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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 1 Non-Resident and 3 Resident positions.**

*We want candidates with diverse backgrounds and skills.*

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

What better way for you to contribute?

We await your talents and leadership skills to help make Fripp Island even better!

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 [pdf form here](#). If you have questions, please contact the Election Committee at [fipoanominee@gmail.com](mailto:fipoanominee@gmail.com).

*Candidates must submit completed forms by October 15th, 2022, at 4:30 pm.*

*We look forward to receiving your application.*

# 2022 FIPOA Board of Directors



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## FRIPP ISLAND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION SCHEDULE OF MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS 2022

SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER 17, 2022	9:00 AM
SATURDAY	OCTOBER 15, 2022	9:00 AM
SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 19, 2022	9:00 AM
SATURDAY	DECEMBER 17, 2022	9:00 AM

## FRIPP ISLAND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION SCHEDULE OF TOWN HALL MEETINGS 2022

SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 5, 2022	10:00 AM
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# On the Cover

We had a day in the middle of August where the temps were in the mid to upper 70s at 10 AM. The sky was beautiful, the island was calm and quiet. I spotted a few deer roaming around.

I had to seize the moment to take some pictures around the island. One of my favorites is of a handsome buck that stopped to pose for the camera. Just one street over, I spotted a doe behind the John Fripp Villas.

It was difficult to choose which photo to use on the cover. But I have included some of my favorites from that day throughout the Trawler.

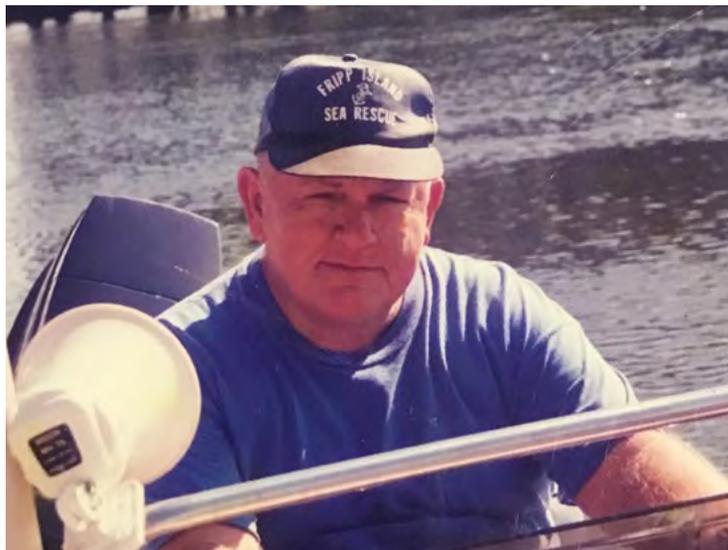
On the cover is a photo taken at beach access 15.

I hope you enjoy the beauty of Fripp Island!

Stacie Thrush,  
Editor

# SKIPPER EMERITUS PAUL FIELD

May 21, 1930 - August 7, 2022



Contributed by Mary Jacobs,  
FISR Communications Officer

I once read something stating the day you are born until the day you die is all about the “dash” in between the two dates!

Well, Paul Field had lots of interesting stories all in between!

*It was forty years old this coming winter that Paul rescued a father and daughter from the cold waters off shore. That rescue led to the formation of Fripp Island Sea Rescue, whose members have saved over 100 lives since.*

*“Fair winds to our founding and Skipper Emeritus, Paul Field. We thank you for all you have done, and we will miss you dearly. Your vision of unselfishness service lives on, my good man.”*

*On behalf of all the crew members of Fripp Island Sea Rescue, past and present an old maritime salute:  
BRAVO “ZULU”-Well Done!  
Skipper, Eric Roberts*

A memory of Paul Field! If I were to choose my favorite memory of him it would have to be our “lunches under the oaks.” Every week we would make our trip to town for appointments/supplies, etc. We would park at Food Lion under the beautiful live oaks full of draping moss. I would run in and pick up two sandwiches while he got his iPad set to play Roger Williams’ music. I would get back into the car (he ALWAYS drove) and he would roll the windows down, play music and have lunch. I miss my old friend already.  
Sandra Burke, friend of Paul’s for over 30 years

I worked on FISR for approximately 3 years while Paul was Skipper. He took responsibility for all Base Duties, all maintenance on our boats, all scheduling and pretty much everything else, but not going out on the boats. I remember when he announced his retirement, the squad struggled with how to replace him. We finally formed a board of seven members to replace Paul. I hope Paul’s legacy lives on through FISR forever!  
Robbie White, Former member

Since I had been a member of FISR for many years, I knew Paul as a fine leader of the group he founded approximately 40 years ago. I was on a deep-sea fishing trip with him and we were off shore in very deep water. Paul’s boat was equipped with all the finest fishing gear. Paul’s other passion was fishing! I caught a huge fish and was reeling him in when the line snapped and the fish was gone. Paul immediately berated me, saying “GD it, Don you got to hook him on the bottom.” He was well aware that I had been reeling for a long time! A few minutes later Paul caught a fish and the line broke again. Then Paul proceeded to shout and curse at the fish! He was a great fishing buddy, however you had to ask permission to eat your lunch while fishing!

Anyway, we always ended up with a fish for dinner. Great memories!

Don Aldrich, Former member of Sea Rescue

Paul had a reputation for being a tough old bird with a true commitment to FISR. He also had a strong commitment to the members. Shortly after I joined, I started treatments for a non-Hodgkin Lymphoma. When Paul found out a few days later he gave me a call. I immediately indicated that if I thought the treatments would affect my ability to perform in a mission response, I would let him know and request a leave of absence. He said, "I know that, but I am calling to know how the treatments are going and how are you doing with the stress of having to take them." "Are you doing, okay?" This call meant the world to me and helped me see Paul in a different light.

Dick Work, Former Skipper

Aye Skipper was the usual response given to the man that we naturally respected and appreciated on Sea Rescue. I joined when he was our skipper, treasurer, secretary, and training officer. There was no doubt that he was in charge which was difficult for some to accept. He looked and managed the of part of being skipper. A lifelong non drinking Bachelor that wore Tee shirts and shaved when he wanted. He was serious about our tasks at hand. He was well respected and well received by the US Coast Guard Command and Beaufort County Sheriff. The monthly training missions with USCG crew to respect Paul for his crew training. While we had two men boat crews with phone support Paul was in charge. Sometimes refusing to allow us to go into harms if he felt the mission too dangerous or not immediately required. While he cared about us, he did not hesitate to chew out our collective backsides for "failures" oblivious to him. At his request changed our officer alignment with me taking on secretary/treasurer with others taking over Paul's other duties. We took over command

collectively understanding Paul's one man daily and monthly commitments to Sea Rescue. Things changed, but Paul remains our Skipper.

Ralph Burchfield, Former member

Today FISR is an active origination that serves the local waters when boaters need assistance. Many policies that Paul put in place have been tweeted over the years, but the focus remains the same. The members are trained monthly and when assigned duty are ready to serve!



If you would like to know about Paul, please go to this article [Retired Fripp Island bank examiner story](#)

FISR is always recruiting new members that may be interested in serving. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Eric Roberts, Skipper. 843-539-9674 or any of the members.



# Fripp Island Sea Rescue

Stay connected with FISR at: [www.FISeaRescue.org](#) [@FrippIslandSeaRescue](#)



To my Fripp Island family, it is time for me to say goodbye. It is difficult for me to even say that, but I want you all to know how much that I have valued your support, guidance, and friendship as your Chief of Security. I want to reflect back on some of the changes we have gone through during my tenure. Almost immediately, a decision was made out of necessity, to seek a private security contractor and to transfer security from an independent POA department to an outside, security contractor. The process involved condensing six months of work related to the transfer into about six weeks. The new security contractor that took over ended up being Security Management of South Carolina. Though I was skeptical at first, I consider it a blessing that Security Management is providing security services here on Fripp Island. The leadership of Security Management has been supportive beyond all expectations and has made the transition seamless for our community. I am grateful for the Security Management leadership team and proud to fly their flag.

As Chief, it was clear that there was room for improvement with regard to access control and facilities at the security gatehouse, with the rules and regulations, and how our security officers approached their respective duties. The good news is that we have made some improvements and others are on the way to address all areas of concern. It is also clear that there are challenges ahead, the dramatic increase with construction on the island combined with an active summer season presented some challenges for residents, guests, security, and our wildlife. A lot of folks are migrating to South Carolina so our growth is likely to continue and the service demands for security will increase correspondingly.

The Fripp future is bright and again I thank you all, even folks I didn't always agree with. Thanks to the Board of Directors and the POA staff for being great friends and partners, and I wish my successor all the best. In closing, may the Almighty bless you and yours and I will miss Fripp, my security team family, and maybe most of all I will miss Tilly our canine mascot.

Respectfully and gratefully,

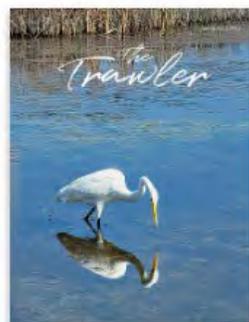
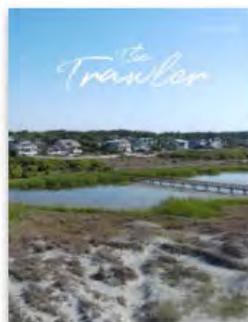
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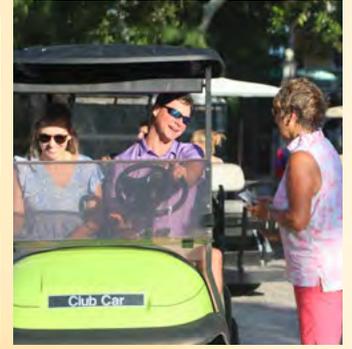
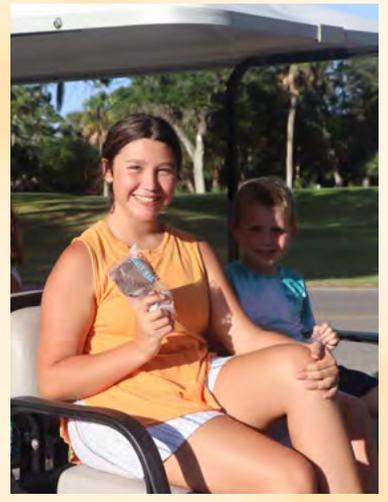


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Send your submissions for consideration to the Editor: [communications@frippislandliving.com](mailto:communications@frippislandliving.com)







# a letter from the editor

*"In life, be a participant, not a spectator."*

*-Lou Holtz*

Right now I'm thinking of the song "It's the most wonderful time of the year" as we get closer to my favorite season. I call it "Football and Pumpkin Everything Season", but most people call it Fall or Autumn.

I saw my neighbor in his driveway this morning and we were talking about the first game of the season for our favorite team. Yes, I intentionally left that out because sometimes that can cause one to dislike a person more-so than their taste in music. Which I will also not mention. Plus, if you have read these letters regularly, neither will be hard to figure out. Personally, I will not judge a person based on their favorite season nor football teams. I'll make a conscious effort anyway, and I'm looking at you Pitt fans. \*wink\*

I'm thinking at this very moment Andy Williams is stuck on replay in your head and you are kind of annoyed at me for that. Because for most people it's bad enough we have to deal with pumpkin flavored everything this early, but now we are thinking about a Christmas song while it's still Summer.

I heard a term years ago when I lived in West Virginia (Go Mountaineers!), which was Seasonal Depression or as we called it "Winter Blues". This usually happens in late fall, especially after we go back to standard time.

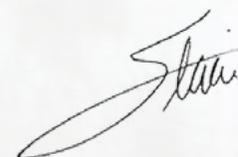
I often wondered if anyone else experienced this during other seasons? For me, summer was when I experienced seasonal depression. Strange, right? Well, if West Virginia had a beach, this wouldn't have happened. So when fall came around, I came alive, that is, until the snow started to fall.

Thankfully I found that my "Seasonal Sufferings" went away when I moved here with all of these sandy beaches, mild winters and plenty to do! Fall is still my favorite, but summer is much more fun here!

On a personal note, I wanted to tell you all how much I appreciate the outpouring of support, messages, calls, cards, and flowers that I received after my father passed in June.

I knew from the moment I drove onto this island that it was something special, and it was no surprise to me the genuine love and caring that the employees, Board of Directors, property owners and former employees have shown.

And from the bottom of my heart I say, "Thank You". It truly means more to me than you will ever know.







# Thank You!

# Chief Lowery

We wish you all the best!

Dear Chief, Thank you for all the support, encouragement and goodwill you've shown us in such a short time. I will miss you! Best of luck.

-Liz Chaplin, Security Administrative Assistant

Chief Lowery, it's been an absolute pleasure to work with you. I truly appreciate all the talks we have had and the advice you have given me. I can't tell you how much it meant to me, especially when I was dealing with my dad's illness and death. We all have such a great respect for you. You are not only an amazing coworker but an amazing person and friend. I have enjoyed working on projects with you. You truly care about people, your staff, your coworkers, and most importantly you truly cared about the residents and this community. You did many wonderful things while you were here, and it won't be the same without you. In your honor, I will be standing by the marsh, looking for gators.

-Stacie Thrush, Communications Coordinator

Thank you for all you have done to help make our island better. Although you have been here a short time you have done much good! We will miss you as our chief and I wish you well on your future endeavors!

-Katy Spell, Security Officer

Chief, It was a pleasure working with you and you will be missed! Good Luck!

-Meghan Johnson, Assistant General Manager

Chief, Thank you for everything!

-Ebony Wilson, Security Officer

Chief Lowery was not only an exceptional Boss, but more than that he is just a really good man. Always ready to listen to the Security staff, he was able to provide guidance and sage advice. Even though his tenure with the Security department was short he provided a major impact on the moral and day to day operations. Admired by all in the Security Department he will be sorely missed. Fair winds and following seas Chief. I personally will miss our morning chats. Your friend, Mike Senecal.

-Mike Senecal, Assistant Chief of Security

Chief, Wishing you the BEST in your next adventure!

-Jonathan McCarter, Maintenance Supervisor

Chief, It was a pleasure to work with you and good luck to you and your family

- Max Gunnel, Security Officer

Good Luck and may fair winds always blow your way

-Carl Gales, Security Officer

Chief, It was an honor to work for you and to get to know what a great person you are as well. Enjoy your retirement!

-Peter Singleton, Security Supervisor

Chief, Thanks for everything you have done for Fripp Island. You will be missed. Good luck and Happy Retirement!

- Susanne Toto, FIPOA Admin Assistant

Friday, November 11, 2022

# VETERAN'S DAY

*Honoring all who served*

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## PREDICTED KING TIDES 2022

### What is a King Tide?

A King Tide is a popular, non-scientific term people often use to describe exceptionally high tides.

Tides are long-period waves that roll around the planet as the ocean is "pulled" back and forth by the gravitational pull of the moon and the sun as these bodies interact with the Earth in their monthly and yearly orbits. Higher than normal tides typically occur during a new or full moon and when the Moon is at its perigee, or during specific seasons around the country.

<https://oceanservice.noaa.gov/facts/kingtide.html>

**SEPTEMBER 7-10**

**OCTOBER 26-28**

**NOVEMBER 23-26**

**DECEMBER 23-25**



# Hello AUTUMN

Contributed by Stacie Thrush, Editor

With Autumn on the way, there are so many fall and Halloween themed things that you can do, plus with the nice weather locally, you can still enjoy your favorite outdoor summer activities.

One thing I would suggest is to grab some warmer clothes, your camera and head up to the northeast, and see the beautiful fall foliage! You could also rent a cabin or stay at a nice bed and breakfast and take a scenic train ride.

If traveling isn't on your to-do list, there are plenty of things you can do closer to home.

Plus, if you are a fan of Halloween like me, then you celebrate the entire month of October. And I'm not just talking about eating candy every day. You must watch a scary movie while eating the candy.

I've searched the internet, and put together a list of ideas for fun things you can do this fall.

- Take a scenic train ride
- Decorate for Halloween
- Make a fall display or centerpiece
- Host a potluck dinner
- Visit a Farmers Market
- Go on a hayride or enjoy a corn maze
- Make a fall wreath
- Make your favorite soup
- Go camping
- Rent a cabin in the mountains
- Stay at a Bed and Breakfast
- Visit a pumpkin patch
- Make homemade Caramel or Candy Apples
- Watch Halloween themed movies all month long in October
- Make fall scented candles
- Go to a Fall Festival
- Have a pie baking competition
- Visit a haunted house or go on a ghost tour
- Tell ghost stories by a fire pit
- Go to a football game
- Boating/Fishing
- Enjoy a wine tasting/visit a vineyard or winery
- Host a chili cook-off
- Enjoy a picnic
- Make pumpkin art
- Take a scenic road trip
- Make S'Mores
- Go on a hike/bike ride

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## FRIPP ISLAND REAL ESTATE UPDATE August 31, 2022

The following figures from MLS compare year-to-date sales on Fripp Island from January 1st through August 31st each year.

SOLD as of August 31st	2020	2021	2022
Homesites	16	84	47
Condos	24	24	14
Homes	93	79	50
Total	133	187	111

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AVERAGE SOLD PRICE	2020	2021	2022
Homesites	\$126,188	\$130,749	\$227,044
Condos	\$258,100	\$345,278	\$377,050
Homes	\$497,934	\$708,937	\$963,162
Homes avg. per sq. ft.	\$228	\$295	\$403
Homes avg. days on market	366 days	190 days	92 days

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### UNDER CONTRACT/PENDING as of August 31st

Year:	2020	2021	2022
Homesites	8	16	12
Condos	3	12	3
Homes	20	21	15
Total	31	49	30

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### NUMBER OF ACTIVE LISTINGS on August 31st

Year:	2020	2021	2022
Homesites	112	49	20
Condos	16	12	4
Homes	5	15	18
Total	133	76	42

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For real estate assistance please contact:

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*If your property is listed with another Realtor, this is not a solicitation.*

# SPLINTERS FROM THE BOARD

## **Coyote Trapping**

Trutech trapped and euthanized a female coyote during their first trapping period. Trutech removed their traps today and will be doing surveillance and placing traps again in November. No other coyote tracks have been seen in the areas, and there have been no additional incidents of turtle eggs being disturbed since the incident on July 10th.

## **2022 Special Assessment Reminder**

Last year, members approved a four-year (2021-2024) special assessment of \$425 annually; years 2 through 4 may be subject to an increase not to exceed the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the prior federal fiscal year, which was 5.4%. The FIPOA Board of Directors approved the 5.4% inflation increase for the 2022 special assessment. The special assessment will pay for \$2.1 million in capital improvements and the creation of a \$1.2 million disaster recovery fund. This is a reminder that the second-year special

assessment for \$447.95 will be due on October 1, 2022. We appreciate your timely payment of this special assessment. Late fees will apply to any payment after November 29, 2022. If you have any questions concerning this special assessment billing, please do not hesitate to contact me at (843) 838-4155 or at [torourke@frippislandliving.com](mailto:torourke@frippislandliving.com).

## **Highlights of the FIPOA Board of Directors Meeting on August 20, 2022**

The Board authorized budgeting \$250,000 in 2023 to create a stormwater master plan. The stormwater master plan will assess existing and future Fripp island drainage conditions and identify drainage improvements. The plan will include proposed capital improvement projects and provide for public outreach and education with the community to provide feedback on the stormwater plan. The plan will also include a best practice drainage maintenance program and identify climate change resiliency and adaptation strategies.



# COYOTES

Trutech removed their traps on August 12, and will be doing surveillance and placing traps again in November.

Stock photo courtesy of Pixabay.

The Board also authorized funds to develop a road condition index study for the 17 lane miles of paved roads and seven miles of gravel roads on Fripp Island. The study will provide a scientific assessment of our road conditions and identify future road maintenance plans, budgets, and best road maintenance practices.

The Board recommended the ATM engineering study of the Fripp Island bridge abutment erosion protection concepts be reviewed by the Shoreline Committee before the Board makes a decision on the optimal bridge abutment protection plan.

The Board briefly reviewed a proposed 2023 FIPOA Business/ Operation plan. The Board proposed to further discuss the plan at a board scheduled work session in the near future, followed by a discussion with the community at a Town Hall meeting.

The board will review its current policy on lowering the US flag at its next meeting on September 17th.

The Board discussed the 2022 bridge inspection report from the engineering firm JMT. JMT identified that the Sawgrass Footbridge was in poor condition and in need of replacement. The board has requested that JMT prepare a scope of work and bid specification package to solicit potential vendors to replace that bridge. The current estimated cost to replace the bridge is \$675,000. In the interim, the board agreed that the bridge will be inspected by JMT every three months until it is replaced to ensure the safety and security of the public. The Blue Heron Footbridge was also rated as in poor condition, and the board is looking at different options regarding the future of that bridge. The Fiddlers Footbridge and Tower Lot Footbridge were both rated as in good condition.

Tony O'Rourke  
FIPOA General Manager



FIPOA Community Involvement

# HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST

THURSDAY OCTOBER 27 6:30PM

DAVIS LOVE PARK ON OCEAN CREEK BLVD.

*In the event of inclement weather, the event will be moved to  
The Creekhouse at 8 Veranda Beach Rd.*

**DRESS UP IN YOUR BEST COSTUME!**

**BRING YOUR FAVORITE SNACKS, BEVERAGES AND A CHAIR OR BLANKET  
AND ENJOY LIVE MUSIC WITH EL CAMINO ("THE WAY")**

# Welcome To The Fripp Family

## JULY

Dale & Martha Blythe

Kyle Mills

Elliott Levine

Scott Case

Randolph Hall

Holly & Michael Cook

Margaret Blake

John Wall

Christine Wiley

Jay Mundy

Craig Stevens

## AUGUST

Jack Freney

Tallulah McGee

Carolyn Borkowski

Randy Enloe

Robert Reid

Eugene Hilton

James Harrington

Tami Nix

Brad & Kelly Weselman

Michael & Sarah Brock

Jones Brothers Holdings, LLC

Names of home and property owners listed in order by date of purchase.  
Current Fripp Island Property Owners may not be listed.





# CONCERTS ON FRIPP ISLAND 2022-2023

Submitted by: Margit Resch

Music has tremendous power. It does not just entertain us, it reduces stress, relieves depression, improves health, and more. But most importantly: "It brings people closer together." You do agree with Ella Fitzgerald, don't you? Music creates community. How does it do that? Well, music speaks a language we all understand, because it goes from our ear straight to the heart. It speaks to our soul. Fripp Island Friends of Music subscribes to this age-old wisdom about music's might and has created a wonderful series of concerts for its 38th season. Music for you. Music for bringing our Beaufort community together.

This year, FIFOM's program is designed to appeal to all musical tastes (well, almost all), offering a variety of genres: classical, folk, blues, jazz, country, pop; performed by voice and on a variety of instruments: piano, drums, cello, different guitars, violin; all played by musicians who are amazing. They hail from Ohio, Connecticut, Texas, from our home state, South Carolina, and, believe it or not, from the Ukraine. Every one of them has entertained audiences in many different places and received or was nominated for prestigious awards.

On October 16, the Natalia Khoma Duo will honor us with their appearance. Ms. Khoma, a world-renown cellist, studied music in her homeland, the Ukraine, in the Moscow Conservatory, and in the United States. She has performed solo or with famous orchestras all over the world and won a number of international cello competitions, including the Tchaikovsky International Competition in Moscow. Ms. Khoma and her husband, an accomplished pianist, taught at several music schools in the Ukraine (where they are holding honorary professorships at three major academies) and at several universities in the US. They are now both professors at the College of Charleston.

On November 13, TAKE3 will present a high-energy mix of classical, pop and jazz. With a flair for the wild and unexpected, this genre-defying trio of piano, cello and violin (and wouldn't you know it, all three musicians sing, too) has mastered the refinement of classical music performers, which is one of the reasons why famous symphony orchestras invite the group to play with them. It's intriguing to watch the trio infuse their unusual renditions of top hits or oldies and everything in between with rock-star charisma, to watch Bach and Bieber collide right in front of you. TAKE3's musical creativity and infectious on-stage personalities have enthralled audiences in all fifty states, and they will bewitch us, too.

On January 8, Andrew Armstrong will dazzle us with his skills on the piano and his informative and amusing commentary. You might know him as the Artistic Director of the USC Beaufort Chamber Music Series or of the Columbia Museum of Art's Chamber Music on Main. Maybe you heard or,



# FRIENDS OF MUSIC 2022-2023 SEASON

Celebrating our  
38th Season!

October 16, 2022  
Natalia Khoma Duo

November 13, 2022  
TAKE3

January 8, 2023  
Andrew Armstrong

February 26, 2023  
Tony Lee Group

March 26, 2023  
Kim Richey

A Basic Membership  
saves you \$50 per  
person over the cost of  
buying individual \$30  
tickets for each concert!

## Membership Rates Per Person

Basic	\$100
Patron	\$150
Benefactor	\$250
Maestro	\$500

## Per Couple

Basic	\$200
Patron	\$300
Benefactor	\$500
Maestro	\$1000

[frippfriendsofmusic.com](http://frippfriendsofmusic.com)

more appropriately, experienced him in Carnegie Hall or the Kennedy Center, in the Grand Hall of the Moscow Conservatory or in Warsaw's National Philharmonic. There is probably not a major concert hall in the world where Armstrong has not performed. He has released several award-winning recordings with his longtime recital partner James Ehnes to stellar reviews. Andrew is devoted to outreach programs and playing for children because he, more than most of us, is familiar with the power of music.

On February 26, the Tony Lee Group is going to travel all the way from Columbia, SC, to Fripp. Thousands of music fans have heard the Tony Lee Group play at Speakeasy's in Five Points and elsewhere and remember some of their intriguing, jazzy, drum-led versions of songs like "Let the Good Times Roll." Tony is known for assembling groups of talented musicians of different backgrounds and talents who can turn any tune on its head by playing a wide range of styles, always with compelling energy and creativity. Just hear for yourself by going to Tony's Facebook page. Or even better, come to his concert on Fripp.

On March 26, the renowned singer, songwriter and guitarist Kim Richey, twice-Grammy-nominated with 10 albums, will

conclude FIFOM's 38th concert season, most likely after just having returned to Nashville from yet another tour through Europe, Asia or Australia. Music for her is "a time-travel device that preserves memories." The titles of the songs on her revered albums reveal that she wears her heart on her lyrical sleeve: "A Place Called Home," "That's Exactly What I Mean," "Just My Luck" or "Let the Sun Fall Down." The song "Careful Where You Go" recalls her eight years in London and her habit of walking around the city in the middle of the night until the sun came up. Very personal, indeed.

You should become a member of Fripp Island Friends of Music. Membership gives you access to all five concerts, including the post-performance reception where you meet the musicians while enjoying delicious hors d'oeuvres prepared fresh by Harold's Chef Services. It also helps fund FIFOM's Music-in-the-Schools program. The basic FIFOM membership, \$100, has not changed. It saves you \$50 compared to the sum of five \$30-tickets. FIFOM is supported by the SC Arts Commission.

To become a member, text or call Vanessa Peñaherrera at (704) 807-0255 or email [vandy116@gmail.com](mailto:vandy116@gmail.com). Go to [frippfriendsofmusic.com](http://frippfriendsofmusic.com) for more information.



## Questions about membership?

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

# Employee Spotlight

## Tell us a little about you.

*My name is Katy Spell. I am 23 years old and I am married to my husband of one year that I have been with for 8 years. Together we have an 18 month old daughter Cassie and a year old puppy ChiChi. I have been coming to Fripp my whole life and Fripp Security is the only job I have had.*

## What is one thing you like to do in your spare time?

*I like to spend time with my daughter and husband at the park.*

## As a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?

*I always wanted to be a teacher when I was younger.*

## Who is your favorite cartoon character?

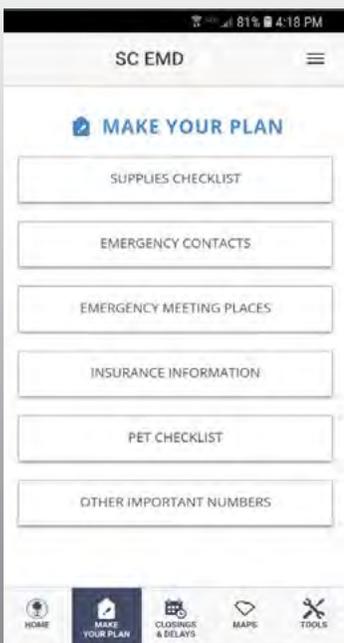
*My favorite cartoon character is Stitch!*

## What would people be surprised to know about you?

*Most people are surprised to know that I practice archery.*



**Katy Spell**  
Security Officer



## SC Emergency Manager App

The official app of SCEMD. It is designed for users to build their own emergency plans, to keep track of supplies and to stay connected to loved ones. In addition, coastal residents can now “Know Your Zone” instantly using the maps feature as well as locate the nearest emergency shelters when they are open. The tools section features a flashlight, locator whistle and the ability to report damage to emergency officials. The SC Emergency Manager can function without the need of a data connection, which is useful when basic utilities are offline.

The app is available for free on Google Play or the Apple App Store.

For more information, [please use this link to the SCEMD website.](#)



# 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***



WHAT A FISHING TRIP ON MISS LIA 11 WITH CAPTAIN GEORGE. Black Sea Bass, Trigger fish, Vermillion, Grouper, King Mackerel, Dolphin, Amberjack and released out of season Red Snapper, Cobia. All fought off Fripp Island on a day fishing trip. (above)

# FRIPP ISLAND FISHING AND BOATING LOOKING GOOD

Contributed by Captain Ralph Goodison

We all are looking forward to fall, not only for the good fishing and boating that awaits us, but for more peace and quiet and respect for our island. We found out this summer not only was Fripp discovered, but many of our visitors had disrespect for it. Hats off to Security in making positives moves to limit disrespect to our island and those that not only own, but many of our visitors who want to enjoy our beautiful island.

Summer fishing was good, and as we move into fall, we are looking forward to great fishing and boating in our beautiful waters. We can be proud of our island with great golf, tennis, pickleball, pools, a 2 million estuary behind Fripp, and a great beach and ocean in front of Fripp. We have great management team of the Fripp Company, Property Owners Asso., and PSD. (ENJOY FRIPP IT IS NOT PERFECT, BUT DARN CLOSE)

## FISHING FORECAST:

**INSHORE:** As the waters cool we can look forward to good Redfish, Trout, Whiting, and Black Drum. Flounder has slowed and there will be a few lady fish around. Sharks will help bend the rods. If want a big action, try night fishing for Shark in the Fripp inlet, Take heavy rods and reels.

**NEARSHORE:** Drydock, Tire/Fripp Reef and 6HI. Some Spanish Mackerel and Kingfish will be good for trolling. Good catches of Blackbass, Blackdrum, Triggerfish, Grunt and Vermillion.



This fisherwomen had a ball catching this fish but, one we don't keep a Baracuda (left). Fisherman caught this Redfish off Fripp (right).



*Dolphin are still being caught on Miss Lia 11. Offshore of Fripp Island.*

**DEEPWATER AND GULFSTREAM:**

Excellent King Mackerel and good Wahoo and few Dolphins left. The Gulf stream is approx. 75 miles out in front of Fripp Island that fish migrate through at different times a year. Blue crabs season is looking good and don't forget we have great oysters around Fripp.

**31ST ANNUAL FRIPP ISLAND KINGFISH INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT**

The tournament got under way Thursday September 1, with registration and a captains meeting, but the delicious captains dinner by Chef Doolittle and his staff was on a rain delay to Friday after weigh-ins. The 2-day tournament was highlighted by a Fripp record Wahoo fish weighing in at over 100lbs. caught by captain George, on his boat Miss Lia 11. Wahoo, are one of the fastest fish in the ocean and one of the best eating.

The weather cleared for the tournament and the 16 boats caught plenty of fish but there were no size records this year. There was a \$5,000.00 pay out and the proceeds benefiting Pledge the Pink.



*Fripp Record Wahoo caught during the Kingfish Tournament. The over 100 pound Wahoo was caught on Miss Lia 11 by Captain George and his first mate and father-in-law Mick Csernica.*

First place King Salt Fish Charters with Captain Rick Derieth and his crew a 19.8 King, and second place King Captain David Tilton and his crew on Full Tilt at 18.1lbs. Aggregate weight Kings Captain David Gibbs and crew on Chasin Tales at 16.1 lbs. first place Spanish by Captain Marion Tisdale and his crew Sweet Melissa at 1.7 lbs., second place Spanish Captain David Gibbs on his boat Chasin Tales at 1.4 lbs.. Lewis Turner Marina manager and Jeff Pickney Sports manager thanked all those that made the tournament a success. They also thanked the Scott Corley family and the Rodney Hinton family for financial support and making this year's tournament a success. The next tournament will be the October Owen Perry Inshore Tournament.

**PASSING OF PAUL FIELD**

I first met Paul 28 years ago and began fishing with him as he was a commercial fisherman. Paul started the Fripp Island Sea Rescue and dedicated his life to the organization. He also was the weigh master and chair person for all the fishing tournaments. Paul was a retired Federal Bank Examiner and was a great asset to our Island Property Owners Asso. in financial matters. He also was the Grand Marshall at a Fripp Island 4th of July Parade. Yes, Paul was something special for Fripp Island and we will sadly miss him.

-Captain Ralph Goodison



# NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT DAVIS LOVE PARK

Submitted by Jan Manning

If you are out and about on Fripp, swing by Davis Love Park and see the new playground equipment purchased by the FIPOA and built by Just for Fun Playgrounds Inc. from Hollywood, SC. Just for Fun Playgrounds is the same company who built our long-lasting ship at the same park. The equipment includes a wooden hexagon sandcastle with six different ways to climb to the castle's top including 2 rock climbing walls, metal and rope ladders, wooden steps, and the green tube slide saved from our last equipment. Also at the same playground section are a new swing set and monkey bars.

If you have noticed missing swings throughout the island, the FIPOA's Jonathon McCarter is inspecting all 10 swings for safety purposes after finding dangerously corroded lag bolts at the Porpoise swing location. We will refurbish with new hardware and have the swings back in service as soon as possible.





# Tee It Up

Come  
JOIN US



Play on Tuesdays!!!



Let's Play  
Golf

Contact: Freida Murphy  
Call 803-417-4760 - freidawmurphy@gmail.com

The Fripp Island Women's  
Golf Association





Contributed by: Stacie Thrush, Editor

According to History.com, Labor Day pays tribute to the contributions and achievements of American workers and is observed on the first Monday in September. It began by the labor movement in the late 19th century and became a federal holiday in 1894. It's also often thought of as the "unofficial end of summer". Labor Day began as one of the worst times in American labor history. During the late 1800's, it wasn't uncommon for workers to put in 12-hour days and seven days a week to make a basic living. Children began working as young as 5 and 6, despite some restrictions, and were paid less than adults. To make matters worse, there were often extremely unsafe and unsanitary working conditions, and limited access to breaks and fresh air.

By the late 18th century, labor unions began organizing strikes and rallies to protest for better pay and hours. On September 5, 1882, the first Labor Day parade in US history when workers took unpaid time off to march from City Hall to Union Square in New York. The ideas of a holiday on the first Monday in September started catching on across the country and many states passed legislation. On June 28, 1894, President Grover Cleveland signed it into law. To this day, the true founder of Labor Day has yet to be known.

Source: <https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/labor-day-1>

## **We asked some of our employees, “What was your first job?”**

### **Newspaper Delivery**

Tony O'Rourke, General Manager

### **Janitor at a Car Dealership**

Chief Lowery, Chief of Security

### **Lifeguard**

Liz Chaplin, Security Admin Assitant

### **Bagger at Winn Dixie**

Meghan Johnson, Assistant General  
Manager/ARB Administrator

### **Barney's Day Care**

Dyanna Watts, Security Supervisor

### **Cashier at Food Lion**

Susanne Toto, Admin Assistant

### **Delivery for the Beaufort Gazette**

Peter Singleton, Security Supervisor

### **Maintenance**

Jonathan Mccarter, Maintenance/Covenant  
Enforcement

### **Waitress at Andy's**

Arshee Marrow, Security Patrol Officer

### **Worked at Shoney's**

Derrick Howard, Security Officer

### **Pizza maker and mascot at Little Caesars**

Stacie Thrush, Communications Coordinator

## **Jobs that no longer exist**

Bowling Pinsetter

Linotype operator

Milkman

Switchboard Operator

Town crier

Ice cutter

Scribe

Elevator Operator

Telegram Messenger

## **America's Top Childhood Dream Jobs according to zety.com**

Teacher

Musician

Doctor

Artist

Veterinarian

Movie Star

Business Owner

Professional Athlete

Police Officer

Writer

## **The average American gets their first job at 15 years old.**

### **The top jobs were:**

Mowing lawns - Men

Babysitting - Women



# HOW YOUR SMART HOME CAN MAKE YOU HEALTHIER

New bleeding-edge tech that goes beyond convenience, potentially saving lives.

*Contributed by Hargray*

For a lot of people, the smart home is all about convenience. It's a way to integrate all of your gadgets so you can control lighting, temperature and music with the sound of your voice. Even further, you can lock and unlock your doors and keep an eye on your home when you're away. But there's much more to a smart home than convenience and security. If the next wave of gadgets and patents are any indication, your smart home could just end up saving your life.

Already we've seen the first iterations of health-centric devices, like the Fitbit which can track things like total steps taken, amount of time spent active and estimated calories burned. And Samsung has integrated a heart monitor into every Galaxy since the S5.

More and more, we're seeing interconnected devices that take smart health to the next level. The Nokia BPM+ is a blood pressure monitor that works wirelessly, integrating with the Health Mate app to let you track your levels in real-time. There are also devices built to work with your smart devices, from pain-relief pads that emit low-voltage charges to ultrasound monitors and EKGs.

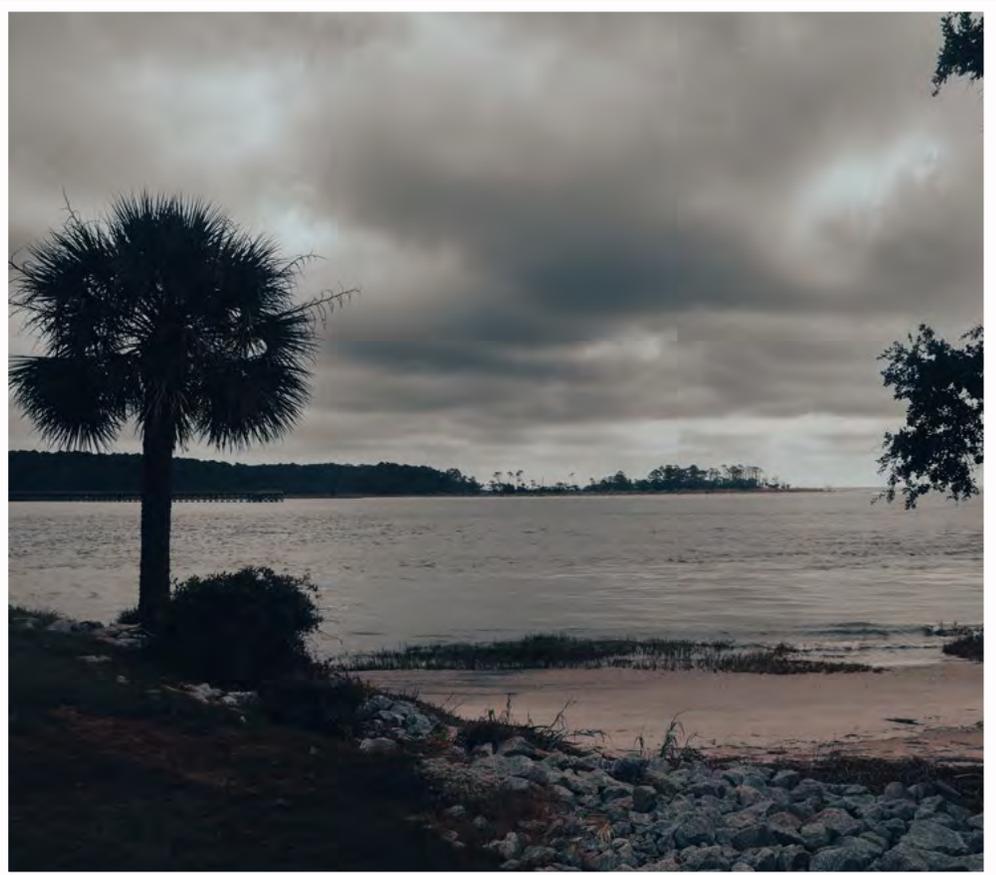
The real excitement seems to be coming with the next wave of health-focused devices, which integrate seamlessly with your home to provide healthcare you might not even realize. Google has bet hard on the future of smart health devices, filing 40 patents over the last year in that space. Their latest is an optical sensor, small enough to be embedded within a mirror, that would check for things like skin color changes to assess blood flow.

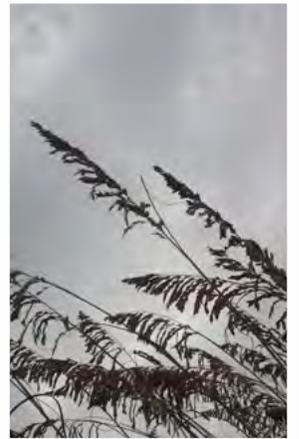
Any negative change could trigger additional monitoring from other sensors or wearable devices, creating a more complete picture of your body's blood pressure and dynamics than what a single visit to the doctor could capture.

Other emerging technologies include smart mattresses that passively analyze your sleep patterns and home air quality sensors that work with a smart home's thermostat to reduce impurities in the air.

A team of researchers at Oklahoma State University recently unveiled their concept of a healthcare-monitoring smart home platform which would combine sensors throughout the home with data from a wearable smart garment to analyze everything, from hydration levels to mental stress. To drive home just how futuristic the whole platform is, the centerpiece of it is a robotic assistant which can offer guidance on staying healthy.

Smart homes have already revolutionized the way we live. Now, it seems like they're poised to help us live even longer, healthier lives.





# TRICK or TREAT

The Worst Halloween Candies, according to a survey by [candystore.com](https://www.candystore.com)

10. Licorice
9. Good & Plenty
8. Tootsie Rolls
7. Mary Janes
6. Wax Cola Bottles
5. Necco Wafers
4. Smarties
3. Peanut Butter Kisses
2. Circus Peanuts
1. Candy Corn

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 Nerds.

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



**FIGHT THE FLU**  
Get Flu Shot



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
October 5, 2022  
Bonnie Combes Flu Shot Clinic  
Sponsored by the Fripp Island Women's Club  
10 AM - 4 PM  
Fripp Island Community Centre



Iris and Frank Golden participated in July 4th 5k Fripp Island Race and both had 1st place wins in 70 and over age group.

# CHILDREN'S CORNER

Contributed by Mary T. Jacobs

## Quote of the month:

*Right to speak comes  
with a duty to listen.*

*By: Amit Kalantri,  
author*



Dear Parents and Children,

For this month I will complete the sight words approach to reading. These are called “sight words”, because the child should be able to say the words automatically without having to try to sound them out.

*Note to parents and grandparents...Some of us were taught to read like this and no phonics. I was taught this way.*

Suggestions for use:

1. Use them daily
2. Have a word of the day (put the word in a place for the family to see it)
3. Have children create questions for parents. Ex. (Explain how to make a certain dish)
4. Word of the week

Another suggestion:

- Write a sentence with each word
- Write the word on an index card and have your child practice in the car

*I hope you enjoy time with these words.  
See you at the beach!*

Use the chart to teach sight words for your child. Sixth and seventh grade levels.

Word	Score
1. Wound	
2. Judgment	
3. University	
4. Signals	
5. Tomb	
6. Suitcase	
7. Campfire	
8. Temple	
9. Terror	
10. Drivers	
11. Disk	
12. Meters	
13. Swells	
14. Therefore	
15. Passage	
16. Contest	
17. Cable	
18. Vessel	
19. Continents	
20. Revenge	
21. Struggled	
22. Weight	
23. Rifle	
24. Staggered	

<b>Word</b>	<b>Score</b>
1. Physical	
2. Limited	
3. Methods	
4. Capsule	
5. Soldier	
6. Affection	
7. Available	
8. Insist	
9. Experiences	
10. Reasoning	
11. Practical	
12. Taxi	
13. Sufficient	
14. Acceleration	
15. Whistles	
16. Observing	
17. Vocabulary	
18. Lieutenant	
19. Chimpanzee	
20. Fleet	
21. Paradise	
22. Communication	
23. Absolutely	
24. Control	
25. Colleagues	



# local artist spotlight

Highlighting Fripp Island artists, musicians, authors, and other persons of interest.

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Page Putnam Miller grew up in Columbia, SC and after leaving the state to go to college, did not return to live in SC until 2000, when she and her husband Charlie Davis moved to Fripp.

“We had both had very long and satisfying careers in Washington, DC. Charlie worked in the intelligence community on Soviet policy and I was a lobbyist for the historical and archival professions. Capitol Hill is a place full of drama and I was privileged to have the opportunity to work on some key pieces of legislation related to the National Archives, the National Park Service, and the State Department.

When Charlie and I started to think about retirement in the late 1980s, we decided we would like to retire near the ocean in South Carolina and began on vacations to visit the various beach communities. We started with Seabrook, Pawley’s, Edisto, and Hilton Head. When I graduated from Dreher High School in Columbia in 1959, there was no bridge to Fripp so I had never heard of Fripp. In 1989 Charlie and I attended a tennis camp on Hilton Head.

When Charlie returned to work in DC, a colleague told him that his parents lived on Fripp Island and that they loved it. Our next trip south was to Fripp and we immediately bought a lot on Blue Heron Lake. On trips to Fripp during the 10 years before we built, I would always ask at the gift shop if there was a history of Fripp. Since there was none and since I had a PhD in history, it seemed natural that when I moved here, I would write the history. I have always believed that people feel more attached to the place

*Introduction by Pat Conroy*

## FRIPP ISLAND

A History

Page Putnam Miller



they live if they know the history and I was very curious myself to learn Fripp Island's history.

My dissertation on Presbyterian women before the Civil War was reworked and published in 1985 by the theological Scarecrow Press as *A Claim to New Roles*. During my years as a lobbyist, I edited and wrote the introductory chapter to a book on the historic preservation of buildings associated with women's history which was published by Indiana University Press.

Since retiring to Fripp in 2000 I have written 3 books. In 2000, I was asked by the editorial board of the Youth Division of Oxford University Press to write *Landmarks of American Women's History*. I had worked in Washington for several years as a part of my lobbying job to increase the number of National Historic Landmarks devoted to women, since at the time only 2 percent focused on women, and I was quite familiar with the subject. That book was published in 2002. In 2010, leadership at First Presbyterian Church, where I had been an Elder asked me to write a history of the church for the upcoming 100th anniversary which would be in 2012. Thus, I wrote *Celebrating One Hundred Years: The History of First Presbyterian Church, Beaufort, South Carolina*.

The book that involved the most work and the one that is my favorite is *Fripp Island: A History*, which was published in 2006 by the History Press. Soon after arriving on Fripp, I met George Douglas while playing bridge at the Community Centre. He was then 90 years old and I learned had been the President of the Fripp Island Home Owners Association, which pre-dated the Fripp Island Property Owners Association. I realized then that I needed to interview him and thus began my research on Fripp Island which ended up involving many oral interviews with folks who are sadly no longer with us and with reading all the Beaufort Gazette's, which fortunately was only a weekly in the 50s, 60s, and 70s, plus all the various Fripp newsletters, particularly the *Trawler* which began publication in 1978.

After George Douglas died, his daughter gave me a large box of his Fripp material which included all the minutes of the early Home Owners Association, plus letters and other valuable information. I spent over four years researching and writing the Fripp history. I am very indebted to the many people

who read chapters and gave me suggestions and especially to Arlene Jacquette who provided the most valuable critiques.

Researching history is very much like the work of a detective. I loved tracking down information and fitting the pieces of the puzzle together.

Fripp Island is such a beautiful and social place that carving out time to work was difficult. I love to swim in the ocean and play tennis and bridge. Writing is very solitary and requires much time alone, focused on the task at hand. But once I got into a chapter, I was consumed by the challenge and it became hard to stop work even for meals."

*What advice would you give those who wish to become an author?* "A clear vision of what you hope to accomplish, a passion for your project, and a willingness to ask others for advice with both the content and the writing style. And in my case, it was a labor of love for I had no expectations of making much money. The Press and the bookstores make the money for I only received \$1 for each Fripp history sold. After I finished writing the Fripp history, I had time to be President in 2006 of the Fripp Island Women's Club and President in 2008 of the Fripp Island Community Centre."

You can find Page's work at Mango's and Springtide Market and on Amazon.

"Many of the primary sources used in writing the book are located in the Fripp History Archives, which I organized and gave to the Fripp Island Property Owners Association."



*If you are a local artist, author, musician, or have a great story to tell for this feature, please email [communications@frippislandliving.com](mailto:communications@frippislandliving.com)*



# *In Memoriam*



*Fripp Island Property Owners Association  
mourns the loss of our members who  
have passed.*

Steve St. John                      3/28/22

Mary Ann Diserafino              4/14/22

Jane Pruett                          4/21/22

Jon K. Tabor                        7/20/22

Paul Field                          8/8/22



# FRIPP ISLAND

## Public Service District

### November 8 General Election for Fripp Island Public Service District Commissioners

On November 8, 2022, two 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. 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:** Mike Murphy

**Address:** 76 Davis Love Drive, Fripp Island, SC 29920

**How long have you owned property on Fripp Island?**

Bought our first property on Bonito in 2000 (22 Years).

**How long have you been a resident of Fripp Island?**

Bought our second house on Davis Love Drive and by the Beaufort County property tax standards, became a resident in December, 2018.

**Education:**

I graduated from Auburn University with a Bachelor's degree in Business in 1971.

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

Married Freida Murphy in 1969 and have two children Angela and Robert and 5 grandsons Jackson, McCarter, Palmer, Will and Gaines.

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

Worked in Atlanta with a Utility Contractor from 1971-1976. Worked with a family owned Third Generation Utility Construction company (President and owner from 1979-2015) in Rock Hill, SC until retiring in 2018. Licensed in SC, NC, GA and VA.

I worked 47 years in the Water and Sewer Plant construction until retiring in 2018 and making Fripp Island our

home. Was in the Alabama National Guard/Georgia Reserve from 1969-1975.

**Fripp Island Activities/Involvement:**  
Served on the FIPOA Roads, Drainage and Bridges Committee from 2017-2021 serving as chairman 2018-2021. Elected and served on the FIPOA Board four years from 2018-2021. Best part was meeting with Homeowners and catching up on the Island infrastructures we have with Roads, Pump Stations, Bridge Repair and Numerous Drainage projects during those four Years.

Currently Men’s Golf Association (MGA) President. Last of a four-year term on the board.

**Volunteer Organization Involvement:**  
Volunteer with Second Helpings for four years to collect food products from grocery stores and distribute them to food banks and Shelters.

Have helped with Community Center, Pledge for the Pink, and Assist with St Helena’s Church at Fripp Island Services.

**What would you hope to accomplish as a Fripp Island Public Service District Commissioner?**  
As you can tell my working life of 47 years has been involved with Infrastructure work that involves Water Treatment and Sewage Treatment plants, Pump Stations and Pipelines. That is what the PSD Does.

The current boards have been doing a great job and I have no complaints. With the rapid growth of housing, we are going through, we need to make sure the capacity is sufficient in our treatment facility, pump stations and pipelines (both Force Mains and Gravity lines) to take care of this demand now and in the future. The Entrance Bridge at the North end of the Island (Tarpon) has a situation of the erosion of the Landing area at the bridge that needs some attention to shore this area up. The PSD needs to partnership with the FIPOA and perhaps the Resort in this project. This North end of Fripp needs to be protected from the damage caused by tides and hurricanes. Its everyone’s problem. We generate only so much monies through the homeowners. We need to keep fees up to our needs while realizing that we are stewards of the homeowners money.

The Treatment Plant, Pump Stations and pipelines have some age on them. This needs to be assessed and upgraded to make sure we are ready for the service we will be expected to provide in the future. This is nothing new and I look forward to doing what we do best and that is serving needs of the homeowners on Fripp Island. I am very good at getting along with people and the Staff of the FIPOA and the PSD.

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**Name:** John L. Newman, MD

**Address:** 720 Swordfish Road

**How long have you owned property on Fripp Island?**

17 years

**How long have you been a resident of Fripp Island?**

3 ½ years

**Education:**

University of Maryland School of Medicine, MD-1982

Washington and Lee University, BS 1975

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

I am an avid golfer and enjoy boating, fishing, biking, pickleball and relaxing on the beach with my wife, Pam, family and friends.

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

I practiced specialized medicine in Annapolis, Maryland for over thirty years. Over that time my experiences included being President of our medical corporation, active member on the board of three affiliated companies, Director of the Surgical Center, Member of the Build Committee of our 60,000 sq foot Medical Clinic, Member of the Executive Committee at Anne Arundel Medical Center.

**Fripp Island Activities/Involvement:**

- Men's Golf Association member
- Pickleball round robin event and tournaments
- Bluebird nest watch team

**Volunteer Organization Involvement:**

- Fripp Island Club Advisory Board, 2019-2021
- Good Neighbor Medical Clinic, Physician Volunteer, current
- Beaufort Yacht and Sailing Club, member and volunteer, grounds and sailing activities

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

I would like to bring another perspective to the team of engineers on the Commission and those contracted by the Commission. I would hope to continue the tradition of solid fiscal management with open mindedness to all available revenue sources including tax base, grants, service fees and all other sources within the realm of legal means. I want to utilize my problem solving skills and objectivity, clarity and inquisitiveness at the table. I would hope to assist in bringing the Commission, the community, the POA and the Fripp Island Resort together to improve our Island life.

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**Name:** Gary M. Nizzi

**Address:** 402 Wahoo Dr, Saint Helena Island, 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 Management (Georgia 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 & daughters-in-law; 4 grandchildren; mother & 3 siblings and many cousins. Like fishing, boating, grilling, wood working, and this year began 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 divisions 13 yrs then Aerospace Engineering Consulting 28+ yrs for all major Aerospace companies and Government Agencies ... work spanned projects from research through production and

service for projects from hundreds to multi-Billion dollars assisting research individuals to Presidential levels, National Labs, etc., Retired in 2018. Responsibilities included the gamut of research & 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 most containing every function of a residential city- (electricity, food/water, air, housing, motion, controls)

**Fripp Island Activities/Involvement:**

- Help where needed, assist Resort in cleanup after Hurricane Matthew, trash & yard pickup plus removal, etc.
- Attended PSD meetings before Hurricane Matthew as my work schedule allowed, continuing through today making needed suggestions as appropriate.
- Attend Romeo luncheons
- Reviewed/critiqued the Fripp Wahoo water management program as a vested homeowner

**Volunteer Organization Involvement:**

- Churches – youth groups, council, Congregation President, Assistant Treasurer
- Ga Salzburger Society- Life member, Treasurer, Vice President, President, Endowment Trustee
- Habitat for Humanity (North Atlanta-Ga & Low Country-SC)- Construction-all trades
- Substitute Teaching High School

Science, Math, etc.

University

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

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 home ownership help represent all constituent interests in the PSD future path regarding fire emergency, bridge, water and sewage elements. These elements include improving assets for the fire department; bridge insurance, structure and replacement cost studies; water supply maintenance; and sewer plant sustainment/ replacement.

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

I have been married for 24 years to my wife Lisa. Our son, daughter in law and two grandchildren reside in Ohio.

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

Healthcare Association Executive Director for 23 years from 1991-2013. Directed association of approximately 80 nursing homes and represented them on regulatory, legislative, compliance and financial issues.

Planned, secured funding for and served as President of a reciprocal risk retention group providing professional and medical liability insurance for members facing out of control insurance costs. Developed a grant program and secured over \$90 million in federal funding to assist members in creating alternative services within their nursing homes and reconfigure existing facilities and infrastructure.

Nursing Home Administrator/ Assistant Administrator - Served in these positions at two nursing homes over a seven-year time period form 1984-1991. One was a 208-bed county nursing facility and the other was a 69-bed hospital-based facility.

Administrator of Federal Jobs program from 1975-1984. Program was multi-county to recruit and

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**Name: Michael "Mike" J. Wilt**

**Address: 1 High Dunes**

**How long have you owned property on Fripp Island?**

2006

**How long have you been a resident of Fripp Island?**

2008

**Education:**

Bachelor of Science Degree in Telecommunications from Kent State

train qualified labor to support municipal recreational, emergency communications, public works and infrastructure renewal projects during time of high unemployment.

**Fripp Island Activities/Involvement:**

- Current Chairman of the Fripp Island Public Service District Commission
- Avid Pickleball player
- Leader of the “Dirty Dozen” golf league
- Past member and President of Fripp Island Resort Club Advisory Board

**Volunteer Organization Involvement:**

- Legislative Volunteer for AARP South Carolina

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

I am now completing my first term as a PSD Commissioner, having received the most votes in the 2018 election. In 2021 I was elected by the Commissioners to serve as Vice-Chairman and in 2022 as the Chairman. During my time as a PSD Commissioner, I have attended 54 of 56 meetings which is an astounding 96% attendance rate.

As I seek to be re-elected there are numerous issues that will face the PSD in the coming years. These include developing a capacity report as continued demands for increased water and sewer usage make the sustainability of services a high priority.

Developing an ongoing strategy to hire and retain a qualified work force. In this extremely tight job market, it is imperative to retain current employees and attract applicants using a variety of techniques.

Continue to work for short term and long-term plans for the Fripp Inlet Bridge. The bridge is without a doubt the lifeline to Fripp Island, and it is a high priority to maintain access using our current bridge while planning for the day when a new bridge will be needed.

Monitor the revetment structure on Fripp as rising sea levels and king tides continue to factor into the stability of the revetment.

Establish a capital improvement plan for all current PSD assets.

The current PSD Commission functions well with professionally run meetings in a non-partisan atmosphere aimed at achieving the best results for Fripp Island. I intend to continue that approach with election to a second term.







# Stinky!

## Eastern Mud Turtle

Submitted by Kathryn Schulz  
Head Naturalist, Fripp Island Resort

**Stinky!**  
**Eastern Mud Turtle**  
(*Kinosternon subrubrum*)

### **Range and Behavior:**

An important species in the southeast is the Eastern Mud Turtle. If you have stopped by the Activity Center on Fripp Island, you may have seen our resident mud turtle, Stinky. Like all mud turtles, Stinky is often found walking across the bottom of his enclosure. Mud turtles, although semi-aquatic, are not strong swimmers and therefore typically crawl along the bottom of the ponds/rivers they inhabit. They prefer shallow, soft-bodied, slow-moving water that holds a lot of vegetation. They can tolerate brackish water and can be found in salt marshes and all throughout the Southeast, hence why Fripp Island is the perfect place to find them! Mud turtles also have two hinges on their Plastron (the underside of their shell), which allows them to fully enclose themselves when they are threatened!

### **Diet and Brumation:**

Mud turtles are omnivorous, meaning they eat both meat and plants.

Some of their favorite snacks include crustaceans (e.g., crawfish), mollusks, aquatic insects, small fish, and seeds. Although, once the temperature cools down in the winter the mud turtle will not be eating anything. This is because turtles brumate throughout the winter. Brumation is for cold-blooded animals (e.g., reptiles) what hibernation is for warm-blooded animals (e.g., mammals). For both of these processes, their activity level, body temperature, heart rate, and respiratory rate drop. For the Eastern Mud Turtle, they brumate from November to March in forests buried one to two inches below the surface.

### **Reproduction:**

For the mud turtle, mating season occurs in late spring. Females lay two to five eggs in June or July. Unlike other turtle species, mud turtles lay hard-shelled eggs. This ensures that their eggs do not absorb water. Their eggs will then later hatch around August to September!

Stinky is a very special turtle at the activity center, come stop by on Fridays to watch him eat his favorite foods! You might even see him at our Meet the Animals program!

# PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST



1st, 2nd & 3rd Place  
Prizes  
will be awarded

The pumpkins will be on display at the Halloween  
Costume Contest at Davis Love Park on October 27th!

**Carve or decorate a pumpkin and  
bring it to the FIPOA office at  
225 Tarpon Blvd on  
Wednesday, October 26  
by 4:30 PM.**



Sponsored by FIPOA  
Community Involvement

Winners will be announced at the Halloween Costume Contest at  
Davis Love Park on Thursday, October 27 and you can take your  
pumpkin home and enjoy for Halloween!

# *Captain Ralph's Cooking Corner*

*Contributed By: Captain Ralph Goodison*



## FRIPP ISLAND SALAD

1 can tomato soup	1 cup plain gelatin
1 cup chopped celery cut fine	1/2 cup cut fine onions
1/2 cup cold water	1/2 cup green pepper
1 4oz pkg. cream cheese	1/2 cup mayonnaise
1/2 cup pecans	1 small jar stuffed olives chopped

Put cheese and soup on stove to dissolve. Add gelatin, dissolved in water. Mix well and cool. Add nuts, vegetables and olives and add mayonnaise and mix chill and get ready for GOOD Eating. Serves 4-5

## ORANGE-COTTAGE CHEESE SALAD

1 pint cottage cheese	1 large pkg. orange Jello
2 cups Cool Whip	1 cup Mandarin oranges
Dash of salt	1/2 cup chopped cherries

Drain oranges on paper towel. Mix cottage cheese and dry orange jello well. Add salt and stir in cool whip. Add fruit (save some for decorations). Chill for several hours. Cut in squares. Serve on lettuce leaf. Decorate with fruit and cherries. What a special salad.

## EASY FIX CHEESE BISCUITS

1 tube buttermilk biscuits	2 oz (1/4) cup shredded Cheddar Cheese
1/4 stick margarine	

Place biscuits in a greased or buttered pie pan side by side. In a small saucepan melt cheese and margarine. Pour over biscuits. Bake in a 400 degree oven for 20 minutes. ENJOY

## SPOON BREAD

2 cups milk	1 cup of sifted corn meal
1/2 tbsp. sugar	1/2 tsp. salt
1 heaping tbsp. butter	3 eggs separated

Scald the milk and slowly add corn meal, sugar and salt. Cook until it "puffs" stirring constantly Add butter. Cook for a few minutes and stir in a well beaten egg yolks. Fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Bake in a heavily greased dish until brown. About 50 minutes at 350. The bread falls when removed from the oven so serve immediately at dinner. This is one of Captain's Ralph's Favorites!



# ST. HELENA'S

ANGLICAN CHURCH AT FRIPP ISLAND

Knowing the Savior ♦ Aligning with the Lord ♦ Seeing the Kingdom Come



There is something so special about watching a vacationer arrive at CHURCH ON THE BEACH for the first time. They step off the boardwalk a little surprised. There are Musicians, an Altar, Pastor and a Huge Congregation excited to Worship together. It really is a full Church Service on the Beach! By the time our visitors reach the Beach they have been welcomed at two greeter stations but once they find a place, the warm welcome continues. Our members do everything we can to make newcomers feel welcome. Invariably, vacationers pause to thank us as they depart.

We're not sure quite what they expected but our hope is they feel God's Love Shining through our Church each Sunday. Thousands of Vacationers Joined us this Summer. What a Gift! And while we love serving those who are spending a few days on Fripp, there is also Great Joy in coming back together as our small Island Church in the fall.

As fall is often a time to get back to regular schedules and routines, please consider joining us. We meet each Sunday at 9am in front of the Beach Club. September 18th, we will move to the Beach Club Greene. In inclement weather, we worship in the Fripp Island All Faiths Chapel.

Fall brings with it other opportunities such as joining a Small Group or serving together in our Community. If you are interested in either of those opportunities or have any questions about the church, please contact Rev. Todd Simonis at [tsimonis@sthelenas1712.org](mailto:tsimonis@sthelenas1712.org)





**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**

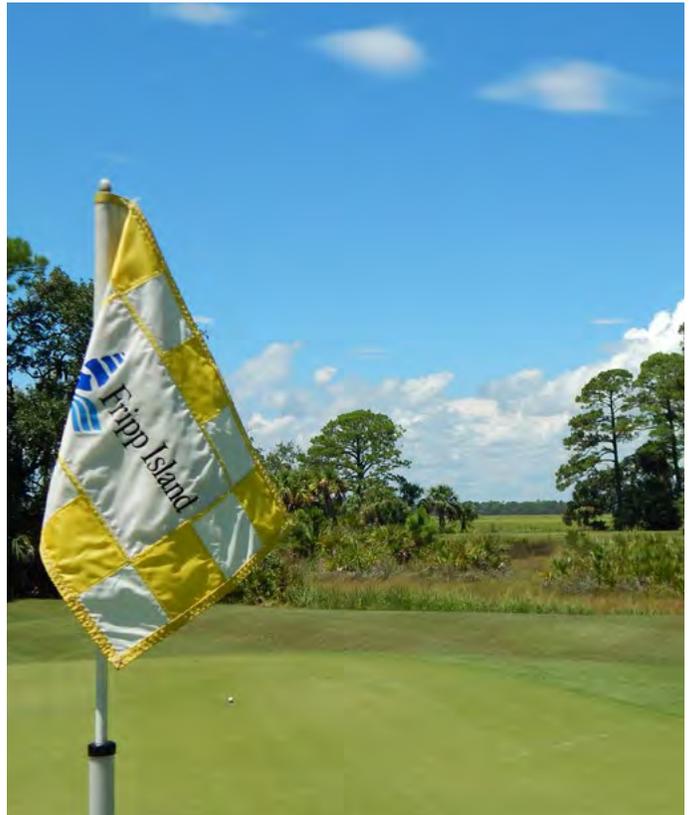
**Yearly dues: \$35**

**Can join anytime**

**For Info Contact:**

**Deb Tucker:  
kdtucker744@gmail.com**

**Debbie Perrone:  
debbieperrone.perrone@gmail.com**





# Rabbit Holes

*Submitted by Nancy Wingenbach*

## Busy Day:

I see flowers wilting  
I see avocados ripening  
I see clothes to wash  
I see food to cook  
I see appointments to be kept  
I see my day fleeing

All these sights flush through my mind as I walk into the kitchen for morning tea. The swirl of sights take me into a crazy hyper sinking feeling as I know I can't do it all. I am continuously going down rabbit holes – I start at one place and end up way away from the initial endeavor. When I look up, I haven't even started the next thing on my list. It is like walking into a room, forgetting why and finding something to do there to make the trip worthwhile. When I exit, I still have to return to do what I originally set out to do. Frustration, frustration, frustration.

Here is typical “rabbit hole” morning: My eyes open to the watch light showing 5:45 am. Slowly, I stretch and throw the bed covers off to let the air in. I rise and walk to the kitchen to start the water for morning tea.

## DOWN

As I pass the window, I glance at the first rays of the sun rising from the horizon. The colors are so beautiful, I need to take a picture as the sun emerges into the reds, oranges, purples of the skyline. Returning to the bedroom, and grabbing my phone from the bedside, I go out on the deck to snap a few pictures as the sky changes from light to bright with the enlarging globe of the sun. Oh, how nice to greet the morning with these pictures.

## DOWN

I must share and sit on the sun porch writing a note on my FaceBook posting of the pictures.

Of course, once on FaceBook, I scroll to see what others have posted.

## DOWN

Suddenly, I look up to listen to the silence. The tea water has stopped burbling and I realize it has been an hour since I turned it on. Now, I will have to reheat. Taking a cup over and lifting a tea bag, I see I am almost out. I walk over to write down tea bags (must do while I am thinking about it). Then, I see the ingredients for the chicken salad I want to make from the chicken cooked the night before. Better get out the strawberries and wash, cut and prepare them and the pecans. Turning, with the tea bag in hand, I am reminded to pour the boiling water into the cup.

## DOWN

I put the cup of tea down and take the strawberries, nuts and other ingredients over to the counter so I can make the salad. This time, I have my tea right there with me. I go to the refrigerator for the mayonnaise and realize I have not eaten yet. My tea cools and I pull out grapes, cheese, and other items as well as the ripened avocado.

## DOWN

Turning to get my morning vitamins, I pass the bedroom with the unmade but well aired out bed, the muted TV, the clock (time is 10:30) and I know that once more, I have gone down and down the rabbit hole.

I had such good intentions for the morning: read my morning meditation with a cup of tea, start at the top of my “to do” list with item 1, clean up bedroom and myself: item 2: check email and morning news; item 3: check on flights for the Alaska trip; item 4: spend an hour writing; item 5: start on the boat education course.... All this before going outside to trim plants, collect fallen palm fronds and clean/sweep/blow off deck. Five rabbit holes later, the list remains as “My Chores for the Day”.

Amazing, when I worked 10 hours a day, cooked dinner, took care of condo, and finished 10 other things, I made more progress. Are “rabbit holes” a natural part of retirement? Can I give myself permission to relax and follow the hole in hopes of circling back around? No, I need to focus and “get things done” or do I? If I walk into a room for an item, is it ok to come out an hour later after getting the printer back on line, starting a load of clothes, reorganizing the sea rescue notebook, and then exiting the office to start the day over? I don’t know, but how do I stop sliding into the rabbit holes?

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*Can you relate to Nancy’s editorial?*

*Are we putting too much pressure on ourselves to be constantly productive, and we feel guilty for leisure time?*

*Do we need to change our approach to our to-do list and create a better balance?*

*What are your thoughts?*

*Email the Editor, [communications@frippislandliving.com](mailto:communications@frippislandliving.com)*



The Fripp Islands Women's Club (FIWC), is a social and service organization, welcoming all women to participate in our educational and outreach programs. Through fund-raising efforts, the FIWC supports not only our Fripp Island environmental beautification, but is a dedicated support for humanitarian needs of Fripp Island and other local non-profit organizations.

Please join us this year to learn more about some of our "Amazing Frippers", their stories and their creative works. This shall be an exciting year as we will bring back the more social activities the pandemic kept at bay. We are planning to resume a Holiday Brunch celebration for the members as well as our Annual Spring luncheon. All members, current, past and new, are invited to attend our Welcome Back Cocktail Party on September 22, to enjoy friendship and community, learn about volunteer opportunities and see where you might best find your place within the FIWC. Please note our program planned by our Co-Vice Presidents, Flo Kamradt and Sandra Stuart, as well as information regarding our Hospitality Committee Welcome Back event.

We are staged to provide a very exciting year for FIWC and we hope you can join us!

Co-Presidents Linda Ball and Gayla Thomas

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## 2022-2023 Membership Registration Form:

Annual dues of \$20 for new and returning members can be paid by mailing this form and your check to: Fripp Island Women's Club, c/o Melanie Dunn at 1 Kingfisher Cove, Fripp Island, SC 29920. (You may also drop it off in the cocktail box at the above address)

I am a new member       I am a returning member

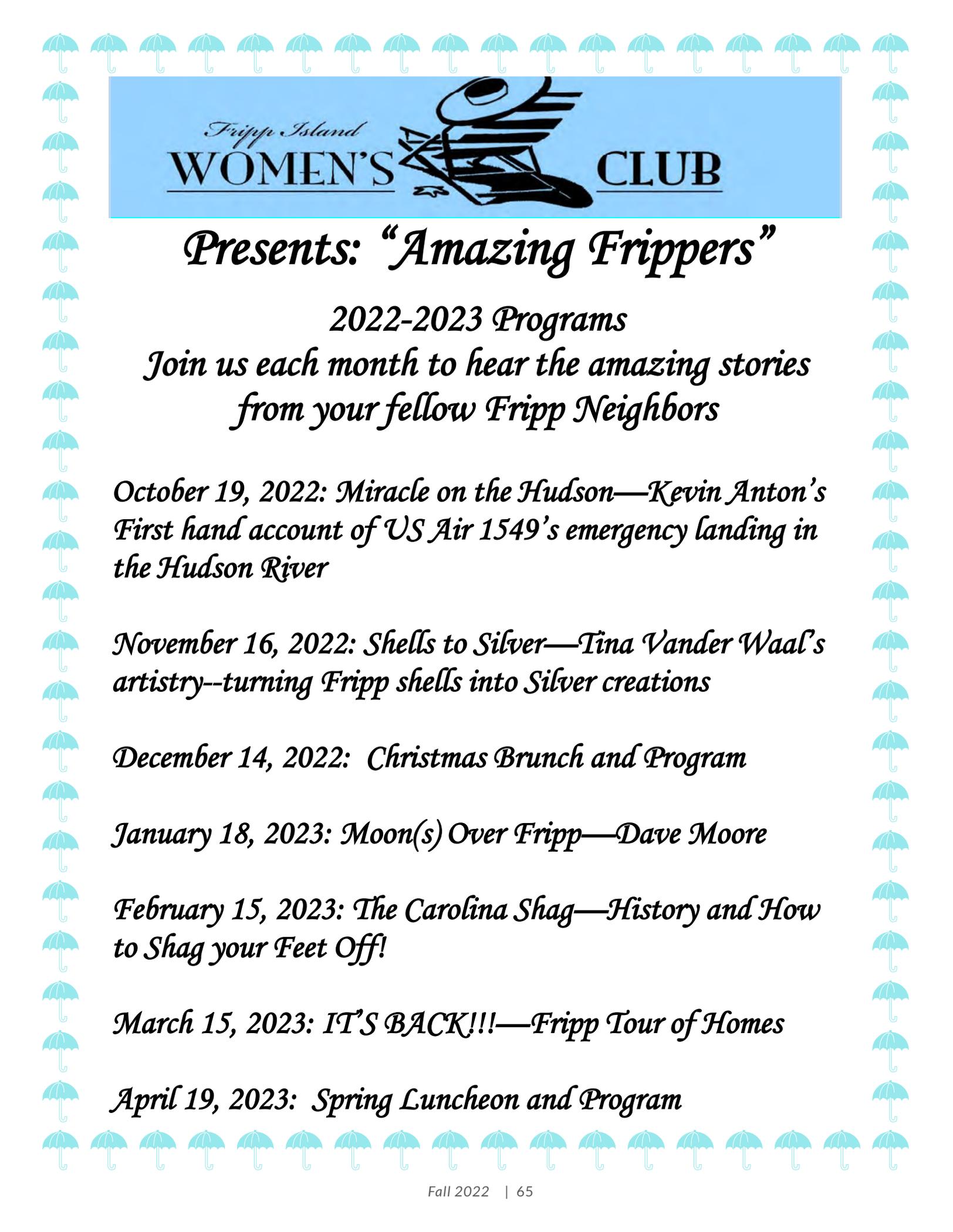
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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Announcements and minutes will be sent via email.



*Fripp Island*  
**WOMEN'S**  **CLUB**

***Presents: "Amazing Frippers"***

***2022-2023 Programs***

***Join us each month to hear the amazing stories  
from your fellow Fripp Neighbors***

***October 19, 2022: Miracle on the Hudson—Kevin Anton's  
First hand account of US Air 1549's emergency landing in  
the Hudson River***

***November 16, 2022: Shells to Silver—Tina Vander Waal's  
artistry--turning Fripp shells into Silver creations***

***December 14, 2022: Christmas Brunch and Program***

***January 18, 2023: Moon(s) Over Fripp—Dave Moore***

***February 15, 2023: The Carolina Shag—History and How  
to Shag your Feet Off!***

***March 15, 2023: IT'S BACK!!!—Fripp Tour of Homes***

***April 19, 2023: Spring Luncheon and Program***



## **THE WATER IS WIDE**

### **PAT CONROY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS**

*Sponsored by the Fripp Island Women's Club and in  
Association with the Pat Conroy Literary Center*

***Are Available September 15, 2022***

This scholarship is offered in honor of world-renowned author and former Fripp Island resident, Pat Conroy. One of Pat's earliest books, **The Water is Wide**, captured his passion for education as a teacher on Daufauskie Island, where the children lacked current books and materials in order to learn. Pat believed in equality for everyone and was a strong advocate for education then and throughout his life. In keeping with his legacy, **this award is for up to \$1500** and intended for **any older adult** who may not have had the opportunity to continue their education.

**Eligibility: Any Technical College of the Low Country (TCL) or University of South Carolina, Beaufort student who is:**

- 21 years or older and a United States Citizen
- **a resident of Beaufort County, South Carolina**
- seeking an Associate Degree or Technical Certification at TCL or Bachelor's degree at University of South Carolina, Beaufort
- applications can be obtained on the TCL website, USCB or contact [ftkamradt@gmail.com](mailto:ftkamradt@gmail.com)

## **FIPOA WEBSITE**

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

If you do not have a user name and password, send an email to [contact@frippislandliving.com](mailto:contact@frippislandliving.com) and we will get you set up.

Homeowners can find the following items on the website:

Online forms for vehicle decals and ARB.

Weekly updates from the FIPOA

Board meeting minutes and agendas, governing, financial and covenant documents, hurricane information, Island directory, security information and so much more!



# BLACK FRIDAY

Contributed by Stacie Thrush, Editor

I remember as a kid going to Cleveland to spend Thanksgiving with family. We would spend all morning cooking, then we had a nice family dinner, but at 7 PM, the ladies headed downstairs while the menfolk were watching TV while napping off and on shouting, "Don't change the channel! I'm watching that!".

My mom and aunt would grab the newspaper and formulate a Black Friday shopping plan like a SWAT team getting ready to make their move. Imagine fliers spread out over tables circled and marked, a lamp shining bright and a map pinned to the wall with specific routes drawn. OK, maybe I'm exaggerating, we didn't have a map. My aunt could get around Cleveland blindfolded. The next morning, we would get up at 4 AM, and begin operation "Start and Finish my Christmas Shopping" and no one goes home, eats, or sleeps, until we do. By 3 PM I'm trying to convince them that a bath robe is the perfect gift for literally anyone; man, woman and child of any age. Anything to abort mission.

According to History.com, Black Friday can be traced back to the 1950s where Philadelphia police used the term to describe the chaos on the day after Thanksgiving. Hordes of shoppers and tourists flooded into the city ahead of the Army-Navy football game that was held on Saturday. It wasn't until the 1980s that the term was more commonly used nationwide. It became symbolic that "Black Friday" was the day after Thanksgiving and when American retailers turn a profit.

Now, we see more opportunities for good deals with Cyber Monday, and many retailers have sales through out the year without the need to develop a comprehensive plan or get up at 4 AM or even leave your house. My kind of shopping! But if it is a long-standing tradition, and you love to shop those deals, I found a list of the best things to buy on Black Friday.

Source: History.com

According to [retailmenot.com](https://www.retailmenot.com), these are the best things to buy on Black Friday:

Computers, Laptops and Tablets

Small Appliances

Wireless Earbuds

Smart Home Gadgets

Video Games

Smartwatches and Fitness Trackers

Home Goods (Towels and Sheets)

Things that you may get a better deal at another time:

Clothing

Door Buster TVs

The latest gaming system

Furniture

Source: <https://www.retailmenot.com/blog/black-friday-best-worst.html>

# COMMUNITY CENTRE

*Contributed By: Rebecca Climer, FICC Board President*

As the Summer closes, we are getting ready to resume Community Dinners and other much-loved activities at the Fripp Island Community Centre. We are excited to announce a new addition to the Fall calendar. Frippers Randy and Julie Underwood have graciously offered to host a party at their beautiful Ocean Point Drive home to benefit the FICC and All Faiths Chapel. The invitation is shown below and, as you can see, it will be an event to remember. A silent auction, music for dancing, great food and drink and time with your fellow Frippers!



DREAM MAKERS OF GFWC-SC PRESENTS

## BOOS, BREWS, AND SMOOZE

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FRIPP ISLAND COMMUNITY CENTRE

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SPOOKY EVENING!

HEAVY HOPS D'OBSCURE AND COCKTAILS

CIGAR BAR  
SILENT AUCTION  
50/50 RAFFLE  
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October 28, 2022  
6pm - 10pm  
101 Ocean Point Drive  
Tickets: \$50  
[www.eventbrite.com/e/408955646347](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/408955646347)

COSTUMES ARE ENCOURAGED

Questions: 803-543-8752      [www.dreammakersgfwc.org](http://www.dreammakersgfwc.org)

# HALLOWEEN COSTUME IDEAS FOR 2022

**Contributed by Stacie Thrush,  
Communications Coordinator**

Once again, pop culture will have a big influence on the trending Halloween costumes this year. Of course, you will see the traditional and classic costumes like Dracula, fairies, witches, aliens and clowns, but there have been a lot of new TV shows and movies over the last couple of years that have given us more options when it comes to fun Halloween costumes.

Some you may see this year include, “Ruth Langmore” from the Netflix show Ozark, “Dr. Strange” from the Marvel movies, or even the “Marvelous Mrs. Maisel” from the Amazon Prime Series. Superheroes may look a bit unfamiliar with the popular Amazon Prime Series “The Boys” or may not look much like a costume at all if you run into someone dressed as “Ted Lasso” from the Apple TV series.

Other costumes you may see this year include “Wanda Maximoff” from Wanda Vision, a contestant from the Korean TV series Squid Game, or even a beloved Star Wars character like “The Mandalorian”. Other Superheroes you may see, “Black Widow”, “Spider-man” and “Black Panther”.

Villains are popular too, “Darth Vader” from Star Wars, and “Joker” “Catwoman” and “Poison Ivy” from Batman, and “Pennywise” from the movie It are other good options. Some may choose to dress as people like Carole Baskin from Tiger King or the Tiger King himself Joe Exotic. Many years ago I dressed as Taylor Swift, sporting a blonde wig, cowboy boots and an acoustic guitar. Today’s Taylor Swift may look a bit different with a more pop music style and a simple cardigan.

We can’t wait to see your creative costumes at the Halloween Costume Contest!

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