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FRIPP ISLAND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
SCHEDULE OF MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS
2021

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|----------|--------------------|---------|
| SATURDAY | APRIL 10, 2021 | 9:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | MAY 8, 2021 | 9:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | JUNE 12, 2021 | 9:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | AUGUST 14, 2021 | 9:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER 11, 2021 | 9:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | OCTOBER 9, 2021 | 9:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | NOVEMBER 13, 2021 | 9:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | DECEMBER 11, 2021 | 9:00 AM |

FRIPP ISLAND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
SCHEDULE OF TOWN HALL MEETINGS
2021

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| SATURDAY | MAY 15, 2021 | 10:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | AUGUST 21, 2021 | 10:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | NOVEMBER __, 2021 | (ELECTION) TBD |

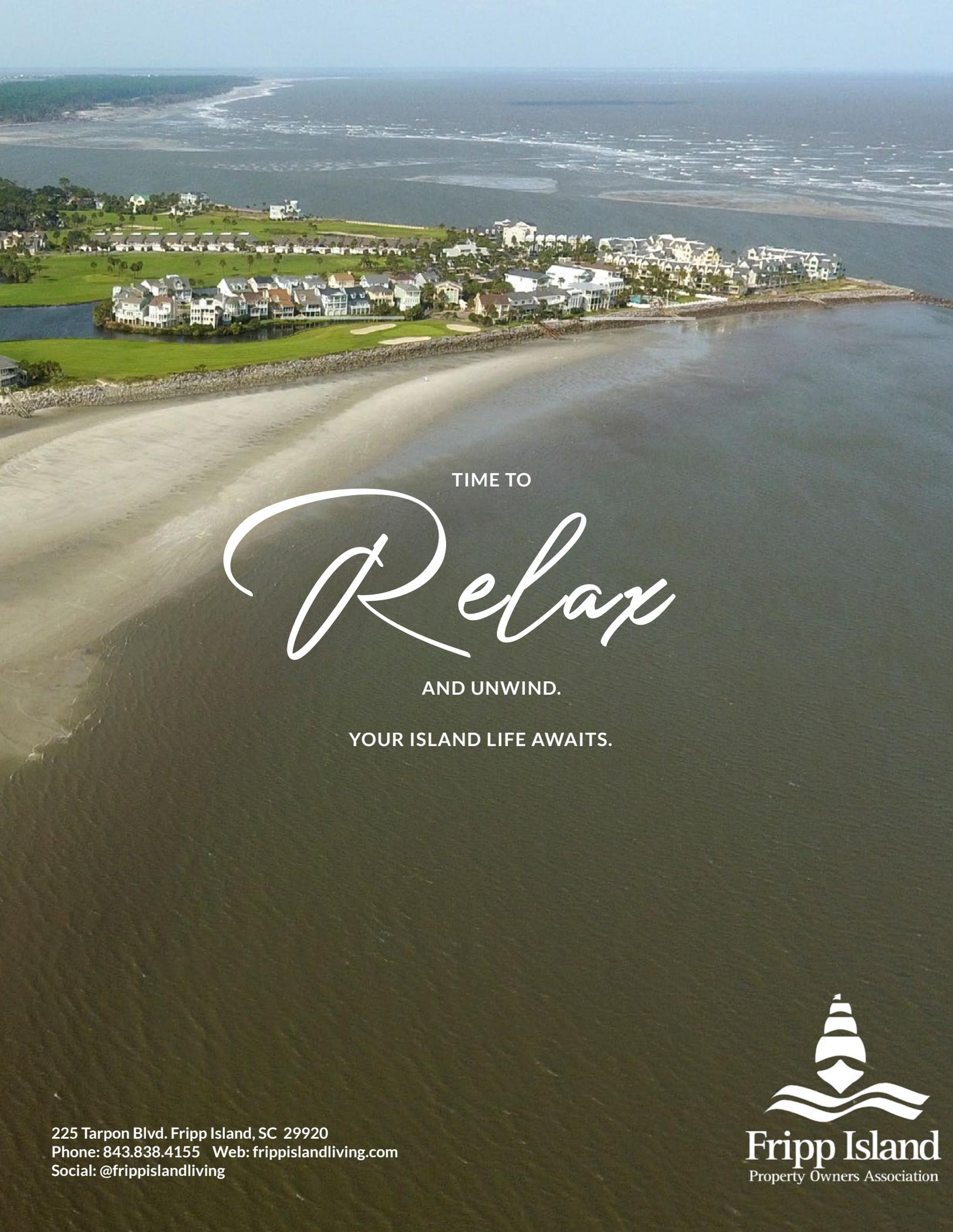


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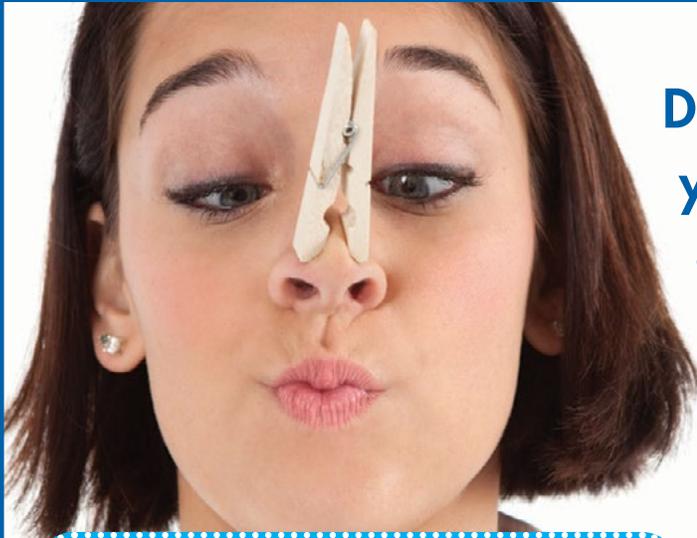
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Homeowners can find the following items on the website:

Online forms for vehicle decals and ARB.

GM weekly updates

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



FRIPP ISLAND REAL ESTATE UPDATE February 28, 2021

The following figures from MLS compare year-to-date sales on Fripp Island from January 1st through February 28th each year.

| SOLD as of February 28th | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|
| Homesites | 1 | 1 | 14 |
| Condos | 1 | 2 | 7 |
| Homes | 6 | 12 | 19 |
| Total | 9 | 15 | 40 |

| AVERAGE SOLD PRICE | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Homesites | \$395,000 | \$130,000 | \$97,743 |
| Condos | \$121,750 | \$175,000 | \$221,000 |
| Homes | \$378,000 | \$609,182 | \$733,684 |
| Homes avg. per sq. ft. | \$217 | \$227 | \$254 |
| Homes avg. days on market | 258 days | 613 days | 238 days |

UNDER CONTRACT As of February 28th

| Year: | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|-----------|------|------|------|
| Homesites | 2 | 1 | 21 |
| Condos | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| Homes | 6 | 6 | 20 |
| Total | 12 | 10 | 44 |

NUMBER OF ACTIVE LISTINGS on February 28th

| Year: | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|-----------|------|------|------|
| Homesites | 123 | 132 | 80 |
| Condos | 44 | 25 | 3 |
| Homes | 125 | 114 | 12 |

For real estate assistance please contact:

Charles Patty, Listing Agent/Sales Agent/Broker
 FRIPP ISLAND REAL ESTATE COMPANY
 Telephone: 843-597-1170; email: charlesp@frippislandrealestate.com
 If your property is listed with another Realtor, this is not a solicitation.

A NOTE FROM YOUR GM

With the warmer weather on the horizon, it means many things for the Island. Winter is over, Spring has arrived, and our population will grow with visitors and new property owners. As people start getting their yards cleaned up, please remember you are responsible for your own yard debris removal. Please do not leave your debris by the road or common areas and expect someone else to pick them up. You may need to remind your contactors about this as well.

Alligator mating season has returned. We have already had several sightings of larger alligators out sunning themselves by the lagoons. As our population grows with the summer months, please remind your renters about the alligator safety regulations in place for the Island. At this time of year they are on the move, so please stay alert. We also have alligator magnets available for your property. If you would like to have one, please stop by the office or email communications@frippislandliving.com to request one. Also, I encourage everyone to read the alligator safety article later on in this issue.

We cannot emphasize enough about keeping your distance and not harassing the alligators. This is for the safety of both the community and the species. Part of our unique DNA at Fripp Island is the abundance of wildlife, and we want to continue to enjoy all that it has to offer.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John". The script is cursive and elegant.

John Marsh
General Manager, FIPOA

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Name:

Elizabeth Chaplin

Position:

Admin Assistant, Security FIPOA

Favorite Cartoon Character:

Road Runner



1. Tell us a little about you?

I have been married to my husband Chuck for 36 years. We have two children, Ryan and Brittany, and four grandchildren. We also have one furbaby (or the security mascot Tilly), 8 cats and a Parrot.

2. What is one thing you like to do in your spare time

I love to fish.

Salt water or fresh water?

Salt water fishing, always salt water!

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

I wanted to be an astronaut. I always wanted to be the first woman on the moon.

4. Who is your favorite singer/band? Or what was the first concert you went to?

Oh that's hard to choose, because I like everything. I switch channels from rock, country, jazz, etc.. My first of many concerts was Eric Clapton. I was 15 years old and with my friend Sue Ella and her big sister.



a letter from the editor

Erin Pickering
Communications Coordinator, FIPOA



There is something about spring that entices people to get outside, tend to their yard, and embrace growth. My grandfather Edison (Pap) was an avid gardener. And by avid, I mean, it was his passion, and he tried to make us passionate about it as well. I spent many summers in Tennessee on the farm. Often our days included picking beans, canning vegetables, and if I am telling the truth, I was not a fan of it (insert laughter here). The days would start early with him hollering, “you better roll out of there,” meaning, get up, come have breakfast, and be ready to go down to the garden. It wasn’t all the time, but there were many days spent in the Phillips Garden.

At the time, my Pap would bore me with details about tilling the soil and the importance of prepping in the springtime. In his distinct southern raspy deep voice, he would talk about which seeds we were planting and how we had to cultivate the ground for the late spring and early summer planting. As I would tune him out, he would discuss the garden’s watering, but mostly how to keep those pesky critters out of it. Ask me sometime about the gopher story...

My brother and I would no doubt complain at some point, but he would only reply with, well, you want to enjoy the fried squash and okra later in the summer, don’t ya?” Then he would flash that irresistible up to no good grin and laugh. It looked like a lot of hard work, but I’ve come to realize that the time he spent in his garden was his way of unwinding as much as it was just in his nature to be outside and work. He was, after all, a Tennessee family farm boy at heart.

Anything he touched seemed to grow magically. He had the green thumb. I, however, did not inherit that trait. I assumed that because I was horrible at keeping indoor plants alive, I would be better at growing things outdoors. That I had a good enough

green thumb from helping my mom in her garden that I would be able to produce a garden of my own successfully. Obviously, that's not quite how it works or worked. Can we say epic fail?

At the end of my first spring season as a South Carolina homeowner, I learned this valuable lesson: South Carolina soil is not Tennessee or Michigan soil. But when life hands you lemons, you have to make lemonade.

It wasn't perfect, and it was a learning experience for sure. I am pretty positive that my grandfather rolled over in his grave when I pulled out a fully grown fig tree because I was not too fond of its location. Sorry Pap!

Only half of the stuff I planted grew adequately. And that was fine with me; all of the work I'd put in still felt worth it. That's when I knew that I loved the whole process. The goal for me was really never to become an expert; I just always wanted to stay curious and eager to learn something new.

Over time, I have realized I had to be willing to learn and become a student of my garden and my yard—your plants for zones 4 and 5 won't bloom when you live in zone 8b. Thank you, South Carolina, for reminding me of how tropical we really are. Boy, that was a mouthful.

The best thing about gardening was and is that I am reminded of how much I loved being outdoors. I smile every time I pull into my yard and see my cannas from my paps flower garden thriving and my Purple Hearts emerging from their dormant state. I have made lemonade! Now three years in as a homeowner, I find myself putzing around in my yard, weeding, talking about turf building, and planting more flowers.

As a kid, my conversation with my grandparents centered around what we had to eat. Now I find myself commiserating with my family about what we can plant and grow in my nearly 1/2 acre of a backyard.

Plans for the herb garden have taken shape and where the greenhouse will go. Gardening has become medicine for my wellbeing. I find myself imagining what it will look like later this year and what the garden will offer. I'll be able to reap the reward because it was worth the time spent.

I hope you'll take the time this season to plant something, even if it's just a seed packet of herbs in your windowsill. Or perhaps that you will grow into a new hobby. Why? Because it's spring.

Now off to get that lemon tree for my back patio.

GRO

WITH



Spring Time Sprucing

Spring is in the air and around every corner of the island you will see your neighbors making improvements to their property. A fresh coat of paint, replacing torn screens on the porch, and power washing to name a few. The island is looking its best and will continue to improve. If you have not taken the opportunity to spruce your Fripp Island paradise home, this is the time of year to do so. Do the work now so you can play this summer.

We have been fortunate in welcoming numerous new owners to our Fripp Island family. It is nice to see both familiar and new faces when I am out and about on the Island. With new ownership comes questions and the seeking of information. I would like to take the opportunity to introduce myself, my name is Tina Reeves. I have an education in Community Management and have been working on Fripp Island since 1995, working with the FIPOA since 2005. As the Assistant General Manager, I perform many duties for the Association and its members, one of them being Covenant Enforcement. Simply stated we work to guide and assist Single Family Property Owners in their effort to maintain and improve their property. My goal specifically is to aide in the understanding and compliance of the Covenants and Community Standard. Since many are new, this is the perfect time to help



you discover the areas you should be aware of and how we, the POA, can assist you in these areas if needed.

Developed Single Family Properties

Yards should be maintained to include the grass being cut, with weeds, yard debris, and all piles removed. Please take care not to place yard debris in common areas or on vacant lots. If you need a contractor to help you with any of these items, the FIPOA provides a list of service providers on our website <https://frippislandliving.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Contractor-List-2021.pdf>. This list is compiled of vendors who have purchased an annual decal from the FIPOA and have given permission to provide their information to you. Please keep in mind the FIPOA neither endorses, recommends nor disapproves of the service providers on services listed. The list of service providers is for informational purposes only.

Is your mailbox in good shape? Mailbox Specifications can be found [here](#). If your mailbox needs a fresh coat of paint the FIPOA has paint available at the office. Come on by say hello and pick up a can to spruce up your mailbox. We have Silverado Grey and Charleston Green (Ocean Creek Properties) paint for you to use. If you are looking for a contractor to replace

or repair your mailbox, the FIPOA currently only has one on file, Anne Shondel (412) 559-5477.

Did you know your trash receptacles should not be visible from the street or neighboring properties? We have stickers available at the office that can be placed on top of your receptacle to remind your guests to leave the receptacle in the screened service yard. Also, make sure your trash contractor is aware of this requirement on the island.

Maintenance on the exterior of your home, such as replacing the visibly rotted board cracked windows or torn screens. Is your home in need of a fresh coat of paint? You can find professionals to help you with all of these projects on the service provider list linked above. Make sure to reach out to Meghan Johnson, ARB Administrator to receive a permit for the exterior work at mjohnson@frippislandliving.com

Undeveloped Lots

Vacant lots should maintain a natural appearance with no large piles of debris or fallen trees visible from the street or neighboring properties.

As always, I am happy to assist you and my door is always open. Thank you for making Fripp Island your home.

*Contributed By:
Tina M. Reeves, CMCA, AMS, PCAM
Assistant General Manager*



Fripp Island Women's Club Hosts Renowned Author

Contributed By: Donna Reichle, Co-Vice-President,
On behalf of the FIWC Board of Directors

The Fripp Island Women's Club (FIWC) is proud to announce that New York Times Bestselling Author Mary Alice Monroe will be the guest speaker at our May 11th Spring Luncheon.

As May 11th is the release date of her much-anticipated newest addition to her widely acclaimed Beach House series, we are especially pleased that Ms. Monroe has accepted our invitation to announce its publication here on Fripp!

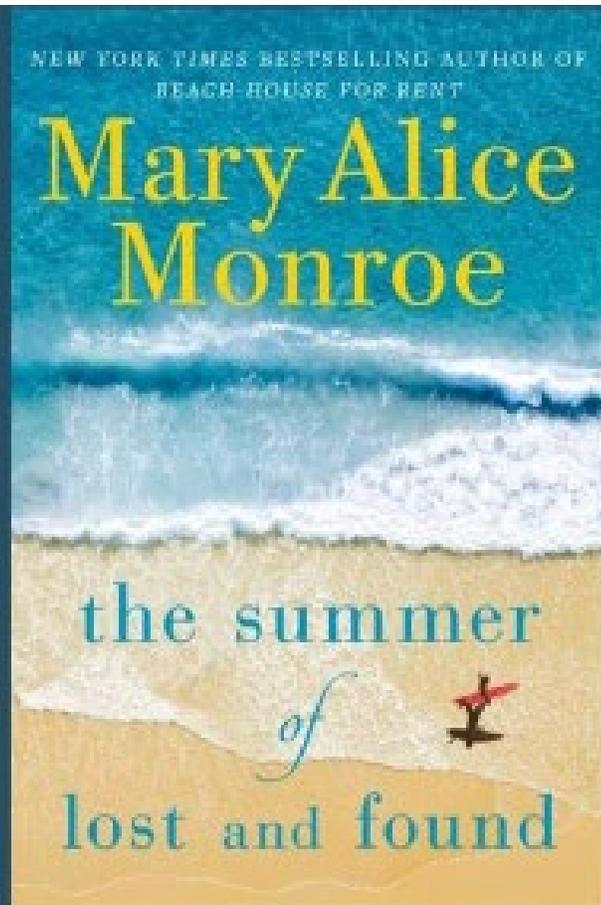
Ms. Monroe's publisher has requested that we implement strict Covid protocol in order to ensure the safety of all attendees, which will

also include eShaver Books of Savannah and author Cassandra King Conroy.

Because of this, attendance will be limited, with FIWC members given precedence once reservations will be announced and accepted.

In addition to the luncheon, tickets will include a copy of Ms. Monroe's new novel, *The Summer of Lost and Found*, one of the top-ten most anticipated novels of 2021. We look forward to welcoming this renowned author and wildlife advocate to Fripp Island!

Mary Alice Monroe



in stores May 11th

About The Author

Bio courtesy of maryalicemonroe.com

“Mary Alice Monroe is the New York Times bestselling author of 27 books, including the Beach House series: The Beach House, Swimming Lessons, Beach House Memories, Beach House for Rent, Beach House Reunion, On Ocean Boulevard, and her latest The Summer of Lost and Found.

More than 7.5 million copies of her books have been published worldwide, and she’s earned numerous accolades and awards, including: Induction into the South Carolina Academy of Authors’ Hall of Fame; the Southwest Florida Author of Distinction Award; South Carolina Award for Literary Excellence; RT Lifetime Achievement Award; the International Book Award for Green Fiction, and the prestigious Southern Book Prize for Fiction. Her bestselling novel The Beach House is a Hallmark Hall of Fame movie.

Monroe is the co-creator and co-host of the weekly web show and podcast Friends and Fiction featuring the five bestselling authors Mary Kay Andrews, Kristy Woodson Harvey, Kristin Harmel, and Patti Callahan Henry with endless stories, special guests, and a way to connect readers and writers.

Monroe is captivated by the beauty and fragility of the wild habitat around her. In particular, the coastal southern landscape became a strong and important focus of many of her novels. Monroe immerses herself in both academic research and hands-on/volunteering to learn about a species or conservation issue. Then, she uses the knowledge and experiences working with animals and the wildlife experts to craft captivating stories that identify important parallels between nature and human nature. Bottlenose dolphins, monarch butterflies, shorebirds, and loggerhead sea turtles are among the wild species she has worked with and woven into her novels.

Monroe is an active conservationist and serves on the South Carolina Aquarium Board Emeritis, The Leatherback Trust, The Pat Conroy Literary Center Honorary Board, Friends of Coastal Carolina and Casting Carolinas Advisory Board. She is especially proud to be a twenty year plus state-certified volunteer with the [Island Turtle Team](#), the group that first sparked her love for loggerhead sea turtles, and is the inspiration of her Beach House series.



Monroe has also published two children’s books, which complement the environmental themes she’s known for in her novels. Monroe’s first Middle Grade book, The Islanders, will be released June 15, 2021.

Her latest novel, The Summer of Lost and Found, will be released nationwide May 10, 2021.

She is also a contributor to Reunion Beach, an upcoming anthology by several bestselling authors and writers as a tribute to the life and legacy of their friend New York Times bestselling author Dorothea Benton Frank. “



Take a look It's in a book.....

Go ahead – you know it did. It's okay to admit that if you know the Reading Rainbow Theme song, you just sang it in your head.



While we may not have a majestic rainbow that magically appears when a book is opened with butterflies coming out of it, we do have the Beaufort County Bookmobile! And in case you hadn't heard the news, the Bookmobile will be coming to Fripp Island the first and third Tuesday of every month.

Onboard the state-of-the-art bookmobile, customers will be able to:

- Check out and return library materials
- Request items from library branches
- Pick up holds and requested materials
- Apply for a new library card
- Get assistance from an onboard librarian, and more!



Time: 2:00 - 3:00 PM

Location: Community Centre Parking Lot
Brought to you in collaboration with the FIPOA and FICC.

"Fill your house with stacks of books, in all the crannies and all the nooks."

- Dr. Seuss





Buy A Brick Program

Show your love and support of Davis Love Park and Fripp Island with a brick engraved with your name or purchase in honor of someone else. The engraved brick will be placed in the park area.

\$50 for a standard 4 x 8 brick

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\$1500 for a 12x12 green granite plaque with gold lettering.

Minimum donation is \$50.

Call the FIPOA office to make arrangements at:

(843) 838-4155 or email:

contact@frippislandliving.com



SPRING. GROWTH. & MASTC.



Contributed By: Margit Resch,
FIFOM Board of Directors Chair, Publicity

In the spring, that joyful time of year, we, the Fripp Island Friends of Music, used to have our last concert of the season in the Community Centre. So sad, that last one. But soon thereafter, it wasn't even summer yet, we would announce the next season of wonderful concerts. Oh, joy. Last year, as you know, we were unable to gather in the chapel to enjoy the performers, who, in turn, always enjoyed our beautiful island and unfailing hospitality. FIFOM hopes ardently to be able to offer you a full series of concerts this coming season, ranging from fall 2021 to spring 2022. Presently, this very spring, we are already working diligently on the program. We will let you know our schedule and the lineup as soon as the musicians are booked. Oh, joy. So much for addressing one theme in this Trawler's edition: "Spring."

Now, how can I weave the idea of "Growth" into my subject: Music? Easy, because music not only affects health, as you might have learned in the last Trawler, but it also has an impact on growth. Well, maybe not on your physical growth, but certainly on your mental and intellectual growth. Just think of everything you know about music, its various genres, composers, musicians, and musical instruments, mainly as a result of having attended concerts and listened to recordings. But do you know that music has an effect on the physical growth of plants? Really, you wonder. Do they have ears? Can

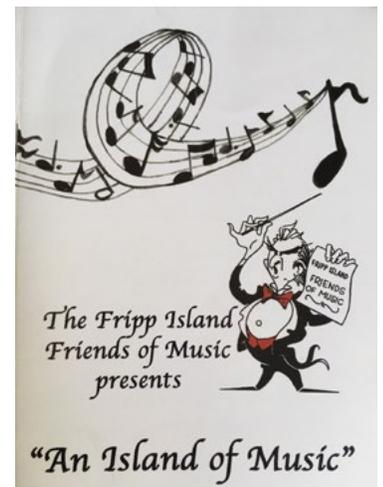
they hear?

Well, no, not in the human sense of this auditory sense.

However, there are several studies proving that plants

react to musical stimuli with an increase in growth and biomass. One study, going back as far as 1962, found that the growth rate of balsam plants exposed to classical music increased by 20% along with a biomass increase of 72%, compared to the control group that did not get to "hear" music. Via strategically placed loudspeakers, the researchers of the Botany Department at Annamalia University even inundated whole fields with raga, a form of Indian classical music, and they found that it yielded up to 60% more crops than the national average. These results were replicated by Canadian engineer Eugene Canby. He regularly showered his wheat fields with a violin sonata by J.S. Bach which resulted in a 66% increase in yield. It's amazing.

Would you believe that individual instruments make a difference in the plants' response? Researchers experimented with a variety of musical instruments like flute, piano, harmonica, and they found the violin to be the most effective. In her book, *The Sound of Music and Plants*, Dorothy Rettalack of Colorado Women's College describes her experiments with different



types of music, including classical, jazz, and rock and roll. Plants “listening” to the more soothing classical and jazz versions tended to grow towards the loudspeaker and to entwine themselves around it. Plants exposed to more “discordant” rock music, on the other hand, grew away from the speakers and showed signs of distress, similar to the effects of overwatering. So, can we conclude that plants can be devoted fans of certain composers like Bach and Louis Armstrong, or perhaps, more naturally speaking, of certain bird songs? Apparently. The scientific theory is that the vibrations of sound waves affect the plants. They transport nutrients like proteins in their fluids, an activity called cytoplasmic streaming, and certain types of music, maybe even bird songs, can help stimulate this process.

So next season, when we, the Friends of Music, bring you another series of great concerts, come and bring your favorite potted plant. It may just respond with gratitude and grow into a more splendid specimen than anticipated. Oh, joy.





FRIPP ISLAND BOAT INSPECTION

Sponsored by the Fripp Island Yacht Club

The Port Royal Sound Flotilla 10-1 will assist with the
Inspection of Boats on Fripp Island.

FIYC members as well as Fripp Island resident boat owners may
have their boats inspected.



Date: Thursday April 29, 2021

Time: 9:30

Place: Fripp Island Marina Parking Lot

NO CHARGE FOR INSPECTIONS

See attached Coast Guard form for inspection details

-----detach-----

NAME _____

_____ Boat will be in water _____ Boat will be trailered in parking lot

Return to Wendy Moore by April 23rd or notify her by email.

Contact Wendy at: 5 Marsh Hen Cove (off Fiddlers Trace) put in cocktail box or mail

Email: Wpmoore6@embarqmail.com

Spring Cleaning

Contributed By:

Jason Carnes, Hargray General Manager

Spring Clean Your Devices

As the days get longer and the weather starts to warm up, we're getting closer to saying "goodbye" to winter and "hello" to spring. For many, the end of winter means it's time for Spring Cleaning. People usually clean out their house, donate unused clothes and items, and put away winter clothes. Others deep clean their car, but there is something else that probably needs some spring cleaning; your connected devices. Here is how to "clean" up your phone, computer, or tablet:

Make more space

Odds are, if you aren't in the habit of clearing out your e-mail, your inbox is full of unread and unsolicited messages. Clean up your mailbox by deleting unread mail and unsubscribe from unwanted mailing lists. Try searching for a specific sender and selecting "delete all" to quickly remove junk mail. Deleting text message threads can also free up valuable storage.

Tighten up security

A great habit of getting into for enhancing the security of your devices and online accounts is to change your passwords frequently. Update your system password as well as your online account passwords routinely. Some experts recommend changing your passwords at least every three months. This practice will reduce the amount of time a hacker remains inside a compromised account, which is especially important for accounts with access to credit cards or personal information. Also, check your security preferences and make sure your anti-virus and anti-malware software is running.

Close unused accounts

Delete unneeded software and apps. Unused applications take up precious space on your device and can slow down your operating system. Go to your device settings to view insights into which apps are taking up the most space. Update the apps you want to keep so that they run the latest versions.

Organize files

Clean up your desktop. A messy desktop not only looks unsightly but functions poorly. Organize your files into folders so that you can find things easily.

Clean the physical device

After you've cleaned your internal system, it's time for physical cleansing. Devices carry germs and can get nasty if they aren't cared for. Dust and debris can clog up your device and cause damage over time. First, turn off your phone or computer. Take off any case and clean separately. Use a can of compressed air to blow dirt off your computer keyboard and ports. Next, wipe down your device

with a soft, dry microfiber cloth. If you choose to sanitize your device, be careful to use a slightly damp cloth and not get it wet. Research your device's cleaning instructions to prevent damage.

Now that you've cleaned your devices internally and externally, they can perform at top speed and are ready for another season of use!





Community Centre

Contributed By: Rebecca Climer, FICC Board President



As we approach Easter 2021, I am once again reminded that each Easter Sunday is a milestone in the history of the Fripp Island Community Centre and All Faiths Chapel. It was on Easter Sunday 1980 that the official groundbreaking for the Chapel and Community Centre was held. It was quite a ceremony. A choir of thirty two people singing “The Hallelujah Chorus” led the congregation from the Beach Club to the current site of the All Faiths Chapel. (I am, once again, drawing on Page Miller’s “Fripp Island, A History.”) I’ve written here before how our plans for the 40th Anniversary of the FICC had to be shelved given the COVID-19 pandemic.

Now, 41 years later, the FICC Board is hoping that this Spring and the coming Summer season will signal a new beginning for the Centre. There are several elements for the Board to consider as we plan for the upcoming year and we welcome your input. As vaccinations become more available, when will we feel safe in sponsoring larger gatherings? While the limits on activities have resulted in a reduction in income, how do we respond to a potential annual loss? (More on that below.) Finally, there has been significant turnover in property ownership over the last year. There are many new property owners and, seemingly, a greater percentage of full-time residents. In preparing for a “new normal”, how do we honor valued traditions and ensure that we are offering meaningful and relevant opportunities for our newest Fripp Islanders? We’d love to hear your thoughts!

The FICC has now been in COVID-response mode for a year. Prior to the pandemic, we held a Treasure Sale every other year and large community dinners nine times per year. Both were reliable sources of income.



Golf Cart BINGO!

**THURSDAY MAY 20th
@ 4:00PM**

**COMMUNITY CENTRE
PARKING LOT**

FREE
**LOADS OF FUN FOR ALL
& PRIZES GALORE**

**GAMES START
PROMPTLY AT 4:00PM!**

You may socially distance by remaining in your golf cart or bring a chair.



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We also received annual contributions from the clubs and organizations that meet at the Centre. Since their activities have also been curtailed, they are unable to provide their normal support. We elected to suspend our most recent fund drive, our primary source of income, because of the limitation in services to our members. (It's important to note that, when we speak of "members" of the Community Centre, there is no membership fee or requirement. If you are a property owner or long-term resident on Fripp, you are automatically a member and have open access to the activities at the Centre.)

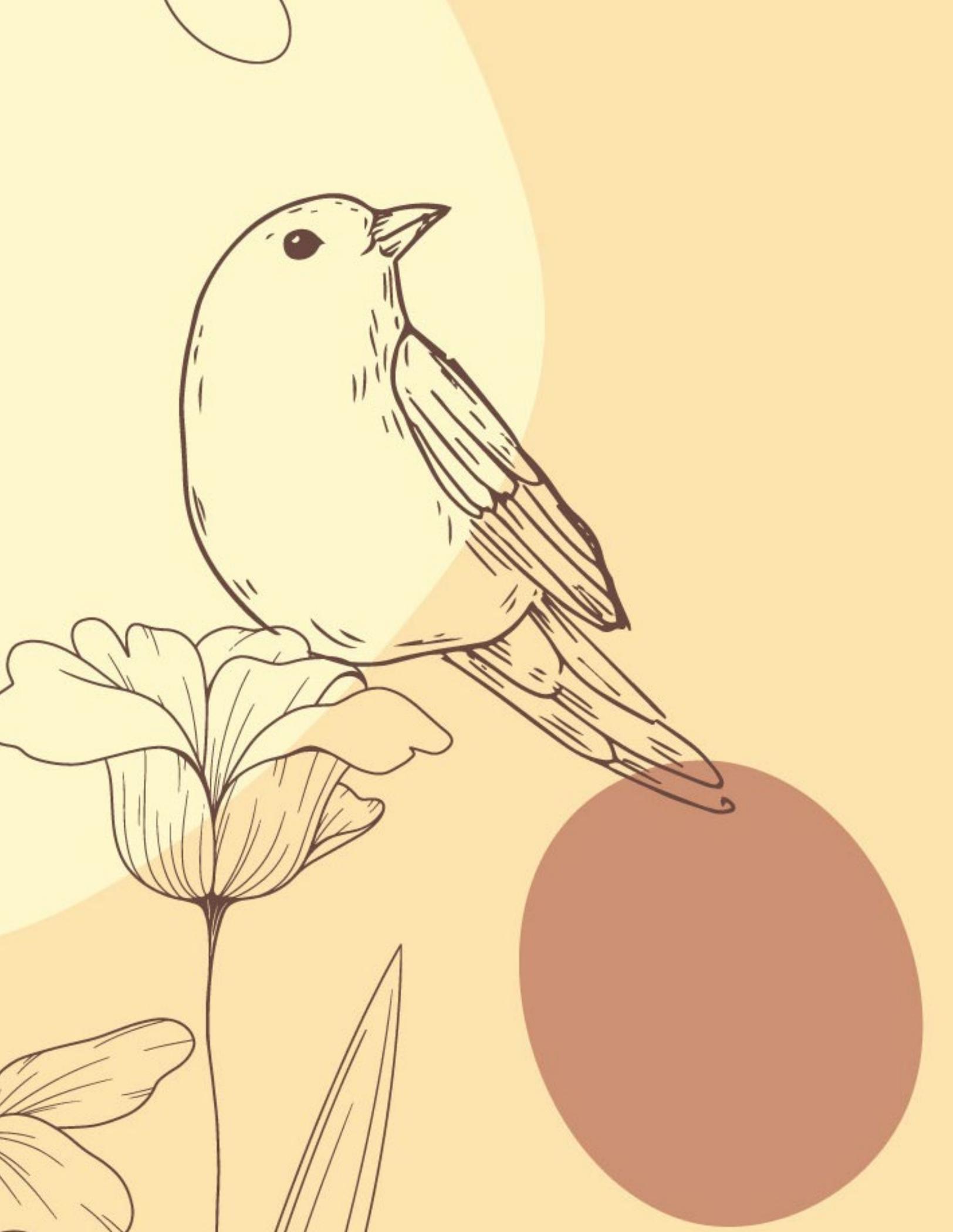
The Board has elected to mount a limited fund drive to assist with meeting operating expenses. We're calling it the "Keeping the Doors Open and the Lights On" drive and it will last til May 31st. The goal is \$50,000 to help defray a \$40,000 projected loss described above and put us in a good

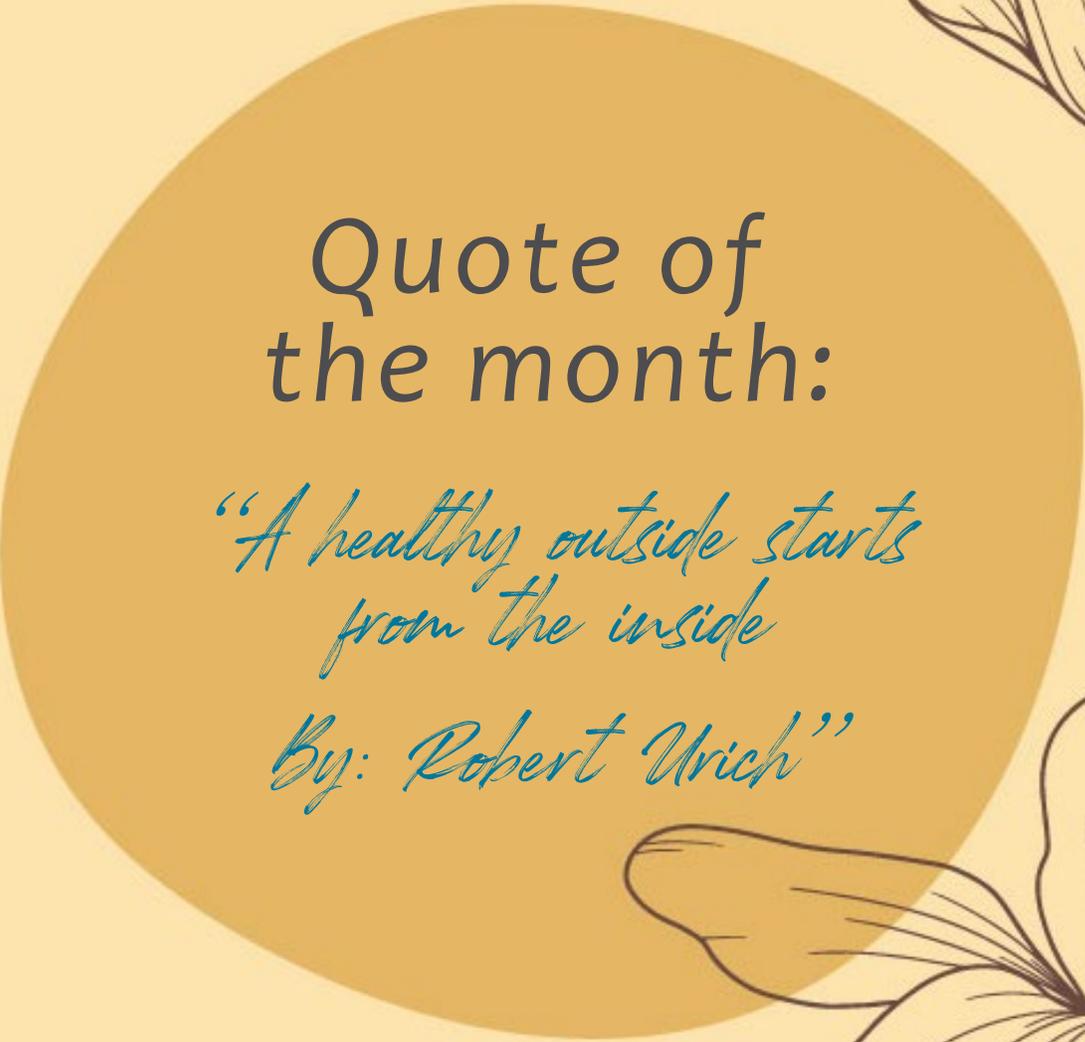
position to, hopefully, resume normal activities in the Fall. FICC donors have been so generous and supportive and we are extremely grateful. Each member will receive a letter regarding the fund and we will report progress frequently.

Whether you're a long-time Fripper or new to this wonderful Island, we invite your input and participation in the activities of the Fripp Island Community Centre and All Faiths Chapel. Come to Vespers on Wednesday evening at 5:30.

Make a reservation for a "Take Away" dinner or lunch and, later this year, attend one of our great community dinners. Join one (or more) of the great organizations and clubs that meet at the Centre.

It's your Centre and we look forward to seeing you there.





Quote of
the month:

*“A healthy outside starts
from the inside*

By: Robert Ulrich”

*Children's
Corner*

With Mary Jacobs

Dear Readers:

I am thrilled to be writing about Spring and Growth!

Happy! Happy! Spring! I know all of us are happy to see that Spring is just around the corner, especially after the Covid 19 virus. Hopefully, all of you are safe and healthy!

As most of you may know I love to write my list of plans for the week and what I hope to accomplish! I already made a list to work on the flowers on my porch and even purchased seeds the other day. Spring cleaning is another item on the list! We should try to work on decluttering closets, rooms and certainly clothes that you have not worn in a while. YES, I am especially talking about me.

Child Assignment:

1. As you ride around the island please make a list of at least three things that are growing.

2. Keep a daily journal/log of new things you see each day on the island.

3. Go outside and listen for 10 minutes and write down all the sounds you hear. This is fun to do with a friend or a family member. Then compare what you heard to what your friend or family member heard.

4. Write a story about what you like about Spring and share it with two other friends or family members. And then draw a picture to go along with your story.

Parent Assignment:

1. Read with your child daily. Research states you should begin no later than six months of age.

2. Model reading to your child. Let them see you reading.

3. Please limit screen time with your children. If they are in virtual school, they are receiving a large amount of screen time.

4. Ask your child to be a HELPER and plant flowers together.

Acrostic: CHALLENGE Assignment

Write a word for each letter in Spring and in Growth.

S=

P=

R=

I=

N=

G=

G=

R=

O=

W=

T=

H=

Happy Spring! Let's all keep growing in side and outside!

Beaufort Town



Beautiful Isle of Fripp

Septima Palm

Beautiful Isle of Fripp

A million years ago the Gulf Stream found
A tiny island lost beyond the Sound.
Too lovely to die like a floundering ship
So the winds cradled it and called it Fripp.

To this tiny island they gave the charm.
Of Paradise. in a harbor safe from harm.
Though Pirates touched and are gone.
The wonderful stories live on.

So hide your cares in a hollow tree
Pack your dreams and come with me. ☐

Let's take a trip
to the beautiful isle of Fripp.

A poem written and published in January of 1970 in a collection of 16 other writings in **Beaufort Town, Beautiful Isle of Fripp, By: Septima Palm**. This collection of writings was provided in a box of archives compiled by Page Putnam Miller.

It's a Bird.... It's a plane... It's Spring on Fripp Island.

*Contributed By: Andrew Holzinger,
Seasonal Naturalist Fripp Island Resort.*

As the days grow longer and warmer and flowers start to bloom, there are many obvious signs that Spring is coming. For us, that means holidays with family, spring break, and more time at the beach. This change in nature also has an amazing effect on the creatures we share Fripp Island with, which we may see if we look closely. Birds have always been one of my favorite groups of animals, and the more I learn about them and their habits, the more I am amazed and impressed. While Fripp sees its own human migration this time of year, as many families flock to the beaches to soak up the sand and sun or residents who spend their mild winters here return north to their summer homes, birds across the world are beginning to move as well.

Lucky for them, birds lack the responsibilities we must worry about this time of

year (like tax season) and instead focus solely on two tasks: to feed themselves and to pass on their legacy. Many of the birds found in the Eastern United States alternate their time between warm winter vacations in South Florida, the Caribbean, or Central/South America before returning to Canada's cool boreal forests or the Appalachians in summer to breed. Consider the blackpoll warbler, a relatively small, nondescript bird sporting handsome patterns of black and white. This bird (weighing only 12 grams) has been found to fly for three straight days across the ocean from Columbia and Venezuela to stop only once they see the United States, including areas like South Carolina. During this event, they refuel themselves on the bugs that are also beginning to come out in the newfound warmth before they continue their migration, perhaps all the way to Alaska.





“Coming in off the ocean, barrier islands like Fripp are the first land these birds see, making this stop all the more important. Each year these birds are joined by whole flocks of other feathered world travelers that return to Fripp for spring break.”

As these birds reach Fripp, it is critical for them to refuel before they can continue their journeys, and many visitors coming to the Activity Center often ask our Naturalists what they can do to help them. A simple bird feeder with mixed seed put out is an easy and affordable option to help these travelers and help you to see the birds themselves. Species such as warblers that feed on insects often won't be interested in offerings of seeds but appreciate habitat in

the forms of brush and native plants, and there are many resources available for bird-friendly gardening tips. All birds love to have access to freshwater, which is a limited commodity on an island, so putting out a birdbath will award you with amazing views of these birds as they enjoy their own little water park.

Fripp Island also has its own Audubon Club, which focuses on the enjoyment and protection of birds, so if this story was interesting to you, consider reaching out to them to learn more!





Fripp Audubon Club



*Contributed By:
Megan Grams, Head Naturlist FIR*

The club goal is to provide the opportunities for study, observation, and conservation of the flora and fauna of the South Carolina Lowcountry. All of the programs are open to the public.

The Fripp Island Audubon Club was created in 1978 by island resident, Dixie Winter who formed the club and organized local and overnight club trips.

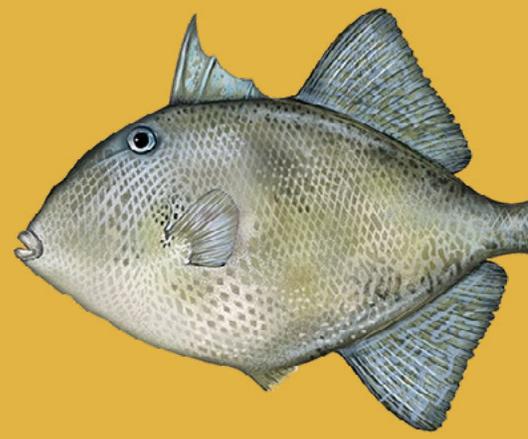
If you are a nature lover, you might enjoy the Fripp Island Audubon Club. Beyond field trips, the club organizes and hosts workshops to educate and encourage people who love nature and those who want to know more about the Lowcountry fauna and flora.

Why not make it a goal to get involved in the Fripp Island community by joining the Fripp Audubon Club this year.

Please visit the [Fripp Island Audubon Club website](#) or fill out the [membership application](#) to become a member.

You can also connect with and follow the Fripp Island Audubon activities on Facebook.





"Fripp Island
is Not Perfect
But Darn Close.
ENJOY."





*A New Year
With Many
Challenges but Good
Fishing.*

Contributed By:
Captain Ralph
Goodison



Easter is around the corner and Fripp Island turns into a vacation dream. Beach, pools, golf, tennis, Camp Fripp and some of the best boating and fishing on the east coast.

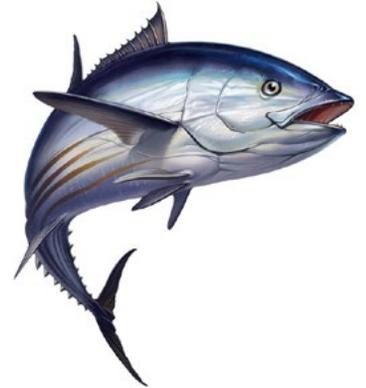
Lewis Turner, Marina Director and Jeff Pickney, Sports Director have set into motion all hands on deck to make time on Fripp a dream to a reality vacation.

Winter fishing has been good and Spring fishing will not disappoint our fisherman. Excellent catches will greet our fisherman Inshore, Offshore and Deepwater/stream.

SPRING FISHING REPORT

INSHORE: Excellent Sheepshead Blackdrum, Whiting Fair and Improving Redfish Trout, Shark, Flounder

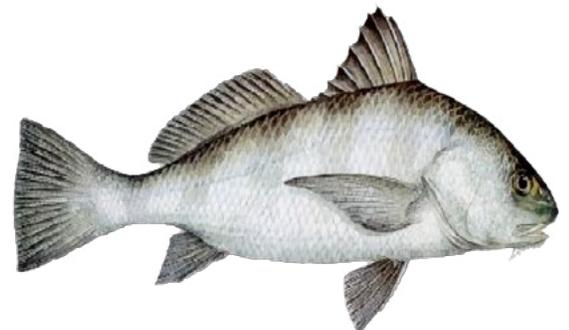
NEARSHORE: Tire/Fripp Reef, Drydock 6HI: Good Blackbass, Sheepshead Blackdrum, 6HI also Trigger and Grunt



OFFSHORE
STREAM: Wahoo, Tuna, Small Dolphin, Showing and improving.

Nothing could be better than being out on the water boating and fishing.

We have great Captains, rental boats and great times on Fripper 11 on excursions watching Dolphins or catching fish.





The information in this article was adapted from a Beaufort Gazette article, [“It’s that time of years gain—alligators on the prowl”](#) by Katherine Kokal at The Island Packet & Beaufort Gazette. The original article was published March 09, 2021. We want to thank Katherine Kokal for allowing us to include the information into the Trawler.

-- Fripp Island Wildlife Management Planning Taskforce

Alligators on the Prowl



“Spring is mating season for the American Alligator, which means you’re more likely to see males moving among lagoons to meet their mates between late March and early June.

ALLIGATOR SAFETY

Here are some tips for alligator mating season:

- Scan the edges of lagoons for gator activity: Steer clear, no matter the size of the alligator.
- Never, ever feed an alligator: Alligators are more likely to approach people if they’ve been fed before, according to SCDNR.
- Remember that while alligators are mostly freshwater animals, they can survive in salt or brackish water for several hours or even days,

according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

If you're approached by an alligator, wildlife expert Corbin Maxey told Business Insider you should back away without turning your back on the alligator. If you're being bitten by an alligator, Maxey said not to attempt to pry open the animal's jaws. Instead, attack the animal's sensitive snout and hit its eyes.

Most importantly, Maxey said not to play dead. Ideally, you'd stay out of the animal's territory in the first place, he said.

WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU SEE AN ALLIGATOR...

1. At the beach: If an alligator is swimming in the water or on the beach, get out of the water and call Fripp Island Security at **(843) 838-2334**. Alligators can survive in salt water for only a couple of days.

2. On the golf course: Clear the area and maintain safe distance. Allow the alligator to get to its destination and warn other golfers. Report the alligator sighting to the clubhouse.

3. On a bike path or in a public park: Keep your distance and encourage other riders or park users to do the same. Allow the animal to pass.

4. In your backyard: Stay inside and keep track of children and pets. Report the alligator to [Fripp Island Security].

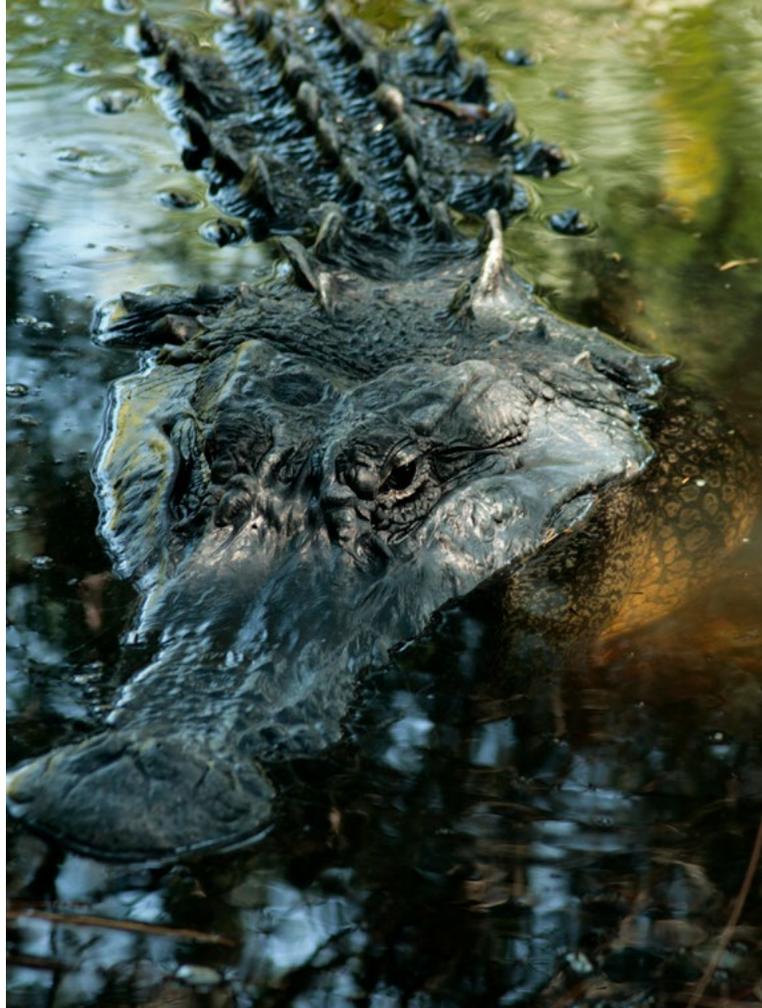


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If an alligator does not appear aggressive, you can keep your distance and let the animal be in nearly all circumstances.

When an alligator begins to threaten people or pets, it may be time to discuss with the SCDNR the gator's removal.

SCDNR's helpline, **(800) 922-5431**, will connect you with a biologist and help you determine the next steps, according to agency spokesperson David Lucas.

Men's Nine Hole Golf League

Contributed By: Mike Wilt



Contributed By: Mike Wilt

Like everything else COVID-19 continues to have a profound impact on the men's nine hole league as membership had dropped off considerably the past few months. However, with the return of warmer weather and obviously more vaccines available the membership has started to creep back up for the group.

[Playing on Wednesday mornings offers an opportunity for men to play just nine holes in a shorter time commitment than the 18-hole leagues in a fun environment.](#)

Perhaps more importantly it provides an opportunity to get outside, get some exercise and turn off the world events for a while. Unfortunately, no outside tournaments or social activities that had become an integral part of the group have occurred in the past year, but it is hoped some of these can resume in the months ahead.

The group experienced a wide variety of weather during the mid-January to mid-March time period, but managed to play seven out of nine Wednesdays, only losing out twice to rain and cold weather. Games during this two-month time frame were Team Stableford, One Low Net One Low gross, Bear Creek and Reverse Bear Creek.

Frank Golden and Bob Smith tied for the lead as they were on a winning team three times each, followed by Ken Anton, Mike Virostek, Mike Wilt, Ed Smith and Joe Sullivan twice each. Winning once were Duffy Howard, Jim Wolbrink, Brian Flynn, Richard Ward and John Dunphy. Closest to the pin were Mike Virostek and Frank Golden twice each and Steve Schnobrich, Ed Smith and Charles Middleton once each.

[The group will play at Ocean Creek golf course in March with a starting time at 9:00 am and will return to Ocean Point in April.](#)

The current roster of the men's nine-hole group stands at 30. Annual dues remain at bargain at only \$15 per year. The Foretees website is being used for the men's nine-hole group and you need to register before noon on any Tuesday before the Wednesday event. To sign up to play every Wednesday morning go to the website at <http://web.foretees.com/frippislandresort/>.



Tee It Up

Come
JOIN US

Fripp Island
Women's Golf
Association

Play on Tuesdays!!!

Let's Play
Golf



Contact: Debbie St John
Call: 704-517-3731
Email: sanddstjohn@gmail.com

THE WGA FRIPP CUP IS NOW IN THE BOOKS!!!

Contributed By:
Debbie St. John & Carlene Rogan

This wonderful event is a two person team format, in which 22 exciting teams participated. It should be noted, that the weather was also a treasured event partner, as both Tuesday, March 9th and Thursday, March 11th were nothing less than beautiful!!!

The event environment was very competitive going into day 2 of the tournament, but the team of Allison Baker and Flo Kamradt pulled out the win!!! In second place, special recognition goes to the team of Bonnie Jentner and Barbara Olk!!!



Congratulations to all and way to go ladies-you rocked it!!!

*The WGA
Fripp Cup
is now in
the books*

READY TO JOIN???

The Fripp Island Women's Golf Assn. is made up of full and part time residents. Our 18-hole play day is Tuesdays, and we rotate courses between the Point and Creek on a monthly basis. The first Tuesday of each month is a low gross/low net event. The following weeks are always fun and interesting games and formats. There are 4 major tournaments and a Member/ Guest event. Throughout the year we have 2 member meetings, luncheons and social events.

If you are interested in playing with us as a guest before joining, please contact one of our officers, listed below, we would love to meet you and introduce you to all of our ladies. Yearly dues is \$60.00.

Please contact one of us if you have any further questions.

"He is not here; for he is risen." Matthew 28:6

Easter SUNDAY

April 4th, 2021 | Easter Sunday Service – 9:00AM | Beach Club Lawn

It's been a challenging year. In many ways we could use a reminder that life can spring up from the darkest of circumstances. Easter is a time when we celebrate that nothing is impossible for God! We invite you to come and experience Easter and the difference the resurrection of Christ makes in our lives.

Come join us and bring someone with you!

Our Easter Service is at 9:00AM Sunday, April 4th, 2021 on the Beach Club Lawn.

It is a Casual, Family Friendly Service. All are welcome to attend.

We ask that everyone bring a chair to sit on.



You're Invited

To join us for a special Thursday evening service before Easter, where Pastor Todd Simonis will talk about what it means to remember, to grieve and to hope.

All are Welcome.

A Night of Remembrance

*Thursday, April 1st, 2021
at 7:30PM*

*Ocean Point Golf Course
Driving Range.*



FRIPP ISLAND
St. Helena's Church at

New Boat Arrives for Capt. George

Contributed By: Captain Ralph Goodison

Captain George Tangelos one of South Carolina's best fisherman has his dream boat a 42 feet beauty with twin 250 HP Yamaha's named after his daughter MISS LEI.

The great story about Captain George begins over 20 years ago. He was the first, First Mate on Fripper, Fripp Island's excursions boat.

I contacted the Coast guard to make sure I could hire young George as my mate and they gave the OK. The rest was history. We had a great summer and captain George then finished schooling and his dream to be a charter fisherman.

When I look at Captain George he is the best fisherman in Beaufort County. His catches, skills as a fisherman and a teacher are the best. Congratulations Captain George on your new boat!





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1. Bring up Bullion,scallions, mushrooms to a boil

2 min.add fish to done 1 min, add clam chowder lower heat to soup,is hot,then simmer) You can use shrimp instead of fish but get ready for some great soup. Serves 4 + and it's easy.



Spring is in the Air and Summer Boating just around the corner. When you're reading this, we'll have had some wonderful warm days on the water. Extra bug spray, drinking water and sunblock are on our Rescue Boats. Gather the same things for your outings. Maybe bring that extra anchor?

This article nearly wrote itself. FISR Crew Members and others provided thoughts or questions. Some knew river details from end-to-end. Currents, pluff mud and amazing sea creatures were mentioned. Others hadn't actually been on the river. Even those new to the area or visitors from far-off places like Denver, or Halifax knew about the river and the swing bridge.

Harbor is south and west of the bridge and bends east into Fripp Inlet. Tides bring Atlantic salt water. Rain and fresh water flow in along SC 21. Low country stories abound of fall camping on Hunting or counting steps to the top of the Lighthouse. Some beach visitors come frequently, others wistfully repeat stories handed down from friends and family. All express a desire to return soon.

After 78 years, the Harbor River Bridge has served us well. The new bridge, near completion, rises from the pluff mud at an amazing rate, reaching for the clouds.

Some rejoice the new bridge doesn't open for shrimp boats, or slow a Hurricane evacuation. Others are sad the swing bridge won't greet them on the way home or provide an extra minute to appreciate pluff mud perfume following a 2-hour

drive from SAV or CHS. Most see it both ways.

Crew Members know the new bridge provides greater safety for drivers and boats returning on foggy nights from Egg Bank. Said one member, 'Relief is just a bridge away! I can plan doctor visits on the mainland and arrive at airports on time to fly home or pick up guests.' A 30-minute delay can mean a missed flight. Even Frogmore International is out of reach from Fripp or Harbor with an open bridge.

'Can we still fish near the bridge?' Sure, structure attracts fish. Guides and old-timers know fish tend to congregate at tide change and out of fast currents.

'How will it affect Rescue Response?' Mostly positive. Less delay for shrimp boats leaving Gay Seafood. BWS&R can get to Russ Point or Butches Landing with less traffic back-up. Rescue Crews, EMS, Fire and other agencies can more reliably assist each on the Sea Islands when needed.

Rescue Missions

Frequent calls involve just one person on a kayak, jet ski or other Personal Watercraft. This rescue last August illustrates how an exciting day on the River can quickly head south.



FISR Rescue Mission. FISR Crew was Angie Diemont, Alicia Barry, Jimmy Myers, Harold Waller, David Manning and Danny Atkinson. BWS&R Crew was Clay Emminger and two others.

8/23/2020 5:18pm – A father called FISR to report his 19-year-old son, on a jet ski, had run aground north of the Harbor River Bridge. Fortunately, the weather was nice. The young man was not in distress, had his PFD (life jacket) on and 26% left on his phone



battery. He was sitting on the jet ski in what became a huge muddy sandbar as the tide receded.



Training and Maintenance Focus

Boat Handling and Helicopter Missions with the USCG picked up in the winter and is ongoing. If you are anywhere near the Harbor River where it meets Fripp Inlet you likely will see or hear the CG helos and our boats on the water.

Semi-annual engine maintenance is complete and both R1 and R2 will have new bottom paint, gel coat repair and reflective lettering shortly.

Safety Reminders

* Slow down for any bridge, whether in a boat or vehicle. With a 10 foot difference between low and high tide, ensure your boat fits under at high tide and watch for sandbars below the surface.

By 5:35 Barry and Myers in Rescue 1 (our larger boat) were en-route to the Harbor River bridge. Diemont, on Base Duty, coordinated the response. 911 Dispatch was alerted. Emminger at BWS&R responded and began towing R5 (their red Air Boat) from Port Royal to Butch's Landing.

R1 arrived on scene at 5:50pm with 3 hours of daylight left and a tide not back until after dark. They retrieved the boater and returned him to family waiting at the Fripp dock.

By 8:30pm BWS&R Air Boat was on scene and able to cross the mud in an attempt to pull the water craft into deeper water. R1, back with the boater, monitored. It was both noisy and messy. With the sun going down and hours to higher tide the jet ski was left anchored overnight on the sand.

8/24 at noon, the tide was higher and it took only 45 minutes for Barry and Waller to take father and son to retrieve the jet ski and spare anchor. The young man restarted the jet ski and followed R1 back to Fripp Marina. R2 with Manning and Atkinson provided assistance at the dock.

* Look for boats coming the other direction – another reason to slow down and leave navigation light on.

* Leave good distance between boats or vehicles. Water emergencies around a bridge can be deadly. Even new, safer bridges can't compensate for dangerous operation on the water or slick roads.

* If you call 911, give as much information as you can. Is it the Woods Memorial or the HR Bridge? Beaufort County has lots of bridges and Dispatch can't actually see where you. Be specific. How many people involved, any injuries? Stray on the line if possible.

*Make sure you have a fully charged cell phone with you or a VHF radio on the water.



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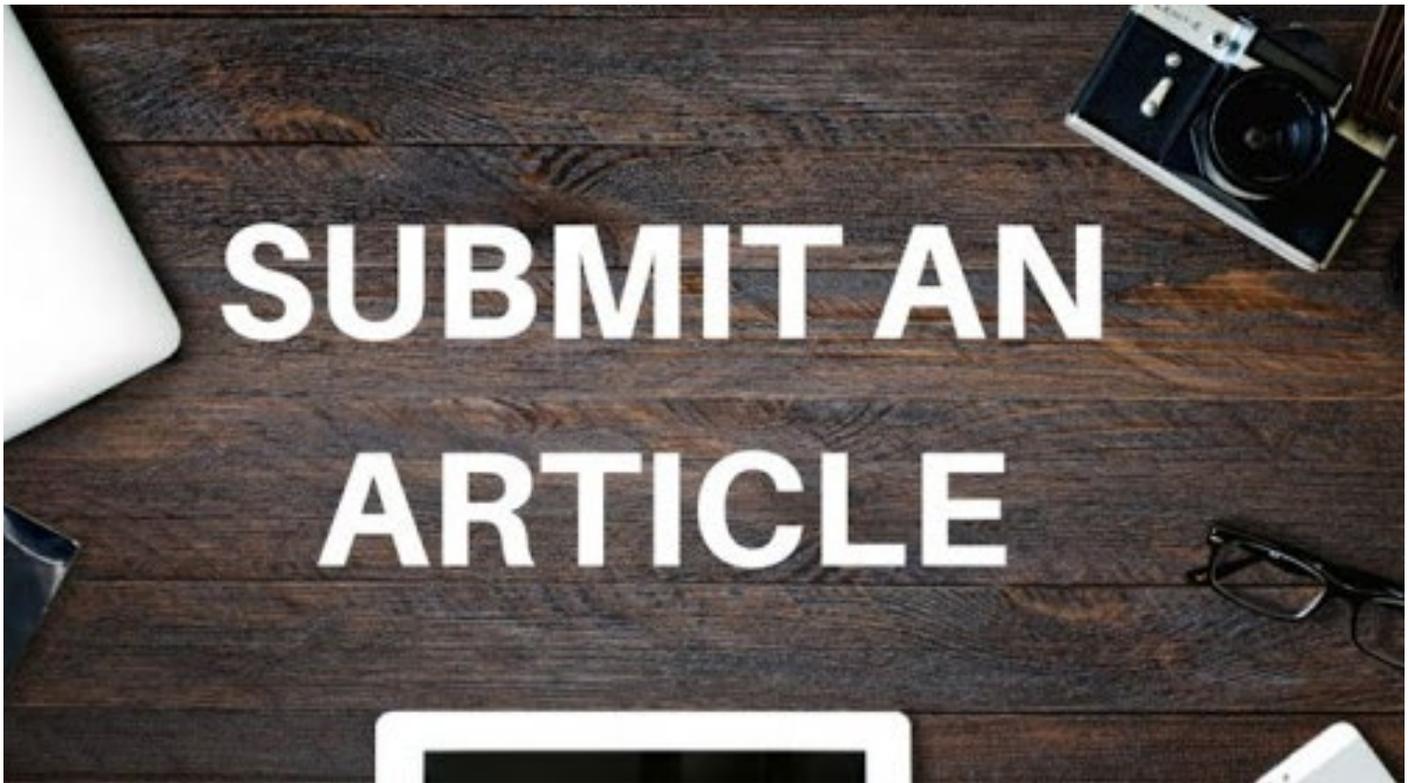
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Submissions should be no longer than 1000 words.

Graphics should be submitted separately and in their final form.

2021 Schedule, Theme and Submission Dates

May: Community, Neighbors, and Family

Submission Date: April 17th

July: Summer Fun

Submission Date: June 17th

September: Fall and Change

Submission Date: August 17th

November: Holiday Edition TBD

Submission Date: October 17th



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