



Plantation Living

A NEWSLETTER FOR THE RESIDENTS OF HILTON HEAD PLANTATION

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HHP Fall Event Line-Up

Join Us for a Spook-tacular Trunk-or-Treat Tailgate Party!

You're officially invited to a Halloween celebration like no other at our Trunk-or-Treat Tailgate Party! This year, we're turning the backs of minivans, trucks, and SUVs into the ultimate trick-or-treating hotspots. On **Saturday, October 26, starting at 4:00 PM**, come to the Plantation House Parking Lot for a frightfully fun time where kids can dress up in their favorite costumes and collect goodies from trunk-to-trunk!

Parents and grandparents are encouraged to get in on the fun too! Decorate your trunk with the funniest or most creative themes and you could win prizes for Best-Decorated Trunk or Best Theme.

In case of rain, we'll move the party to Sunday, October 27, at the same time. **Reserve your parking spot by calling Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090.** This is a **FREE** event, so don't miss out on the Halloween fun for the whole family!

Trash & Treasure Sale

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, October 15th, from 11 AM to 2 PM** and join us in the Plantation House Parking Lot for a treasure hunt like no other! Explore a variety of hidden gems, antiques, and unique finds. If the weather doesn't cooperate, we'll reschedule to Saturday, October 8th.

Don't miss out on this chance to discover great deals and unique items! For more details about the event and to reserve your table, head to page 18. See you there for a day of fun and fabulous finds!



Halloween Pet Parade

Calling all fur-tastic friends and their fabulous humans! This Halloween, the Plantation House is transforming into a costume extravaganza. On **October 25th, from 5-6 pm**, join us for our annual Halloween Pet Parade, where pets and their owners will strut their stuff in the most outrageous and zany costumes imaginable.

From tiny pirates to majestic superheroes, the parade will be bursting with creativity and cuteness! Each adorable participant will have a chance to win one of our coveted ribbons, awarded for categories like "Best Duo," "Most Creative," and "Spookiest Ensemble." But that's not all—exciting raffles will be held throughout the event, offering a chance to win pawsome prizes!

To join in on the fun, simply bring a canned food item to donate. These donations will be distributed to families in need this Christmas, spreading holiday cheer and warmth.

So, grab your pet's most enchanting costume and head over to the Plantation House for a Halloween celebration filled with joy, laughter, and community spirit. We can't wait to see you and your furry friends there!

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From the *President's Desk*

As summer transitions into the cooler, more relaxed days of fall, it's a perfect time to reflect on the exciting activities of the past few months. Hilton Head Plantation has provided a full schedule of events to satisfy nearly every interest, thanks to the dedicated efforts of the Property Owners Association (POA) Management, staff, and especially the Activities Department. A heartfelt thank you is also extended to the many clubs and organizations that have offered educational opportunities on over fifty topics, ranging from kayaking to the Women's Club of Hilton Head Plantation. If you have a particular interest that isn't currently covered, the Activities Department would be more than happy to hear your suggestions for new offerings.

Last month, POA Vice President Margie Lechowicz provided an update on the ongoing Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats (SWOT) analysis. This important initiative is progressing well and continues to drive the community forward. This month, we'd like to highlight some of the impressive technology improvements achieved under the leadership of General Manager Peter Kristian and the POA staff. These advancements, though perhaps not widely known, have been made with the goal of making life easier for all residents, staff, and business partners. Some of these improvements include:

- Electronic display boards at entry gates, the POA Service Center & the Tennis Pro Shop
- The ability to pay assessment fees via credit card
- Installation of dash cameras in patrol cars and body cameras for officers
- Enhanced security with cameras at security gates, RV storage, and various POA facilities
- Upgrades to administrative and accounting software
- Planned activation of cameras at Dolphin Head Recreation Center
- Upcoming review of software for vehicle identification and electronic class registration

These advancements reflect the ongoing efforts to enhance the community's efficiency and security, often behind the scenes. Additionally, the Ad Hoc Technology Committee has adopted a forward-thinking approach, exploring further opportunities to improve the quality of life for everyone involved. Committee Chair Barnum has presented potential new initiatives to both the POA Executive Committee and the full POA Board, incorporating feedback from both internal and external stakeholders. Together with the General Manager and staff, the committee is actively identifying cost-efficient technological improvements for future consideration.

We extend our gratitude to everyone involved in driving these innovative ideas forward, all in pursuit of the goal to "Make Life Easier for All...Residents, Staff, and Business Partners!"

As the leaves begin to change and football season kicks off, we encourage you to enjoy the cooler weather and lower humidity.

Below are some of the current ways you can stay connected with the Board:

- Read Plantation Living
- Sign up for email blasts
- Attend "Coffees with Peter" to speak with board members
- Engage with Board Members at various HHP POA club meetings, organizations, and community events

You can also communicate with the Board by phone at 843-681-8800 ext. 9, via email at Board@hhppoa.org, or by sending a letter to the POA Service Center. For board meeting minutes, available forms, and documents, visit the website at www.hiltonheadplantation.com.

Thank you for choosing Hilton Head Plantation as your home.

Warm regards to all,

Carlton Dallas



A letter from our General Manager

Coffee with Peter

Our next Coffee will be held on Thursday, September 26, at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House. We are honored to have Hilton Head Island Mayor Alan Perry and Town Manager Marc Orlando as our special guests. Additionally, our last "Coffee with Peter" of the year is scheduled for Thursday, November 21. In addition to our usual information period and Q&A session, Dr. Frank Rodriguez, the Beaufort County Public School Superintendent, will be our esteemed guest.

Newcomers Meeting

A Newcomers Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 8, at 7:00 PM at the Plantation House. This meeting provides an opportunity to meet all department heads and receive an in-depth briefing on the offerings at HHP. It's a great event featuring a variety of door prizes and ample time for questions.

Fall Season

As we transition into the Fall season, time seems to accelerate, particularly with the rapid-fire holiday line-up and special events. As the final days of September approach, Halloween decorations begin to appear, with some displays rivaling those of Christmas. Shortly after Halloween, Thanksgiving arrives, quickly followed by Christmas and New Year's festivities. Planning becomes essential as family gatherings and seasonal activities fill our calendars. Take a moment to review this issue of Plantation Living, as well as the upcoming October, November, and December editions, to explore the range of club activities, educational programs, exercise classes, and special events available this Fall. Our staff works diligently to provide a diverse array of programs and activities, and HHP's numerous clubs offer countless opportunities to make new friends with shared passions or interests.

As October draws near, look out for more information on the Halloween Pet Parade, the Trash and Treasure event, Trunk-or-Treat, Veterans Day Observance, the Children's Christmas Party with Santa and, of course, the ever-popular Holiday Hayrides. Amidst the busyness, be sure to carve out time to enjoy the cooler weather, the changing landscape, and the abundant environment we are privileged to share. Enjoy!

2025 Budget

The staff and Board have been diligently working on the 2025 budget, which will set the assessment rates for the coming year. Details will be shared in the October issue of Plantation Living once the budget is finalized and adopted by the Board. This year, we are placing particular emphasis on technology, with several initiatives either being implemented or budgeted for, including a switch in our Administration Software. This upgrade will include enhanced accounting and a reservation

system to streamline class sign-ups and associated payments. Additionally, a new camera system is being installed to provide our Security Department with more tools to ensure the safety of our community.

These new software tools will be introduced gradually to allow our staff to learn the systems and for you, the end users, to become familiar with them. While technology often increases efficiency and can reduce the need for additional staff, we remain mindful of the value of personal interaction. We understand that sometimes, nothing can replace speaking with a knowledgeable, empathetic staff member who can solve problems in our community of over 4,250 homes and more than 10,000 residents. Our goal is to enhance efficiency, save you time, and reduce costs, all while ensuring you always have the option to talk with a live human being, not AI or a computer-generated chat box.

RV/Boat Storage Area

As you may know, we have reorganized the RV/Boat Storage area adjacent to the POA Service Center Complex. In mid-August, lease renewals were sent to all current renters. A new gate system with surveillance cameras has been installed, providing us with information about individuals who may attempt to damage or tamper with the gate. If you have questions regarding the RV/Boat Storage area, please contact Willette Lee at wlee@hhppoa.com or 843-681-8800 ext. 242. Please note that the spaces in this compound are highly sought after, with a waiting list for availability. You must be a property owner to lease a space in the RV/Boat Storage area, and subleasing your space without written permission from the POA is prohibited. Non-residents may not use this facility. Willette Lee, from our Community Relations Department, oversees this part of our operation, so please direct any questions to her.

E-Bikes

Please be reminded that e-bikes with the motor engaged are not permitted on HHP's leisure paths. HHP has always prohibited any motorized devices on our leisure paths, including e-bikes, electric scooters, hoverboards, and similar motor-driven devices. Many e-bikes can reach speeds of up to 30 mph, making them comparable to mopeds. While mopeds are regulated by the SCDMV, it may only be a matter of time before e-bikes face similar regulations. Our leisure paths have many blind curves and are frequented by walkers, dog walkers, joggers, inline skaters, traditional cyclists, and leisurely strollers. The only motorized device allowed on our leisure paths is a motorized wheelchair. E-bikes are permitted on our roadways as long as the operator adheres to all vehicular traffic rules, including speed limits, hand signals for turns, and observance of stop signs and other traffic instructions.

Severe Rain Events

Mother Nature occasionally delivers heavy rainfall, with three or more inches of rain falling in a short period. Recently, our

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area experienced storms that brought more than fifteen inches of precipitation in a brief timeframe, which can overwhelm our stormwater management system under ideal conditions. Here are a few steps you can take to help during such events:

- Maintain a vegetative buffer between your yard and the asphalt street to help hold ground covers like pine straw or mulch and filter debris that can clog storm drains, especially on reverse crown roads.
- Do not blow or dispose of landscape debris into drainage ditches, as this can block water flow and cause backups.
- If possible, during a storm, adopt a drain on your street, particularly on reverse crown roads, and keep it clear of debris and pine straw. While Security responds to these situations, they can only be in so many places at once. Please do not place yourself in harm's way, but if you can safely keep a storm drain clear, it will help control flooding.
- DO NOT drive your car into standing water. Several vehicles have been damaged and required rescue after attempting to drive through almost three-and-a-half feet of water.
- Standing water in surface ditches after a rain event is common as these ditches serve to collect and move water. The topography of the land often causes water to move from one elevation to another that may only differ by a few inches.
- During lightning events, seek shelter or stay indoors.

Hurricane Season

We are still in the midst of hurricane season, so please review your hurricane plan and ensure your hurricane kit is properly stocked. You can find HHP's Hurricane Guidelines on our website at www.hiltonheadplantation.com under the Documents and Forms tab. Complimentary hard copies are also available at the POA Service Center at 7 Surrey Lane. If you haven't signed up for our email alerts, please do so by selecting the Email Tab on our website and following the instructions. This system is our primary means of communication during hurricanes or other emergency events. Please take advantage of this invaluable tool.

Project Updates

Dolphin Head Drive and Skull Creek Drive have been paved and striped, with reflectors added. We are working on adjusting PSD manhole and water covers to eliminate bumps in the road. These two roads represent one of our largest paving projects, costing just under \$630,000. The Plantation House porch has been painted, the AC unit at the new Dolphin Head Recreation Building has been repaired under warranty, the Cypress fence has been painted, and the Security Gate House roofs have been cleaned. Our next painting project will involve updating the color scheme of all the Security Gate houses. Over the coming months, we will be resurfacing and repairing sections of our leisure paths. David Mills and his team have repaired two areas of damage to the Whooping Crane Boardwalk caused by fallen trees.

Slow Down and Use Your Turn Signals

Please slow down. We share the roads at HHP with a variety of walkers, cyclists, dog walkers, joggers, and more.

Dogs and Pine Island

Please ensure your pet is always on a leash and that you pick up after your pet. This rule applies even on the beach at Pine Island.

Cart Path and Golf Course Fishing Lagoon Etiquette

As Harry Heron often notes in his monthly musings, we share a unique relationship with the golf clubs that reside within HHP. As a courtesy, they open their cart paths to residents during certain morning and evening hours. Please observe these times when using their cart paths. It is both dangerous and disruptive to use the cart paths or fish in the lagoons owned by the golf courses outside of these designated times. If you are walking your dog on a cart path, please ensure your pet is on a leash, pick up after your dog, and dispose of waste at home. Leaving dog droppings in the golf course trash cans presents challenges for early morning golfers. Thank you for your cooperation.

Safety Tips

Motorists, please share the road with cyclists. We strongly discourage bicycles on Whooping Crane Way and Seabrook Drive south of Seabrook Way. Cyclists need to use the leisure paths, and, when using our shared roadway system, ride with vehicular traffic and as close to the shoulder of the road as possible. Cyclists are subject to the same rules of the road as motor vehicles.

Cyclists, please do not challenge a motor vehicle when on our roadways. Ride your bike defensively as motorists are often not looking as they should for cyclists approaching an intersection where cross traffic has the right of way.

As indicated by signage those using our leisure paths must stop or yield at intersections to motor vehicles.

Youngsters are back at school so be on the lookout when you are driving about the community for kids daring around our streets especially in the morning and midafternoon when schools let out for the day.

Stay Safe

Peter Kristian



“Harry G, Heron” Master Covenants Bird

This month's focus: Seasonal Reminders, Rules and Expectations and Emphasizing the Importance of Reading Harry.



It's Harry, your professional Covenants Bird, giving you advice/information from a bird's-eye view. I want to keep everyone mindful of things they may not be fully aware of. Each resident is responsible for ensuring that HHP runs like a well-oiled machine. Knowing your community is so important. The following is a compilation of items you may read and say, “I didn't know

that!”

Sea Pines Decal: Sea Pines and Hilton Head Plantation share a reciprocal covenant alliance whereby each community recognizes the other RPO decal and allows entry into each other's community. This reciprocal agreement does not apply to Sea Pines Property Owner I.D. cards. Sea Pines property owners who enter HHP do not receive HHP property owners' privileges such as using Hilton Head Plantation amenities, fishing in lagoons, or using beach access and parking facilities. I have difficulty competing with all of you for a fish meal in our lagoons. Adding Sea Pines property owners into the competition would surely have an effect on my waistline!

Courtesy Decals: A Courtesy Decal allows a non-resident (family member) unregulated access to the property owner/resident's home only provided the property owner is a member in good standing with the POA. Guests must be accompanied by an owner, tenant, and resident when using POA common property and restricted common property, unless they have the appropriate house guest card. Requests for Courtesy Decals for relatives who live outside the 50-mile limit will be on a case-by-case basis and must be approved.

Commercial /Contractors: Commercial vendors/contractors are defined as individuals and/or companies (including HHP property owners/residents) who sell products, provide estimates, repair appliances, provide home cleaning services, and professional services, etc. who work in Hilton Head Plantation. HHP Guest Passes will only be issued to visitors for specific non-commercial purposes of visiting a Resident.

Photo ID and House Guest Card: Each Property Owner or Resident (renter with a lease of nine (9) months or longer) has a photo ID card. Photo ID cards are issued to persons thirteen (13) years and older. Photo ID cards are required at Spring Lake Pool, fishing lagoons, Spring Lake Tennis/Recreation Area, leisure path trails, Whooping Crane Way Conservancy, Dolphin Head Recreation Area, Pine Island Beach, and Hickory Forest Boardwalk. With each photo ID Card, the homeowner or resident can bring four (4) guests to Spring Lake Pool. Houseguest cards provide residents' guests access to our facilities in the absence of

the property owner/resident. Each person with a houseguest card (17 years and older) can bring two (2) guests to Spring Lake Pool.

Pet Violations: This is not just an HHP rule; it is the law that persons walking their pet(s) off their own property must keep their pet(s) under control on a leash or tether. Once your pet leaves your property or runs through the invisible fence after a passerby or passing vehicle, any barking, whining, or howling in an excessive, continuous, or untimely manner is in violation, with no exceptions. Aggression towards one of my human friends is a definite no-no!

Portable Storage Units (PODS): PODS are classified as utility trailers. They must be removed the same day and adhere to the commercial designated work hours (7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) Monday through Friday. On Saturdays, the hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Trailers, boats, campers, recreational vehicles, or utility trailers may be temporarily placed on the paved surfaces of any lots for loading, unloading and cleaning only.

Decals: The method of using HHP decals or passes serves only to identify the vehicle itself. All decals will be permanently affixed to the center or driver-side top/bottom of the outer portion of the windshield. Vehicles such as panel and pickup trucks, which fall within the definition of “commercial vehicles” and are used significantly by the owner as both a private and commercial vehicle, will display a Property Owner Decal and a Commercial Vehicle Decal on the windshield at all times.

Restricted Passes: Restricted passes are good for one day only. This pass ensures that guests can only go to the designated location and not wander into other restricted or private areas. For example, if the front of your pass says, “7 Surrey Lane,” you can use this pass to enter that destination only and not “Dolphin Head Recreation.” This helps the POA maintain security and order by ensuring that only authorized individuals are in the designated areas at any given time.

I appreciate everyone who called or emailed your thoughts/questions. Please remember that my community role is to keep residents mindful of educating their guests and family members. Be smart and avoid any embarrassing situations. If you have a query for Harry, don't hesitate to contact me through my good friend Williette Lee at Wlee@hhppoa.Org. As you can see from the items above, I have a lot to watch for when flying about HHP during my forays of routine surveillance. I am always flapping around and happy to offer my professional Covenants advice/ information (from a bird's eye view).

Advertisements in the Plantation Newsletter should not be viewed as an endorsement from the Hilton Head Plantation Property Owner's Association, Inc. The Association claims no liability for the content of any ads. Ads are accepted on a space available basis.

2024 Spring Lake Pool Rules

Swimmers assume responsibility for their own safety and that of their families. Lifeguards will not be on duty during all hours that the pool is open. The pool is equipped with a self-locking gate, an emergency telephone, and a first aid kit at the Guard Office. Report problems to Security – 843-681-2459. Also, DHEC will inspect for fecal contamination and other violations. If DHEC finds any contamination, they will close the pool immediately. Please be courteous and if you have a child that is NOT potty-trained, he/she MUST wear a secure-fitting, waterproof swim diaper at all times. For questions, please contact the Director of Activities at 843-681-8800, ext. 226. Thank you for your cooperation.

Spring Lake Pool Regulations

1. HHP Property Owners, their family members, guests, and tenants with leases of at least nine months may use SL Pool.
2. Spring Lake Pool users must present their validated HHP Photo ID Card to the pool staff when using the facility.
3. Property Owners, residents, and children 17 years and older, with validated HHP Photo ID Cards, may bring four (4) guests to the pool. Children 16 years old, with a validated HHP Photo ID Card, may enter the Spring Lake Pool; however, they are prohibited from bringing guests.
4. Guests, 17 years or older, with a validated House Guest Card may bring two (2) guests.
5. Spring Lake Pool users and their guests must adhere to a proper code of conduct and follow instructions from the lifeguards and pool attendants

Appropriate conduct and rules include, but are not limited to, the following:

6. Lifeguard approval of all flotation devices. (Flotation devices must be Coast Guard approved.)
7. Using earphones with audio equipment.
8. Placing trash in receptacles.
9. Smoking is not permitted within the Spring Lake Pool compound at any time. (This includes e-cigarettes.)
10. Wearing swim-wear at all times.
11. Showering prior to entering the pool.
12. Children age 15 years or younger MUST be accompanied by a parent or guardian (17 or older).
13. It is the parent's/guardian's responsibility to ensure that children not potty-trained must wear secure-fitting, waterproof swim diapers at all times. NOTE: Anyone found responsible for a fecal contamination at the Spring Lake Pool will be held accountable for the cost of treatment and be subject to additional sanctions. If the person responsible is not a property owner, the cost of treatment and other sanctions will be levied against the host Property Owner/resident.
14. The following is prohibited in the Spring Lake Pool enclosure:
 - No solo swimming.
 - No animals or pets of any kind.
 - No glass containers.
 - No spitting, blowing nose, or individuals with skin, eye, ear, or respiratory infections, diarrhea illness, or nausea.
 - No diaper changing on deck.
 - No bikes, skateboards, skates, or Rollerblades.
 - No diving.

- No one with communicable diseases.
 - No one with open lesions or wounds.
 - No running, boisterous, rough play.
 - No alcohol or drugs and no one under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
 - No rings, body floats, rafts, and other such devices.
15. In the zero-depth area of the pool, infants will be permitted to use a baby ring as space dictates but they MUST be under direct supervision of a parent/guardian at all times.
 16. Safety breaks will be called at the discretion of the lifeguards.
 17. Pool noodles are permitted but they are to be used for flotation only.
 18. Coolers are permitted but they are subject to inspection. All food and / or drinks must be kept at least ten (10) feet from the edge of the pool. Alcohol is NOT permitted.
 19. No climbing is allowed on the island in the middle of the lazy river.
 20. Children wearing Coast Guard approved flotation devices in the lazy river or the deep-end area of the pool.
 21. MUST be accompanied by a parent/guardian at all times.
 22. Spring Lake Pool may not be used for personal profit or commercial purposes.
 23. Lounge chairs, cabanas, tables and other pool equipment may not be reserved. They may be used on a first come, first served basis. Property owners and guests should not leave personal items unattended. The HHPPOA accepts NO responsibility for any item left unattended.
 24. Lifeguards and pool attendants have the authority to expel violators. They may also create and enforce other safety rules, as necessary.



SPRING LAKE POOL
POOL HOURS

MON & WED thru SUN 8:00 am to DUSK

TUESDAYS 10:00 to DUSK

Morning lap swim times are Mon & Wed - Sun
 7:30 am - 8:15 am.

There is NO morning lap swim on Tuesdays.

Evening lap swims begin 30 min. prior to closing.

NOTICE

Your interactions with members of the Security Department and the POA Staff may be recorded.

Plantation Golfing by Jerry Cutrer

COUNTRY CLUB OF HILTON HEAD

The Country Club's Nine-Holers celebrated the season's rising temperatures with a WNHA "Summer Event Scramble".



(L-R) WNHA Summer Event Scramble Winning Team: Jan Norman, Tracy Bonvissuto & Megan Rishel

BEAR CREEK GOLF CLUB

Bear Creek couples played in an August "Nine & Dine - Ladies & Gents Best Net Ball of Foursome" tournament.



(L-R) BCGC Nine & Dine First Place Team Joe & Dottie Medon and Kim & Roger Frederick.



(L-R) BCGC Nine & Dine Second Place Team Marty O'Brien & Lila Mellen and William & Jeanne Lally

DOLPHIN HEAD GOLF CLUB

Dolphin Head Golf Club has upped its game with the addition of a new "Sim & Sports Lounge" featuring a state-of-the-art Trackman Golf Simulator and sports lounge area. Golfers can select from over 300 top courses worldwide for indoor play on the Simulator and enjoy watching sports in the comfortable lounge area with two large screen TVs.



Dolphin Head's new Trackman Golf Simulator



Dolphin Head's attractive Sports Lounge addition

SOFTBALL CLUB

The Softball Club continues its Monday morning practices but there is a change for the summer due to vacations and visits with friends and family. The practices will be held at 10AM on alternate Mondays, starting 8/12 and 8/26. They will be held at our usual field. We have had some new players join so, if you are interested in good play and meeting new friends, come on down to the POA field and get yourself in playing condition. If you have any questions, give me a call (843-715-3516) and I'll fill you in.

Remember, "SOFTBALL IS FUN!"
Bob "Bonzo" Huisman • 843.715.2516



The Tee Timers

The Tee Timers new season began September 1, 2024; We are a ladies golf group who enjoy several of the courses on Hilton Head Plantation, Bear Creek, Dolphin Head and Oyster Reef. We play each Wednesday afternoon. Members play either 9 or 18 holes and can choose to walk or ride. Our members, who play at all experience levels, enjoy the golf and the opportunity to meet and play with others in our community.

Dues for the new season are \$20.00 and go toward several social gatherings during the year. So, if you are a golfer and you have an interest in joining a fun women's golf group, please contact us at theteetimers@gmail.com for more information.

To join Tee Timers for the next year, please send a check for \$20 (no cash) made out to Susan Stewart, our membership chair, at 36 Ribault Drive, HHI SC 29926. Please include your name, telephone number and email address.

FLYING CLUB

Calling all aviation enthusiasts! We are looking for interested parties in Hilton Head Plantation to start a Flying Club.

The plan would be to gather together and have regular meetings to discuss the opportunities for an LLC or partnership in two or four seat general aviation aircraft. If this is successful, regular follow up meetings to maintain the aircraft, as well as the club, in a professional manner.

The exact aircraft and the amount of money required would be determined by the majority of the people who want to move forward with this club.

If you are not a pilot, and if you ever wanted to learn to fly, this could be an excellent opportunity to learn to do so more economically. Interested? **Contact Tom Donald at tommdonald@gmail.com or 843-384-6095.**



HILTON HEAD CORVETTE CLUB

Last month our article covered what makes Corvette clubs different from other car clubs, why we only invite corvettes, what makes the Hilton Head Plantation Corvette Club unique from

other Corvette clubs and why a Corvette club with no dues, bylaws, meetings or officers is kind of a big deal. If you find this of interest and did not read last month's article you may want to check it out.

In September we have a guys' trip. On day one we will visit the NASCAR Hall of Fame in Charlotte and then out to dinner. The next day in the morning we tour Hendrick's racing complex, immediately after tour the Charlotte Motor Speedway and then home. Should be a great time and a nice experience.

The club has multiple activities and cruises planned for the remainder of the year. Check our Facebook page at Hilton Head Plantation Corvette Club to see past and future events. Soon we will periodically post member profiles featuring who they are and their car(s).

Our logo t-shirts are the ultimate fashion statement! They come in multiple colors and sizes. If you have an interest in owning one, contact me. We have an inventory of shirts so you can try one on. These are high quality shirts being sold at our cost of \$20. We also have refrigerator magnets with our club logo available.

If you own a Corvette, live in the plantation and want to get on the email list contact Dale Pena at dpena1@yahoo.com or call 585-704-2386.

TUESDAY LADIES BRIDGE

Ladies Intermediate Level Bridge that meets every Tuesday from 12:30pm to 2:30pm at the Plantation House. If you are interesting in joining our group as a player or substitute, please **contact Barbara Mainenti at: 843-682-3475 or mainentihhi@gmail.com.**

HHP KARAOKE CLUB

HHP Karaoke Club Is Back!

We are going to be restarting the HHP Karaoke Club at the Spring Lake Pavilion on September 19th, 2024 from 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. It will be bigger and better than last year!



Going forward in 2024, we will meet the third Thursday of each month. Here are the future HHP Karaoke Club dates in 2024.

October 17th

November 21st

December 19th

No reservations needed. BYOB and/or your own food/refreshments! 8' X 8' projection screen with song lyrics on it; 3 microphones; Karafun app that pulls up your songs with accompaniment if desired; multi-speaker overhead sound system, slips of paper to write down your songs/artists to give to the karaoke D.J. (me); any song that you want with lyrics projected on the large screen! Great fun!

For more information, contact Jim Peresta – email: **jamesmichaelperesta@gmail.com- or call Jim at 443-558-6126.**

Tables will be provided. The kitchen will have ice!

Please invite any and all of your HHP friends as “the more the merrier”. Tell all of your friends and relatives to come out and have a great time!

THE HAPPY TIMES PARTY

Happy Times has moved back to the loveliest spot, Dolphin Head. No reservations, RSVP, no meeting, no agenda, no dues. Just a good time. Bring your own beverage and a contribution to the finger food table.

Date: Fourth Sunday of every month (except December)
Time: 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Dolphin Head Recreation Center

For more information, call Schatzi Khalifa at 315-382-17277. To get a monthly reminder, email Ezz Khalifa at hekhalifa@gmail.com

BUNCO IS BACK!

Meet at the 'new' Dolphin Head Pavilion. Third Monday of the month) at 7:00 PM. BYOB, small snack to share & \$5 towards prizes. Bunco is lots of fun and easy to learn. Questions? Call Sue Henderson at 585-734-3806.

HHP Women's Club

A Message From the President

Wow! We had a fantastic turnout for our ice cream social in August! A warm welcome to our new members and a welcome back to our returning members. Thanks to the husbands who scooped ice cream for us and a special thanks to Sue Fiorillo and Diane Mills for their hard work coordinating with our activity directors. We had lots of opportunities and activities available for sign up. If you didn't get to attend, it's not too late to join. The website member portal has an activity group directory with the contacts you need to begin to participate. We have an exciting year ahead, so let's get the party started!

Julie B Brumelow



FEATURED SPEAKERS



Oct 8 • Luana Graves Sellers

Great Gullah Geechee!!

How the rich history and culture of Hilton Head's native islanders still shapes our island heritage

A native-born New Yorker, Luana M. Graves Sellars quickly discovered that weather-wise, she was really "a mis-placed Southern girl." After a career in advertising as a media buyer, music promoter and marketer, and owner of two large capacity preschools, and degrees in journalism and black history, a passion for her Gullah Geechee roots led her to become a cultural influencer and preservationist. Through her writing, she focuses on documenting Gullah culture, its history, and people, as well as educating others.

In 2021, she started her own company, Sankofa Communications and expanded her content creation into visual media, where she also writes, directs, and has produced multiple, award-winning culturally focused video shorts and documentaries and an award-winning podcast.

In 2019, she founded the Lowcountry Gullah Foundation, a nonprofit that raises funds to protect and preserve historic Gullah land for future generations. As a keynote speaker and community activist, she is doing her part to sustain and preserve Gullah Geechee culture for future generations.



Nov 12 • Melissa Evans Andris

A Bird's Eye View

Why preservation and conservation matter to our modern society

Melissa Evans Andris and her husband, John, have been homeowners in HHP since 2013, splitting their time between Hilton Head and Louisville, Kentucky. Melissa's career was spent as a Professor of Sociology at the University of Louisville, and she retired in 2015 as the Associate Dean for Research in the University's College of Education.

Melissa's parents, John and Gene Evans, purchased their lot in Hilton Head Plantation in 1974, built their home in 1981, and lived there for nearly 25 years. During that time, her dad, along with other concerned residents, started the Hilton Head Island Land Trust, and he served as its first president.

Melissa and John have five grandchildren. In her spare time, she loves hiking, kayaking, skiing, golfing, and tennis. She is committed to preserving and protecting land, especially natural and historical habitats on the Island and has been a member and served as Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Hilton Head Island Land Trust for several years.

FEATURED CLUB



S-Low Country Hikers

These ladies meet on the 3rd Monday of the month (September - May) to explore and hike various SC and Georgia state parks. The hikes are usually 2 - 10 miles long. No fee.

Contact:

Sandra Strissel • slstrissel@strissel.net
Fawn McCauly • fawniemc@gmail.com

August Ice Cream Social

The Annual Ice Cream Social is always one of our best attended events and a forecast of what it's yet to come. Avoid the FOMO... join or renew TODAY. It's never too late!!





NOTE: WE HAVE RESUMED MEETING AFTER OUR SUMMER BREAK! Now meeting every Thursday Morning from 8 to 9 am at the Dolphin Head Recreation Center.

Looking for an opportunity to get together with men from HHP for some good old fashioned male conversation and a cup of coffee? Well, join us every Thursday morning at Dolphin Head from 8:00 – 9:00 AM. We'll have the coffee, a bite to eat and lots of things to talk about!



If you have any questions or would like to get on our mailing list, please **contact Ray Makalous at rmakalous@gmail.com or John Prange at j2prange@gmail.com.**

Look forward to seeing you there!

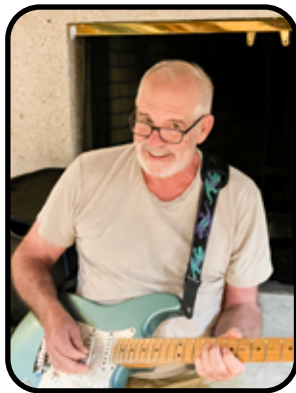
GARAGE BAND

The 'Garage Band' is a place for musicians (beginner to experienced) who want to play 'classics' that are rock, country, blues (and even pop). We have a good time playing music that people like to hear. Everyone is encouraged to help the band get a set of songs together. SO, everyone come 'rock out' with us. The Garage Band wants YOU to come and listen, play, and/or sing!! Don't be embarrassed – it's like singing in the shower only with clothes on. WE REALLY NEED A KEYBOARD.

We meet almost every Wednesday of the month at the Plantation House from 7:00 until 10:00 pm – check the monthly activities calendar. **For more information you may contact Ric Blaine at 706-373-8204 (rcb3771@gmail.com).**

We'll play loud enough so you can hear us – maybe even in the parking lot! Please come on down and rock out. EVERYONE COME AND LISTEN!! COME INSIDE OR SIT ON THE DECK. BRING YOUR OWN BEVERAGE.

We now have an acoustic spinoff group which meets on various days at the Plantation House, for those who enjoy playing soft rock, blues, folk, country, bluegrass, and standards. Anyone who plays an acoustic instrument is welcome, so bring your guitar, mandolin, flute, maracas, spoons, washboard, fiddle, or anything else you feel like playing, as well as your voice and your song ideas. Contact Carol at carolkajano@gmail.com for more information, and to gain access to our current acoustic song list and schedule.



HHP DOG CLUB

Did you know the Westminster Dog Show is the second-longest-running continuously held sporting event in the US, second only to the Kentucky Derby? Approximately 3,500 dogs compete at Westminster each year for the title "Best in Show". How would your pup do?



At the national level, dog show judges evaluate dogs in three areas:

Conformation

- Judges assess how closely the dog's physical traits match its breed standards, including weight, coat, and the size and proportion of its body and head.



Temperament

- Judges assess the dog's personality and behavior. They look for signs of confidence, calm, and responsiveness to the handler and its surroundings.

Presentation and Gait

- Judges focus on the dog's grooming, handling, and movement. The dog's gait is observed for fluidity, balance, and power.

Fortunately, if you are looking for dog activities that are a little less serious, we have two fun upcoming events where you can join us:

- **Sat., Oct. 19** • Dog Tricks with Sandy Koepke • 10am Plantation House. Bring your dog!
- **Fri. Oct. 25** • HHP Halloween Pet Parade • 5pm Plantation House parking lot.

Contact HHP Dog Club Facilitator Betty Souders at **bgsouders3455@gmail.com, 804.212.6956** for more information.

BACKGAMMON CLUB



Interested in the ancient exciting game of backgammon? Are you experienced? Never played? Want to learn or do you want to play in friendly tournaments with other players? Well, there's a club for all that right here on Hilton Head Plantation.

THE BACKGAMMON CLUB meets the first and third Monday of each month at 6:30 pm at Spring Lake Pavilion. No dues, officers or meetings. Just backgammon. We do ask that you sign up so we can keep you up to speed on any announcements that might need to be made. Bring your board if you have one but don't worry if you don't. We have extras.

Contact Mary Montour 651-247-7445 or email at marymontour@hotmail.com.

Hope to see you there!

NEWCOMERS CLUB

After our summer hiatus, the Newcomers Club is back to kick off our 2024/25 season! We are a fun social group that provides a welcoming and supportive environment so HHP residents can get together, share a meal, make connections and learn more about our community.



Our season runs September through May with one catered event a month, usually held at the Plantation House. Events are BYOB – alcoholic and nonalcoholic. Members pay nominal dues and receive an email around the first of each month with details on the upcoming event and a link to register and submit payment for the upcoming event. Advance registration is necessary for planning purposes and we cannot accept walk-ins.

For October, we'll be hosting a 70's/80's Dance Party, with a DJ, so get ready to groove to music from two of the greatest decades! Break out your bell bottoms, leisure suits, leg warmers and spandex! We'll also have some fun door prizes and a 50/50 raffle. **Check out our website at www.HHPNC.com** for more information so you can become a member and attend.

The Newcomers Club is open to any Hilton Head Plantation resident, full and part-time, as well as renters, no matter how long you have lived here. Invite your friends and neighbors to join! For any questions about membership, please email us at membership@hhpnc.com.



12, 2024. Place and time to be announced. The Porsche Club of Hilton Head Plantation is a group of Porsche car lovers who enjoy getting together occasionally to socialize and share their experiences with their car. The club has no dues and requires no commitments. If you would like to join our club, please **send an email to porscheclubhhp@gmail.com with your name, email, and model of the Porsche you own.**

WOMEN'S JAVA: Coffee, Conversations with Common Grounds

Just like the men, HHP women now have their own coffee time. Here's a way of getting together with HHP women for a casual morning of conversation and a cup of coffee or tea. We meet every Tuesday morning at Spring Lake Pavilion from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM for coffee or tea and a snack to share with inspiring talk. If you have any questions or would like to get on the mailing list, **please contact Beverly Silber Rogers at bevsilber@bellsouth.net**



Women's Java is off to a great start with wonderful women. Join us for a great way to bond and get to know each other!

SAVE THE DATE!

HHP Crafters' Holiday Sale

When: Sat. Nov. 16 • 9 AM to 2 PM

Where: Christ Lutheran Church at 829 William Hilton Parkway
All proceeds benefit Hospice Care of the Lowcountry.



The HHP Crafters have been busy getting ready for their 2024 Holiday Sale! The Craft sale is a wonderful opportunity to purchase hand-made items such as quilts, jewelry, toys, candles and cards. There will be a large assortment of items for holiday gifts and lots of holiday décor for sale.

This year we will also be featuring a new craft for the Holiday Sale – jars, bowls and ornaments created by paint pouring. Paint pouring is an art where acrylic paint is mixed with a medium to thin it to make it pourable over an object or canvas. By layering various colors, a “one of a kind” piece of art is created. It can then be finished with epoxy or varnish to create a finished look.



If you would like to join Crafters, get email updates on craft sales or have donations of craft materials, please **contact either Margot Gilbert at 843-342-9996 or Deanna Collins at 937-829-0611.** We meet twice a month; our members have many different crafting abilities and we always welcome new members, whether full or part-time.

Laurie Arnold • arnold3909@yahoo.com

HHP PORSCHE CLUB

The Porsche Club of Hilton Head Plantation is planning a luncheon get-together on Saturday, October



PARTY FOR ONE CLUB

Party for One, HHP's single ladies club, will kick off the new season in style by enjoying a Salty Dog Happy Hour Sunset Cruise departing South Beach Marina in Sea Pines on Tuesday, September 24 at 6 pm. Tickets cost \$36 per person.

For Ticket information, or questions about the club, **contact Lesley Kyle: 914.671.9524 or email lesly.kyle@gmail.com**

SOLO DINING GROUP FOR MEN & WOMEN IN HHP OVER 60

A social group for widowed and unattached single men and women over 60 years old who do not wish to dine alone but would like to socialize and dine at local restaurants once or twice a month.

For more information, email Pat Lucas at patvhhi@aol.com or call 843-301-6600

NEW CLUB • FRIENDS OF THE SALT MARSH CONSERVANCY

Did you know that HHP is home to a unique ecosystem called the Salt Marsh Conservancy? Our Salt Marsh Conservancy begins as a unique blind estuary at the end of Pine Island, and flows in and out of the tidal marsh that includes Park Creek, into the heart HHP.

Salt marshes and estuaries like ours support many forms of wildlife by providing shelter, food, and nursery grounds for more than 75% of our commercial and recreational fish species. Local fisheries depend on the fish spawned in this salt marsh nursery, and these coastal habitats help our wildlife, ecosystems, and economies thrive.

The health of this estuary is also our essential buffer from storm damage as one acre of salt marsh can absorb up to 1.5 million gallons of floodwater.

The marsh's primary nutritional source is its graceful Spartina grass. When Spartina falls, it forms a detritus wrack moving with the tides, which kills everything beneath it, leaving lifeless mud flats in place of the beautiful marsh we now enjoy.

In an effort to preserve our Salt Marsh Conservancy for generations to come, interested HHP residents are working to prevent irreparable damage to this fragile ecosystem and its natural beauty. If you're interested in learning more through articles and presentations by guest speakers, please **email your name and contact information to salt.marsh.conservatory@gmail.com**

HHP YACHT CLUB

AHOY MATES FROM THE HILTON HEAD PLANTATION YACHT CLUB!

Consider joining our Club and enjoying both time on the water and time with new friends who like being on then water as well.

Don't know a jib from a jibe? No yacht, no problem. If you want to get out on the wonderful waterways and learn about our beautiful environment consider membership with us and the following upcoming events: On October 4th we will have a Happy Hour- BYOB and food at Dolphin Head Recreation Center.

October 9th we'll cruise to Port Royal marker 44 together with lunch.

October 17th will be our general meeting which will include a speaker from Water Missions.

Looking ahead, our November general meeting will be on the 21st and Amber Kuehn, a marine biologist and the lead manager of the Hilton Head Island Sea Turtle Patrol will be our speaker.

A complete listing of these events and other upcoming boating and on land events can be found at hhpyc.org.

HHPYC always appreciates any suggestions for future boat trips, lectures, and social events. Please email commodore@hhpyc.org with all suggestions. Consider joining HHPYC. Explore our website at HHPYC.org. All residents of HHP are eligible to join the Club. Social memberships are available for non boat owners. **Contact Membership with any questions at membership@hhpyc.org.**

MODEL TRAIN CLUB

This club is for anyone who has interest in trains. Some of our members have extensive layouts, some have only a display for the holidays and some have no trains but just like railroading in general. Members are modelers, history buffs, railfans, etc. Model train members have O, HO, and G gauges to name a few. The club has a permanent layout in the Plantation House, both O-gauge and HO-gauge.



We provide running trains for some of the plantation functions, for example July 4th, for the Holiday Hayride and for the Childrens' Holiday party. We provide assistance to anyone who needs help or just wants information about the hobby. Our club members or guests do presentations on various train topics. On occasion, we may visit another train club in the area, attend area train shows, visit a train museum or a member's home.

Regular meetings are normally held at the Plantation House, at 2:00 PM, on the second Wednesday of the month from October to June. Guests and new members are always welcome. Please consider attending.

For additional information, **contact Bob Gluszik at rgluszik@yahoo.com.**



DROPTOPS CONVERTIBLE CAR CLUB OF HHP

We are a social car club with no dues, fees or meetings, just cruises and the occasional fun in the sun meet and greet. Any make, model, year or condition convertible is welcome. If your car top drops, retracts, is removable or snaps off, we would love to have you join us on the next cruise!

Our next cruise is to the University of South Carolina Bluffton campus. We are going to piggyback on Hilton Head Island Cars and Coffee's Saturday September 21 event at the USCB campus.

The hours are 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM. It is a 20-30 minute cruise to the campus depending on traffic. Meet at the Plantation House parking lot at 7:30 AM and depart at 7:45. Placards will be available for club participants then.

NOTE ADDRESS FOR GPS: 1 University BLVD, Bluffton, 29909. It is a large parking area. We hope to congregate together as much as possible.

The plan is for us to display an 8.5 x 11 placard on our dash boards noting we are the DROPTOPS CONVERTIBLE CAR CLUB OF HHP.

Hope you can make it. Lots of very diverse vehicles and maybe some new friends :-).

To be added to the club email list, please contact Nick Donato at ndickonato@gmail.com. Send your full name and that of your riding partner if applicable, phone number and year/model convertible. **For questions, call Nick at 610.909.5027.**

HH PLANTATION PICKLEBALL CLUB (H2P2)

H2P2 In Action:

- The H2P2 pickleball community coordinates and communicates with over 500 players. We also recognize HH Plantation is one of the few communities without dedicated hard courts, so we continue to serve as a voice for new recreational amenities like Pickleball in HH Plantation.
- Despite the court challenges, H2P2 members, particularly our moderate to advanced players, try to find opportunities to play outside the plantation. These include weekly groups playing at Adriana (round robins), including a coordinated event on Sunday mornings.
- Saturday mornings from 9-11 there is a Pickleball social at the Dolphin Head Recreational area. This is being hosted by SLRC and all players are invited.

Today's Lesson:

- According to the Zillow Group, pickleball references in listings increased 64% in 2023. In New York City alone, there was a 100% increase in the share of for-sale listings that highlighted a home's proximity to a public or private pickleball court.
- According to Bloomberg, pickleball is increasingly favored over golf for business engagements and corporate events. Compared to golf, pickleball requires less time to play and costs significantly less, facilitating more focused networking and deal-making in shorter durations compared to traditional golf outings.

Get Involved:

- We recently celebrated National Pickleball Day this past August 8th. If you have not given the sport a try, contact H2P2 and we will help you get started.
- H2P2 membership is the best way to get the latest information on Pickleball specifically, please email us at h2p2club@gmail.com to join (it's free).
- Follow us on Facebook -- HHP Pickleball Players

Our August meeting was a visit to a "Local" Craft Beer location—Locals Only Taproom!

They are not normally open on Monday but agreed to open just for the HHPBCB! Besides special pricing for all the beers on tap a tasty Pulled Pork buffet was available from our favorite butcher who is preparing for his WURST creations for our September meeting!

Plans are being finalized for one of our annual signature events—ZEE 4th WURST OKTOBERFEST meeting with a large variety of fresh handmade, prepared on sight "Wurst/Brats"! (See pics from last year) Oktoberfest attire (Lederhosen & Dirndl) is not required...but encouraged! If you are new or just joining the HHPBCB this is a can't miss event!

For advance notice of our monthly events, join now so you don't miss the unique BEERventures planned throughout the year. Members receive advance notice early in the month for the planned event.



The club typically meets the 4th Monday of each month at the Spring Lake Pavilion at 6:30 PM unless there is an offsite event. Members are encouraged to bring craft beer from the area, their travels or which friends from out of state bring to them, to discuss and share with the group. Dues are \$10/year per person and you may join at any time of the year. Our sharing provides craft beer aficionados the opportunity to try other styles and flavors of beer to expand their beer palates.

Please contact Steve Yingling via Email at SteveHHI@kw.com with questions or to indicate your interest in becoming a member or to send contact info for those that wish to be members or guests.

-- Steve Yingling



FRIENDLY FOODIES SIPS & BITES SUPPER CLUB



Do you delight in cooking, trying new recipes, entertaining in a more formal style, and regularly sharing wonderfully prepared food with three other couples? Then the Friendly Foodies Gourmet Cooking Club may be just the group you are looking for. We offer formal, full course, home-cooked dinners for dinner parties of 8 during the first half of the month and more casual and relaxed gatherings of four couples, sharing delicious Appetizers/Hors d'oeuvres paired with wine during the second half of the month. You can choose to participate in either or both types of events monthly. (The club does not meet during July, August, and December).

Please contact Joni Boehm at jnboehm@gmail.com if you are interested.

WOODCARVERS

Are you looking for a hobby that allows you to create beautiful keepsakes or practical items without spending hundreds of dollars just on getting started? Wood carving checks all of those boxes. It is a type of woodworking in which people use knives, chisels, and other hand-held wood carving tools to create figures or designs in pieces of wood. A wood carver's most basic tools are carving knives, such as whittling knives, chip carving knives, and hook knives.

Whittling knives are all-purpose tools, while chip carving knives feature a thin, short blade that allows carvers to chip away small bits of wood. A hook knife, or spoon knife, has a bent blade shaped like a hook and is ideal for carving spoons and other pieces with hollowed-out areas. Most woodcarvers start by whittling. They find a small piece of softwood and use a pocket knife to create a toy or a trinket. Whittling is the most basic type of wood carving since the only essential tools are a wood carving knife and a honing strop. Chip carving starts with a flat piece of wood. Carvers "chip away" bits of wood to form a design on the wood's surface. Chip carvers use gouges as well as carving knives. Most woodcarvers do not build or repair furniture. They work on a much smaller scale.

Come and visit with us at the Plantation House on Thursdays from 12:30 to 2:30. See if you might be "cut out" to be a woodcarver. Your grandkids will benefit from your newfound skill.

Contact Jan Gantzhorn • 302-528-3475

FARMERS CLUB

WATER, DIRT and FALL PLANTING

WATER. Hilton Head PSD lost 10 drinking water wells to the phenomenon of saltwater intrusion into the Upper Floridan freshwater aquifer. Our freshwater well at the farm is a limited resource and we need YOU to help prevent saltwater intrusion. A voluntary "water reduction initiative" established in 2023 reduced water usage by 19% which saved 1.5 million gallons. Through July of this year, we saw an 8% reduction of water usage compared to 2023. At our current usage rate, we are on pace to use 6.3 million gallons of water in 2024. The current goal is to get below 5 million gallons per year.



We need your help reduce water consumption. Consider

these tips: Water early in the morning to prevent daytime water loss through evaporation. Rain or a cool, cloudy day will extend the time between watering. Do not water during or after rainfall. Eliminate impulse sprinklers. Visually inspect your drip system and hoses regularly for breaks, leaks and missing pieces. NEVER water twice a day. Watering no more than 3 times a week is recommended.

DIRT. Building healthy soil is key for the production and longevity of our crops, and it also allows plants to use water more efficiently and saves us water in the long run. Adding organic matter to your soil increases soil nutrition which helps plants produce better yields and bountiful blossoms without adding more water. September is a great time to sample soil before planting or fertilizing. The Clemson University Extension Service recommends soil testing each year. Six dollars and 2 cups of soil from your garden plot in a Ziploc bag, and a trip to The Beaufort County Clemson Extension office will get you the results you need to determine the health of your soil in 7-10 days. Check here for more information: <https://www.clemson.edu/extension/co/beaufort.html>

FALL PLANTING. Fall brings mild temperatures and a long growing season. Technically, you can begin to plant at the beginning of September, but it is wise to wait until the end of the month. By then the threat of hurricanes and tropical storms have (mostly) passed. The insects and diseases that thrive in the summer's intense heat and humidity ease up in the fall, making it easier to manage. With fewer threats, plants establish easily and grow abundantly. Lettuce, parsley, collard greens and fennel are so hardy that even novice gardeners experience instant success. Check the farm planting schedule here: <https://www.hhpfarmers.com/dl/planting-schedule.pdf>

Big Box stores do not tailor their selections and varieties to what grows well in the Lowcountry so don't rely on them. THE GREEN THUMB at 35 Dillon Road has been a fantastic supporter of The Farmers' Club so purchase seedlings from them to return the favor. <https://www.greenthumbhhi.com>

All year long our bounty of fresh, seasonal produce is shared graciously with our neighbors at Sandalwood Community Food Pantry here on Hilton Head and with St. Stephen's Food Bank in Ridgeland.

Submitted by: Lynn Tax for Nancy Renner on temporary leave. JOAN@president@hhpfarmers.com

HILTON HEAD PLANTATION MOTORCYCLE CLUB

The HHP Motorcycle Club, following in the tire tracks of many other clubs nationwide, is continuing the process of searching for a local charity to focus some of our energies, in addition to our volunteer efforts with HHP. Clubs around the country are known for their contributions and support for numerous charitable efforts to benefit civic society and the public good. Many clubs themselves represent various public service professions — law enforcement, firefighters, and veterans among others. In many communities, motorcycle clubs are synonymous with efforts to benefit the less fortunate among us.



We are in the process of vetting several organizations that have been identified as areas where we may be able to help and fit the skills, talents and interests of our club members. As the club narrows down the list of potential recipients we remain open to those that would like to join us or just find out more about the club. Feel free to reach out to us though our club rep at dpirkey@outlook.com

DON'T MISS THE
NEW *Comers*
MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8 @ 7:00 PM
PLANTATION HOUSE

MEET THE POA STAFF • LIGHT REFRESHMENTS • DOOR PRIZES
 LEARN ABOUT HHP • Q&A FOR INQUIRING MINDS

HHP BOARD GAME CLUB

Come join the fun and play interesting and exciting board games!

We meet the second Friday of every month at 7:00 pm in the Dolphin Head Rec Area. We play until about 9:00 pm. Address is 171 Dolphin Head Drive.

Bring any games that you like (if you want). If you bring a game, it's better if you already know how to play! The group decides what games to play and everyone is included. Bring a friend!

For more info and/or to be added to the mailing list:
Contact Bill Leahy 404-232-5011 or bleahy48@gmail.com



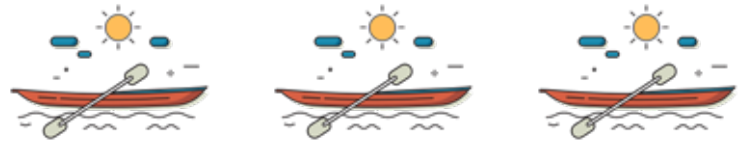
MEN'S COOKING CLUB

Men's 2nd Wednesday Cooking Club

We are a collegial group of guys who love to cook, yet don't create stressful competition. Our mission is to get to know each other and have fun. We have a Chef of the Month selected from the membership who cooks for the group. In September, we are going to start up a new program covering cooking techniques, cooking tools, and possibly some guest speakers. Each member only has to cook once a year. We currently have one opening and would welcome an expression of interest. **Please contact Rick Dean 770-354-3340.**

Men's 4th Tuesday Cooking Club

Our Cooking Club consists of men who enjoy cooking new and interesting full course meals for lunch once a month. The meal is prepared at the Spring Lake Pavilion or frequently at the member's home. We enjoy each other's company and the opportunity to improve our skills. **For further information please contact: Steve Strom 843-342-2838.**



KAYAK CLUB

Come join the Kayak Club and paddle with a group that varies from beginner to experienced.

Are you looking to learn more about kayaking in the lowcountry? Join us at our next meeting on September 23 at the Plantation House starting at 7:00 PM. Please note that the meetings this year are being held on the fourth Monday of the month. We will plan trips for the remainder of 2024, so bring your ideas. We will also be soliciting ideas for future kayaking locations and outside speakers. For all the latest information, please check out our website at kayakclubhhp.weebly.com.

If you are not yet a member of our club or have a question about the club or our activities, **please contact Janis Agnew or Ellen Killberg at kayakclubofhhp@gmail.com.** Please check out our website for photos and descriptions of our past excursions. Please note that you must be 21 or over to join and must be accompanied by a parent or guardian over 21 if joining us as a guest on any kayak trips.





Summer in September on Hilton Head Island - the HHP artists still have ample opportunity to capture the artistry of the Lowcountry spending time on the beaches and waterways for inspiration.

The HHP Artists Association is an eclectic group of artists comprised of painters, photographers, sculptors, jewelry, and stained glass designers. We have monthly meetings and various events from October through May.

You can enjoy our creations by visiting our Art Gallery in the Plantation House to view some stunning artwork from 30 of our featured artists. We change the art 4 times during the year so there is always something new and fresh to enjoy.

NOTE: an early reminder to mark your calendar for November 9 for our annual Art Market at the Plantation House.



"Pine Island Beach Shore"
by Carol Iglesias



"Maudie's Tea Room"
by Janice Wilson

The painting group meets on Wednesday mornings from 9:30-12:00 at Dolphin Head. The welcome mat is always open for drop ins or the curious.

If you would like more information about us, **please email us at hpartist-news@gmail.com to receive our quarterly email newsletter.**

Mary Elizabeth Sullivan • HHP Artists Association

CORN HOLE CLUB

Do you enjoy playing Corn Hole? Interested in joining a Corn Hole Club in HHP?

If anyone out there might be interested in playing some Corn Hole, (singles or doubles), you can get in touch with Bill Moore at: hhisc-moore@roadrunner.com or call 843-422-8281.

EUCHRE CLUB

The Euchre Club meets TWICE PER MONTH. They meet on the third Friday of each month at the Spring Lake Pavilion at 6:15 PM and on the first Tuesday of each month at the Dolphin Head Recreation Center at 6:15 PM.

For more information, please contact Chuck Stewart at chuck.stewart@e3partners.org or 330-283-2827 or Bill Leahy at bleahy48@gmail.com or 404 232 5011. Bill will be filling in for Chuck while he is out of town. No reservations necessary if you know how to play!

The club also offers FREE one-hour lessons by appointment only.

HHP Euchre Club



The September meeting of the Fishing Club will take place on Wednesday September 25, 6:00 PM at the Spring Lake Pavilion. This will be our annual Low Country Boil.



If you haven't paid this year's dues, please send your payment to Bob Zelewski at 54 Savannah Trail, made out to HHP Fishing Club.

Thanks to all those folks who helped out at Kids Kamp this past summer. During the fishing sessions, 669 children enjoy the great sport of fishing. It was very rewarding to witness the improvement in casting ability and fewer tangles as the summer progressed. More and more children were fishing on their own, including baiting their own hooks! One young lady caught two catfish and a bream during one 30-minute session. A truly great accomplishment for any angler!

Here's a little Club history until we start making some of our own in the upcoming season. Not many members are still in the Club who remember Don Kowtko. Don passed away several years ago, but while he was a member, he had a big impact on the Club. You won't see his name on the plaque honoring past-presidents nor did he serve on the Board. Don arranged fishing trips; one in May and one in November.

Each April Don booked an entire week with a North Carolina guide service for float- trip fly-fishing for trout. Club members signed up for anywhere from one to four days of fishing in rivers in eastern Tennessee and western North Carolina. Don paired up members, matching experience, reserved motel rooms, and even reserved private dining facilities at local restaurants for post-fishing evening meals. All one had to do was give Don a deposit and show up at the motel the evening before the day you were scheduled to fish. Don took care of everything else! In November, the same exercise and trip planning took place again, but this time it was salt-water sport fishing in several locations in Florida. Trips were set up in the Cape Canaveral/Indian River area, at Islamorada in the Keys, and at Key West. Again, Don took care of everything.

Don, in jest, took credit for having NASA launch the Space Shuttle for one of our-fishing trips in the Indian River. A previously cancelled lift-off happened to be rescheduled for the time of our trip. A truly amazing event to witness from such a close viewpoint.

When Don passed away, all his fishing equipment was given to the Club, was sold at a POA Trash and Treasure Sale, and the proceeds were donated to the Spring Lake Pavilion construction fund.

- Earle Nirmaier



SPEC TENNIS NIGHT

Are you ready to find your next favorite racquet sport? Taking the scoring from tennis and the size of pickleball, Spec Tennis wraps it all up in a fun and exciting game. We are hosting Spec tennis meetups every Thursday night at 5:30PM at SLRC. Never Played before? That’s alright! We will have a pro available to help you get started. Cost is \$5 and sign-ups are on our online portal (app.courtreserve.com/portal/SLRC) or at the Tennis Pro Shop (843-681-3626).

NEW PICKLEBALL CLINIC



Looking to get an edge on the pickleball court? Our pickleball pro Chris Benzinger is starting a 30-minute Stroke of the Week clinic where each week you will be focused drilling a specific part of the game. Cost is \$8 per session and sign-ups are on the online portal (app.courtreserve.com/portal/slrc)

Dates and Times:

Thursdays @ 9:00-9:30AM
Saturdays @ 8:30-9:00AM
right before the weekly social

FALL JUNIOR TENNIS PROGRAM

New to HHP or want to get more involved with Spring Lake Racquet Club? Come join us for one of our First Friday Tennis Socials where you can meet fellow tennis players and get more involved with the community. The next Social scheduled is Firday, September 6th. Socials include 2 hours of tennis followed by light snacks and refreshments on the deck. Sign up on our court reserve app or at the Pro Shop and we look forward to seeing you on the court!



SAVE THE DATE!

The SLRC Social Committee is at it again! Our next big event will be October 25th at 2:30PM and the theme is Oktoberfest. So, dust off you’re Lederhosen and Dirndl and get ready to have a great time. More details on the event to follow soon!

UPCOMING TENNIS EVENTS

- October 25th -Oktoberfest Social
- November 1st – First Friday Tennis Social
- December 6th – First Friday Tennis Social



BOCCE



It’s Fall and that means another season of Bocce in Hilton Head Plantation is in progress. Last month, the annual Information Clinic and the Champions Clinic began preparing new and returning players for what will be a fun and energized season (and Happy Hour every Thursday at 4:00 pm at the courts always helps too!).

New to Bocce? Come by the courts and watch, learn and meet new people! Courts are just behind the Spring Lake Pavilion. Another option is to join the Fall Season Sub list, as no experience is needed, nor do you need to be a Bocce Club member. To become a sub, or for more details, log on to the Bocce Club’s web pages on Spring Lake Racquet Club’s Court Reserve platform, or enter the URL: <https://app.courtreserve.com/Online/Portal/Index/7345>

Alternatively, reach out Bocce Club president **John Hupchick**, at hpbocce.president@gmail.com.



OPEN MAH JONGG (MJ) CLUB

The MJ club is for anyone with an interest in Mah Jongg. Guests and New members are always welcome, please consider attending! Thanks to all who have come out and made good start for this new club!

Regular Open Sessions are normally held on Tuesdays at Dolphin Head, starting at 12:30 pm and closing at 3:30 pm to lock up. (Please see note below for dates that Dolphin Head is not available for MJ Club use)

Players are now using the NMJL 2024 card. The NMJL 2024 card is now available to purchase and can be purchased online at: <https://www.nationalmahjonggleague.org>.

While any MJ group can use the open session time for their preferred style at a table – many will be using the American style, using the rules and cards of the National Mah Jongg League (NMJL).

A MJ set would need to be brought to the session for each table pre-planning to play in Open Session. Several players do bring MJ sets and will be happy to accommodate drop-ins as available.

Those players interested in ensuring play of a traditional NMJL game, should plan arrange their own tables of 4, cards and MJ set. Those who enjoy a more “social” game are welcome as well. A “social” simply means the NMJL cards would still be used, but setup and rules are more “social” in nature. “Social” tables may be played with 4, 3, or 2 players. Single players are encouraged to participate and arrange to join an open table.

No dues, No fees, No Committees (unless someone wants to volunteer to organize a special event or outing!).

If you have any questions or would like to get on our mailing list or would be interested in joining, please send your name, email and phone number to:

Andrea Fister fisterandrea@gmail.com

KNOWN Dates the MJ Club will be unable to use Dolphin Head (as of April 2024)

- August 20, November 5, November 19
- 4th Tuesday of the month (sessions will be held at the Plantation House)

MEN’S CARDS

Per the schedule listed on the POA Monthly Activities Calendar (insert can be found inside *Plantation Living*), Men’s Card Groups play at the Spring Lake Pavilion at 6:00 PM on the following days:

- **Every Tuesday**    
- **Every Wednesday**

We encourage you to stop by and watch the games played to determine if you are interested in joining one of the groups.

THE AVID GARDENERS

The first meeting of The Avid Gardeners Club will be on Friday, September 20th! Come join us for coffee and refreshments @ 9:30 AM We would love for you to join our club



SEPTEMBER’S GUEST SPEAKER:

Tim Drake, Landscape Designer from The Greenery
Tim will share with us new varieties of plants that will thrive in our area.

In the coming month’s meetings, there will be Guest speakers sharing information related to gardening and landscaping.

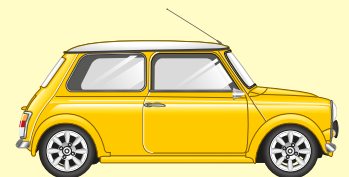
There are two field trips planned and a Garden Workshop . In the Fall we will have a guided tour at a local Pecan Farm. In March we will pick daffodils followed by a visit to Wright Park. In April we will have a “hands-on” Succulent Garden Workshop.

If you would like to know more about The Avid Gardeners please contact **Christine Thum** at thumms@aol.com. Also, check out our web page at www.theavidgardeners.org

The Avid Gardeners meet the third Friday of each month at 9:30 AM at the Spring Lake Pavillon, unless otherwise noted. New members are welcomed throughout the year.

MINI COOPER CLUB

Calling all Mini Cooper owners! Do you love your Mini? Let’s get our Mini’s together for some adventures! Imagine taking a scenic drive or meeting up at a terrific restaurant where we could enjoy each other’s company. In our plantation, we have a Corvette Club, a Porsche Club and a Convertible Club.....what about starting a Mini Club?



If you and your Mini are interested, please contact Bill at derocheandson@yahoo.com.

Hatha Yoga Class – New 6-Week Session

The Activities Department is excited to introduce a new 6-week session of Hatha Yoga taught by Mary Montour. Hatha Yoga combines a gentle asana (posture) practice that emphasizes core strength, flexibility, balance, concentration, and breath control. Mary feels alignment is key to staying safe and getting the maximum benefit from the poses. Mindful, slow flow coupled with the breath and longer holds compliment the active alignment cues. Props will be utilized to help with alignment so students of all abilities can participate. Restorative poses and meditation close out the class. This class is suitable for students that are newer to yoga with some yoga experience, as well as experienced students interested in a lower intensity flow and refinement of alignment.

Classes will be held on Wednesdays at the Spring Lake Pavilion from 2:30 – 3:30 PM. The session will run October 30 through December 11 (skipping 11/27), and the cost is only \$45/person for the entire session.

Dates: Wednesdays • Oct 30 – Dec 11 • Skipping 11/27
Time: 2:30 – 3:30 PM
Place: Spring Lake Pavilion
Cost: \$45/person
Instructor: Mary Montour

If interested, sign up at the Scheduling Office with Jen or Sean. Your check or cash payment IS your reservation. A maximum of 20 participants will be permitted to sign up for this class. For questions, call the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090.

Qigong Class – New 6-Week Session

Qigong (chee gong) is an ancient Chinese health care system that was developed before the written word in Chinese monasteries, hospitals and imperial courts. It integrates movements, breathing techniques, focus attention and self applied massage. Qigong means cultivating or working with energy and is practiced for health maintenance, increased vitality and inner peace. Our instructor, Bénédicte Gadron, will be teaching a six-week session beginning Monday, October 21. Classes will be held on Mondays at the Spring Lake Pavilion from 4:30 – 5:30 PM. The new class session runs from October 21 through November 25, and the cost is only \$45/person for the entire session. If interested, please sign up with Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office. Questions? Call 843-681-8090.

Dates: Mondays
October 21 – November 25
Time: 4:30 – 5:30 PM
Place: Spring Lake Pavilion
Cost: \$45/person
Instructor: Bénédicte Gadron

Qigong’s great appeal is that anyone can benefit from practicing it, from the very young to the very old. The movements are easy to learn. They can be performed standing or sitting and can be adapted for physical limitations. No special equipment or clothing is required. A minimum is needed in order to have this class so sign up today!

UNIVERSAL FITNESS CLASSES

Program	Instructor	Days	Time	Place	2024 Fees
Low-Impact Aerobics	Louise Lund	Mon • Wed • Fri	8:30 - 9:30 AM	SLP	1 ticket • \$7 10 tickets • \$65 20 tickets • \$120 30 tickets • \$165 40 tickets • \$210
Total Body Conditioning	Louise Lund	Mon • Wed • Fri	9:30 - 10:30 AM	SLP	
Chair Yoga	Gayle Caporale	Mondays	3:00 - 4:00 PM	SLP	
Pilates	Holly Wright	Tues • Thurs	8:30 - 9:30 AM	SLP	
Core, Strength, & Balance	Louise Lund	Tues • Thurs	9:45 - 10:45 AM	SLP	
Gentle Yoga	Gayle Caporale & Nick Donato	Tues • Thurs	5:30 - 6:30 PM	SLP	
Morning Water Aerobics	Gretchen Spiridopoulos	Mon • Wed • Fri Last Class 10/18	8:30 - 9:30 AM	Pool	
Deep End Water Aerobics	Jackie Spindel	Tues • Thurs Last Class 9/19	5:30 - 6:30 PM	Pool	

You must use a 2024 Universal Fitness Ticket in order to attend the above classes. Tickets are available for purchase at the POA Service Center and the Plantation House.

Sign-up for POA Activities at the Scheduling Office in the Plantation House. Questions? Call Jen or Sean at 843.681.8090

Knife-Sharpening Events

Tired of having dull kitchen knives to work with? Well, here's your opportunity to get your knives and scissors sharpened as the Activities Department will be teaming up with Tom Stevens of Sharper Edges on **Monday, October 21 and again on Monday, November 11**, to offer two separate Knife Sharpening Events. There will be limited appointments available (ONLY 25 spots per day) so reserve your spot today by calling Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090. **Those who have made an appointment will be asked to drop off their knives at the Plantation House from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on the day of their appointment.**

Please bring items wrapped in a towel or market bag so Tom can easily keep things organized. Also be sure to leave a good contact number with Tom as he will text or call you when your items are complete and ready for pick up later that same day. There is a maximum of 5 items per RSVP, with a minimum of 3 items, but scissors can be additional to the 5 items. Dull edges are dangerous! So, we want you to have happy, sharper edges.

Items sharpened

Knives, scissors/shears (both household/fabric/industrial and stylist/groomers), and garden implements (clippers, loppers, etc.). Tom will take stylist/grooming shears with him to sharpen, and then he will deliver/return them the next day. Household, fabric, industrial type scissors will be completed at the event.

Pricing

Pricing is variable as Tom will need to view the items. You will pay him directly. Please come prepared to prepay when you drop off your items in the morning. Kitchen knives average about \$15 each, though it varies with length, condition of edge, broken points, etc. Garden clippers and loppers range from \$5-\$20+, again dependent upon condition of edge, length, etc. Household scissors approximately \$15+, stylist/grooming shears \$35+. Bring your items and Tom will assess them. Cash, Checks and Credit Cards are accepted - Cash is king.

Tom's background information: Tom has been hand sharpening his own and family/friends' knives since he was 13 years old. He has advanced to a nifty belt sharpening system, and he is at a whole new level! He has been doing Sharpening Events and Farmers Markets on Hilton Head Island, Bluffton, and Port Royal for 3+ years and getting great results with many repeat customers.

AARP Driver Safety Course

The Activities Department is excited to be partnering with Gary Jones, local AARP Instructor, to bring you the AARP Driver Safety 4-hour Course on Tuesday, September 24. Class participants will receive course workbook, class instructions that include defensive driving techniques, proven safety strategies, new traffic laws and rules of the road. No tests to take – simply sign up and learn. Certificate of completion (good for 3 years) is given, and participants will be eligible for an insurance discount (consult your insurance company for details). This class is designed for drivers ages 55+. Seating is limited to 30 participants per class so sign up today to reserve your seat!

Date: Tuesday, September 24 • 12 PM – 4 PM
***Please arrive 15 minutes early for check-in**

Place: Spring Lake Pavilion

Cost: \$20.00 per person – AARP members
 \$25.00 per person – Non-AARP members
 (checks made payable to AARP)

Instructor: Mr. Gary Jones

Questions? Call Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090

If interested, **please register with Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office.** You **MUST** pay by check or cash at the time of registration. Light refreshments will be provided. And please bring your drivers license and AARP card (if you have one) to class with you.

“The Signs & Symptoms of Cataracts” Seminar

The Activities Department will be teaming up with Dr. Erin Benjamin of Goulas Eye on Monday, September 30, at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House to offer a FREE seminar on “The Signs & Symptoms of Cataracts.” Dr. Benjamin will define what a cataract is, how to determine the common signs and symptoms of a cataract, and discuss up-to-date management and treatment options for cataracts. The seminar will conclude with a Q & A period at the end.

When: Monday, September 30 • 10:00 AM
Where: Plantation House
Cost: FREE!
Presenter: Dr. Erin Benjamin, Goulas Eye in HHI & Bluffton
RSVP: Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 or by email at scheduling@hhppoa.org

To register, **please call Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090 or email: scheduling@hhppoa.org.** Seats are limited so sign up today!

Dr. Erin Benjamin is a practicing comprehensive ophthalmologist at Goulas Eye in HHI and Bluffton. She graduated medical school at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in 2009 and completed her ophthalmology residency at Michigan State University in 2013. Dr. Benjamin and her family currently reside in Hilton Head Plantation, and she looks forward to providing the highest level of eye care to her community.

October Art Classes with LouAnne Barrett

Fall Open Studio

Join our fun group of artists to create. Artists and art students of all skill levels are welcome to join.

Instructor provides materials for new artists to experiment and try other mediums. We will focus our attention on fall foliage and all things fall! You're invited to bring photos of whatever is inspiring you currently or you can browse through instructor's various files of photos for inspiration. If you have a particular interest in learning something, please email the instructor before class begins on October 7. Class maximum: 10 artists; class minimum: 4 artists. Visit the website labarrettartist.com to view instructor's work.



- When:** Monday, October 7, 14, 21 & 28
- Time:** 1:00 – 4:00 PM
- Place:** Dolphin Head Rec Center
- Cost:** \$160 for entire session of 4 half day classes
(with optional 3 additional hours on Monday, October 28 for \$30.00 extra)
OR \$49.00/class

If interested, sign up at the Scheduling Office with Jen or Sean. Your check or cash payment IS your reservation. For questions, call 843-681-8090 or contact LouAnne Barrett via email: 1ladesignsonhhi@gmail.com.

Artist/Instructor Education:

AA from Mesa College, San Diego, Ca.
BFA from Ohio University, Athens, Ohio
M.Ed from Lesley University, Cambridge, MA

Artist/Instructor Experience:

Designer/Owner of Interior Design Firm - 17 years
Middle & High School Art Teacher - 20 years
Adjunct Professor of Interior Design - 10 years



October Art Classes with LeAnn Kalita

COLOR PUNCH

The term "COLOR PUNCH" in artwork refers to the use of vibrant, bold colors that create a striking and dynamic visual impact. If you are ready to advance the element of color in your work, and do it with meaning and confidence, then join LeAnn Kalita for these October sessions. We will explore numerous aspects of color – pigments, transparency, strength, temperature, mixing, glazing, and more – and use of hues that draw attention and make your artwork feel more lively and energetic. Whether you are a beginner or an experienced painter looking to refine your skills, COLOR PUNCH will help take your work to the next level...."blah" before, but after the "punch" comes the "wow"!

- When:** Thursdays, October 10, 17, 24
- Time:** 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
- Place:** Spring Lake Pavilion
- Cost:** Entire 3-Class Session - \$135/person
OR \$49/class

To receive the full 3-class session deal, you must register for all three classes in advance at one time. If interested in signing up, please stop by the Scheduling Office. Your check or cash payment IS your reservation. For questions, call 843-681-8090 or contact LeAnn Kalita via email: kalitart@gmail.com or check out her website at www.leannkalita.com.



Lecture on “The Middle East: Archeological & Historical Data Connected to the Present Day” with Suzanna Eibuszyc

The Activities Department is teaming up with Suzanna Eibuszyc, resident of HHP and the author of her non-fiction book *Memory is Our Home*, to offer a free historical lecture on Wednesday, September 25, at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House. Suzanna will present her talk based on her work in archeology, researching with Tel Aviv University and scholars from around the world. She excavated at Tel Beer-Sheva, Israel. Infatuated by her mother’s stories of exotic lands when her mother survived WWII in Stalin’s Russia and Uzbekistan. Suzanna went to work in the desert in Israel.

To understand what is happening today, we must begin with the past. Using archeology and history of the Middle East, Suzanna will try to explain what is happening today, and to do this, she will examine the past. The archeological evidence for the Israelite Period is vast, and this clearly defined ethnic group survived into history.

When: Wednesday, September 25 • 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Where: Plantation House
Cost: FREE
RSVP: Call Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 or email scheduling@hhppoa.org
Presenter: Suzanna Eibuszyc, local author of *Memory is Our Home*

If interested in attending this 2-hour presentation, please RSVP to the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090 or email scheduling@hhppoa.org. We hope to see you there!

Presenter Bio: Suzanna was born in Poland, lived in NYC, Calabasas, California, and now resides in HHI, South Carolina. She graduated from CCNY with a BA, and at the department of Jewish studies is where she first met Professor Elie Wiesel, who was instrumental in helping her get the book published.

It was during her time at City College of NY, in Prof. Elie Wiesel’s classes, that she connected the dots, of the Holocaust, the aftermath and that the reestablishment of Israel in 1948, after WWII, is a miracle. Suzanna also received her MA from UCLA, and she was awarded a grant which allowed her to travel to Poland and Israel. To learn more about Suzanna and *Memory is Our Home* please visit <https://memoryisourhome.com>.

“Inflammation” Seminar

Please join the Activities Department and Josh Lieberman, Regional Manager for the Restore Hyper Wellness locations in Hilton Head, Bluffton, and Charleston on Wednesday, October 30, at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House for a free seminar on “Inflammation.” What is it? How is it affecting me? And how can I manage it? If you are asking yourself those questions, then please join us for this free presentation.

During this seminar, we will discuss the different types of inflammation, why they occur and their effects on the body. Josh will review traditional methods of combating inflammation as well as introduce you to the cutting-edge, science backed modalities. These modalities work in harmony with your body’s natural defense mechanisms to reduce inflammation and proactively prevent it from building up. You will leave this seminar equipped with the knowledge and tools to prevent inflammation from limiting your daily life so you can do more of what you love.

Date: Wednesday, October 30
Time: 10:00 AM
Place: Plantation House
Cost: FREE!
Presenter: Josh Lieberman, Regional Manager for the Restore Hyper Wellness locations in Hilton Head, Bluffton, and Charleston
RSVP: Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 or Email: scheduling@hhppoa.org

If interested in attending, please call or email Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office. Space is limited so sign up today!

Presenter Bio: Josh grew up in the Midwest, specifically in the suburbs of Chicago. He ventured out to California to earn his B.S. in Chemistry from the University of Redlands and to play collegiate tennis on the University team. He then furthered his education at the University of California, Santa Barbara, to receive his M.S. in Organic Chemistry. Josh has always had a passion for health, wellness, fitness and education. Josh wanted to combine his science background and his passion for health and wellness to educate individuals and communities on proactive wellness and how they have more control over their health than they think. This led to his involvement with Restore Hyper Wellness and the initiative to bring holistic and alternative care to the Hilton Head, Bluffton and the Charleston region.

Estate Planning Seminar

The Activities Department will be teaming up with Wills, Trusts, Asset Protection and Elder Law Attorney Mark F. Winn on Thursday, November 7, at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House to offer a FREE seminar on “Estate Planning.” Mark will discuss different ways to avoid Probate Court during life and at a death. He will also share the best ways to ensure loved ones can handle accounts if you’re disabled which doesn’t involve putting them on your account. Mark will also cover issues related to retirement accounts and how to guarantee assets will go where you want, especially in circumstances involving a second marriage/blended family situations. Learn how to leave assets to loved ones where it will be protected from division in divorce and protected from most other lawsuits, so it stays in your family (not to the in-laws). Lastly, learn how to avoid taxes and other problems that may arise.

Date: Thursday, November 7
Time: 10:00 AM
Place: Plantation House
Cost: FREE!
Presenter: Mark F. Winn • Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Estate Planning
RSVP: Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 or
 email: scheduling@hhppoa.org

The seminar will conclude with a Q & A period at the end. Light refreshments will be provided. **To register, please call Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090 or email: scheduling@hhppoa.org.** Seats are limited so sign up today!

Flu Shots with Burke’s Pharmacy

The Activities Department is excited to be partnering with Burke’s Main Street Pharmacy to offer flu shots at the Plantation House from 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM on Wednesday, October 9. If interested, you can schedule your appointment by going directly on the Burke’s Pharmacy website at www.burkespharmacy.com and click on the Vaccine Appointments tab along the top of the main page, and then follow the prompts on the screen. Be sure to click on the Flu Shot Clinic for Hilton Head Plantation Residents which is listed in order by date.

You will be asked to select either the High Dose or Low Dose Flu Vaccine, and then you will have optional appointment times to choose from. On the day of the Flu Clinic, please be sure to bring your insurance card with you. If you have a supplement card to Medicare Part B, please bring that as well.

When: Wednesday, October 9
Place: Plantation House
Time: 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM
Cost: For those without insurance or Medicare • \$52.35 – Low dose • \$113.49 – High dose
Questions? Call Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090
Administered by: Burke’s Main Street Pharmacy

Most insurances are accepted; however, the flu shots are also available without insurance. Exact cash or check will be accepted. Staff will not be able to make change for those paying in cash.

Fusion Fitness – New 6-Week Session

The Activities Department is excited to be offering another 6-week session of Fusion Fitness with instructor Mary Grogan this fall. Fusion Fitness is a fusion of Pilates and light weights for all levels. The goal is to empower you to tone, strengthen and move your body with confidence, strength, and awareness. All sports will be enhanced as you improve your posture, balance, increase energy, and decrease stress. Participants should bring a mat, water, and a set of light weights (2-3 lbs.).

This new 6-week session will be offered on Wednesdays in the evenings from 6:45-7:45 PM at the Spring Lake Pavilion (upstairs) starting September 18 and continuing through October 23. Participants should be prepared to get down and up off the floor for some of the exercises.

Dates: Wednesdays • September 18 – October 23
Time: 6:45 – 7:45 PM
Place: Spring Lake Pavilion
Cost: \$45/person
Instructor: Mary Grogan

A maximum of 20 participants are permitted to sign up for this class. If interested, sign up with Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office. For questions, call the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090.

“Time Matters: A Women’s Retirement Outlook”

Please join the Activities Department and Danielle Jeffcoat, AAMS® a Financial Advisor with Edward Jones, on Tuesday, November 12, for a free seminar entitled, “Time Matters: A Women’s Retirement Outlook.” Are you ready? Worried? Eager? Just reading the word retirement may raise a mix of emotional responses for you – both excitement and anxiety. This seminar is specifically tailored for women who are getting ready for or living in retirement.

During this special program we will:

- Discuss retirement income strategies, including perspectives on Social Security and making your retirement savings last.
- Address how to prepare for the unexpected, including market risks and the impact of rising costs.

Date: Tuesday, November 12
Time: 10:00 AM
Place: Plantation House
Cost: FREE!
RSVP: Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 or email: scheduling@hhppoa.org
Presenter: Danielle Jeffcoat, AAMS®
 Financial Advisor with Edward Jones

If interested in attending, please call or email Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090. Coffee and pastries will be served. Seating is limited, so sign up early! We hope to see you there!

“Medicare Made Clear™” Seminar

The Activities Department will be teaming up with Christopher Tassone on Friday, November 1, at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House to offer a FREE “Medicare Made Clear™” educational seminar. Join us to learn all about your Medicare choices. Christopher will also share tools and resources to help you understand the coverage that may be right for you, including a free educational guide. Whether you’re just getting started with Medicare or simply looking to learn more, he’s here to help.

Date: Friday, November 1
Time: 10:00 AM
Place: Plantation House
Cost: FREE!
Presenter: Christopher Tassone
 Licensed Sales Representative
 and HHP Resident for 20+ years
RSVP: Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 or
 Email: scheduling@hhppoa.org

The seminar will conclude with a Question and Answer period at the end. Light refreshments will be provided. Don’t miss this opportunity to clarify a sometimes confusing topic. To register, please call or email Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office. Seats are limited so sign up today!

“Your Digital Photos and You: Easily Organize, Declutter, and Quickly Find Your Photos” Seminar

Do you struggle to find that photo you are looking for? Do you worry that all your photos are not in one place or backed up in the event something happens? If so, then join the Activities Department and Rhoda Gordon, Certified Photo Manager and Owner of Sunflower Photo Solutions, LLC, for a free seminar entitled “Your Digital Photos and You: Easily Organize, Declutter, and Quickly Find Your Photos” on Wednesday, October 2, at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House.

Our devices are filled with countless photos capturing precious memories and moments; however, managing these digital collections can become overwhelming. This seminar aims to guide you through the process of transforming your photo chaos into a streamlined, enjoyable, and productive experience. You will get quick tips that you can implement now to be able to find that special photo every time. Find and remove duplicates as well as all the unwanted photos for good, clearing space on your camera roll for your important photos.

Additionally, September is Save Your Photos Month. Save Your Photos Month (SYPM) began after Superstorm Sandy devastated the Northeast, wildfires swept across the Northwest, and California faced mudslides, not to mention the usual hurricane season in the South. Many families who suffered these disasters were most heartbroken about losing their precious photos and memorabilia. The goal of Save Your Photos Month is to encourage families to organize, preserve, share, and celebrate their photo and video memories. Now in its 10th year, Save Your Photos Month has gained significant recognition, even being highlighted on the Today Show last year.

When: Wednesday, October 2 • 10:00 AM
Where: Plantation House
Cost: FREE
RSVP: Call Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 or email scheduling@hhppoa.org
Presenter: Rhoda Gordon, Certified Photo Manager &
 Owner of Sunflower Photo Solutions, LLC



If interested in attending the free presentation, please RSVP to the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090 or email scheduling@hhppoa.org. Light refreshments will be served. We hope to see you there!

THE HHP FAQs FORUM:

DID YOU KNOW?

843.681.8800 ext 244

communications@hhppoa.org

HAVE A QUESTION? SUBMIT IT TO COMMUNICATIONS@HHPPOA.ORG AND WATCH FOR AN ANSWER IN AN UPCOMING ISSUE OF PLANTATION LIVING!

What do I need to do if I want to cut down a tree on my property?

So it's hurricane season and many property owners start eyeballing trees that might just pose a threat to their property if a storm hits. Luckily, in HHP there are very clear guidelines for tree removal. These guidelines are there to prevent the decline of the existing arboreal assets of our community. The fines that can be incurred by ignoring the ARB rules far outweigh the nominal fees for following the guidelines. You can find all the details at hiltonheadplantation.org, search ARB Tree Mitigation Policy.

I want to take advantage of HHP's bike trails. Is there a map or something?

Not only is there a map that notates all our biking/walking trails, one of our resident biking enthusiasts has mapped out routes that range from a leisurely three mile ride up to a fourteen mile journey. You can pick up a map at the POA service center or download it at <https://www.hiltonheadplantation.com/maps-directions>. The Route Guide can be found at hiltonheadplantation.org, search Hilton Head Plantation Bicycle Routes.

With the upcoming elections on the horizon, can I support my candidate of choice with a sign or flag in my yard?

Signs of a political nature are not allowed in HHP under any circumstances. As for flags, it is clearly stated in the HHP Rules & Regulations that flags of a political nature are not permitted except for a timeframe of thirty (30) days prior to an election until seven (7) days following an election. All political flags must be removed within seven (7) days after an election. Specific rules for flying flags (political or otherwise) can be found on page 51 of the HHP Rules & Regulations.

I want to hand out treats on Halloween. How do I let the trick-or-treaters know my home is "open for business"?

Hilton Head Plantation Security Department encourages homes that are receiving trick-or-treaters to turn on their porch and outdoor lighting as a signal to the little ghosts and goblins. Parents, if a homeowner has left their porch and yard dark, assume they are not participating in the festivities. Don't forget that HHP's trunk-or-treat on Saturday, October 26th @ 4pm is a fun, super-safe way for your kids to score some serious sweets!

I want to replace my ugly, old front door and my neighbor said I need to get approval from the ARB. Is this true?

In a word, yes. The ARB (Architectural Review Board) needs to approve all kinds of things. A quick, easy way to get answers to these questions is to check out the ARB FAQ document on our website. Just visit hiltonheadplantation.org and search ARB Frequently Asked Questions. You can also reach out to Michele Chisolm @ mchisolm@hhppoa.org or 843.681.8800 ext231. She is always happy to answer questions.



THE NATURE NOOK

The Buzz About Bees in HHP

Most people have mixed feelings about bees. On one hand, they're essential pollinators and the producers of delicious honey, but on the other, their potential to sting can be a source of anxiety. In Hilton Head Plantation (HHP), concerns are heightened by the destructive nature of carpenter bees, which can bore unsightly holes in homes. This month, let's explore some fascinating facts, debunk common myths, and share tips on coexisting with these crucial insects.

South Carolina is home to a diverse array of bee species, which generally fall into three categories: ground nesters, wood nesters, and hole nesters. Bumblebees, one of my favorites, are opportunistic nesters, preferring to use existing cavities rather than creating new ones. Surprisingly, the honeybees that produce the delectable local honey many of us enjoy aren't native to South Carolina—or even to North America. Honeybees were introduced by European settlers, who brought hives over from Europe. Now the most common bee in North America, honeybees are still not the "bee-all and end-all" of pollination in the Lowcountry.

In fact, native pollinators are far superior to honeybees and are, on average, two to three times more efficient at pollination. An individual visit by a native bee is ecologically more valuable than one by a honeybee.

It's also worth noting that bees, in general, are not aggressive. Those who fear being stung often mistakenly lump bees in with their distant cousins, wasps. Wasps, though important pollinators in their own right, are carnivorous and more likely to hover around people, increasing the chances of a painful sting. Bees, however, are primarily focused on pollination and will only sting if their nest is threatened or if they are directly provoked. Interestingly, the male large carpenter bee, a common sight in HHP, doesn't even have a stinger. Although these bees may buzz around your head in a seemingly threatening manner, they are harmless.

Speaking of carpenter bees, let's address those perfectly round holes they drill into the sides of our homes. All carpenter bees are wood nesters (hence the name), but while the Southern Carpenter Bee prefers natural habitats, the Eastern Carpenter Bee favors structural timber. Instead of calling the exterminator and spending a significant amount of money to destroy these essential ecosystem heroes, consider a more eco-friendly approach. A simple solution of water mixed with tea tree or citrus essential oils can be sprayed on exterior wood as a deterrent. This repellent will keep carpenter bees away without harming them. If you're not a fan of citrus, almond oil works just as well.

The most important thing we can do for our waning bee population is provide them with plenty of food. That is hardly a daunting task when they dine on beautiful native flowers. Discover their local flowers of choice at https://pollinator.org/guides_code?c=29926.

Coexisting with bees is not only possible but important for the preservation of our environment. By understanding these fascinating creatures, we can learn to appreciate their role in our ecosystem and take steps to protect them while keeping our homes safe.

- Pippi Itkor • South Carolina Master Naturalist



A Celebration of Artistic Vision in HHP

This fall, Hilton Head Plantation residents have an exciting opportunity to explore the creative talents of their fellow neighbors. From September 17th to October 18th, the Art League of Hilton Head Gallery will host “3 Visions • 3 Voices,” featuring the works of three artists, each bringing a unique perspective to the Lowcountry’s beauty. The exhibition will showcase the photography of Steve Edelstein, the sculpture of Kelly Richard, and the paintings of LouAnne Barrett. The show, reception, and gallery talks are free and open to the public, offering a wonderful chance to experience the diverse artistic expressions of these talented individuals.

Meet the Artists:

Steve Edelstein

After growing up on Long Island, studying in Wisconsin, and spending over 40 years in Atlanta as a lawyer, Steve and his wife retired to Hilton Head Island in 2018. Though he had been a lifelong photographer, it wasn’t until his wife encouraged him to photograph the local wildlife that he discovered his love for capturing the area’s vibrant birdlife. Steve’s work stands out for its emphasis on color, composition, and context. Don’t miss his gallery talk on September 25th from 11 AM to 12 PM, where he’ll share insights into his approach to photography.

Kelly Richard

After careers in graphic design, illustration, and gallery management, Kelly now focuses on sculpting the wildlife she observes daily in the Lowcountry. Her detailed sculptures, often depicting birds like herons, egrets, and pelicans, as well as loggerhead turtles, are created using armatures of wire and aluminum, finished in clay, and painted to perfection. Kelly’s dedication to her craft results in unique, durable pieces suitable for both indoor and outdoor display. She will be giving her gallery talk on September 20th from 11 AM to 12 PM.

LouAnne Barrett

A lifelong artist, LouAnne Barrett has worked in a variety of media including watercolor, acrylic, oil, pastel, and multi-media. Before moving to the Lowcountry, she enjoyed a career as an Interior Designer and even taught design in Southern California. Since relocating to Hilton Head, LouAnne has been teaching art for 18 years, offering classes to both youth and adults. Her work, which is held in collections from Maine to Florida, reflects her love for the natural world and her passion for sharing art with others. LouAnne will be offering two gallery talks: one on September 27th from 2:30 to 4 PM, and another on October 7th from 10:30 AM to 12 PM.

Event Details:

The “3 Visions • 3 Voices” exhibition will be held from September 17th to October 18th at the Art League of Hilton Head Gallery, located inside the Arts Center of Coastal Carolina at 14 Shelter Cove Lane. The gallery is open Monday through Saturday from 10 AM to 4 PM, and Sunday from 12 to 4 PM. It also opens 90 minutes before all Arts Center performances. An opening reception will be held on Wednesday, September 18th, from 5 to 7 PM. For more information, **you can contact the gallery at (843) 681-5060 or visit their website at artleaguehi.org.**




Don’t miss this opportunity to celebrate the vibrant artistic community within Hilton Head Plantation and discover the diverse talents of your neighbors!

Know a notable neighbor? Send details to communications@hhppoa.org.








Security Spotlight

With Halloween right around the corner, the Hilton Head Security Department would like to take this opportunity to offer some valuable seasonal safety tips to ensure all children can enjoy their Halloween treats! Little ones are especially vulnerable during this time of year.

BEFORE HEADING OUT:

-  It is important to know what sort of fabrics and materials you are dressing your child in. Take the time to read the label and consider only dressing your children in costumes, including wigs and accessories, that are **fire resistant**.
-  When selecting a costume, ensure it is the right size to **prevent trips and falls**.
-  Choose light or reflective colors (use reflective tape or stickers on costumes and bags) and supply glow sticks or flashlights so **drivers can see you more easily**.

ONCE YOU ARE ON THE ROAD:

-  While out trick-or-treating, put electronic devices down, keep your heads up, and walk instead of running across the street.
-  Use the buddy or group system and avoid letting anyone go out alone. Always stick to sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible.
-  Only cross the street at corners or crosswalks and look both ways before crossing.
-  Watch for cars turning or backing up. Instruct children to never dart into the street or cross between parked cars.
-  Only approach homes with a porch light on (or ones obviously accepting trick-or-treaters).
-  Take responsibility for ensuring an allergy-safe Halloween. Review each label for potentially harmful ingredients like peanuts, tree nuts, dairy, or gluten to keep all children safe.
-  Come celebrate safely at the Halloween Pet Parade and the HHP Trunk-or-Treat (details on page 1)! These are held during daylight hours in a familiar, controlled environment.

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable holiday!

Warmly,
Deputy Director, Captain Vanessa Green