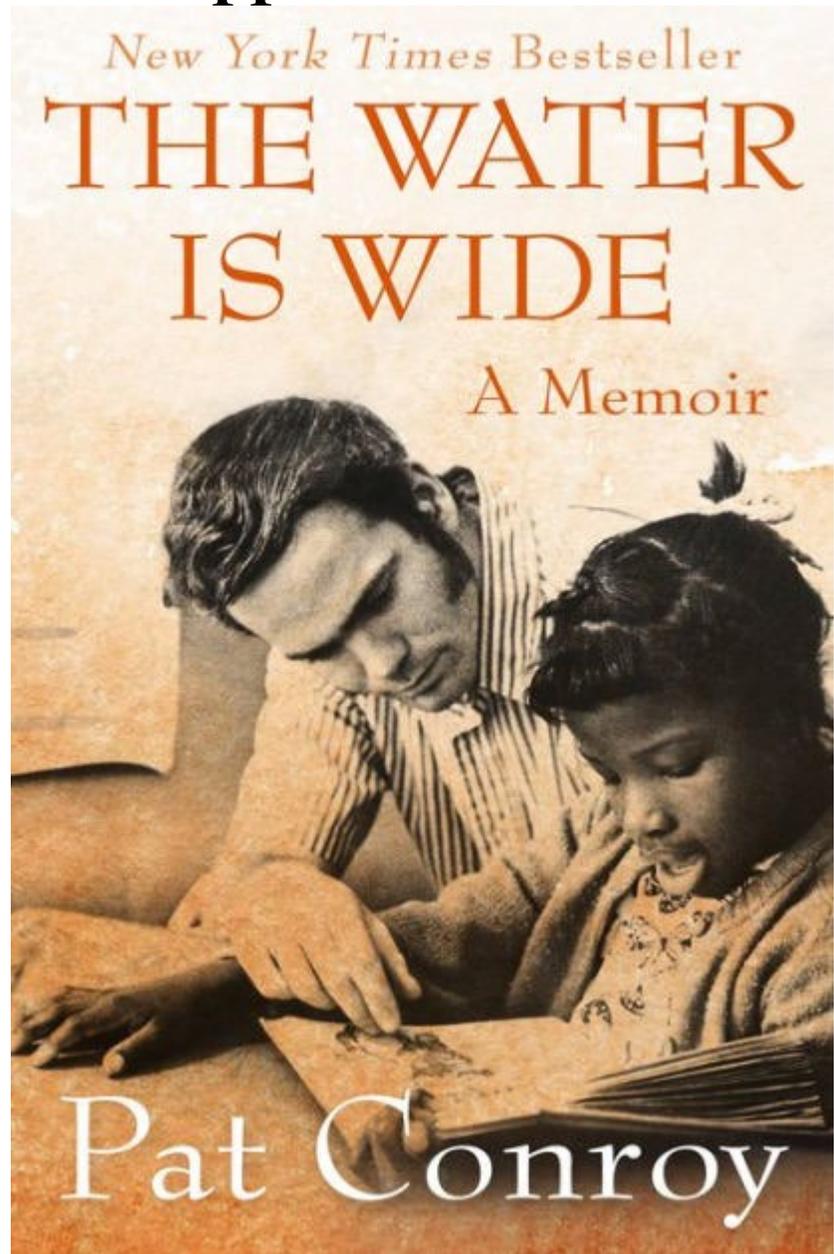
If you are over 21, a US citizen and a Beaufort County resident wishing to attend or return to college, the Fripp Island Women's Club FIWC will continue to sponsor the **Water is Wide** scholarship.

This award has been given to **ten older adult students over the past seven years** in honor of Pat Conroy's legacy. Pat lived and wrote while on Fripp Island and was a staunch advocate for education in Beaufort County.

Applications will be available on-line beginning October 1, 2024, through the USCB or TCL financial aid offices. Through your generosity, Frippers have donated over \$20,000 in collaboration with the FIWC in partnership with the Pat Conroy Literary Center.

Donations are always appreciated and are tax deductible. Checks made out to **Pat Conroy Literary Center with Scholarship in the memo line** can be dropped off or mailed to:

Anne Hoyle, 5 Pelican Cove,
Fripp Island, SC 29920 or
contact:
ftkamradt@gmail.com





Wildlife, Environment and Grounds! Oh My!

Submitted by Rebecca Climer

The Wildlife, Environment and Grounds Committee has had a busy year and more is yet to come. For the Fall, we will see a return to the Wednesday Wildlife Workshops that were instituted at the beginning of the year and an interesting new focus on the Environment and Grounds elements of our Committee's name. Many of you have followed the Gonacon Deer Contraception plan closely and we now have the outline of a plan for the next three years.

This Fall, two deer counts will be conducted. One is done according to USDA, APHIS (Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service) and Wildlife Services standards and is necessary for us to get approval to proceed with the project. We will also be conducting our traditional deer count led by Bob Hess. (Please mark your calendars for October 1 and look for additional information.) If you're wondering why the two counts, it's for added confidence in the numbers as we proceed to the next step in the program which is determining a target number of does to be treated next Fall.

The projected timeline is:

- Fall, 2024 – Conduct initial deer count
- August – September 2025 – deer surveys and GonaCon application
 - o Set target goal.
 - o One injection for Fripp Island target goal.
 - o Wildlife Services continues to refine logistics including dart design and dyes to be used for marking deer.
- August – October 2026 – deer surveys conducted by Wildlife Services to determine level of recruitment.
- August – September 2027 – deer surveys and GonaCon application.



On October 9, we will hold another Wildlife Wednesday Workshop entitled “Fall on Fripp” and will address the changes in our wildlife behavior and needs related to coming Fall and Winter. The location of the event will be determined by expected attendance, but please hold the date to learn of the outcome of the Fripp deer count, cautions related to rutting season and rattlesnake hatching season.

The Committee is also addressing interest in our Environment particularly through a Community Wildlife Habitat and Conservation Program consisting of:

- Educational Workshops
- Certified Wildlife Habitat Program
- Recognition and Awards for Outstanding Wildlife Habitat Commitment
- Community Gardens and Green Space Renourishment

This effort, led by Committee members Julie Underwood and Dana Bradley, hopes to promote biodiversity, promote understanding of our ecosystem and engage our community in environmental stewardship and conservation.

Soon, we'll be announcing educational programs on planting and pruning and providing information on how Fripp Islanders can create backyard habitats.



If you have any questions about these programs, please contact Committee Chair Rebecca Climer or any member of the WEG Committee whose names are listed on the frippislandliving.com website.



Red Snapper season was short but that was a great day for fisherman on Miss Lia 11

Captain Ralph's FISHING REPORT

FALL FISHING LOOKING GOOD AND LABOR DAY KINGFISH TOURNAMENT MAKES HAPPY FISHERMAN

by Captain Ralph Goodison

Great fall fishing is greeting our Fripp Island fisherman. Good catches of trout, black drum, whiting, shark and redfish are being caught. Flounder are slower this year.

OFFSHORE Spanish and Kingfish are giving us good catches with some

Wahoo also being caught.

FISHING REPORT

INSHORE: Wardles Landing, Maxwell Bridge and end of Tarpon have slowed but inlet and trenchers have good catches of black drum, trout, whiting and shark.

NEARSHORE: Fripp Reef, Drydock and 6 HI are good with black drum, trigger, vermilion snapper, black bass, some large redfish, and spanish macheral.

OFFSHORE: Kingfish are king and many are bending the rod. Wahoo have slowed and an occasional yellow finn tuna.

Lewis Turner and Miss Nickie have the Marina and Marina store in full operation well stocked with a great Deli. Excursions have a Rent-A-Center from golf carts to bikes to help plan your next vacation.

FRIPP ISLAND ANNUAL LABOR DAY KINGFISH TOURNAMENT

Great weather and great fishing greets The Fripp Island Annual Labor Day 2-day Tournament. Great weather and a cookout by Chef Doolittle greeted our fisherman at the Captain's meeting Thursday night. Fifteen boats had quiet seas and good catches.



(Bottom Left) Lots of fish to clean but the good news - lots of fish to eat. (Top Right) Just ask Captain George if Redfish are biting. (Middle Right) Captain George with a mermaid on Miss Lia 11. (Bottom Right) How is fishing on Fripp? Ask these fisherman.

First Place King was Captain Mark Pincus and his crew on Reelin with a 40.7 lbs, Kingfish.

Second place was Captain George Tangelos and his crew on Miss Lia 11 with a 37.4 King,

Third place Captain Kile Godley and his crew on Full Circle with a 30.1 King.

First Place Spanish and it was a beauty Captain Bert Harvey and his crew on Juggernaut with a 4.6 lbs.

Second Place Captain Bruce Martin and his crew on Catch Me with a 2.6 lbs. and

Third Place captain Gus Brown and his crew on Chasing Tails with a 1.7 lbs, Spanish.

Lewis Turner and Jeff Pickney thank the tournament sponsors. The Carley Family, the Rodney Hinton Family and the Dewitt Hilton Group for their financial support. Lewis announced the next tournaments were the October Inshore and November Thanksgiving Kid's Tournament.



Captain Bert Harvey on his boat Juggernaut caught the prize winning Spanish Mackerel at 4.6 lbs.



Captain Mark Pincus and his crew show off their Kingfish winner - a 40.7 beauty at the Fripp Island Tournament.



Extra Crispy was the boat and mates Anna Kate and Marry Ellen were the catchers. With a little help, they caught this 29.5 lb. Kingfish at the Kingfish Tournament.



Fripp Island
Women's Club

Come meet your neighbors!

Wednesday, September 18th

10 a.m. at the Community Center

The Women's Club will host an opportunity to meet new women while learning some fun facts.

The FIWC will share:

- Monthly Program Topics
- Volunteer Opportunities
 - How to get Involved
- Getting your input via a Survey

Membership fee of \$20 annually
(Bring cash or a check)

Rides available on an as needed basis!
Contact Nola Wood at 973-713-9737



FRIPP ISLAND

Public Service District

November 5, 2024, General Election for Fripp Island Public Service District

On November 5, 2024, four seats on the Fripp Island Public Service District Commission will be up for election. The election is open to all registered voters living within the District Four Island residents have filed their intent for candidacy with the Beaufort County Election Commission. Also due to a Commissioner resigning, we have an additional seat available through a special election, this seat will be for 2 years.

Each candidate has provided their personalized responses to a standard questionnaire, which are provided here for your consideration. The Fripp Island Public Service District Commission urges all residents to vote on election day.

Name: **Edward D. Wetzel**

Address: 2 Snowy Egret Circle

How long have you owned property on Fripp Island? 13 years

How long have you been a resident of Fripp Island? 7 years

Education: PhD Civil Engineering, Lehigh University 1982
MS Civil Engineering, Lehigh University 1978
BS Civil Engineering, Lafayette College 1974

Personal (any information you'd like to provide about yourself, your family and your interests or hobbies)

Married to Veronica for 43 years

Two sons Eric (age 40) and Peter (age 37)

Career/Professional experience (to include military background):

College Professor in Civil Engineering for 5 years

Worked for consulting engineering firms for 35 years

Finished career with Wetzel Consulting LLC- sole proprietorship since 2012

Specialized in water and wastewater engineering, large capital program management, and utility management, valuations and acquisitions

Fripp Island Activities/Involvement:

Fripp Island Public Service District Commissioner since 2020

Fripp Island Men's Golf Association member since 2016, Board of Directors since 2021

Fripp Friends Group host since 2019

Fripp Island Yacht Club Member since 2012

Volunteer Organization Involvement:

St Peters Catholic Church

What would you hope to accomplish as a Fripp Island Public Service District Commissioner?

Complete transition to a new accounting system

Get bond referendum projects under construction

Develop long-term game plan for Fripp Inlet bridge (existing and replacement)

Work closely with POA and Resort for the benefit of Fripp Island

Name: **Rick Keup**

Address: 708 Bluefish Road

How long have you owned property on Fripp Island? 17 years

How long have you been a resident of Fripp Island? 16 years

Education: Eastern Michigan University BS
Penn State University-Executive MBA

Personal (any Information you'd like to provide about yourself, your family and your interests or hobbies)

Married to Cathy with 2 grown children and 5 grand children

Career/Professional Experience (to include any military background):

Ames True Temper Lawn and Garden Tools-
President/CEO

L.R. Nelson Irrigation-President /COO

Simonton Windows-Present COO

Fripp Island Activities/Involvement

Fripp Island MGA-Past President, Fripp Island

Yacht Club-Past President, Fripp Island Sea

Rescue

Volunteer Organization Involvement:

Low Country Master Naturalist (ICMNA) Past

President, Tidal Creek Fellowship

What would you hope to accomplish as a Fripp Island Public Service District Commissioner?

Having served 12 years on the FIPSD as a commissioner to effectively provide water, wastewater and fire control to all Fripp Island Residents. My business background provides the skills necessary to assist our managers

in their daily jobs but also provide proactive insight into maintenance, HR, Financial and Capital needs for our facilities and customer needs. I served as our first chairman for two years as we recovered from the effects of Hurricane Matthew in 2016.

Name: **Dennis Perrone**

Address: 167 Ocean Creek Blvd

How long have you owned property on Fripp Island? Since 1996

How long have you been a resident of Fripp Island: Since 2017

Education: American College of Medical Practice Executives- CMPE Certifies, 2002
Masters of Business Administration, , the University of New Haven 1996
Bachelors of Science, Clinical Laboratory Science, Concord University Athens, W. Va 1976

Personal (any information you'd like to provide about yourself, your family and your interests or hobbies)

High School Football Coach 1980 to 2001

Career/Professional Experience (to include any military background)

Director of Orthopedic, bariatric and robotic service lines Bristol Hospital, Bristol, CT

Service Line Executive Surgical Services,

Danbury Hospital Danbury, CT

Executive Director Danbury Orthopedic Associates, Danbury, CT

Fripp Island Activities/Involvement:

Past Member of the CAB committee Fripp Island

Volunteer Organization Involvement:

What would you help to accomplish as a Fripp Island Service District Commissioner?

To continue the work started during my first term which continues today and see it to completion.

Name: **John F. King**

Address: 878 Tall Pines Circle, Fripp Island, SC

How long have you owned property on Fripp Island? 10 years

How long have you been a resident of Fripp Island? 5 years

Education: Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering (BSME) Ohio State University

Personal (any information you'd like to provide about yourself, your family and your interests or hobbies):

Married, 2 children and 2 grandchildren

Career/Professional Experience (to include any military background):

- 1. Design Engineer, Registered Professional, 25 years
- 2. Facilities Engineer, Brown University, 8 years
- 3. U.S. Army veteran , 3 years active duty

Fripp Island Activities/Involvement:

Tennis
Mens' Book Club

Volunteer Organization Involvement :

Fripp Island PSD, Commissioner since 2020
Energy Engineer for State of Rhode Island (Volunteer) 2015-2019

What would you hope to accomplish as a Fripp Island Public Service Commissioner?

Continue to serve on the FIPOA Shoreline Committee as a liaison with the FIPSD

regarding shoreline protection and erosion projects.

Provide technical review on FIPSD construction projects

Name: **Gary M. Nizzi**

Address: 402 Wahoo Dr, Saint Helena, SC 29920

How long have you owned property on Fripp Island? Since 2004

How long have you been a resident of Fripp Island? Since June 2014

Education: BS in Aerospace Engineering (Georgia Tech), Masters courses in Aerospace and Industrial Management (Geogia Tech) Professional continuing education

Personal (Any information you'd like to provide about yourself, your family and your interests or hobbies):

From Stillwell, GA; Spouse- Ann Nizzi; 2 children and daughters-in-law; 4 grandchildren; mother; 2 sisters;1 brother and many cousins. Like fishing, boating, grilling, wood working and Pickleball!

Career/Professional Experience (to include any military background):

Farm work; Savannah Shipyard outside Machinist during college; 41 yrs Dept of Defense Professional-All Lockheed Corp divisions13 years then defense related Aerospace Engineering Consulting 28+ years for all major Aerospace companies and Governmental agencies, Subject Matter Expert on many efforts...work spanned projects from research through production and service for projects from thousands to multi-billion dollars, assist research individuals to Presidential levels, National Labs, etc, Retired in 2018. Responsibilities included the gamut of research

and development , structural, fluid flow, propulsion, electromagnetics, preliminary to completed design, test, maintenance/ sustainment of performance through life for land, water, air and space vehicles with many containing every function of a residential city- (power, food/water, air, HVAC, housing, motion controls, maintenance, sustainment

home ownership help represent all constituent interests in the PSD future path regarding fire emergency, bridge, water and sewage elements. These elements include maintaining/ sustaining/improving assets for the fire department; bridge access; water; and sewer.

Fripp Island Activities/Involvement:

Help where needed, assist Resort in clean up after Hurricane Matthew, trash and yard pick up plus removal, etc.

Attend PSD meetings before Hurricane Matthew as my work schedule allowed, continuing through today making suggestions as appropriate.

Attend Romeo luncheons

Reviewed/critiques the Fripp Wahoo water management program as a vested homeowner

Enjoy playing on the Fripp Pickleball League

Team- a great group of people

Volunteer Organization Involvement:

Churches-youth groups, council, congregation president, assistant treasurer

Ga Salz Society- Life member, treasurer, Vice President, President, Endowment trustee

Many years assist Habitat for Humanity (North Atlanta-Ga and Low Country SC) construction all trades

Substitute taught many years high school science and math etc.

What would you hope to accomplish as a Fripp Island Public Service Commissioner?

Simply to continue maintaining the good stewardship, perpetual cost management and risk mitigation the PSD has provided to Fripp Island constituents. I would like to serve on the board using my experience with projects, engineering and analysis assisting the PSD with current and future developments. My familiarity with how the PSD functions and interacts with the other island entities is a plus. These attributes, an open mind and



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