

Charleston Symphony Orchestra

Saturday, November 5th at 5:00pm at Freshfields Village Green *No Tickets Required*

This is CSO's first concert of its new season under the tent with lots of chairs. Bring blankets and picnics if you prefer. This concert is sponsored by the Town of Kiawah Island and Freshfields Village. The program will feature a light, fun, and familiar repertoire. Also that day, beginning with a ticket exchange at Freshfields, there will be a House Tour on Kiawah Island sponsored by the Charleston Symphony Orchestra League from 9:30a.m. to 4:00p.m. This will be followed by refreshments on the Green made available for purchase by Hege's, Java Java, and Ladles before the concert. The House Tour is a fundraiser for the CSO and for scholarships for young musicians of the Low Country. The Youth Symphony of the Low Country will also play under the tent from 11:30 a.m. until 1:00p.m. along with the Kidzsymphony. Discounts for lunch and dinner are being given by local restaurants to round off the very festive day!



Romancing the Flute with Eugenia Zukerman

Friday, November 11th at 7:30pm at Church of Our Saviour

Tickets available now

Eugenia Zukerman, "one of the finest flutist of our time", is an international performer with orchestra, in solo and duo recitals, and in chamber music ensembles. Zukerman is respected for her innovative programming. Few major instrumentalists offer anything comparable to the intelligence and breadth of programming. "Romancing the Flute" will be a program of beautiful works by women composers. Zukerman is and has been the classical music reporter on CBS Sunday Morning Show since 1981 doing over 300 artist profiles and is the Artistic Director of the international Vail Valley Music Festival in Colorado's Rocky Mountains since 1998. Pianist, Milana Strezeva, is a founding member of Manhattan Piano Trio and accompanies her mother, Soprano Svetlana Strezeva. She has performed all over the world in operas, with orchestras, chamber ensembles, and solo performances. Her debut performance was at Carnegie Hall.



American Chamber Players

Sunday, December 4th at 4:00pm at Church of Our Saviour

Ticket Release: Kiawah: 11/15; Public: 11/18

The American Chamber Players "appealed to the heart and the head, with a warm and seductively luxurious sound..." in the words of the New York Times. They have "established a standard for chamber music performance equal to any in the world," said the Washington Post. Miles Hoffman, violist, founder, and artistic director of this renowned group is also known for the 13 years that he did weekly musical commentary on the popular NPR program, "Performance Today." The ensemble performs repertoire ranging from familiar masterpieces to neglected gems to newly commissioned American works. Their fascinating and delightful programs with varied instrumental combinations have been as enthusiastically praised as extraordinary, dynamic performances. The group is comprised of a violist, cellist, clarinetist, violinist, flutist, and pianist. To sample their music visit their website at www.acplayers.com.



Celtic Christmas

Sunday, December 11th at 4:00pm at Holy Spirit Catholic Church

Ticket Release: Kiawah: 11/15; Public: 11/18

Celtic folk music has influenced Christmas and solstice traditions through the ages and across cultures to create a diverse body of "Celtic" mid-winter repertoire. The Taylor Music Group will perform both sacred and secular selections, with many taken from their recently released and critically acclaimed CD, "Sing We Now of Christmas." A choral feast that will linger long in your memory after you've heard it. The music's spell is enhanced by the accompanying instruments, giving it a middle eastern flavor that is appropriate to many of the selections dealing with holy birth and holy mystery. Besides the catchy lilt and sway of the Celtic fiddle, the guitar and mandola, and the Celtic harp, there will be various whistles and recorders, as well as, a variety of percussion instruments including finger cymbals, wood railing, jingle bells, and bodhran, a Celtic frame drum with an open end for the hand to control the pitch. The exquisite vocal artistry of the 28 member Taylor Festival Singers will take your breath away in stylish, imaginative arrangements of carols and traditional music. Mary Taylor's Na Fidleiri will also be part of this festive Christmas offering.



TOWN NOTES

Sea Island Habitat for Humanity Kiawah House Build



On October 14th, eighteen volunteers descended on Joewa Court in West Ashley to participate in the "Kiawah House Build" for Sea Island Habitat for Humanity (SIHH). In the course of the day they completely sided the one story house with sheets of OSB (Oriented Strand Board), driving thousands of nails. The good news is no thumbs were lost.

The Town of Kiawah Island donated \$45,000 to SIHH through its charitable contributions fund for construction of the four bedroom, two bath eco-friendly house. The neighborhood consists of 10 two to four bedroom homes.

The hail, hearty and happy volunteers were treated to a catered lunch enjoyed on picnic tables under a spreading live oak tree. It was a perfect day for outside activity. All participants including other volunteers were given Kiawah House Build tee shirts. Thank you to all the volunteers who participated. Your help was greatly appreciated.



Town Notices

Town Council Meeting, November 1 at 2:00 pm
Planning Commission, November 2 at 3:00 pm
CERT Team Meeting, November 3 at 10:00 am
Arts Council Meeting, November 3 at 3:00 pm

Environmental Committee Meeting, November 7 at 3:00 pm
Communications Committee Meeting, November 9 at 10:30 am
Board of Zoning and Appeals, November 21 at 4:00 pm
Ways & Means Meeting, November 29 at 9:00 am

Town Council Meeting Highlights (October 4, 2011)

Second Reading Ordinance 2011-06: Residential R-2-O Overlay Zoning District
Council unanimously approved second reading of Ordinance 2011-06: Residential R-2-O Overlay Zoning District

Second Reading Ordinance 2011-07: Special Election
Council unanimously approved second reading of Ordinance 2011-07 –Special Elections.

Employee Handbook

The revised Town Employee Handbook becomes effective January 1st and includes amendments to employee benefits relating to paid time off (PTO), sick leave and holidays. The objective of the handbook review was to include as many of revisions as possible, and/or legally appropriate.

2012 Health Insurance Subsidy

Council unanimously approved the recommended Health Insurance Subsidy which will increase from \$150 to \$175.

KIGR Emergency Debris Agreement

Council received a draft copy of the KIGR Emergency Debris Agreement however; action on the item was tabled to clarify insurance limits and to allow additional time for review.

Town Server Replacement

Council voted unanimously to purchase a new server for up to \$25,000 to replace the existing server which has been extended beyond the provided manufacturer's warranty and has experienced performance problems.

2010-2011 Annual Audit Report

The Town received a clean audit opinion on its financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 2011. The Town received an increase in revenues in excess of expenditures in the amount of \$963,000 or 7%. A copy of the 2010-2011 annual audit report will be available on the Town's website.

BZA Request for Review: HVAC Unit Replacements

BZA Committee Chairman, Ron Ritchie, requested that the Town Council direct the Planning Commission to review the current HVAC unit replacement code. Currently many of the HVAC units are located underneath many of the older homes and it is difficult to find a location for the replacement units. Mayor Orban sent a formal request to the Planning Commission to request a review of the current setback codes.

Permitting for Organized Beach Events – Mayor Orban

Recently a resident was ticketed for having wine bottles on the beach during a charity event in accordance with the Town ordinance which states that no glass is allowed on the beach. Council was asked to consider revising the policy to allow glass on the beach for organized beach events by permit only. After much discussion by the Council and Attorney, Mayor Orban directed Mrs. Rucker

to review the current ordinance and provide a draft to Council for consideration.

Committee Reports:

Dr. VanDerwerker:

Staff has been active in bird banding and migration monitoring. They will be cooperating with the Kiawah Island Habitat Conservancy in a grant funded project for Red Knot bird evaluation. A public presentation on the Invasive Plant Study was presented by Dr. Joel Gramling on October 11th. The ADA upgrades to the Municipal Center are on track and final plans are underway. KPOG has applied to repeal the proposed utility rate increase to reserve their right to make comments.

Mr. Lipuma:

The Arts Council will sponsor an outreach concert series at Holy Spirit Catholic Church which will feature 5 events to include: Sound of Music, Celtic Christmas, Charles Wadsworth Chamber Group, Charleston Symphony Orchestra and Piccolo Spoleto Preview. Special letters of invitation have been sent to over 60 local churches on Johns and Wadmalaw Islands inviting their parishioners to attend the events to be held at Holy Spirit Catholic Church.

Mrs. Wermuth:

The Public Safety Committee met on October 18th to discuss the fires on the beach issue that was referred to the committee for further evaluation. She attended the second meeting of the 2012 PGA Traffic and Safety Committee and they are in the first stages of developing a plan.

Mr. Burnaford:

County Council will likely have no discussions of the Greenway and I-526 until a resolution of their contract for I-526 is received. He will forward concerns about the Town's Noise Ordinance and the Short term Rental Ordinance to the Planning Commission for review.

Town Administrator's Report – Mrs. Rucker:

The Town Election Commission met with representatives from the County Election Commission and the legal team from Haynesworth Sinkler Boyd to finalize referendum preparations. She requested that Council and Committee Chairs provide any updates they may have for the Comprehensive Plan Report Card so that an update can be completed. The Town is currently in the process of year end preparations including employee salary evaluations, performance evaluations and insurance enrollment. A public hearing was held at East Beach Conference Center on October 20th regarding KIU's rate increase application to the Public Service Commission.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Orban stated that Arcadia Publishing

has contacted the Town to publish a book about Kiawah Island. Mayor Orban asked if there would be any interest in the project and suggested that the Communications Committee lead the collaboration with Island entities.

Dr. VanDerwerker

Dr. VanDerwerker thanked Mayor Orban and Mrs. Rucker for their work on securing two hurricane debris removal sites.

Mr. Lipuma

The Kiawah Island Comprehensive Beach Management Plan was approved in 2006 and a five year review is due this year which Jim Jordan, Town Wildlife Biologist, will coordinate. Kiawah Build Day will be held in conjunction with the Sea Island Habitat for Humanity on October 14th at Joeva Cove in West Ashley and he encouraged residents to volunteer. He recommended that the short term rental occupancy standards be updated. The Utility Task Force Committee's activities are proceeding as scheduled. Members of the task force visited the Seabrook Island Utility and Kiawah Island Utility and gained valuable information on the utility operations. A referendum vote will be held on October 25th and everyone was encouraged to vote. A "yes" vote gives the Town the right to acquire the utility; however, the purchase would be dependent upon the pricing negotiations and a potential second referendum on bonding. The first Utility Task Force public information session was held on September 30th and two additional meetings were held on October 5th at 7:00 pm and October 15th at 9:00 am. November 9th is the deadline as required for advising KDP of the Town's decision to exercise its right of first offer for purchasing the utility. Jacobs Engineering is currently completing an assessment of KIU.

Mrs. Wermuth

Suggested that the Town do a better job of advertising the UTF public information meetings on the website and suggested that the meeting notification be listed on the first page. She stated that there needs to be more people in the community who are willing to come out and become more aware of what the issues are. She clarified a statement that she made during the OCRM public hearing regarding piping plovers instead of Wilson Plovers.

Mr. Burnaford

Read an article written by a Kiawah visitor that was published in the Los Angeles Times and highlighted an insert from the article which read, "As I drove away from South Carolina Sea Islands I found myself saying, if I ever get to heaven I hope it's a little bit like Kiawah." He commented that this statement should be remembered as issues arise, because there are people on this planet that view it as a blessing to live on Kiawah.

Go to www.kiawahisland.org for detailed minutes.

Town Employee Spotlight - Rusty Lameo



In 1997, Kiawah Island had just opened the doors to its new Municipal Center when Rusty Lameo joined the Town's staff in its newly appointed Support Services position. Over the past 14 years his job has evolved and as such his title has changed to Senior Code Enforcement officer. Rusty's role at the Town focused in the following areas: Public Safety, Business Licensing, Solid Waste/Recycling, and Emergency Services. Working along with the administration, staff and private contractors, his daily duties change like the weather ranging from beach issues to licensing concerns. Every day brings new and interesting challenges. Rusty is a graduate of Keystone College in Pennsylvania, a graduate of the New Jersey Municipal Police Academy and served eight years as a Police Officer with the Town of Asbury Park, NJ.

In addition, during his tenure with the Town, he has been involved with the following agencies and programs: Member of the S.C. Business Licensing Officials (BLOA) since 1998, Master Business Licensing Certificate 2003, and Past President of BLOA in 2004. He is also a member of the National Bureau of Business Licensing Officers, S.C. Recycling Association (Certified, Recycling Professional 2009), Member of the S.C. Litter Control Association, Member and graduate of Charleston County's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT 2006), and the Emergency Management Institute (FEMA) Incident Com-

mand Systems and Debris Management. Recently, he was nominated to the Board of Directors of the Palmetto Utility Protection Service (PUPS/SC811.) Married to his wife of 36 years, Jill and Rusty are both from New Jersey, but now call Charleston their home. They have two children, Shannon, who lives in San Diego, CA with her husband and son, and Michael, who lives in Summerville with his wife and two children.

Kiawah Island Nest Box Monitoring Program



The Kiawah Island Naturalist's Group (KING) will be transferring the responsibility of managing the Kiawah Island Nest Box Monitoring Program to the Town of Kiawah Island in 2012. The program was created in 1988 with the purpose of providing Eastern Bluebirds with a safe place to nest and raise young on Kiawah Island. The program started with only 15 nest boxes but over the last 24 years has grown to include over 220 nest boxes on all five golf courses, the Sanctuary, Night Heron Park, and the Preserve. Over the years, the nest boxes have produced thousands of bluebird chicks. In addition to bluebirds, the boxes provide a nesting place



for Carolina Chickadees, Carolina Wrens, and Tufted Titmice. A dedicated group of volunteers monitor the boxes once a week during the breeding season (March-September). When a nest box is occupied, they count the number of eggs, chicks, and the number of chicks that fledge. They also ensure that the boxes are in workable condition, clean out the box after each nest is finished, and trim vegetation from around the boxes. Collecting this data will provide valuable information on the breeding success of the birds using the boxes on Kiawah Island. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Town Wildlife Biologist, Aaron Given at (843) 768-9166 or agiven@kiawahisland.org.

Johns Island Goodwill Store Grand Opening

Goodwill Industries of Lower South Carolina is expanding its mission services with a new retail store located at 1758 Main Road on John's Island. Join Goodwill on Thursday, November 3rd beginning at 9:00am for the grand opening celebration. Come out and enjoy free prizes, find great deals and enjoy a free hot dog. Donations are needed! If you donate during the grand opening you will receive a complimentary appetizer from Zen Asian Fusion! The new store will bring approximately 25 new jobs to the John's Island community and will feature a convenient drive-through donation center as well as a Job Link Center to open at a later date. When you support Goodwill, you are helping put people in your community to work! Over 90 percent of the revenues generated from the sale of donated goods provide job training and employment services to your community! Goodwill is a non profit organization.



Solid Waste Notifications

In the month of November, yard debris pick up will be moved from Thursday, November 24th to Friday, November 25th in observation of the Thanksgiving holiday. Please make note of this change. The next Brown Trash Day is Friday, December 2nd. Please place all brown trash on the curb by 8:00 a.m. to ensure collection. If you have any questions, please contact Juan Martin at 768-9166 or via email at jmartin@kiawahisland.org.

What classifies as Brown Trash? Lawn chairs, Grills, Toasters, Lamps, Small Microwaves, Computers, Printers, Folding or Beach Chairs, Mattresses, Box Springs, Bicycles, and Strollers. For larger items such as refrigerators, washers, dryers, etc., please call Suburban Disposal 843-873-4810 to schedule pickup at an additional cost.

New Homes Permitted by the ARB

No New Homes

Contact the ARB for more information at 843-768-3419 or by email at kiawaharb.com