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"The Community Voice of Lady's Island"



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Bruce Kline

Fire Chief-Lady's Island St. Helena Fire District

Fire Chief Bruce Kline has dedicated 38 years of distinguished service to the fire profession, all within Beaufort County. His career began with the City of Beaufort, where he developed the foundation of leadership, operational excellence, and community commitment that would define his career. In 1994, he became the Fire Chief of the Fripp Island Fire Department, leading the organization with vision and integrity.

Since 2005, Chief Kline has served as Fire Chief of the Lady's Island-St. Helena Fire District. Under his leadership, the district has grown into a fully staffed, modern fire service agency operating five stations, each staffed 24/7/365 by highly trained career firefighters. The district currently employs 70 members who serve the community with professionalism and dedication.

Chief Kline's influence extends well beyond Beaufort County. He is a Past President of the South Carolina State Firefighters' Association and was inducted into the SC State Firefighters' Association Hall of Fame in 2004. He is also the only two-time recipient of the prestigious South Carolina State Firefighter of the Year Award—an honor that reflects his lifelong commitment to service, leadership, and excellence.

A devoted family man, Chief Kline has been married to his wife, Jeannine, for 40 years. Their son, Dustin, proudly serves the Beaufort County Sheriff's Office as a Sergeant and Investigator.

Arnold Brown

LIBPA thanks Arnold Brown, Dr. Marie Gibbs, and Robert New for sharing information on Pine Island and the CPO. They discussed zoning issues, the history of St. Helena Island, and residents' commitment to preserving the community rather than seeing it develop like Hilton Head Island.



March 10th speaker

Chief Bruce Kline

April 14th speaker

Jared Fralix

May 12th speaker

David Bartholomew



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2026 LIBPA Meetings

March 10

April 14

May 12

June 9

July 14

August 11

September 8

October 13

November 10

Follow the link below to check out I95 improvements

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Follow the link below to track road improvements

<https://beaufortcountypenny.com/>



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 YOUR SUPPORT!**



Think about volunteering!

Do you have someone in mind that would like to speak at our monthly LIBPA meetings?

Are you interested in becoming a board member of our organization?
 Let us know and we can make it happen!

**Press Release****FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****Contact: Janet Gresham (843) 525-6435****Beaufort-Jasper County REALTORS®
January Market Reports**

U.S. Beaufort, SC (February 12, 2026)—U.S. existing home sales climbed 5.1% month-over-month and 1.4% year-over-year to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 4.3 million units, the strongest pace in nearly three years, according to the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR). Lower mortgage rates and slower home price growth helped spur buyer activity, and sales increased month-over-month in every region. On an annual basis, sales rose in the South, held steady in the West and Midwest, and declined in the Northeast.

New Listings were up 21.5 percent to 317. Pending Sales increased 35.5 percent to 275.

Inventory grew 42.8 percent to 1,217 units.

Median Sales Price was up 2.2 percent to \$440,107. Days on Market increased 24.1 percent to 144 days. Months Supply of Inventory was up 23.1 percent to 4.8 months.

Nationally, there were 1.18 million homes for sale heading into January, an 18.1% decline from the previous month but 3.5% higher compared to the same period last year, representing a 3.3-month supply at the current sales pace, according to NAR. Meanwhile, the median existing-home price rose 0.4% from a year ago to \$405,400, reflecting a continued moderation in national price growth.

Janet Gresham is the CEO of the Beaufort - Jasper County REALTORS® and the Lowcountry Regional Multiple Listing Service, Inc.

LIBPA MEMBERSHIP

As part of the annual membership drive LIBPA extends a special invitation for membership to all residents and businesses. Everyone is eligible to be a member. You should consider membership if you desire to stay informed about what is happening or going to happen on Lady's Island and want to have a voice in the direction of this community.

WHAT DOES LIBPA DO? LIBPA serves as the voice of Lady's Island. As such, it maintains an active community information web site (www.libpa.org), publishes a monthly newsletter, conducts a monthly meeting with guest speakers of community interest and represents Lady's Island on numerous committees and at various governmental meetings. In the past, LIBPA developed and sponsored the present zoning for Lady's Island and currently monitors all requests for major new development.

WHAT ARE LIBPA'S PRESENT PROJECTS? To promote the development of our parks, encourage excellence in the public and private schools on the island, guide the growth of Lady's Island, support efforts to attract new businesses to the island and assist existing businesses.

JOIN BY FILLING OUT THE FOLLOWING FORM AND RETURNING IT WITH YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEE (\$75).

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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