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**FRIPP ISLAND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION**

**SCHEDULE OF MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS**

**2022**

|          |                    |         |
|----------|--------------------|---------|
| SATURDAY | MARCH 19, 2022     | 9:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | APRIL 23, 2022     | 9:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | MAY 21, 2022       | 9:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | JUNE 18, 2022      | 9:00 AM |
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| 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 | MAY 14, 2022      | 10:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | AUGUST 13, 2022   | 10:00 AM |
| SATURDAY | NOVEMBER __, 2022 | TBD      |

# Springtime Fun

Here are some ideas for fun Spring activities.

Submitted by Stacie Thrush



Go on a nature walk

Read a book outside

Plant flowers

Attend local outdoor events

Go to a farmers market

Start a journal

Go on a picnic

Get family photos

Take nature photos

Go out for ice cream

Make a bird house or feeder

Go fishing

Visit a new town, restaurant or local shop

Visit the Drive-In Theatre

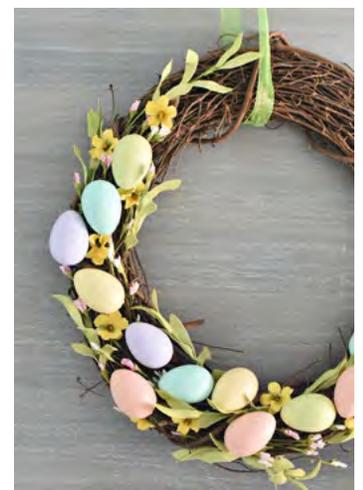
Go on a bike ride

Host a cook out

DIY Crafts - Wreaths, Vases, Painting, etc.

Try a new hobby

Visit a State Park



## Sources and Photos:

My Nourished Home <https://www.mynourishedhome.com/spring-mason-jar-ideas-to-brighten-you-home/>

Midwest Living <https://www.midwestliving.com/homes/seasonal-decorating/50-easy-spring-decorating-ideas/>

HomeBNC: <https://homebnc.com/best-spring-decor-ideas/>

Crazy Little Projects: <https://crazylittleprojects.com/easy-spring-crafts/>

Active Kids: <https://www.activekids.com/parenting-and-family/articles/10-Delightful-Spring-Craft-Ideas-for-Kids>



# Love to write?

## Share Your Story!

**Share your stories, photos or ideas for The Trawler**

To submit a story for consideration in The Trawler, please send your submissions to the Editor:

[communications@frippislandliving.com](mailto:communications@frippislandliving.com)

Submissions should be no longer than 1000 words.

Graphics should be submitted separately and in their final form.

### **2022 Schedule and Submission Dates**

Spring Vol II - May, 2022

4/29/22

Summer - July, 2022

6/30/22

Fall - September, 2022

8/31/22

Special Election Edition - November, 2022

Holiday - December, 2022

11/18/22





## A MESSAGE FROM CHIEF LOWERY

Dear Fripp Island Property Owners,

Spring is upon us and I know we have all been enjoying the warmer weather. As we prepare for more activity throughout the island leading up to summer, I would like to share some updates with you. The transition of security operations from the POA to Security Management of South Carolina has been seamless. It continues to be security's mission to serve our community in a professional and compassionate manner, while being engaged in a community partnership to enhance our quality of life. Security continues to wear many hats, including working with wildlife experts and the POA's wildlife task force, to safely respond to wildlife calls for service and develop an effective wildlife management program. Further residential development of the island means more people will be able to enjoy the benefits of Fripp Island. A consequence of the development is the habitat available to support our wildlife is shrinking, often causing more contact with residents, thereby increasing animal related calls for service.

In March your security team will be participating in a multi-agency table-top exercise regarding a weather related natural disaster. The exercise is designed to bring our public safety, fire/emergency medical services, federal agencies, and other stakeholders together to prepare a coordinated response to natural disasters. The tabletop exercise will be used to facilitate an actual multi-agency training exercise in June, where we will evaluate our training and planning in a practical application. Preparedness is a big part of a successful response to any situation and inter-agency cooperation facilitates the best use of resources when we really need it. We are also in the process of renewing our CPR life saving skills and additional training from Beaufort County EMS in April. In closing, your security team remains grateful for your support and we look forward to working together to keep our paradise welcoming to others and safe.

Respectfully,

Gene Lowery,  
Chief of Security

# Employee Spotlight



**Mike Senecal**  
Assistant Chief of Security

*I was born in Minneapolis Minn. My Dad was in the Air Force and retired after 20 years. During my adolescent years we moved from Germany to the Philippines finally settling in Topeka Kansas. I joined the Marine Corps in 1974 moving from duty stations in the Fareast to the West Coast and finally Beaufort SC. I retired from the Marine Corps on January 1st 2005 with the rank of SgtMaj. I joined the Beaufort Police department for a short time and was asked by then Chief Binkowski if I would like to come to Fripp and, work I did. I joined the security department in September of 2005. I have a wife named Phyllis and a dog named Bella.*

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

*I enjoy riding motorcycles, and attempting to play golf. Better at the former than the latter.*

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

*I have a soft spot for animals.*

**Who is your favorite cartoon character?**

*The Roadrunner*

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

*Growing up I think I was always going to join the military, but to honest I never thought I would spend 30 years doing it. But I do not regret a day of my service.*



# CLASSIC FRIPP RECIPE

## SHRIMP CREOLE

Cooking time: 30-40 minutes

Serves 4

### Ingredients:

4 T. oil

2 medium onions, chopped

1 bell pepper, chopped

1 1/2 c. celery, chopped

2 cans tomato soup

1 t. sugar

1 t. salt

Hot Sauce to taste

1 lb. peeled, raw shrimp

4 Servings of cooked rice

Prepare the rice according to directions

Saute the first 4 ingredients, then add the soup, sugar, salt and hot sauce and let simmer.

Add 1 lb of peeled, raw shrimp and stir constantly.

Let simmer again for a few minutes and serve over rice.

From the Fripp Island Fare Seafood Recipes Cookbook 1976

# Golf Cart BINGO

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**Thursday, May 19**  
**Games start at 4:00 PM**  
**Davis Love Park**



*Sponsored by Fripp Island POA Community Involvement*

# a letter from the editor

*“If it weren’t for the last minute, nothing would get done.” - Rita Mae Brown*

FINALLY! Warmer weather and longer days ahead. A homeowner was at the office recently and we had a very candid conversation about the end of winter and beginning of spring.

Much like a bear, I go into a hibernation period of sorts in the winter. Unfortunately this also includes the extra pounds. I didn’t have to feel guilty for spending an entire Sunday binging TV shows because it was dark by 6 PM. I didn’t have to worry about that extra snack because there will be plenty of time to shed that weight. I know, hypocritical after my last article about time passing at the speed of light, but I digress.

So now, this is when the panic sets in. I start digging out my spring and summer wardrobe and praying that they still fit. If not, then somehow those clothes being stored away in that tote MUST have somehow caused a thermal induction and shrunk my entire wardrobe! This sounded better in my head, but the only logical explanation I can accept.

Or, I can face the truth that I have gone through this routine for the last 20 years or so, and it’s probably never going to change.

There were also many things on my “to-do” list that I wanted to complete during the winter season. Because of limited daylight and cooler weather, it was mainly those indoor tasks like purging the closets, painting the kitchen, and getting everything organized.

I have good intentions, and if good intentions got things done, I would be a superhero wearing a beach towel cape with a giant clothespin! Because I would be a prepared, smart and sensible superhero and my cape would also be functional and beach ready. It was also my costume of choice as a kid.

A bit of a procrastinator? Perhaps. I’ll look into that later. But regardless of having not been very productive over the winter months, I’m very much looking forward to the warmer weather and spending guilt free days laying on the beach with my to-do list ever growing with new things like landscaping and organizing the garage. But first, I must cram four months of exercise into two.

I’ll start tomorrow.





TIME TO

# Connect

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Property Owners Association

# Welcome To The Fripp Family

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

# A NOTE FROM YOUR FIPOA

Dear Trawler Contributors and Readers,

We wanted to make you aware of a company called “That’s Great News”. They subscribe to publications and newspapers and will attempt to reach out to individuals who appear in articles. Once they find a contact, they will send a sales pitch, offering a plaque that has the story mounted on it.

***This company is not an advertiser, and not affiliated with the Trawler or the FIPOA in any way.***

This company began to make contact with individuals featured in the Winter Edition of the Trawler. I have asked the company not to solicit our readers or those featured in our publication. We expect the information we provide in the Trawler to be used as intended, and not to be abused by any company for sales and profit and any potential scams. We wanted you to be aware of this, in the event that this company makes contact with you.

At the FIPOA, we respect your privacy and strive to protect your information. We do not provide your information to other companies. That is why going forward, we have chosen to remove personal contact information such as emails and phone numbers from some of the Trawler articles, with the exception of the FIPOA’s information, businesses or advertisers, until this is fully resolved.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, but If you would like to follow up with a featured artist, content provider, or organization featured in the Trawler, please reach out to [communications@frippislandliving.com](mailto:communications@frippislandliving.com) and we will be happy to assist you.

Thank you,  
Stacie Thrush, Editor

## FRIPP ISLAND REAL ESTATE UPDATE February 28, 2022

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 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|
| Homesites                | 1    | 14   | 6    |
| Condos                   | 2    | 7    | 3    |
| Homes                    | 12   | 19   | 15   |
| Total                    | 15   | 40   | 24   |

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| AVERAGE SOLD PRICE        | 2020      | 2021      | 2022      |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Homesites                 | \$130,000 | \$97,743  | \$146,583 |
| Condos                    | \$175,000 | \$221,000 | \$345,000 |
| Homes                     | \$609,182 | \$733,684 | \$993,946 |
| Homes avg. per sq. ft.    | \$227     | \$254     | \$372     |
| Homes avg. days on market | 613 days  | 238 days  | 115 days  |

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### UNDER CONTRACT/PENDING as of February 28th

| Year:     | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|-----------|------|------|------|
| Homesites | 1    | 21   | 12   |
| Condos    | 3    | 3    | 4    |
| Homes     | 6    | 20   | 5    |
| Total     | 10   | 44   | 21   |

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### NUMBER OF ACTIVE LISTINGS on February 28th

| Year:     | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|-----------|------|------|------|
| Homesites | 132  | 80   | 36   |
| Condos    | 25   | 3    | 2    |
| Homes     | 114  | 12   | 5    |
| Total     | 271  | 95   | 43   |

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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](mailto:charlesp@frippislandrealestate.com)

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

# HAIL DAMAGE?

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*Our inspectors are trained to thoroughly examine your roof and find damage that may not be visible.*

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**FRIPP ISLAND PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT  
COMMISSION**

**GENERAL ELECTION  
November 8, 2022**

The Fripp Island Public Service District, created on April 16, 1962 by Act No. 1042 of the South Carolina General Assembly, serves the residents and property owners of Fripp Island, South Carolina. Services include drinking water supply, wastewater collection and treatment, fire protection, erosion control, and maintenance of the Fripp Inlet Bridge.

The Fripp Island Public Service District Commission governs the District. With the successful passage of a referendum by the registered voters of Fripp Island on November 7, 2000, the Commission became an elected body. The first general election was held on November 6, 2001. The six-member commission establishes policies and procedures, approves the annual budget and adopts the necessary utility rates and tax levies to fund the District's operations.

**On November 8, 2022, two seats on the Commission will be up for election. The election is non-partisan, and the two candidates receiving the most votes will serve four-year terms.**

**Individuals interested in serving on the Commission must be registered voters living on Fripp Island. Prospective candidates must file a Statement of Candidacy with the Beaufort County Board of Elections and Voter Registration. A filing fee is NOT required.**

**The DEADLINE for Filing is NOON, Monday, August 15, 2022.**

You may obtain the necessary forms for filing from the District's office located at 291 Tarpon Boulevard or from the Beaufort County Board of Elections and Voter Registration located at 15 John Galt Road, Beaufort, SC.

Anyone having questions regarding candidacy or the election may call the District's office at (843) 838-2400 and ask to speak with Angie Hughes or Yvonne Fireall.

Angel L. Hughes  
Manager

February 22, 2022

**FRIPP ISLAND**



**YACHT CLUB**

The Fripp Island Yacht Club is a social organization that promotes cruising, fishing, boating skills, and safe boating on our local waters. With events ranging from casual oyster roasts and picnics to overnight boat trips and the Annual Commodore's Ball, members participate in numerous interesting, educational and exciting activities.

Learn more at [frippislandyachtclub.com](http://frippislandyachtclub.com).





***“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.”***

*Quote from the 2021 Spring Volume I Trawler*

A reptile with prehistoric lineage, the alligator has a very distinctive appearance with its armored lizard-like body and a long muscular tail and powerful jaws. Hundreds of alligators make their home in the lagoons and ponds on Fripp Island.

While fascinating creatures, **alligators are dangerous and it is illegal to feed them.** They also can be found on the beach in standing water or tidal pools. Pay extra attention to alligator presence on the beach and while near lagoons and ponds.



While visiting Fripp Island, please keep away from all lagoons, ponds and standing water (tidal pools) especially on our beach. There is no fishing, crabbing, swimming or wading in these waters. Just because you cannot see an alligator, it does not mean that one is not there.

**KEEP CHILDREN AND PETS AWAY FROM THE EDGES OF ALL LAGOONS.**

**DO NOT FEED THE ALLIGATORS.**

Feeding or harassing alligators is dangerous and illegal. Once fed, the alligator connects humans with food and loses its fear of them.

If you witness anyone feeding or harassing alligators, please contact Fripp Island Security at 843.838.2334.

**VIOLATORS WILL BE SUBJECT TO SCDNR FINES UP TO \$200.00 or 30 DAYS IN JAIL.**



*Article information adapted from the FrippIslandLiving.com website.*

*Photos taken safely by the FIPOA.*

# CHURCH by the BEACH



## EASTER SUNDAY

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9am - Sunday, April 17th  
Beach Club Greene  
beside the Beach Club



Come Join Us For a Casual,  
Family Friendly Service.  
Please bring a Chair or Blanket to Sit On

# EASTER TRADITIONS

According to Britannica.com, Easter is one of the principal holidays, or feasts, of Christianity. It marks the Resurrection of Jesus three days after his death by crucifixion. For many Christian churches, Easter is the joyful end to the Lenten season of fasting and penitence. The earliest recorded observance of Easter comes from the 2nd century, though it is likely that even the earliest Christians commemorated the Resurrection, which is an integral tenet of the faith.

In 325 the Council of Nicaea decreed that Easter should be observed on the first Sunday following the first full moon after the spring equinox (March 21). Easter, therefore, can fall on any Sunday between March 22 and April 25. Eastern Orthodox churches use a slightly different calculation based on the Julian calendar. As a result, the Orthodox Easter celebration usually occurs later than that of Roman Catholics and Protestants.

According to History.com, Easter traditions and symbols have evolved over time, though some have been around for centuries. Like the most prominent symbol, the Easter Bunny. It is believed that the story of the Easter bunny was brought to America by German immigrants, with tales of an egg-laying hare.

In some European folklore, the rabbit was said to leave a basket filled with colored eggs. Additionally, exchanging baskets was a common tradition of early medieval Catholics. Baskets of food were brought to the church to be blessed and to celebrate the end of Lent.

Historians also trace the decorating of eggs back to the 13th century. It is believed eggs may have been painted and decorated at the end of the fasting period and eaten as an Easter celebration.

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Easter-holiday>  
[https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/easter-symbols#section\\_3](https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/easter-symbols#section_3)  
<https://www.marthastewart.com/>  
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## Most Popular Easter Candy

1. Hollow Milk Chocolate Bunnies
2. Starburst Jelly Beans
3. Reese's Peanut Butter Eggs
4. Nerds Jelly Beans
5. Cadbury Mini Eggs

<https://www.mashed.com/147442/the-most-popular-easter-candy-ranked-worst-to-best/>

The top least favorite include:

1. Cadbury Creme Eggs
2. Bunny Corn
3. Peeps

<https://www.mentalfloss.com/article/578768/worst-easter-candies>



# KYSHONA ON FRIPP

*Contributed by Margit Resch*

Sing this: “Kee-sho-nuh, Kee-sho-nuh, on Fripp she will sing... Kee-sho-nuh, Kee-sho-nuh, on Fripp she will sing.”

Did you really find a melody for these words and sing them? Then you were communicating the news that Kyshona will sing on Fripp the way Kyshona Armstrong would: with music. With music that is created to tell a story, send a message. Yes, Kyshona Armstrong doesn't just entertain with her soulful blend of folk, rock, and blues, with her intriguing story-telling; she wants to heal the hurting, to encourage us to battle adversity in our community, to overcome hate, to work towards a better future, to change our troubled world, to practice empathy and love. To quote from the review of Kyshona's album Listen by The Bluegrass Situation: “The melodies are catchy, but it's the lyrics that really grab the attention on this album. [Kyshona] sings with the undeniable spirit and conviction that was more common in the tumultuous 60s. However, through all the turmoil of the times, the message is ultimately one of hope that leaves you believing things will get better.” And one fan wrote: “Amidst these hard, divisive times this set of songs is a salve for the grief many of us are feeling about resulting loss of family, friends, and community.”

Given Kyshona's admirable goals, it is not surprising to hear that she began her career as a musical therapist, writing songs with her patients in mind, writing songs with her patients: the students and the prison inmates under her care, the marginalized, the silenced and the forgotten. Us.

Kyshona hails from South Carolina. Her father played LPs from his huge record collection all day long, when he was not playing guitar and singing in his room; so there was always music in the home. Kyshona also loved watching her dad and her grandparents perform in church. “When they opened their mouths, I sat back and listened,” she says. She learned to play the piano early. “I loved the idea of telling a story or conveying an emotion through the piano keys,” she says. “The beauty was that I never had to look at an audience or do anything flashy. I simply had to play and focus on the musical story.” It was not until her senior year in high school that she sang in front of an audience, a scary experience. A career in music therapy helped her overcome her fear of performance. “I was using the music as a tool for healing,” she says. “My patients didn't care about how my voice sounded, or how I looked. They just wanted a connection. That's the part of performing that I love. Connecting.”

# FRIENDS OF MUSIC UPCOMING CONCERTS



From Athens, Georgia, where she was a fixture in the singer-songwriter circles, she moved to Nashville. She found her place in the soul and rock music scenes there and has released four albums since. Kyshona has had the privilege of sharing the stage with Wynonna Judd, Margo Price, Even Stevens, JD McPherson, Cracker, and many more. Deemed “One of the most compassionate and uplifting young voices in Nashville today” by NPR Music’s World Cafe, Kyshona’s music has been heard on Issa Rae’s (HBO’s *Insecure*) short film series and on major prime time television shows on ABC, CBS and NBC.

And speaking of connecting. Kyshona certainly knows how to connect to her audience. Her narrative songwriting, descriptive guitar-playing and powerful lyrical voice, all enhanced by her two spirited fellow musicians, have the power to not only awaken, but to sustain our attention, like when she addresses us all: “Brothers and Sisters... hear what I’m saying.” She has the power to awaken in us empathy and the desire to help our needy fellow human beings, awaken in us the wish to overcome any animosities in our community, to heal our societal ills. She inspires us to follow her lead.

By the way, if you want to persuade your friends to come to the concert with you by singing “Kee-sho-nuh, kee-sho-nuh, on Fripp she will sing,” use Nelson Riddle’s tune, sung famously by Frank Sinatra: “Chicago, Chicago, that toddling town. Chicago, Chicago, I will show you around.” Or just tell your friends:

The Kyshona Trio will entertain us Sunday, March 27, 5:00 pm at the Fripp Community Centre, 205 Tarpon Boulevard. It is presented by Fripp Friends of Music, supported by the SC Arts Commission and benefits FIFOM’s Music-in-the-Schools program. Tickets at the door: adults \$30 (credit cards accepted), students free thanks to the Peg Gorham Memorial Fund. You are invited to our complimentary post-performance reception, catered by Harold’s Chef Services, and meet the musicians. Go to [www.frippfriendsofmusic.com](http://www.frippfriendsofmusic.com) or call Vanessa Peñaherrera for more information.

**March 27, 2022,**  
Kyshona Trio, featuring bluesy, uplifting singer/songwriter Kyshona Armstrong,  
[kyshona.com](http://kyshona.com)

**April 24, 2022,**  
Rebecca Folsom, singer/songwriter/poet/artist,  
[rebeccafolsom.com](http://rebeccafolsom.com)

**May 15, 2022,**  
John Sawoski, a multi-genre pianist, with vocalist Michele Patzakis,  
[LAPianist.com](http://LAPianist.com)  
(Originally scheduled for January, 2022)

## Membership Rates Per Person

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

“Help us bring about change toward a community tuned into music.”

## Questions about membership?

Contact Membership Chair,  
Vanessa Peñaherrera

Contact the FIPOA for email and phone number





# Sweetgrass Baskets

a lowcountry tradition





If you are new to the area, undoubtedly when traveling around the Lowcountry, you have noticed the roadside stands set up selling Sweetgrass Baskets. If you are a long time resident, maybe you have stopped to check it out or you are even a regular customer?

One of the most popular places to find these shops are around Charleston and Mount Pleasant. I remember the first time traveling to Mount Pleasant many years ago and seeing all those little wooden stands with those beautiful baskets displayed along highway 17. This is known as “Seven-Mile Stretch” or “Sweetgrass Basket Makers Highway” and it’s community of families who are descendants of slaves from area plantations.

You can find a Mount Pleasant native set up just a few miles from Fripp Island. There are also artists in the St. Helena area and the Penn Center.

If you have a sweetgrass basket or have ever taken the time to examine one of these closely, you will see the intricate detail of these beautiful handmade treasures. They vary in size and shape and you can even find sweetgrass woven around clocks, shaped into roses and other items crafted from sweetgrass. Sometimes you can get a glimpse of the artist hand crating their works at their shops and stands.

How did this Lowcountry tradition begin? According to sciway.net, the basket-making tradition began in the 17th century by way of West African slaves brought to America to work on plantations. Bulrush, a type of marsh grass was used to make baskets called fanners that were used as a process to separate the chaff from the rice. Baskets were also made for holding vegetables, shellfish and cotton.

In the early 1900s, artists began to employ other plant materials including pine needles, saw palmetto fronds, and sweetgrass. Sweetgrass is harvested in the spring and summer and provides more flexibility which allows for better weaving techniques like plaiting or twisting and even coiling.

Much like many products, “knockoffs” have found their way into the market. These are often less expensive, are bound by plastic materials, and are a different shade or color.

While basket making was once common along the eastern US coast from North Carolina to Florida, today it’s mostly seen right here in the Lowcountry.

Source: <https://www.sciway.net>  
Photos: Pixabay.com

# Meet the Crew Members

## FRIPP ISLAND SEA RESCUE

Contributed by Mary Jacobs  
*FISR Communications Officer*

It is such an honor to be the new Communications Officer for FISR! The organization is a non-profit group that serves the Fripp Island area and the nearby areas.

We are dedicated to helping boaters in distress. First of all, I would like for you to be familiar with the duties of the officers as listed below. We will be introducing the members of FISR in the next few issues. After you review the duties, then you will be introduced to the members that maintain and serve these positions. What a dedicated and talented group of folks!



**Treasurer: Mark Draves**

- Manage the organization's bank, savings and investment accounts
- Prepare the budget and annual tax returns
- Report financial status at each monthly general meeting
- Assure annual registration is completed for all boats and motors
- Procure, maintain and protect all titles and registrations for all boats and motors

Mark is originally from Wisconsin. He served as the CEO of a non-profit in Indiana for 46 years after college. He bought his home on Fripp in 2004. He and his lovely wife, Susan of 50 years moved here in 2013. They have two adult daughters and two grandsons. He joined FISR in 2016 after being invited by his neighbor, Barry Stean. Mark has been an active power and sailboat owner since 1966. He has skippered boats on both island and coastal waters of the US, the Great Lakes, Caribbean and Mediterranean. Make volunteers and does base and boat duty. He participates in US Coastal Guard drills as well as serves at treasurer.

Mark joined FISR primarily because of its mission. Also, he firmly believes that volunteering one's time, talent or treasure is required as the "Rent" you pay for living in a community.

Mark is truly an asset to the organization. His kindness, love of community and the organization shows in all that he does! Thanks, Mark!



**Scheduling Officer: Alicia Barry**

- Solicit crew member availability for quarterly duty
- Publish the Quarterly Duty Schedules and changes thereto

Alicia retired from nursing in 2020 she moved to Fripp. He grew up in Cohasset, M. but just moved from Holden, MA. Alicia has been an avid boater since she began sailing at the tender age of eight. When you see her at the helm you can certainly see the many years of experience. She joined Sea Rescue because of her love of boating and helping other people. If you ever want a boating lesson, she is the person to contact. She is patient when she teaches you and never seems to get upset when you make a mistake. A truly gifted trainer and boat person!

In addition to her excellent boating skills, she helps facilitate CPR training. She is truly an asset to the folks on the island and to the organization! Thanks, Alicia, for all that you do!



Maintenance Officer: Harold Waller

- Assure that the fleet receives scheduled maintenance as required
- Procure new boat components, or request the Quartermaster to procure

- Install or arrange installation of new boat components as needed
- Keep all boat components updated as needed
- Assure boat hulls, engines and components are repaired on a timely basis
- Utilize contractors as required to perform any of the above tasks
- Promulgate maintenance and operational instructions to crew members to assure that all crew protect and contribute to the ongoing wellbeing, longevity and readiness of the fleet

He moved to the island in January 2017 after Hurricane Matthew.

Harold Waller has been in FISR for about three years. He joined the organization to help people, learn the waters and thought Helo Duty with the Coast Guard was interesting. He is originally from Virginia Beach and spend over half his life in the Atlanta area. He is a former communications and arts designer for Bank of America

Harold's spirt, smile and attire of "orange" is noted and loved by all of Fripp. Thanks, Harold, for all your efforts and hard work!

Please remember our one and ONLY fund raiser is coming up in March. Please mark your calendar for the annual Golf Tournament on March 12, 2022.

FISR is always looking for new members. If you are interested, please contact any of the officers and we will be glad to tell you more about the organization



# Fripp Island Sea Rescue

Stay connected with FISR at: [www.FISeaRescue.org](https://www.FISeaRescue.org) [@FrippIslandSeaRescue](https://www.facebook.com/FrippIslandSeaRescue)



Thanksgiving Tournament Winners Photo courtesy of Captain Ralph.

# SPRING IS ON THE WAY

Contributed by Captain Ralph Goodison

Spring is on the way. How do we know? We have two weather forecasters; Punxsutawney Phil, the famous groundhog and our own predictor, the Fiddler Crab.

Phil did not see his shadow meaning an early spring. Our predictor and the smallest member of the crab family, the fiddler crab, who in cold weather digs deep into the mud and sand and comes to the surface in an early spring.

He is here and says “get ready for an early spring”. The Sheepshead fish favorite food is the fiddler crab and they are a great catch in the spring around Fripp Island. P.S. they are good eating.

As we look forward to our spring season, our island comes to life. Our amenities are the best. Our beach, waterways and our boating and fishing can't be beat.

## FISHING FORECAST

As Captain George, has said, “The bite is on; fishing is good.”

INSHORE: Fishing is picking up with catches of Blackdrum, Whiting, Trout and Redfish and should increase as the weather warms. Sheepshead are the best bet around piers, bridges and structures.



Plenty of fish to clean. Photo courtesy of Captain Ralph.



Good eating!. Photo courtesy of Captain Ralph.

NEARSHORE: Drydock, Tire/Fripp Reef, best bet. Good catches of Blackbass, Blackdrum, Red Vermillion, Large Redfish, Sheepshead and Trigger Fish. 6HI (Hunting Island Reef) also is showing similar catches.

OFFSHORE/STREAM: Wahoo are back and Blackfinn Tuna. Small Dolphins are showing.

The Marina and excursions are ready for the new season. Lewis Turner and Jeff Pickney are ready with all hands on deck for a great spring and summer of fun.

Our next Fishing tournament will be the Memorial Weekend Fishing Tournament, but don't wait to enjoy our beautiful Island and our boating and fishing.

Remember groundhog Phil and our Fiddler Crab said "spring is here". So get out and enjoy our beautiful Island, and remember "Fripp Is Not Perfect but Is Darn Close".



Black drum caught on Fripp Island. Photo courtesy of Captain Ralph.



Never know what you will catch. Photo courtesy of Captain Ralph.



95 years young and loves to fish! Photo courtesy of Captain Ralph.



Shark attack on this redfish caught on Fripp Island. Photo courtesy of Captain Ralph.

# CELEBRATING ST. PATRICK

St. Patrick, patron saint of Ireland was born in Roman Britain in the late fourth century and was taken to Ireland as a slave at the age of 16. He escaped but returned to convert the Irish to Christianity. He had established schools and churches before his death on March 17, 461.

Many legends surrounded St Patrick including driving snakes out of Ireland and using the shamrock to explain the Trinity. Ireland began celebrating with religious services and feasts and St. Patrick's Day made its way into the United States by way of emigrants from Ireland.

America celebrates St Patrick's Day in ways that may or may not have began in Ireland. The first parade for example is said to date back to the 1600s and took place in Florida. Irish immigrants in New York adopted eating corned beef and cabbage rather than the original tradition of bacon and cabbage. Dyeing beer and the rivers are other traditions that began in the United States. Chicago was the first to dye their river in the 1960s, though an accidentally discover, it spawned a tradition that others have adopted.

Getting pinched for not wearing green is a tradition that you may remember from your elementary school days. This tradition stems from displaying the Irish Pride, otherwise you may be pinched. It was also said that the mythical leprechaun might pinch those not wearing green.

-Stacie Thrush, Editor



## Ways to Celebrate

One of the largest St. Patrick's Day celebrations that take place in Savannah is scheduled to return in 2022 with events such as "Greening of the Fountain" and the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Hilton Head Island will also have its St. Patrick's Day celebrations with events and a parade. Another big celebration takes place at the Annual St. Patrick's Day Block Party & Parade in North Charleston. Details at the links below:

<https://savannahsaintpatricksday.com/>  
<https://www.hiltonheadireland.org/>  
<https://www.northcharleston.org/residents/special-events/st-patricks-day-block-party/>

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<https://www.thrillist.com/>  
Photo courtesy of Pixabay.com

# Greening of the Creek

By Stacie Thrush, Editor

Back in the early 90s, my brother was in the Navy on nuclear submarines. I was around ten years old at the time, and I loved when my brother would come home and visit. One, because I missed him, and two, because he would bring home some really cool stuff.

He brought money from other countries, music from the west coast that I had never heard of, and a couple of things from the submarine like an industrial set of nose plugs and a dye pack. I remember the dye pack was in a plastic yellow bag and read “To release dye, pull tab”. It was supposed to be a secret keepsake, but in the hands of an adventurous ten-year-old with a seven-year-old cousin, it wasn’t going to remain a secret for very long.

We knew the dye was green and decided on Saint Patrick’s Day it would be fun to put the dye pack into the small creek that ran along our house, to have our very own “Greening of the Creek”. What we didn’t realize is that this dye pack was designed to be spotted in large bodies of water. As one website states: “These Markers are each designed to release enough bright green dye to be visible up to a mile away for up to 30-40 minutes.”

The stream was only a few feet wide at the largest point close to our house and ran for several miles before dumping into the Guyanotte River.



*Photo courtesy of Walter Rambo, Facebook*

We put the bag in the water and pulled the tab. It was astonishing how fluorescent green that creek turned VERY fast, and there was nothing we could do to stop it. We thought if anyone found out what we had done, we would likely be in BIG trouble. Rumors of what it could have been swirled around our small town of around 300 residents. Thankfully after a while, it was forgotten; or so I thought.

In 2016 a friend of mine from that tiny town posted photos of our hometown creek with a bright green hue and said he will never forget when our town celebrated St Patrick’s Day and wasn’t sure how or why that happened. I couldn’t believe evidence still existed and I fessed up to solve the nearly 30-year-old mystery. Several people from my hometown chimed in to say they remembered it well and were glad to know after all this time, it was just a simple sort of prank.

# COMMUNITY CENTRE

*Contributed By: Rebecca Climer, FICC Board President*

It's beginning to look a lot like Spring on Fripp Island! As we approach our busier season, there are a few upcoming events and activities we'd like for you to keep in mind...

## **Treasure Sale, June 11, Fripp Island Community Centre**

We've already started collecting items for the return of this terrific FICC event. Due to COVID our 2020 sale had to be cancelled, so we're back in 2022. We will accept both indoor and outdoor furnishings, bicycles, kitchen items, linens, decorative items, upscale purses, artwork and costume jewelry, bicycles, and outdoor electronics (mowers, trimmers, etc.) Please keep in mind that donated items should be clean and in relatively good condition. This year, we're adding a bake sale and other associated events that will make this year's Treasure Sale entertaining and fun for everyone. If you have items to

donate, please contact Gloria Robinson or Rebecca Climer. More information and a detailed schedule are forthcoming.

## **Shredding Event**

Our next shredding event has been scheduled for Saturday, May 14, 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Bring all your paper material that needs to be securely shredded and it'll be taken care of!

## **New Board Members**

Each February, FICC Board members are elected or re-elected. This year, two of our Board members "retired." We are most grateful to Kathlyn Gray, former Assistant Treasurer, and Sandra Rice, former Secretary. They will be missed. Newly elected Board members are Sandy White and Carole Fahey. New officers will be elected at the March Board meeting and will be announced in the FICC newsletter.

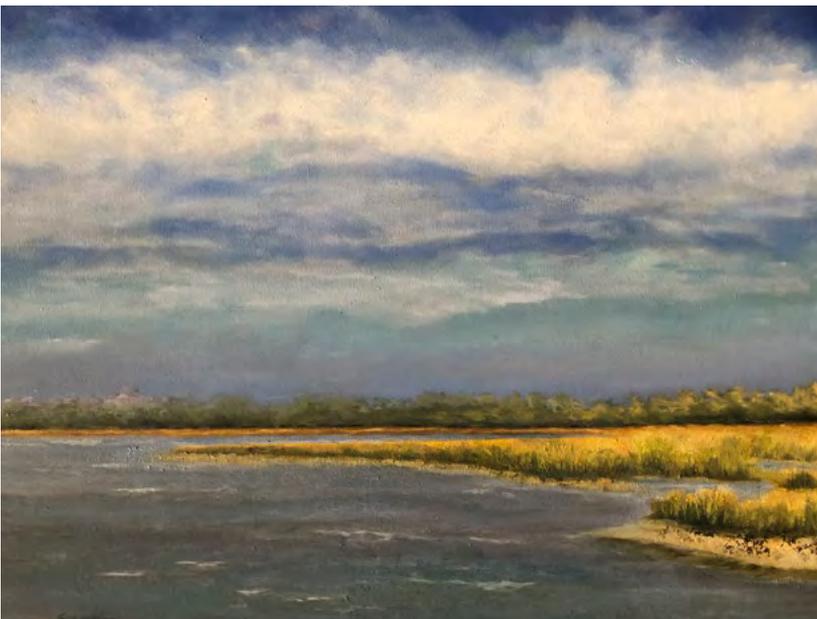
## Annual Fund

The Fripp Island Community Centre runs on donated time and dollars! We are fortunate to have been supported generously with both. In 2021, we conducted a special, limited campaign to help with an anticipated shortfall and our membership came through! Now we are conducting our Annual Fund, the only fundraising that we expect in 2022. If you haven't recently sent your donation in support of our activities, let me encourage you to do so now. In pre-COVID times, the FICC was home to nearly 100 events per month. Now, we are approaching that level of activity again.

Clubs and organizations are meeting again, new classes have been added, and we need your help to support our Community Centre. Please send your donations to Fripp Island Community Centre, 205 Tarpon Boulevard. I say it often, but never enough, the Centre depends on folks who volunteer their resources – time, talent and funds – to the Centre. Thanks, in advance, for helping us fulfill our purpose of furthering the religious, cultural and spiritual life of Fripp Island.

See you at the Community Centre!





*"An Extra Helping of Lowcountry", "Lowcountry Formal" and "Marsh View" are some of Susan's Lowcountry landscape paintings.*

# local artist spotlight

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

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SUSAN ALLEN is an accomplished musician with a Bachelor's Degree in French Horn Performance from The Cleveland Institute of Music. She was a member of the Canton and Youngstown Symphonies and was Principal Horn of the Suburban Symphony Orchestra of Beachwood, Ohio for twenty-seven years. Susan retired from music in 2012 to actively pursue her interests in the studio arts. She has studied drawing, watercolor, and oil painting with many artists in the Cleveland area, including the late John Carlson, Dino Massaroni, and John A. Sargent, III. She is passionate about capturing in oil the many beautiful and varied landscapes that she photographs while traveling. Susan has participated in a number of juried art shows in Cleveland and regularly exhibits at Tower Press Studios. Her talent has been recognized by several international landscape competitions where she took top honors on three occasions for her work in painting seascapes. Susan lives on Lake Erie in Bratenahl, Ohio, with her husband, Tom, and their Golden Retriever, Piper.

"Fripp has been an important part of our lives since 1980, when my in-laws built a home on Remora Drive. For the past 40 years Fripp has been our retreat from our overly scheduled lives in Cleveland. Our children grew up vacationing on Fripp, building sandcastles, crabbing, attending Camp Fripp, and enjoying all that this beautiful island has to offer. Now our grandchildren are happily following in their footsteps.

My husband and I spend at least 6 months of the year at our home on Porpoise Circle where we enjoy the constantly changing vistas of the Inlet and Hunting Island beyond.

Fripp was a major influence on my decision to study oil painting. Having experienced the Lowcountry in a variety of seasonal light, I felt compelled to paint everything I was sensing. The smells, the sounds, the quality of light, even the feel of the salt marsh at dusk inspired me. Since I had no formal education in the visual arts, I began with a drawing class and then studied watercolor. I was particularly drawn to oil painting because I enjoy the luscious feel of the oils, plus the challenge and fun of mixing my own colors.

For over 45 years I was a classical musician, working within the parameters of a very controlled artistic environment. Now as an oil painter, I am free to explore and experience on my own terms the unlimited opportunities that art has to offer. I see myself moving away from the studied, realistic approach to a more interpretive and expressive style of painting. I describe my style as Restrained Realism. I have focused my artistic endeavors on capturing the ever-changing beauty of the South Carolina Lowcountry.

I prefer painting Lowcountry landscapes. I seldom paint plein air. I work from the photos that I am constantly taking as we enjoy the beautiful environment of Fripp Island. I study the clouds, the reflections of light, the various hues and shadows created by the Lowcountry sun. The quality of light and the colors of Fripp Island are always changing. Sometimes intense;



*"Lowcountry Reflection" by Susan Allen*

sometimes soft and more subtle. It can be powerful and angry, or gentle and breezy. Some days are pastel and pale; others shimmering and bright. I discipline myself to be as observant as possible and highlight the unique elements of each landscape. Fripp is truly amazing, and I try to capture it all.

The biggest challenge of any landscape is building and layering the correct saturation of color consistently throughout the painting. Every element of the painting needs to relate to the whole in order to result in the proper balance. Sometimes it is difficult to know when you have gone as far as you can with a painting. I will come back months later, even years later, and with a few brush strokes complete the painting.

My advice to any person wishing to develop a new artistic talent, be it music or art, can be summed up in one word. "PRACTICE!" To achieve a level of accomplishment requires the discipline of daily practice. There is no improvement without it. I paint or draw almost every day. Sometimes it can be frustrating, but with patience and perseverance, each hour of practice leads to a better next day.

I would like to thank the staff of the Trawler, the FIPOA, and the entire Fripp community for being so supportive of the arts. I believe I can speak on behalf of other artists when I express my appreciation. It's all a part of what makes Fripp such a special place."

To learn more, visit:  
[www.susanallenart.com](http://www.susanallenart.com)



*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)*



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Less than 1/4 page : \$40 per issue/\$216 six issues

Quarter Page: \$55 per issue/\$297 six issues

Half Page: \$80 per issue/\$375 six issues

Monthly, Bi Annual and Annual Contracts are available for advertising.  
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## 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!



# *In Memoriam*



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

Ivan Welch 1/10/22

Jack Pittas 1/17/22

Dora Edwards 1/12/22

Jimmy Blitch 1/23/22

Robert "Bob" Stag 2/10/22

Sally Galster 2/19/22



# MENS Nine Hole Golf League

*Contributed By: Mike Wilt*

During this current time period from mid-January to the end of February weather was not a factor as the men's nine-hole golf group were able to play on all six of the designated Wednesdays.

Participation in the group remains below the number of players we would like to see and there are no skill level requirements. All are welcome to join. Ken Anton is currently the President and Charles Middleton the Treasurer so you can contact either of them via email on Foretees if you are interested in joining or inquire at either of the pro shops for more information.

Games during this time frame were Team Stableford, Reverse Bear Creek, and One Low Net, One Low Gross.

Closest to the pin winners were David Mandelbaum twice, and Bob Smith and Ken Anton once each. The course prevailed on two of the outings as nobody was able to reach the green on the designated hole.

Winners during this six-week stretch were Richard Ward, Ken Anton and Scott Hutchins, three times each; Joe Sullivan and Jim Wolbrink twice each and Brian Flynn, Don Dashiell, Ed Smith, David Mandelbaum, Rick Stein,



David Moore and Perminder Bindra once each.

During March the group will play at Ocean Creek and in April at Ocean Point. The current roster of the men's nine-hole group stands at 22.

Annual dues remain a 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/](http://web.foretees.com/frippislandresort/)



# Fripp Audubon Club in Full Swing for Winter and Spring

*Our Mission is to provide opportunities for study, observation and conservation of the flora and fauna of the South Carolina Low Country, especially the coast, by mobilizing area participants, members and volunteers through educational guest speakers, birding trips, Audubon in the Schools, wildlife tracking, research and habitat protection.*

## Audubon Outings 2021-2022 Winter and Spring

Outings (members have first priority):

- March 10: Nemours Wildlife Foundation
- April 14 & 26: Harbor Island Spring Migration
- April 21-22: Silver Bluff Audubon Center & Sanctuary (Overnight trip)
- May 12: Beidler Forest

## Ten Eyck Lecture Series

Programs are held monthly at the FI Community Centre. Meeting times will be announced.

Tentative Programs:

- March 24: Live Bird Demos, Birds of Prey Center
- April 28: Spring Warblers
- May 26: Annual Meeting /  
Shorebirds / Seabirds  
Alyssa Zebrowski  
SC Audubon Annual Meeting

**Mailing Address: 199 Tarpon Blvd.  
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Website: [www.islc/net/audubon](http://www.islc/net/audubon)  
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(see membership form)**

**Article Submitted by Jack Sims.  
To find out more about the Fripp Audubon Club  
email Jack Sims**

# Local Sea Rescue Teams Hosting Golf Tournament and Online Auction Proceeds benefit rescue missions in Beaufort and Fripp Island

*Contributed by Jan Manning*

Beaufort Water Search & Rescue (BWSAR) and Fripp Island Sea Rescue (FISR) are hosting their second online auction in conjunction with the 19th annual St. Paddy's Golf Tournament. Because our golf tournament is so popular, has a limited amount of teams, and fills up quickly, we are adding an online auction allowing everyone to participate with our largest event and fundraiser. The online auction is open and free to everyone and will run from March 5-13, 2022 at: <https://www.32auctions.com/FISRandBWSARAuction2022>

Beaufort Water Search & Rescue and Fripp Island Sea Rescue are all-volunteer organizations that serve the commercial and recreational boating community in water-related incidents and emergencies. Their primary missions are to help boaters in distress and conduct search and rescue missions to support and assist the Beaufort County Sheriff's Office, South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, United States Coast Guard and state and federal law enforcement agencies.

These local and critical organizations require boats, motors, trailers, accessories, electronics, maintenance and fuel to provide these services to Beaufort County.

Both organizations are in the continuing process of upgrading their equipment to be able to continue serving their respective waters. Without the community support, we would not be able to provide these sometimes lifesaving emergency responses.



## Fripp Island Sea Rescue

You can support these mission-critical local organizations by bidding on some of the generous auction donations from the community which range from \$100.00 - \$4,800.00 with new donations coming in daily!

There is something for everyone with items like: Golf Foursomes at some of Beaufort County's finest golf courses, Fripp and Hilton Head Island condo rentals, catered dinners for four, oyster roast for 25, drone flying experience, fishing boat charters both flounder gigging and off-shore fishing), Coastal Expedition St. Phillips Island Cruise, golf cart rentals, guided beach walks for eight, local artists' work, photography, acupuncture, and spa sessions plus much, much more! FISR and BWSAR thank its local artists and businesses for contributing such exciting auction donations.

**Visit the online site at**

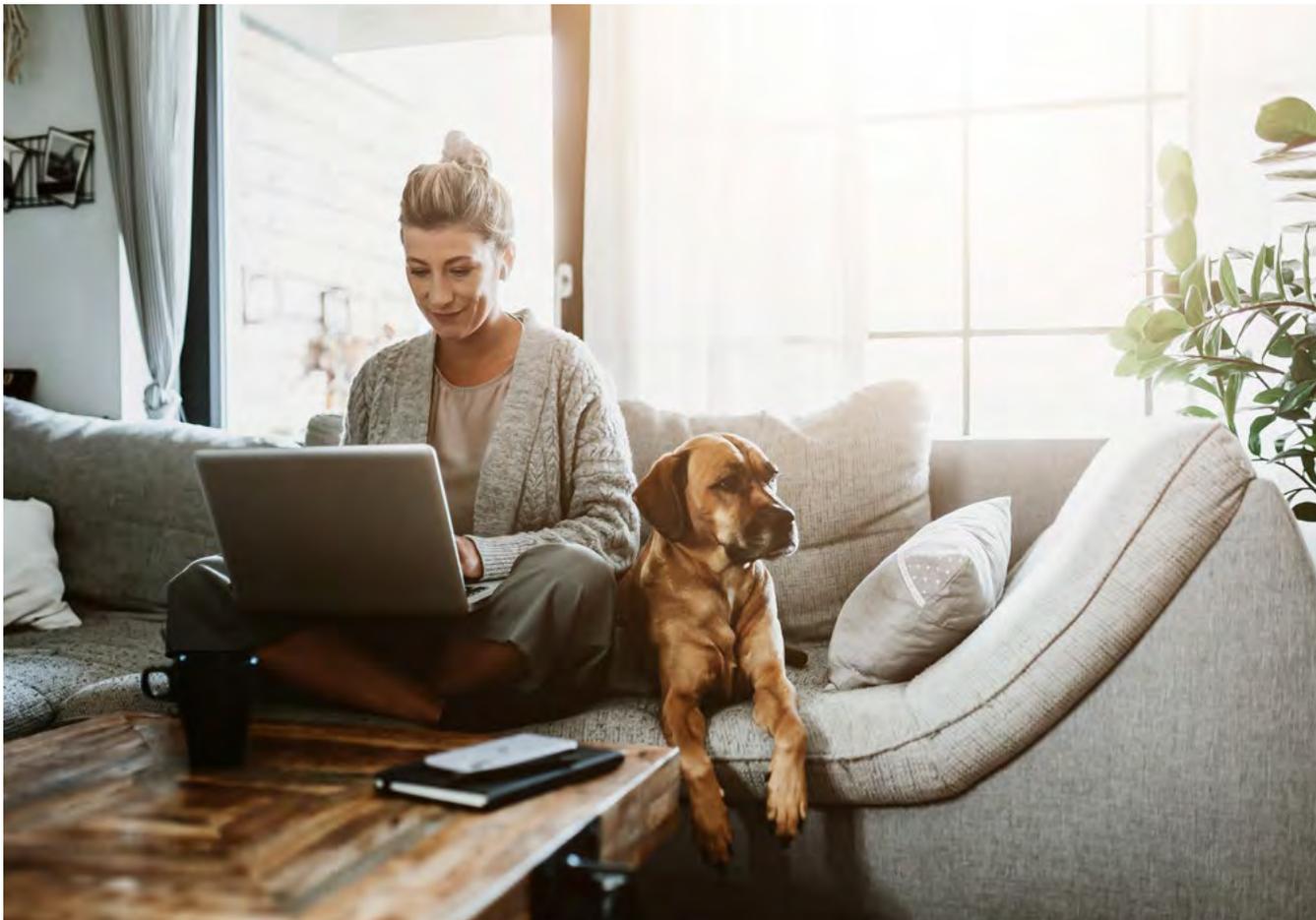
**<https://www.32auctions.com/FISRandBWSARAuction2022>**

The site is free to register and if you choose to bid, you simply need an email address. Bidders will also be able to set up notifications when they have been outbid or on items to watch. Bidding starts Saturday, March 5th at 8:00 am and continues to Sunday, March 13th at 5:00 pm.

Please follow Fripp Island Sea Rescue on Facebook to view auction items at:

<https://www.facebook.com/FrippIslandSeaRescue>.

For more information, contact David Manning or [frippislandsearescue@gmail.com](mailto:frippislandsearescue@gmail.com)



# PROTECTING YOUR DATA & DEVICES

*Contributed by Hargray*

In today's digital age, our devices hold a wealth of information. Unfortunately, there is room for error when storing essential documents and information on your devices. If you've experienced the

pain of losing critical data or having an account hacked, you know taking a few extra steps to secure them is worth it. Here are some ways to protect your data and devices from getting lost or compromised.

## **Surge Protectors**

Swap out your power strip for a surge protector. A surge protector may look like a power strip, but it protects your computer from a power surge or spike. A power spike or power surge can shorten the life

of your computer, wipe out all your data, or destroy your system. Consider using a surge protector to safeguard all high-end devices.

### Update Your Password

To secure your Wi-Fi router, change the admin username and password. Since most routers ship with a default password, hackers can get in and make changes with almost no effort as long as they know your router model. Change your router's SSID (the name that shows up when you try to connect to it), as well. Like usernames and passwords, routers are shipped with default SSIDs, making it easier for hackers to get in. So, get creative and rename them something unique.

### Blocking Spam Message & Callers

One of the methods scammers use to collect your personal information is pop-up surveys offering valuable gifts for a few minutes of your time. While it

appears official, with simple multiple-choice questions, a choice of rewards, and an order form, these phishing scams may infect your computer with a virus or compromise your credit card information. Identify and block all spam messages. Always contact the business at their official contact address or number to confirm authenticity.

### Back Up Your Data

Our devices hold critical documents and priceless memories. Secure an archive of your important information on a hard drive so that you can restore your device quickly and easily in the event of data loss. Perform regular backups either manually or automatically to ensure your archive is up to date.



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## The Fripp Island Women's Club Presents: The Pat Conroy Water is Wide Scholarship



*Pat and Cassandra King Conroy, Fripp Island, SC*

Since 2017, the Fripp Island Women's Club (FIWC) has sponsored the The Water is Wide scholarship in honor of Pat Conroy. In partnership with the Pat Conroy Literary Center, the FIWC has awarded **seven** scholarships totaling **\$12,000** students attending University of South Carolina Bluffton (**USCB**) or the Technical College of the Low Country (**TCL**).

Pat's book, The Water is Wide, captured his early teaching experience on remote Daufauskie Island. These students had second hand books, few materials, and even less opportunity to know the outside world. Pat was fired by the Board of Education for speaking out about these inequalities. Ironically, while his teaching career was over, a great American author was born.

In memory of Pat's dedication to educational opportunities, this scholarship provides financial assistance for any **older adult** whose education may have been delayed or interrupted and who:

- resides in Beaufort County
- is a United States Citizen
- is 21 or over
- desires to pursue a degree at **USCB** or a degree/certificate at **TCL**

FIWC continues to donate \$500 annually for this award. We would like to invite you to make a contribution to this worthwhile scholarship. We know that Pat would be humbled by continuing to honor his legacy, hopefully for years to come.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to:

The Pat Conroy Water is Wide Scholarship Fund

Mail or return the form and your check to: Ms. Anne Hoyle  
5 Pelican Cove  
Fripp Island, SC 29920

**Thank you for your support. All donations will receive a tax donation receipt and thank you letter.**

# ROMEIO

## MEN'S LUNCH CLUB



Please Plan to Join Us in 2022

Fripp Island ROMEIO Men's Lunch Club

Fellowship at a Casual, Catered Lunch with Noteworthy Special Guests

*Contributed by Jack Sims*

The ROMEIO Men's Lunch Club meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month, January-May.

Assembly at 11:30 for a reception and a \$13 catered lunch at 12 Noon. Adjournment at 1:00 pm sharp.

Ladies may pick up a "take away" lunch at 1:15 pm. An email with menu seeking lunch RSVPs will be sent 10 days prior.

If you are not receiving email invitations, please contact Jack Sims.

**ROMEIO** hosts a monthly Special Guest.

The spring Special Guests are:

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| Mar. 22  | Commander (TBD), Parris Island, United States Marine Corp               |
| April 26 | P. J. Tanner, Sherrif, Beaufort County                                  |
| May 24   | Ret. Lt. Colonel Jeff Applegate, Asst. Dir., Beaufort National Cemetery |

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



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## Fripp Homeowners

These homeowner decals are current and are still valid.

We expect to start the process of issuing new ones later this year. You will receive notice before the current decals expire.



# Latai Inn

FRIPP ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA



**banquets / conventions**

From the Archives

# family fun

LaTai Inn offers fun-filled days for the whole family, and recreation in every form awaits you here. The heated swimming pool can be enjoyed all year. Surf and charter boat fishing are excellent around Fripp Island. Trail rides on horseback are an adventure. Sailboats, shuffleboard, bicycles, tennis courts and a complete playground for the children all help to assure happy days for everyone. Our children's program offers a variety of organized activities, completely supervised at all times by our trained personnel.

Golf privileges are extended to our guests at the Fripp Island Country Club, a challenging 18-hole layout which features attractive but tricky water hazards on 13 holes. The ninth and eighteenth greens back up to the Atlantic Ocean.

The unique beauty of Fripp Island and the sheer luxury of LaTai Inn combine to bring you your most memorable vacation or convention!



◀ Fripp Island is accessible by air through Savannah Airport where limousine service is available by advance request to LaTai Inn. The Beaufort County Airport, 15 minutes from Fripp, is suitable for light aircraft. By car, Fripp is within comfortable driving distance from all areas of the eastern United States.

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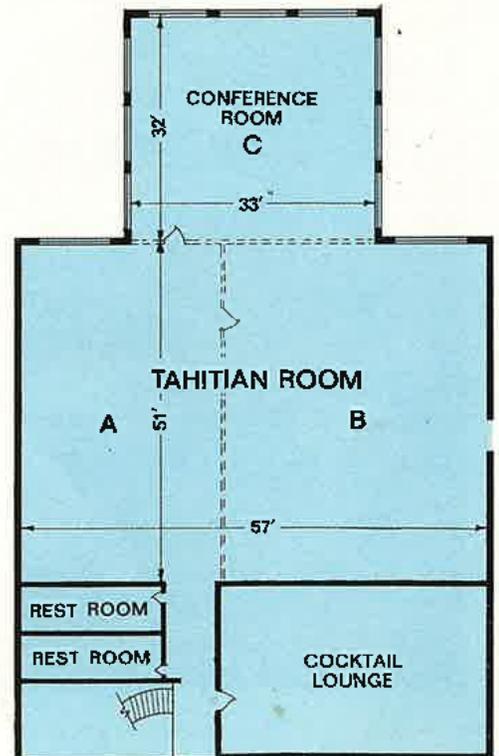
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*The Latai Inn, now known as Sunsuites, dates back to the 1960s. At the time, Fripp Island had a tahitian theme.*

# specializing in mini-conventions



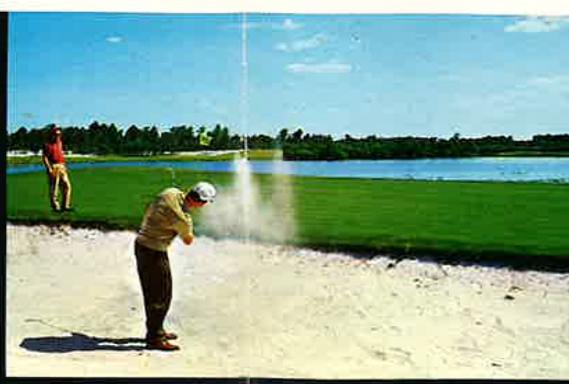
LaTai Inn provides the ultimate in banquet and convention facilities. Meeting rooms, providing complete privacy, are equipped with audio-visual equipment and every requirement for successful meetings. Banquet groups or meetings from 12 to 120 persons can be accommodated in the Tahitian Room. A skilled staff will arrange for every detail. Our master chef offers international cuisine that will delight the most discriminating gourmet. The success of your function is assured down to the smallest detail when it is held at LaTai Inn.



| ROOM                            | Banquet | Aud. Style Meeting | Classroom Meeting | Cocktails |
|---------------------------------|---------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Tahitian Room A                 | 80      | 100                | 60                | 150       |
| Tahitian Room B                 | 80      | 100                | 60                | 150       |
| Tahitian Room C                 | 50      | 60                 | 40                | 75        |
| Tahitian Room A & B combination | 175     | 225                | 120               | 250       |

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## From the Archives



Luxurious comfort amidst semi-tropical surroundings typifies LaTai Inn. All rooms are decorator-styled in a Polynesian motif and include two double beds, private baths, dressing areas and 24-hour telephone service. Each room has television and ocean front rooms have color sets. A 36-hole putting green is located on the hotel grounds.

The beauty of a sunrise over the Atlantic, the soothing sounds of the surf and four miles of unspoiled, uncrowded beach provide the perfect complement to the privacy of LaTai Inn.

The Makai Room overlooking the ocean is elegantly appointed and offers the ultimate in gracious dining. A master chef and staff offer a tempting choice of sea island specialties or an international menu. Our Outrigger Lounge is also open for your pleasure.



*Brochures in the Fripp Island Archives courtesy of Page Putnam Miller.*

# From the Archives

# Thanksgiving Weekend 1968 at the Latai Inn



## Some highlights of 1968:

Lyndon B. Johnson was President of the United States  
 NASA's Apollo 7 and Apollo 8 Missions Launched  
 The Beatles released the "White Album"  
 The Winter Olympics are held in Grenoble, France  
 The Intel Corporation is created  
 Popular toys of the 60s included Rock 'Em Sock 'Em  
 Robots, Chatty Cathy Doll and Candyland board game

Popular Musicians  
 The Rolling Stones  
 The Supremes  
 The Beatles

Popular Movies  
 The Graduate  
 Planet of the Apes  
 Rosemary's Baby

## In 1968

Average cost of a new house:  
 \$14,950.00

Average yearly income:  
 \$7,850.00

Average cost of a new car:  
 \$2750.00

Cost of a gallon of gas: \$.34  
 Cost of a movie ticket: \$1.50

The Federal Hourly  
 Minimum Wage is \$1.60 per  
 hour.

### MAKE THIS THANKSGIVING A FAMILY HOLIDAY!

Because we believe Thanksgiving is for the whole family to share, we're planning a grand weekend holiday at La Tai for the little drumstickers, the lively teens, the armchair quarterbacks and those special ladies in your life who would enjoy the delectable Thanksgiving dinner, prepared in all tradition and with the skill of our Chef John. Her family will have the best!

Our CHILDREN'S PROGRAM will be run on Friday and Saturday. To the kids, it's like super babysitter and more like eating gum drops than taking medicine. A planned program of fun activities will capture their interest. . . . we promise!

Be a part of a memorable weekend at La Tai.

### RATES

\$25.50 per day Double Occupancy  
 \$18.00 per day Single Occupancy

Modified American Plan  
 (Breakfast and Dinner Included)

|           |        |                |
|-----------|--------|----------------|
| Children: | 1 - 3  | No Charge      |
|           | 4 - 9  | \$5.00 per day |
|           | Over 9 | \$7.00 per day |

### RESERVATIONS REQUIRED FOR

THANKSGIVING DINNER

### THURSDAY THE 28TH

Breakfast from 8 'til 11  
 Sandwiches from 11 'til 2

THANKSGIVING FEAST from 2 'til 7

FOOTBALL - TV in the Lounge for armchair quarterbacks. Beer and pretzels and good company throughout the day's great games!

### FRIDAY THE 29TH

Trot on a good horse  
 Chase a tennis ball  
 Sail a boat  
 Stroll down the beach (it IS great this time of year)

OYSTER ROAST AND BEER BUST

6:00 PM. Remember how the beach can be during Indian Summer. . . with a huge bonfire and the laughter of friendly people. It's on the house!

### SATURDAY THE 30TH

10:30-11:00 AM - CULINARY EXHIBITION, of special interest to the ladies by La Tai's Chef John.

1:00 PM - MAD BALL TOURNAMENT for the golfers. . . beginners, duffers or advanced. . . everybody can plan. Get up your own group and hit the grass!

6:30 PM - DINNER IN THE MAKAI ROOM, followed by DANCING TO THE MUSIC OF THE OUTRIGIDS.

BREAK AWAY. . . TRY LA TAI!

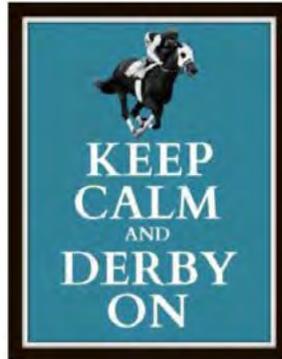
# Going, Going... Gone?

That's correct!!! "Gone" right into the hole!!! Congratulations to Kathy Lynch for her HOLE IN ONE (hole #11) at Ocean Point on 01/31/2022.



# "DERBY ON" COMING UP - DON'T MISS THE FUN!!

## 05/01/22 - 05/03/22 - SIGN UP TODAY!!!



### FIWGA Member-Guest Tournament Sunday May 1 - Tuesday May 3

- 4 Fillies per team (one member & 3 guests/one member & one guest)
- Two rounds of golf; optional practice round
- Prizes to winning teams and closest to the pin on Monday & Tuesday
- \$145 per person
- Buy a Tuesday Mulligan for just \$5 per person!
- Sign up on Foretees before March 8<sup>th</sup> to receive one "miracle putt" per team!
- Pay the usual way - envelope at Ocean Creek or Venmo

*Let's Get Down and Derby!*

### Schedule of Events

#### Sunday May 1 WELCOME PARTY 6-9pm Creek House

Don your finest Derby hat to party at the Creek House

Get creative - best hat wins a prize!!

Optional raffles for more fun prizes!

#### Monday May 2 Round 1 at Ocean Point

- Registration at 8AM
- Free range balls
- Post time: 9AM (shotgun start)
- Optional individual game of low putts; \$1 buy-in
- Lunch immediately after play (location TBD)

#### Tuesday May 3 Round 2 at Ocean Creek

- Registration at 8AM
- Free range balls
- Post time: 9AM (shotgun start)
- Optional individual skins game; \$1 buy-in
- Awards lunch immediately following play at the Beach Club



### Want a Practice Lap around the Track?

#### Optional practice round on Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup>

Tee Times have been reserved; call the pro shop to book your time

- Ocean Point: 4 times starting at 9:38AM and 4 times starting at 1:04PM
- Ocean Creek: 4 times starting at 9:38AM and 4 times starting at 1:04PM



# 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](mailto:sanddstjohn@gmail.com)



# 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***

# Fripp Island Women's Club

The Fripp Island Women's Club looks forward to hosting several exciting member events in March and April. If you're not already a member, you might want to consider joining and enjoy these events with us!

March 16th, at 10 a.m., our monthly meeting at the Community Centre will welcome Claire Mueller of Coastal Expeditions. She will speak to us about our March 18th, 11 a.m., tour of St. Phillips Island, as well as other local excursions.

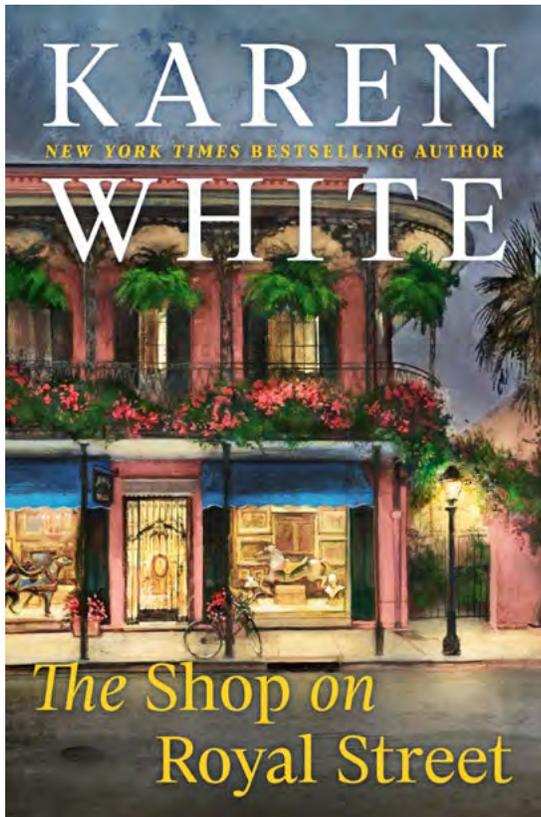
The March 18th tour will depart from the Hunting Island Nature Center. Passengers will travel by boat to St. Phillips Island, where they will be met by a park ranger before boarding the tram to the beach. There will be time to explore the island, hike, or just relax on the beach. It is recommended that you bring a light jacket, bug spray, and a folding chair. A box lunch is available, or you may bring your own refreshments. We will return by 4:30 p.m.

Due to Covid restrictions, Ted Turner's former house will not be open for tours, but you are welcome to walk around the grounds.

The cost of the tour is \$55, with an optional box lunch available for \$12. A signup sheet will be available at the March 16th meeting, with payment due then. Those wishing to go on the tour but unable to attend the meeting may email their reservation to Barclay Sharon by March 16th. Further details will be emailed our members and available on NextDoor and our Facebook page.



On April 20th, our annual Spring Luncheon will once again feature a New York Times Bestselling Author as our guest speaker. Karen White, whose Tradd Street series is quite popular, will talk about her March 29th release, *The Shop on Royal Street*. A signed copy of her new novel will be included with your ticket.



As her new novel is set in New Orleans, our menu and decor will reflect that setting. Our luncheon will include a cup of gumbo, a mixed greens vinaigrette salad with blackened chicken, cornbread, Bananas Foster, and a beverage station. A cash bar will be available. Welcoming you as you arrive will be our own members of the NOLA Krewe of Cork, in their Mardi Gras regalia! Mardi Gras attire for attendees is optional, but encouraged!

The luncheon will also include recognition of this year's Pat Conroy The Water is Wide Scholarship recipients.

The luncheon, for members and their guests, will begin at 11:30 a.m. in the Oceanview Lounge of the Fripp Island Resort Beach Club.

Tickets of \$55 include the luncheon and a signed copy of *The Shop on Royal Street*. Reservations will be taken from March 20-April 10. Reservations and a check made out to FIWC may be mailed to Iris Golden, 207 Deer Run Rd., or left in the cocktail box at that address.

Flyers with further details on the luncheon and reservation forms will be available at the March meeting and emailed to members March 20th. Our Facebook page and NextDoor will also provide luncheon details. For further information, you may contact Donna Reichle.

To keep up with these and all other FIWC activities, please check out the new Women's Club Facebook page created by Barclay Sharon. We hope you can join us soon!





# 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:**

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# Children's Corner

with Mary T. Jacobs

## Quote of the month:

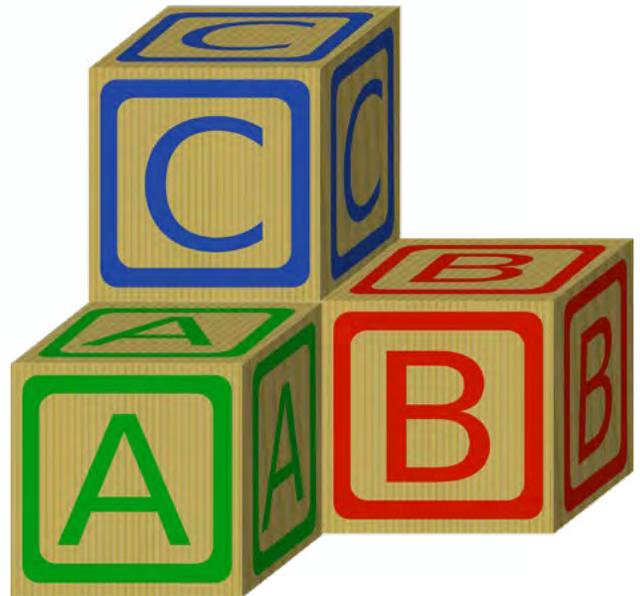
**Children are great imitators. So, give them something great to imitate.**

Dear Fripp Parents and Children,

For this month I would like to focus on vocabulary that will increase comprehension and test scores. Also, the focus will be on sight words that a child should know. 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.

Words to increase test scores and comprehension.



## "The 12 Powerful Words"

| Word      | Child friendly phases   |
|-----------|---|
| Trace     | List in steps   |
| Analyze   | Break apart   |
| Infer     | Read between the lines *This is very difficult for most children. |
| Evaluate  | Judge   |
| Formulate | Create  |
| Describe  | Tell all about  |
| Support   | Back up with details  |
| Explain   | Tell how  |
| Summarize | Give me the short version   |
| Compare   | All the ways they are alike                                       |
| Contrast  | All the ways they are different                                   |

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
5. Make a chart with all 12 words

**Use the chart to teach sight words for your child. For kindergarten and first grade levels**

| Word    | Score |
|---------|-------|
| 1. and  |       |
| 2. get  |       |
| 3. all  |       |
| 4. do   |       |
| 5. like |       |
| 6. we   |       |
| 7. are  |       |
| 8. dog  |       |
| 9. at   |       |
| 10.have |       |
| 11.up   |       |
| 12.was  |       |
| 13.one  |       |
| 14.can  |       |
| 15.said |       |
| 16.not  |       |
| 17.look |       |
| 18.you  |       |
| 19.good |       |
| 20.now  |       |

| Word      | Score |
|-----------|-------|
| 1. man    |       |
| 2. bed    |       |
| 3. by     |       |
| 4. top    |       |
| 5. sit    |       |
| 6. little |       |
| 7. help   |       |
| 8. has    |       |
| 9. come   |       |
| 10.him    |       |
| 11.fast   |       |
| 12.home   |       |
| 13.yes    |       |
| 14.sat    |       |
| 15.as     |       |
| 16.got    |       |
| 17.off    |       |
| 18.last   |       |
| 19.old    |       |
| 20.box    |       |
| 21.away   |       |
| 22.nobody |       |
| 23.house  |       |
| 24.love   |       |
| 25.kitten |       |

Another suggestion:

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

*I hope you enjoy time with these words. So thrilled to have Spring coming soon!!*



**Fripp Island**  
Property Owners Association