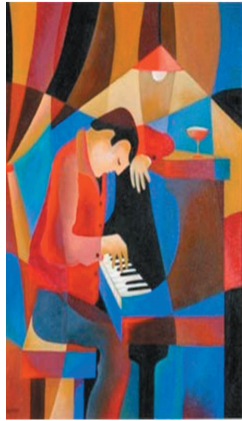


Jazz Series- Tommy Gill & Friends



The Tommy Gill & Friends Jazz Concert on January 27 will feature Tommy Gill on piano, a return of Bobbie Storm, singer, Wayne Mitchum on bass, and David Paterson, drummer. Their program will include favorites from George Gershwin, Cole Porter, and others, as well as, some smooth jazz. The performance is at Turtle Point Clubhouse at 7 pm. A three course dinner is offered by Turtle Point Grill at

\$40. Complimentary tickets for the performance are available at Town Hall and dining reservations may be made directly to the Grill by calling 266-4070.

Women In Music Big Band

Kiawah's Arts Council's Women In Music Series Continues at East Beach Conference Center with a Big Band Performance.

A fourteen piece, all female, big band led by conductor and song stylist Nancy Clayton, will be performing on Kiawah Island at the East Beach Conference Center on Saturday February 2, 2008 beginning at 7:30 pm.

This unique musical assembly will focus on songs of the Big Band Era featuring Waltzes, Dixieland, Beach, Pop, Cha-Cha, Tango, Rhumba, Bossa-Nova, and more. Performance Attendees can expect to hear, dance, and sing to songs like:

- | | |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Moonlight serenade | Too Marvelous For Words |
| Jersey Bounce | It Might As Well Be Spring |
| I Can't Get Started | Satin Doll |
| Without A Song | April In Paris |
| Dancero | Here's That Rainy Day |
| All of Me | And many others |
| Lover Man | |

Ms. Clayton is also leader of the acclaimed Lowcountry band known as Charleston's Premier Big Band which has worked in the area for over 20 years. She is well known as one of the finest jazz vocalists in the Charleston/Lowcountry area.

This qualifies as a performance not to be missed.

KIAWAH ISLAND ARTS COUNCIL 2007/08 SEASON PLANNER

EVENT	PERFORMANCE DATE AND TIME	LOCATION	NUMBER OF TICKETS AND AVAILABILITY DATE	NOTES
CLASSICAL BALLET	1/12/2008 SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	THE SANCTUARY HOTEL	285 12/28/2007	CHARLESTON BALLET THEATRE
DIANA COHEN "BRAHMS"	1/20/2008 SUNDAY, 4:00 PM	HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH	900 1/7/2008	VIOLIN, FRENCH HORN, PIANO
TOMMY GILL & FRIENDS	1/27/2008 SUNDAY, 7:00 PM	TURTLE CLUBHOUSE	200 1/11/2008	ACCOMPANYING PERFORMERS TO BE ANNOUNCED
BIG BAND	2/2/2008 SATURDAY, 7:30 PM	EAST BEACH CONFERENCE CENTER, GOVERNORS HALL	350 1/18/2008	14 WOMEN MUSICIANS CABARET STYLE SEATING
A SHOW STOPPING TRIBUTE TO THE BEST OF BROADWAY	2/10/2008 SUNDAY, 5:00 PM	EAST BEACH CONFERENCE CENTER, GOVERNORS HALL	300 1/25/2008	CHARLESTON BALLET THEATRE
ITALIAN & SPANISH LOVE SONGS	2/24/2008 SUNDAY, 4:00 PM	TBD	200 2/11/2008	MARIA ANTINEZ, MARTIN NUSSPAUMER, ACCOMPANIED BY BENNY PLASENCIA
TOMMY GILL & FRIENDS	2/28/2008 THURSDAY, 7:00 PM	TBD	200 2/7/2008	ACCOMPANYING PERFORMERS TO BE ANNOUNCED
BILL JAMESON	3/26/2008 WEDNESDAY, 2:00 PM	SANDCASTLE	60 3/10/2008	PAINTING DEMONSTRATION BEVERAGES/COOKIES SERVED
TOMMY GILL & FRIENDS	3/30/2008 SUNDAY, 7:00 PM	OSPREY CLUBHOUSE	200 3/7/2008	ACCOMPANYING PERFORMERS TO BE ANNOUNCED
GULLAH FESTIVAL	APRIL 2008	MINGO POINT	600 TBD	CULTURE, STORYTELLING, ARTS, MUSIC
D'YON FOREST FRENCH CABARET	5/1/2008 THURSDAY, 7:00 PM	SANDCASTLE	100 4/15/2008	FOLLOW-UP OF 2007 SMASHING PERFORMANCE
CHARLESTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA	5/15/2008 THURSDAY, 7 PM	FRESHFIELDS	FREE TO ALL ATTENDEES	SATAX EVENT MANAGED BY THE KIAWAH ISLAND ARTS COUNCIL PUBLICITY BY KRA REAL ESTATE
DETROIT WOMEN	TBD	TBD	TBD	JAZZ EVENT UNDER DEVELOPMENT
GULLAH HISTORY EVENT	TO BE ANNOUNCED	TO BE ANNOUNCED	TO BE ANNOUNCED	JACK McCRAY, HERB FRAZIER ACCOMPANIED BY ANN CALDWELL

Italian & Spanish Love Songs

Italian & Spanish Love Songs (Andrea Bocelli style), February 24 at Osprey Clubhouse, 4 pm. Martin Nusspaumer was one of three state winners in the South Carolina Metropolitan Opera Auditions in November. Maria Antunez will perform with Martin and has also won awards. We are working on a tapas offering to follow the performance.

A Tribute To The Best Of Broadway

The Town of Kiawah Island's Arts Council is "rolling out the red carpet" as the, Charleston Ballet Theatre returns with a tribute to Broadway's best, in one jam-packed performance. The Broadway Shows represented in this performance include: The Great White Hope, The Producers, Chicago, Gypsy, Singing In the Rain, Hairspray, and West Side Story. The event will be held on Sunday, February 10th at the East Beach Conference Center beginning at 5:00 p.m. Tickets for the event will be available at Town Hall on Thursday, January 25th. This will be an evening to remember; so be sure to pick up your tickets early.

ARB Homes Under Review

134 Blue Heron Pond
498 Old Dock

The above homesites have been presented to the ARB for conceptual review, the first of three reviews by the ARB prior to approval. Call 843-768-3419 for more information.



TOWN NOTES

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE TOWN OF KIAWAH ISLAND

Jewels in the Crown - Landscaping Naturally



As one travels throughout the island the vegetation and landscaping of developed property is a major determinate of the look and feel of Kiawah. If screening and buffer strips are dense, common, and natural looking, we have a good chance of maintaining the natural look and feel of Kiawah as we approach build out. This will also help substantially to maintain the wildlife habitat value of the land and the ecological health of the island.

When Community Association members were asked, "Why did you choose Kiawah as a place to live?" the top answers were the beach, and the natural beauty of the island itself. Beauty, when it comes to landscaping, is definitely in the eye of the beholder and much of that beauty comes from native plants. Native plants in the landscape provide a sense of place. In other words, our native plants distinguish Kiawah as being Kiawah. It makes Kiawah Island truly unique and is one of the main reasons many residents choose to make their homes here.

The use of native species also preserves and enhances the habitat value of the land. Wildlife populations have evolved to utilize the native Kiawah plant communities for food, cover, and nesting habitat. These relationships have developed through centuries of evolution. Someday, the island will be completely developed; now is the time to establish native plant populations wherever possible. This will not only preserve the native bio-diversity, but will also help to maintain sustainable wildlife habitat on the island.

In addition to the ecological advantages of native plants, there are also economic

advantages to their use. Native plants are more adapted to their surroundings and are less prone to insects and disease; therefore, they require little to no pesticide applications. They are also naturally suited to the island's soil conditions and often do not require fertilization. Depending on the size of the yard or landscaped area, this could result in a savings of \$500 to \$600 per year in chemical costs alone. Additionally, there is the cost of maintaining a landscaped property. The average maintenance contract in the southeastern United States is \$2500 to \$3500 per year. Native plants, once established, require very little maintenance. Periodically, there may be some dead wooding and pruning involved, but native landscaping can severely reduce or eliminate maintenance costs all together. It is important to note that turf grass areas require the most maintenance. Any time these sites can be reduced in size, or eliminated completely, the cost of maintaining a landscape will go down substantially. A great alternative is the use of low-cost, low maintenance native plants that have the added benefit of being essential to wildlife.

Due to their adaptation to local soil and climate conditions, native plant species are also more drought tolerant than non-native plantings. An irrigation source may not be needed at all after the plants have grown in. The average cost for irrigation water for a residential landscaper can be \$1200 annually. Native plants require much less water and can be self sustaining within a year or two. The type of irrigation system required is also more efficient to use. Sprinklers (used to water turf grass area) are only 85% efficient in their delivery of water. Native plants do better with a drip irrigation system, which is about 95% efficient. It requires less water to irrigate this way and since the drip emitter is located on the ground next to the plant, it gets the maximum benefit. As water conservation becomes more and more important, our management of this most

critical resource will play an even bigger role in the maintenance of our landscape.

We have an opportunity to significantly improve the habitat value of our developed property. The Kiawah Island Natural Habitat Conservancy's Environmental Sciences Committee, a working group with active members from KICA, TOKI, ARB, the Resort, and individual property owners, is putting the final touches on a Habitat Improvement Initiative. The objective of this initiative is to significantly improve habitat value of developed property on Kiawah for our bobcats, painted bunting and other species. The Initiative will also help maintain the natural beauty of Kiawah. Key elements of the Initiative are (1) education, including information and examples, (2) assessment and improvement opportunities specifically for your property, (3) expert help, and (4) recognition.

The Habitat Improvement Initiative will help you, or your landscape maintenance crew, identify habitat improvement opportunities that are consistent with your vision for your property. You can assess your opportunities on your own with an evaluation form or get expert help. You can see examples of high habitat value properties with different landscaping concepts. You can find sources of plants that can work well for you. You can learn more about landscaping practices that will benefit Kiawah's wildlife population, and you can be recognized for good habitat and help others to follow your example. Resources such as Landscaping for the Legacy, available through KINHC, and the KICA Landscape Management Guidelines, available on their website, are also great resources to help you get started. Keep your eye out for the new Habitat Improvement Initiative which will be released later this year. Let's all work together to keep Kiawah natural.

Council Meeting Highlights

HVAC Cleaning with UV Inhibitor

Mayor Wert stated that the Ways and Means Committee reviewed the bids and recommended to Town Council that ServiceMaster of Charleston be awarded the HVAC cleaning contract and Blue Marlin Mechanical, LLC be awarded the UV light installation contract for an amount not to exceed \$8,000.

Appointments to the Board of Zoning Appeals

Mayor Wert motioned to appoint Nancy L. Zisk and Charles Larsen to the Town of Kiawah Island Board of Zoning Appeals. The Board of Zoning Appeals committee members are appointed by Town Council and serve three year terms.

Appointments to Planning Commission

Mayor Wert motioned to appoint Wayne Juchatz and Joyce Neuman to the Town of Kiawah Island Planning Commission. The Planning Commission members are appointed by Town Council and serve four year terms.

Appointments to Election Commission

Mayor Wert motioned to appoint Leo Fishman to the Town of Kiawah Island Municipal Election Commission. Mayor Wert explained that Election Commission members are appointed by Town Council and serve six year terms. Mr. Fishman was appointed to the commission unanimously.

Appointments to Arts Council, Environmental Committee, and Public Safety Committee

Mayor Wert explained that the Arts Council, Environmental Committee, and Public Safety Committee members are appointed by the Town Council and serve one year terms. All terms expire on January 31. Mr. Lipuma motioned to appoint Dale Anderson to the Town of Kiawah Island Environmental Committee.

Mr. Lipuma motioned to reappoint the following members to the Town of Kiawah Island Arts Council: Bill Blizzard, Sid Williams, Julie Fennimore, Gloria Fenning, Lenni Freeburg, Mary Johnson, Carol Anne Smalley, and Arie DeZanger.

Mr. Lipuma motioned to reappoint the following members to the Town of Kiawah Island Environmental Committee: Bill Connellee, David Elliott, Liz King, Nancy Jackson, Jim Jordan, Norm Shea, and Jim Chitwood. Mr. Burnaford seconded the motion.

Mayor Wert motioned to reappoint the following members to the Town of Kiawah Island Public

Safety Committee: James Broadus, Dick Sula, Douglas Dodge, and Joe Pezzullo. All Committee members were appointed as motioned.

Awarding of Beach Patrol Contract

Mrs. Rucker explained that the Town advertised the request for proposals for beach patrol services in the Post & Courier. The results of this advertisement yielded four companies that responded to the bid. After a review of the responses, the Ways and Means Committee recommended to Town Council the approval of the Beach Patrol Contract to A Services Group, LLC in the amount of \$155,000. Mayor Wert noted that due to a legal opinion, the Kiawah Island Community Association withdrew from the bid process. After a motion by Mayor Wert to approve the award of the bid, the motion passed successfully.

Approval of Ways and Means Schedule for 2008

Council approved the 2008 Ways and Means Schedule. The committee will meet on the Monday before Town Council at 8 a.m.

Environmental Committee

The fourth "Jewels in the Crown" article will appear in the February Town Notes. The Town's Wildlife staff conducted deer spotlight surveys yielding an average of 35 deer per night. The estimated deer density is 41 deer/sq. mile. Mr. Lipuma reported that during the month of November; there was an Atlantic bottlenose dolphin found washed ashore on the front beach; a bobcat was hit and killed on Kiawah Island Parkway; a deer was hit by a car on Governors Drive; and a raccoon was euthanized due to apparent distemper.

Arts Council

Mr. Lipuma discussed upcoming Arts Council events and stated that the Diana Cohen event has around 1000 tickets available and has been moved to the Holy Spirit Catholic Church.

Public Safety

Mr. Orban reported on the proposed Parkway Bikepath Project. He stated that the Town received a letter on December 18th, 2007 from the SCDHEC turning down the Town's proposal to mitigate land. The SCDHEC letter stated that the Town's proposal for mitigation was not located within the critical area jurisdictional boundary and therefore, not qualified as in-kind mitigation. The Town is now working with the developer in order to find a different and acceptable area of land for mitigation.

Financial Issues

Mr. McIver gave a brief update on the Performing Arts Center and the feasibility study of the project. This center would be owned and operated by the Community Development Corporation. Mr. McIver said the Town had met with a consultant in order to help identify possible funding sources. At this time, a final report was not available but Mr. McIver gave a summary of the consultant's findings. He stated that there were a lot of funds available for programming in such a center, but little to no funds available for the construction costs in building a new center. Due to these preliminary results, the Town will not proceed with this project at this time.

Town Administrator's Report

Mrs. Rucker stated the Town is in the process of preparing a grant application to SCDHEC for enhancing the Town's recycling capacity on the Island. Mrs. Rucker explained that Town staff is continuing to work on current projects including the 2010 Census Update and establishing strategic goals for 2008 with performance measures.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Wert stated that he will be attending the County Council meeting in order to lobby for road improvements on Johns Island. Mayor Wert announced the dedication of the new Fire House Number 7 on the 14th of January at 7:00PM. The Mayor discussed the Town's new Freedom of Information Act Procedures that became effective January 1, 2008. Conversations are continuing in a positive path for the development agreement.

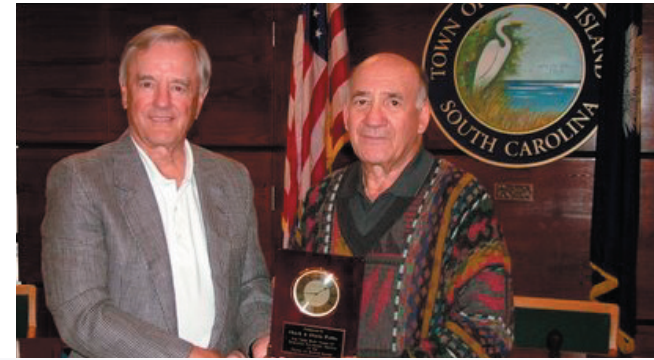
The Mayor answered citizen questions from last month's meeting. He stated that the Town has adopted a "green" office policy and will be purchasing and using more environmentally conscious products. Mayor Wert stated that if the bike path proposal is never approved, the Town will refurbish the road and not build a bike path. He also addressed the authority to hire a consultant for the performing arts center was established with ordinance 2005-10.

Council Members Comments

Mr. Burnaford encouraged attendees to take a position on the roads issue and let Paul Thurmond of District 9 know those feelings.

Chuck And Gloria Pollis Recognition

Mayor Wert presented Chuck Pollis with a framed Town of Kiawah Island Proclamation and clock for the Pollis' contributions to the people of Kiawah Island. The Mayor and Town Council thanked Chuck Pollis for all of their contributions to the community and Town of Kiawah Island. The Pollis' served the Kiawah community for over 30 years having served on the Board of Zoning Appeals, assisted with many municipal elections and have been a pleasure to work with. Mayor Wert proclaimed that Friday, January 11, 2008 would be known as Chuck and Gloria Pollis Day.



Sea Island Issues

Mr. Burnaford stated that he had attended some recent meetings sponsored by The Coastal Conservation League and a group calling themselves, Concerned Citizens for the Sea Islands. These meetings were proposed to offer alternatives to the continuation of I-526 from West Ashley to the connector on James Island. These two groups are vocal about their position of stopping the 526 extension with an interchange at Maybank Hwy on Johns Island. In these meetings there is a theme that Interstates around cities are not the answer to relieving increases in traffic brought on by development. There is a stated belief in these meetings that newer/wider roads bring development i.e. keep Johns Island rural.

With an estimated 7000-10000 homes platted and approved for Johns Island, what do these people do now to get to work and get around?

Infrastructure must be put in place to service the existing and planned tax base. The answer is "fix the roads" on Johns Island. Land use and zoning controls density. The County Council and the Charleston City Council control land use and zoning through their Planning Commissions. The citizens of the sea islands need to contact their council representatives and lobby for what they see is needed. Ours on Kiawah, District 9, is Paul Thurmond. Mr. Thurmond's contact information is 15 Middle Atlantic Wharf; Charleston, SC 29401; (843) 937-8000; pthurmond@tklawfirm.com

The Interstate 526 extension and effort to make Johns Island roads safer with the ability to handle planned traffic are two separate and distinct issues that should be dealt with as such.

New Beach Patrol On Kiawah

Starting February 1, 2008 you will notice different patrol officers on our beach. Town Council on Tuesday, January 8, 2008, has awarded the new Beach Patrol contract to A- Services Group of Charleston. You might notice a difference in uniforms and vehicles, but they will always be

identified by our Town Seal and Logo. This year all patrol officers will be assigned as Code Enforcement Officer for the Town, allowing them to enforce all municipal ordinances. Their hours have also been increased to add their presence throughout the year on the beach.

Kiawah Island talks with KIGR

The Town Council (Mayor Bill Wert and Alan Burnaford) continues to talk with KIGR (Bill Goodwin and Roger Warren) concerning an agreement for land use and zoning of their property inside the main gate. The Council agrees that if we can reach an agreement, it will give the property owners an idea of the Resort's intent on these parcels for at least the length of

the agreement. It also protects the property owners if any changes occur with ownership/leadership of the Resort. When the Council will have a proposal to bring to our property owners is not known. With no previous agreement to work from: the process is a more complicated one. We will continue to keep you informed.

Recognition of Environmental Committee Members



Mr. Lipuma took the opportunity to recognize Jerry Wilson and Art Zackrisson for their long standing contributions to the Town of Kiawah Island Environmental Committee. Mr. Wilson served on the Environmental Committee for 8 years and became known as the committee's "expert fisherman." Mr. Zackrisson devoted 7 years of service to both the Environmental Committee and Turtle Patrol, of which he is still an active member. Mr. Lipuma noted that both men were unavailable to attend the meeting due to scheduling conflicts and he would therefore present them with their plaques of recognition at a later date.