

Kiawah Island

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KICA Holds 30th Annual Meeting

The 30th Annual Meeting of the Kiawah Island Community Association was held on Sunday, March 19 at East Beach Conference Center. In her opening remarks, President Faith Dodge thanked the Kiawah Island Golf Resort for allowing the Association to use the Conference Center again this year. She also thanked the Community Services Committee and staff for the successful Celebrate Kiawah party held the previous evening at the

Sandcastle attended by over 550 members.

Following the acceptance of the minutes of the 2005 Annual Meeting and the certification of a quorum, nominating and seconding speeches were made for the two Property Owner Director candidates, Russell Crane and Harold Fallon. As there were no other nominees for the two open Director positions, Crane and Fallon were elected by acclamation.



2006 Board Of Directors

Left to right: Hal Fallon, John Wilson, Russ Warren, Avril Fenwick, Russ Crane, Dick Sula.

Not Pictured: Buddy Darby.

There were four proposed amendments to the Association Covenants presented for approval by the membership. Details of the proposed amendments were included in the meeting packet mailed to all members February 1 and have been available on the KICA website since January 19. All were approved and will go into effect June 1, 2006.

PV-06-1 Removed clause to decrease Contribution to Reserves Fee if Town adopts a transfer fee. (Approved by 89% of votes cast.)

PV-06-2 Provides exemptions for transfers to related persons or entities, with or without legal consideration. (Approved by 94% of votes cast.)

PV-06-3 Requires the Company (KRA) to obtain the approval of the members before adding to the KICA Covenants and property on the north side of the Kiawah River Bridge. (Approved by 98% of votes cast.)

PV-06-4 Eliminates the right of the Company (KRA) to elect a majority of the KICA Board of Directors and to cast Type A votes in elections, while preserving its right to appoint a single director and approve all amendments to the KICA Covenants. (Approved by 98% of votes cast.)

Treasurer John Wilson gave an illustrated presentation describing the very

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Board Addresses Annual Meeting Advisory Motions

At this year's Annual Meeting, attendees voted in favor of two advisory motions by voice from the floor. The board would like to report on its research about each motion, and plan of action for each.

The First Advisory Motion

The first motion was that the Board of Directors "present no proposal to the membership without first conducting a public meeting" to receive input from members and provide the opportunity for members to ask questions.

While the board believes that timely communication with the Association's members about proposals is vital and essential, it is of the opinion that open channels for communication with the members currently exist and ample opportunities are provided for members to voice their concerns and opinions to the board about proposals.

Members may contact the Association or its board in writing at any time and will receive a written response. Further, the board answers all questions posed at meetings. Regarding the proposals approved by the

Members at the March 19th meeting, the board publicly reviewed the proposals in detail at its January 9 meeting, and any member had the opportunity to ask questions after that or any other board meeting. Other avenues for communication that were used, and are available to the board for future proposals, include information and summaries published in the Association's monthly newsletter, *Kiawah Island Digest* (available in paper form and electronically) and provided via instant

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MISSION STATEMENT

WE ARE COMMITTED TO ACCURATELY AND EFFECTIVELY REPORTING NEWS AFFECTING KICA, ITS BOARD, ITS COMMITTEES AND ITS MEMBERS, AND TO PRESENTING DISCUSSIONS OF SIGNIFICANT ISSUES IN A BALANCED AND CONSTRUCTIVE MANNER.

STATEMENT OF EDITORIAL POLICY

UNDER DELEGATION BY THE KICA BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE COMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE IS FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EDITORIAL CONTENT OF THE *DIGEST* AND THE KICA WEBSITE. ACCORDINGLY, WE SHALL ENDEAVOR TO REPORT OBJECTIVELY AND COMPLETELY ALL SIGNIFICANT NEWS RELATING TO KICA, ITS BOARD, ITS COMMITTEES, AND ITS MEMBERS. WE SHALL ALSO PUBLISH EDITORIALS, IDENTIFIED AS SUCH, WHERE WE FEEL THAT THERE IS A NEED TO CLARIFY, EXPAND OR EXPRESS VIEWS AND OPINIONS ON RELEVANT ISSUES. THESE VIEWS AND OPINIONS WILL NOT NECESSARILY REPRESENT THE VIEWS OF THE KICA BOARD UNLESS THEY ARE SIGNED AS SUCH. FINALLY, WE WELCOME SUGGESTIONS FROM ALL MEMBERS ON ISSUES DEEMED SIGNIFICANT AND DESERVING OF PUBLICATION OR DISCUSSION.

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good position of the Association's finances, making it one of the strongest community associations in the country. Because of a very active real estate market on the island in 2005, transfer fees brought in \$1.3 million more than the anticipated \$1.7 million, for a total of \$3 million. Budgeting for 2006, however, was conservative, since the number of real estate sales can fluctuate. Expenses for capital projects will increase in 2006 with two carryover projects from 2005, Kiawah Island Parkway paving and Sandcastle renovation. New projects will include additional Cinder Creek boat storage, creation of a bulkhead at Cinder Creek, landscape renovation, and the possible expenditure of up to \$500,000 to assist with the beach renourishment project. Complete text of the annual auditor's report and the 2006 Budget are available on the Association website (www.kiawah-owners.org).

Outgoing Property Owner Director Dwight Freeburg was recognized for his service to the Association. He then gave brief reminiscences about his experience as a Director and presented some suggestions for future board members.

Outgoing Property Owner Director/President Faith Dodge was thanked for all of the time and energy she has spent on Association business. She then gave a talk on the state of the Association as she leaves office. This speech was printed in the April edition of *Digest*.

There being no Old Business, the meeting moved to New Business which was the award

drawing for the \$500 Assessment Rebate. Members included in the drawing were those who had returned their proxies prior to the meeting. The lucky winner was Dr. Carium Joseph of Surfscoter Road.

In the Member Comment session, two advisory motions were proposed by a member and voted on by those in attendance. These were:

- that the board present no proposal to the membership without first conducting a public meeting to explain its position, to receive input from property owners and to provide the opportunity for property owners to ask questions.
- that before any property is turned over to KICA, any and all necessary mitigation or corrective actions be taken by the owner of that property.

Both Advisory Motions were passed in a voice vote. President Dodge said that the board would take the motions under advisement.

Continuing Member Comments, Mayor Bill Wert stated that cooperation between the KICA board and the Town Council is better than ever and thanked the board on behalf of the Council.

Following the close of the Annual Meeting, the new Board of Directors met and elected officers for 2006: President, Dick Sula; Vice-President, Russ Warren; Treasurer, John Wilson; Secretary, Russ Crane; Property Owner Directors Avril Fenwick and Hal Fallon; Developer Director, Buddy Darby.

Board Briefs - April

- Received a comprehensive presentation covering the capabilities and limitations of KICA's irrigation system.
- Reviewed both planned and in-progress infrastructure upgrades to include the Rhett's Bluff pavilion, the Cinder Creek bulkhead, the additional Cinder Creek canoe storage facility, and the Sandcastle boardwalk.
- Considered a Security and Safety Advisory Committee recommendation to commend the Town for their efforts at reducing the incidents of speeding

on the island's roads. The recommendation included support for more stringent measures should the level of speeding increase in the future.

- The President thanked the membership, contractors, employees, staff and all who worked on or were inconvenienced by the periodic delays experienced during the recent curb replacement work. The cooperation was appreciated.
- Our controller announced that the financial audit for the period ending December 31, 2005 received an "unqualified opinion."

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news flashes (bulk e-mails). Covenant proposal summaries plus the detailed proposal information were also posted on the Association's website, and mailed to members as part of the Annual Meeting packets. Additionally, the Association's staff and the board field questions concerning proposals via e-mail and telephone. All of these forms of communication are invaluable, particularly when approximately 80% of the Association's members are non-residents who cannot readily attend town-hall style meetings.

Regarding a public meeting, it is the board's opinion that requiring a meeting on site for its own sake—without receiving a groundswell of interest from the membership to hold such a meeting—is unnecessary and inefficient. The board believes that the many non-resident members could not be adequately represented at such a town-hall style meeting. Notably, the Association only received one request for a town-hall style meeting concerning the recent proposals from a member on February 6. This lone request indicates that holding a special public meeting was not considered important to most members in making their decision on how to vote on the proposals.

For the foregoing reasons, the board finds, after thorough consideration of the advisory proposal, that there is neither a compelling reason nor a need to hold town-hall style meetings to consider questions and input from members about all pending proposals.

The Second Advisory Motion

The second motion was that before any property would be conveyed to the Association, the owner of that property would take all necessary mitigation or corrective action.

The board agrees that property conveyances should be handled in accordance with Kiawah's high standards that have been in place through board policy resolutions for many years. With respect to the conveyance of roads and improvements from the Company (Developer), those conveyances are controlled by the Association's Covenants. The Association's commitment to requiring that property be in good condition before being conveyed to the Association is also reiterated in the Long Range Plan.

In 1992, the board approved the current policy and procedure for the transfer of roads and facilities to the Association (policy resolution P-92-3). This policy provides that:

1. Notification of intent to convey be provided formally,
2. That the conveyance would occur at no cost to the Association,
3. That best efforts would be engaged to require the contractor

- who constructed the facility to extend all warranties provided,
4. That certain documentation and plans be provided with the conveyance,
5. That proper inspections occur before conveyance,
6. That deficiencies be pointed out.

This policy was furthered by Standard Operating Procedure #76B, which was amended in February 2006 to include conveyances of bridges to the Association.

With respect to the Terrapin Island conveyance, the board did not have time to formally consider such a conveyance before its April meeting, having only received the formal notice of intent to convey from the Terrapin Island Property Owner Association in February 2006. The same month, the board hired an engineering firm to make its own assessment of the bridge. The board also instructed legal counsel to review all the pertinent deeds, covenants, and agreements to be sure that Terrapin Island Property Owners Association had fully complied with all necessary conditions to transfer the road, bridge, and bonds for the bridge to the Association.

Because of the existing policy, the board believes that stringent protective safeguards are in place to assure that roads, facilities, and other infrastructure are in good condition and, if not, that any defects will be corrected before assets are conveyed to the Association. For example, it is the board's intent to verify that corrective measures—as recommended by its engineer—are completed before the Terrapin Island bridge is conveyed. Moreover, the idea for such corrective action has the agreement of the Terrapin Island Property Owners Association President.

Conclusion

Therefore, regarding the first advisory motion, the board may decide in some limited instances to hold a meeting before a proposal for amendment of the covenants is brought before the membership; however, the board will not require such a meeting in every instance. The board will continue to provide the open channels of communication as are now in place and envisioned in the Long Range Plan. Regarding the second advisory motion, that owners would take corrective action before conveying their property, the board believes that the existing policy standards and procedures adequately and reasonably protect the Association's interests. Therefore, the board will continue to require that property conveyances to the Association be made according to the existing policy's standards as set forth by the most current resolution(s) governing such conveyances.

Board Seeks Member Input

In a few weeks, you will receive the 2006 KICA Member Survey. Your participation is important, and your answers will be used by the Board of Directors to help gauge overall satisfaction as well as future directions. An organization like ours can only succeed with feedback from a large representative sample, so we urge you to take a few moments to respond to

this important study. You will have the opportunity to participate in the traditional paper method or over the Internet.

Your participation will be entirely anonymous. KICA has again contracted Applied Marketing Research, Inc. to process the surveys. AMR will also analyze the results which, in group results format, will be presented to the

board later this year. The results will also be made available to the membership on KICA's website.

Please look for the survey in your mailbox soon. Your timely completion will enable our survey firm to compile the results and quickly put this valuable information in the hands of the board for decision-making and planning. Remember, your opinion counts!

Town Administrators Return To Their Roots

For the last nine years, Allison Harvey, Administrator of the Town of Kiawah Island, has played a major role in effecting changes that have improved the life of Kiawah Island property owners. On April 7, 2006, Allison left Kiawah to take a similar position in her hometown of Clover, South Carolina.

After graduating from high school in Clover, Allison attended the University of South Carolina, obtaining a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and a Master's Degree in Public Administration. Upon graduation she worked at the City of Orangeburg where she served her Internship. In January 1997, Allison became Administrator of the Town of Kiawah.

Since Allison's arrival the Town of Kiawah has undergone tremendous growth. Staff has increased from four to ten employees and the budget has doubled to \$4 million. Policies and procedures are more complex which brings greater responsibilities. There is continuing need for communication between the Town, the Community Association (KICA), the Resort (KIGR) and the Developer (KDP). As Town Administrator, Allison has worked with these entities to coordinate pertinent issues which affect each of the entities as well as all property owners.

Allison feels the major issues confronting the Town over the next few years

are beach renourishment, Parkway Improvements from Bohicket to the Main Gate, Resort property improvements at West Beach, Development on Cougar Island, property tax reform and planning for emergencies.

Allison will be greatly missed and we wish her well.

Tumiko Rucker, a native of Johns Island, became Treasurer of the Town of Kiawah Island in June 2005, and has been named Town Administrator to replace Allison Harvey. Tumiko graduated from Winthrop University after receiving her Bachelor's Degree in Public Policy and Administration and a Master's Degree in Business Administration. She began her career as an intern with the City of Rock Hill, and then worked in the Budget Office of the Charlotte, North Carolina. Tumiko became Finance Director for Chester, South Carolina, and later worked in the private sector as an Operations Analyst before coming to the Town of Kiawah.

Tumiko's specific goal is to host a Strategic Retreat with Council members and Town employees in order to lay out roles and specifying objectives for the Town's action plan. Foremost among those objectives is to work toward receiving the Municipal Association of South Carolina's Achievement Award, which recognizes superior and innovate efforts in local government.

We welcome Tumiko to Kiawah and wish her well in achieving the goals she has set.



Allison Harvey



Tumiko Rucker

KICA Committee Chairs 2006-2007

Communications Advisory
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Community Services
Covenant Compliance
Finance Advisory
Human Resources
Land & Lakes Management Advisory
Major Repair & Replacement
Security & Safety Advisory

Ron Pollitt
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KICA committee meetings (except Covenant Compliance and Human Resources, due to sensitive member and employee information) are open to members. All dates, times and locations are subject to change. Please call KICA toll-free at (866) 226-1770, locally at (843) 768-9194, or send an e-mail to kicaadmin@kiawah-owners.org to confirm a date, time, and location. Other special meetings may be added as needed. Upcoming committee meetings are listed on KICA's website at www.kiawah-owners.org ("Community" tab under Upcoming Meetings > Committee Meetings).

2006 Committee Chairs & Vice Chairs Left to right, front row: Charlie Larsen, Finance chair; Sandy Williams, Communications vice chair; Ron Tedesco, Land & Lakes chair; Corc Corcoran, Security & Safety chair. Left to right, back row: Ben Farrabee, Human Resources chair; Joe Zambito, Major Repair & Replacement chair; Ron Pollitt, Communications chair. Not pictured: Will Lehder, Community Center chair; Rose Septer, Community Services chair; Ron Hacker, Covenant Compliance chair; Jim Williams, Finance vice chair; Bob Hoopman, Security & Safety vice chair.

May

Sandcastle Information

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 Kay Narmour, Director

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
HOURS OF OPERATION						
		Monday –Saturday 8:00 am to 6:00 pm				
	1 8:30a Bible Study 9:30a Stitches 1:00p Book Club 2:00p KICA Board Meeting 7:00p Beginning Bridge	2 1:00p POPs Bridge	3 2:00p Mah Jongg	4 6:00p An Amazing African Adventure	5 Private Party Verandah Closed	6 Private Party Verandah Closed
7 4:00p POPs Hello Summer event Private Party Verandah Closed	8 8:30a Bible Study 7:00p Beginning Bridge	9 1:00p POPs Bridge 3:00 Understanding eBay	10 9:00a KPOG Regular Meeting 2:00p Mah Jongg	11 Private Party Verandah Closed	12 Private Party Verandah Closed	13
14	15 8:30a Bible Study 1:30p Duplicate Bridge 7:00p Beginning Bridge	16 1:00p POPs Bridge	17 2:00p Mah Jongg 3:00p Islanders Investment Group	18 10:00a CPR/AED Certification	19 3:00 <i>Kiawah Wants to Know</i> Seminar with Betty Stringfellow	20 Private Party Verandah Closed
21	22 8:30a Bible Study 7:00p Beginning Bridge	23 1:00p POPs Bridge	24 2:00p Mah Jongg	25	26 6:00p Family Beach BBQ	27 12:00p Luau at the Pool Private Party Verandah Closed
28	29 8:30a Bible Study 7:00p Beginning Bridge Memorial Day	30 1:00p POPs Bridge	31	<i>Happy Memorial Day!</i>		

SANDCASTLE COMMUNITY CENTER

May Events and Programs

May Fitness Schedule

<u>Body Shaping</u>	<u>Light Conditioning</u>
MWF 8:15 - 9:30 am	MWF 10:00-11:00 am
\$5 per member/\$8 per guest	\$5 member/\$8 guest

Pilates
Tuesdays and Thursdays
10:00 - 11:00 am
\$7.50 member/ \$10 guest

Restorative Yoga
Saturdays 8:30 - 10:00 am
\$10 per member/\$12 per guest

*Personal training is available at the Sandcastle.
For more information call (843) 768-3875.

Upcoming Special Events

Registration is required for the following events.

An Amazing African Adventure!

Join KICA member, John Sanders, as he takes you on a visually stunning tour of Africa. His recent trip to Cape Town, Victoria Falls and Botswana was documented with over 3400 pictures, which has been edited into a 30-minute presentation accompanied by authentic African music. Along with the presentation, you will enjoy a spread of delicious hors d'oeuvres and several wines from the African region. Mr. Sanders, a computer engineer who spent most of his career in advertising, has long been interested in the creative uses of technology. To reserve space, please call the Sandcastle at (843) 768-3875 or e-mail sandcastle@kiawah-owners.org.

Reservations and payment are due by Friday, April 28.

Date: Thursday, May 4
Time: 6:00-8:00 pm
Cost: \$20 per member
Venue: The Sandcastle



Family Beach BBQ

Wind down with family and friends on the beach to kick off the summer season at our old-fashioned Family Beach BBQ! The menu will include: pork ribs, seasoned chicken, potato salad, green beans, fresh bread, chocolate chip cookies, sweet tea and lemonade. Meet us at the beach and bring your own chair or blanket to sit on. Food will be served at the Sandcastle Pool Pavilion. Members are welcome to bring their own cocktails. To reserve space, please call the Sandcastle at (843) 768-3875 or e-mail sandcastle@kiawah-owners.org.

Reservations and payment due by Wednesday, May 17

Date: Friday, May 26

Time: 6:00-8:00 pm

Cost: \$25 per member

Venue: The Sandcastle Beach

Summer Solstice Party

Summer is here! Let's celebrate the solstice in style... Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be provided, but members should bring their own beverages. Reservations are required.

Reservations and payment are due by Friday, June 16.

Date: Wednesday, June 21

Time: 6:00-8:00 pm

Cost: \$20 per member

Venue: The Sandcastle

UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS:

Billy Dee's July 4th Dinner and Fireworks
(reservations required)

July 4th Pool Extravaganza
(no prior reservations needed)

Crazy Craft Wednesdays at the Pool

Friday Poolside Lunches!
(first come, first served)

We hope to see you soon!

Lessons Learned At Identity Theft Seminar

Those attending the informative March 28 program at the Sandcastle presented by KICA's Director of Security, Joe Croughwell, gained important information about how to protect themselves from fraud and scams associated with this fast-growing crime. Following his presentation, Joe answered questions and allowed the audience to share their own experiences and concerns.

He explained that some of the most common means of identity theft include:

- Sending false e-mail messages to obtain bank or credit card information.
- Intercepting financial data.
- Creating bogus websites.
- Hacking into computer systems and accessing personal data.
- "Skimming" – retail establishment employees using a small electronic machine to record information on your credit card's magnetic strip.
- "Dumpster diving" for credit cards, loan applications, bank statements, insurance forms, etc.
- "Phishing" – pretending to be someone from a business you deal with asking to update billing information.

He also advised how to protect yourself from these schemes. General rules include:

- Don't give your personal information

out over the phone, through the mail or over the Internet unless you're certain with whom you're dealing.

- Resist providing your Social Security number, and don't carry your Social Security card.
- Secure personal information in your home, especially if you are having work done in your house.
- Shred documents with personal information before throwing them away.
- Deposit outgoing mail with personal information in post office collection boxes rather than an unsecured mailbox.
- Monitor billing statements and credit reports.
- Cancel all unused credit card accounts.
- Be wary of promotional scams asking for personal information for "billing purposes."

For Internet users, his advice was:

- Do not download files or click on hyperlinks sent by strangers. Opening them could expose your system to a virus that hijacks your modem – allowing access to stored information.
- Update your virus protection software

regularly.

- Use a firewall program to prohibit uninvited guests from accessing your computer.
- Look for the "lock" icon on the browser's status bar to indicate your information is secure during transmission.
- Do not use automatic login features that save your user name and password and always log off when you're finished with an online transaction.
- Exclude personal information from family websites.
- If you are discarding an old computer, use a "wipe" utility program that overwrites the hard drive to make any personal files unrecoverable.
- If you receive an e-mail with little or no notice that your account will be shut down unless you confirm your billing information, do not reply or click on the e-mail. Instead, contact the company using a phone number you know to be legitimate.

If you suspect you are a victim of Identity Theft, you can receive help by calling the Federal Trade Commission number: 877-438-4338 or by logging on to www.consumer.gov/idtheft.

Real Estate Corner

Real Estate Sales on Kiawah Island - First Quarter Comparison

Property Type	1st Quarter 2006 (Jan-Mar)				1st Quarter 2005 (Jan-Mar)				Quarterly Change	
	Sales Price				Sales Price				#	Price
	#	High	Low	Average	#	High	Low	Average		
Homes										
\$1 million and below	6	993,333	715,000	868,056	19	985,000	525,000	785,711	-68%	10%
\$1 million to 2.5 million	8	2,500,000	1,020,000	1,723,000	14	2,500,000	1,060,000	1,687,907	-43%	2%
\$2.5 million and above	7	5,300,000	2,990,000	3,611,429	5	4,750,000	3,025,000	3,597,400	40%	0%
Lots	37	3,115,000	302,000	937,662	44	7,825,000	165,000	958,690	-16%	-2%
Cottages/Villas										
1 bedroom	6	797,000	347,500	451,000	6	395,000	254,140	305,857	0%	47%
2 bedroom	16	1,100,000	490,000	688,426	22	950,000	325,000	541,631	-27%	27%
3 bedroom	10	2,050,000	655,000	1,140,450	5	1,350,000	500,000	773,800	100%	47%
4 bedroom					1	1,255,000				

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The Governor's Club at Kiawah Island Golf Resort

Kiawah Island property owners are fortunate to have two wonderful alternatives: the private Kiawah Island Club and the Governor's Club at Kiawah Island Golf Resort. Both allow property owners to socialize and enjoy the island's world-class golf and tennis. While membership opportunities to the private Kiawah Island Club are limited, any Kiawah Island property owner can join the Governor's Club and enjoy the best Kiawah Island Golf Resort has to offer. Although Governor's Club members must share the fairways, courts and amenities with Resort guests, members seldom encounter a problem scheduling tee times, dinner meetings, or tennis court reservations. Indeed, many Kiawah property owners are fortunate enough to belong to both clubs!

The Governor's Club, named in honor of former South Carolina Governor Arnoldus Vanderhorst, began as a modest enterprise shortly after the Kuwaitis purchased Kiawah, and has steadily improved since its inception. Today there are four basic annual membership options: Social, Golf, Tennis, and Golf and Tennis Plus. The basic maximum annual costs in ascending order are: Social -- Family \$1120; Tennis -- Unlimited Family \$2185; Golf -- Unlimited Family \$6130; and Golf and Tennis Plus -- Unlimited Family \$7235. Various restricted packages are also available at reduced cost. All options are available to property owners and allow members to

tailor their membership to their interests and budgets. Additionally, all memberships provide access to and discounts at Kiawah Island Golf Resort's five outstanding golf courses – The Ocean Course, Osprey Point, Turtle Point, Cougar Point and Oak Point – as well as two tennis complexes – the Roy Barth Tennis Center and the West Beach Tennis Center – along with access to the dining facilities, pools (except the



Social members of the Governor's Club peruse hats at the Ladies' Fashion Show and Luncheon.

Sanctuary), recreational activities and other amenities provided by the Resort. Golf members have the option of joining men's, women's and couples' groups for weekly

events and special tournaments.

A review of the highlights of the March 2006 Governor's Club schedule provides a revealing perspective on how the Governor's Club operates and what members can expect. A variety of events are scheduled that are designed to appeal to a wide range of interests. There were, for example, men's and ladies' member-member tournaments; nine and eighteen hole couples events; men's, women's and couples interclubs; a tennis round robin; a nine hole member guest event; and golf clinics for men and women. Social members were able to enjoy a Ladies' Fashion show and luncheon; and "the season" opened with a flourish during an evening of dinner and dancing at the "Spring Fling" at Osprey Point on March 26. Member nights at Turtle Point and Shrimpers have turned into the place to be for members each Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Governor's Club is a great way to meet other Kiawah Islanders and enjoy a fun, relaxing island lifestyle. Its website includes all of the upcoming events, event results and membership information. Members also have the opportunity to sign up for events online and receive immediate confirmation and e-mail reminders

For additional information, visit the Governor's Club website at www.kiawahgovclub.com or call Sara Youngner, Governor's Club Director, or Tiffany Shoppe, Governor's Club Manager, at (843) 266-4634.

2006 Board Meeting Schedule

At the board meeting following the March 19 Annual Meeting, the new Board of Directors set its meeting schedule for the year. Meetings will take place at the Sandcastle at 1 Shipwatch Road, but all dates, times and locations are subject to change. Please call KICA toll-free at (866) 226-1770 or locally at (843) 768-9194 if you plan to attend to confirm a date, time, and location. Other special meetings may be added as needed.

May 1	November 6
June 5	December 4
July 17	January 8, 2007
September 11	February 5, 2007
October 2	March 5, 2007

Kiawah Wants to Know Lecture Series: Betty Stringfellow Shares Stories & Legends of the Islands

Join us on **Friday, May 19 at 3:00 p.m.**, at the Sandcastle, for the next in the *Kiawah Wants to Know* lecture series. Meet and speak with Betty Stringfellow, author of *A Place Called St. John's* and *Stories & Legends of John's Island*, South Carolina. Over 30 years ago, Betty Stringfellow heard a Charleston historian express that there was no history worth mentioning for Kiawah, Seabrook, and Johns Island. Born on Johns Island in 1921, Stringfellow grew up listening to the stories of the islands around the dinner table. Hearing the historian discount this rich history just "made me angry!" Thus began her 24-year journey of research into the islands. This is sure to be an informative and entertaining step back into history. The lecture is free to all KICA members. Please RSVP to Gloria Knisley, KICA Member Services, at (843) 768-9194, toll-free at (866) 226-1770 or via e-mail at Gloria.Knisley@kiawah-owners.org.

Jessica Shockley and The *Kiawah Island Digest*

The Kiawah Island Digest, which is the official monthly publication of the Kiawah Island Community Association, strives to provide members with useful, interesting information, presented in an attractive format on a timely basis. Many of the articles are written by dedicated volunteer members who gladly spend time researching and writing the articles that appear monthly. There is, however, one KICA staff member who ensures that the *Digest* arrives on time and on budget. She is Jessica Shockley, Communications Administrator for KICA.

Jessica came to the Low Country from Baltimore, Maryland, in 1995 to attend the College of Charleston. Her initial interest was Marine Biology, but like many beginning students, she changed her mind after taking courses in British, Irish, and American Literature, and soon became an English major. Jessica graduated in 2000, but while still a student she began working for the Kiawah Island Community Association, first as a Member Services Representative and subsequently as an Administrative Assistant. In 2000, she not



only became a member of the Communications Advisory Committee as staff liaison, but also received the overall KICA Employee of the Year Award.

When Jessica first joined the committee, it was a time of transition. The committee was struggling to craft a *Digest* of professional quality while meeting the deadlines required for producing a monthly newsletter. Working with

several devoted CAC chairs, Jessica managed to streamline the process that produces the current *Kiawah Island Digest* – a full color publication that provides timely information, human interest features, and “hard” news that affects KICA members.

Jessica spends much of her time overseeing the production of the *Kiawah Island Digest*, but she also works on e-mail sent to KICA, maintaining the KICA web site, coordinating information for the Town of Kiawah Island’s cable channel, and working closely with KICA’s Information Technology employees to ensure that members can easily use the property owner’s website. Moreover, Jessica has a long-standing working relationship with her counterparts at the Town of Kiawah Island, Kiawah Island Golf Resort, and Kiawah Development Partners, which ensures a free flow of information among the official entities of Kiawah Island.

In this Age of Information Technology, Jessica Shockley plays a vital role in keeping KICA members well informed.

Irrigation Tips from KICA’s Land Management Department

The spring season is upon us again. The landscape is waking up and things are turning green. This is the perfect time of the season to go out and check your irrigation system.

The best way to do it is: go to your control box and turn on each station. Go out and watch each section of your irrigation system watering. Make sure it is covering the proper area of landscape. Check and make sure there are no broken heads or drip emitters. After you have located all your heads, take time to clear a small ring around each one to remove grasses that interfere with the water flow of the nozzles.

When you get back to your controller, check your water start times. The best time to water is early in the morning just before sunrise. This insures that the plants don’t stay wet for more than 4 hours. Next, check the number of

days you water per week. The normal amount of water required by the landscape is about 1.0 inch per week. At that rate, you should not water more than 3 days per week. And finally, check and see how long you are watering during a cycle. The run time depends on the type head you are using and the number of days you water. For pop-ups, the run time is about 18 minutes per week. For impact pop-ups, the time is almost 36 minutes per week. For rotors, the time is about 45 minutes per week. And for drip emitters, the interval is about 60 minutes per week. A typical water program would be:

1.Pop-up: water on three non-consecutive

days each week for 6 minutes per day.

2.Impacts: water on three non-consecutive days each week for 12 minutes per day.

3.Rotors: water on three non-consecutive days each week for 15 minutes per day.

4.Drip: water on three non-consecutive days each week for 20 minutes per day.

Once your system is programmed, you should be ready for the growing season. Check your system periodically through the year just to make sure everything is running correctly.

With these measures in place, you will provide your landscape with the proper irrigation while conserving water.

Memorial Day Events on Kiawah

The following event is offered by the KICA Sandcastle. For more information or to make a reservation, please contact Sandcastle staff at (843) 768-3875 or sandcastle@kiawah-owners.org.

Poolside Luau

Saturday, May 27 from 12:00-4:00 p.m.

Sandcastle Pool Deck

FREE

Hawaiian fun for the entire family! Please join us for our Memorial Day Weekend luau, including a live D.J., hula dancers, even a limbo contest! A cash bar will be available.

Kiawah Island Golf Resort is also offering several Memorial Day activities. For more information on any of these events and activities, please call Kiawah Island Golf Resort at (843) 768-2121. It is important to note that some activities require children to be accompanied by an adult. Reservations may be necessary and certain fees may apply.

Mingo Point Oyster Roast and BBQ

Saturday, May 27, from 6:30-10:30 p.m.

Mingo Point

\$32.95 per adult; \$18.95 per child aged 13-16

years; \$10.95 per child aged 4-12 years;

Free for children 3 years and under

Enjoy roasted oysters, Southern barbecue specialties, side dishes, and a full-service cash bar while watching the sunset along the Kiawah River.

Community Sunrise Service

Sunday, May 28 at 7:30 a.m.

On the beach at The Sanctuary

For more information, please contact Pastor Pat Finn at The Church of Our Saviour, (843) 768-2046.

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Fourth Annual Celebrate Kiawah Yields Assistance to Lowcountry Food Bank

Over 550 KICA members and their guests attended the 4th annual Celebrate Kiawah event at the Sandcastle on March 18. Despite enduring a seemingly endless swarm of no-see-ums, the crowd enjoyed dancing to the music of the Fabulous Kays, dining on Sticky Fingers' tasty barbeque, and mingling with friends and neighbors! Lowcountry

Food Bank representatives were present and reported that collections totalled \$504 in cash donations and 411 pounds of food donations, both of which were greatly appreciated. Thank you to everyone who made this event such a success, for Kiawah as well as the Greater Charleston community. We hope to see all of you again next year!



Above: Becky and Rene Ackerman



*Left: Arla Lawson, Bob Johnson,
and Neal Lawson*



*Right: Edna May Duffy, Lil Hoopman,
and Rita Yaeger*



*Below: Marty Yonas with the
Dores*