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"The Community Voice of Lady's Island"



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Mrs. Alice G. Howard and her husband moved to Beaufort County in 1991. Their daughter attended Beaufort County public schools, and now teaches at Mossy Oaks Elementary School.

Mrs. Howard earned a Master's degree in public administration from the University of Georgia, a Bachelor of Science in community planning and development from Columbus College, and an Associate Arts degree from Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College. Mrs. Howard has more than 30 years of experience as a community liaison working with environmental, natural resources, public administration, and regional planning issues. She retired from Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort, where she served as the Natural Resources and Environmental Director, and later the Community Plans and Liaison Officer.



Happy 250th Birthday USA!



Lady's Island Business & Professional Association

LIBPA would like to thank Col. Neil Baxley of the Beaufort County Sheriff's Office for updating our members on hurricane preparedness. Most of us remember when Hurricane Matthew impacted Beaufort County. Did you realize that when Matthew made landfall in our area, it had already been downgraded to a tropical storm?

Col. Baxley's advice is simple: when an evacuation order or announcement is made, leave.

To prepare for a hurricane or other severe weather event:

1. Have important documents, medications, and essential supplies ready to go.
2. Know where you will evacuate if necessary.
3. Understand what your community may look like when you return and be prepared for possible disruptions.
4. Meet with your insurance agent before a storm threatens the area to review your coverage and documentation.

Share your news with our membership

Whether you're celebrating a family milestone, announcing a new job opportunity, recognizing an achievement, or sharing another special occasion, we'd love to hear from you!

Submit your announcement, and we'll feature it in an upcoming newsletter.



To view our website
scan the QR code with
your mobile device



September 8th speaker:

Alice Howard - County Council Chair

Topic:

Penny tax referendum November 3, 2026

Follow the link below to check out I-95 improvements

<https://www.fixthedriver95.com/mm8to21publichearing>

Follow the link below to track road improvements

<https://beaufortcountypenny.com/>



Sign up now for Beaufort County news

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In the SpotLight!

Eric Thompson

Congratulations to Eric being named Beaufort High School's Teacher of the Year! Eric's Dad is LIBPA board member Steve Thompson

Brad Hipp

Brad Hipp son of faithful LIBPA member Connie Hipp and her husband Eddie has just been promoted to General in the USMC. Brad is a graduate of Battery Creek High School

LIBPA sends sincere congratulations to Eric, Brad and their families.

Food, drinks and entertainment all included in ticket price!

Consider being a sponsor of the event!

Check out the QR code for all the details!

29th Annual Family Oyster Roast

Presented by the Rotary Club of the Lowcountry

EVENT DETAILS

Saturday, November 7, 2026
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM
(Rain Date: Sunday, November 8)

Live Oaks Park, Port Royal

Tickets: \$50
Kids Under 10 are Free

WHAT'S INCLUDED WITH YOUR TICKET

Food & Drinks:
Fresh Steamed Oysters, Chili, Hot Dogs, Beer, Wine, Sodas, and Water

Entertainment:
Live Music by **CHRIS JONES**, Door Prizes, Live & Silent Auctions

Pro Tip:
Bring your favorite oyster knife or buy one at the event!

WHERE TO GET TICKETS

In Person: Bay Street Jewelers | Palmetto State Bank | Lowcountry Insurance

Online: Scan the QR Code

Scan to Buy Tickets Online!

Rotary **Club of the Lowcountry**

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

Beaufort, SC (August 12, 2026) – U.S. existing-home sales declined 2.4% from the previous month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 4.09 million units, according to the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR). Regionally, sales increased in the Northeast but declined in the West, South, and Midwest. Compared to a year earlier, existing-home sales rose 2.8%, with gains in the Midwest, South, and West while remaining unchanged in the Northeast.

New Listings were down 13.8 percent to 326. Pending Sales decreased 3.8 percent to 281. Inventory grew 3.3 percent to 1,406 units.

Median Sales Price was up 3.5 percent to \$440,000. Days on Market increased 12.1 percent to 130 days. Months Supply of Inventory was down 5.2 percent to 5.5 months.

Nationally, the median existing-home price hit a new record of \$440,600, a 1.8% increase from a year earlier, NAR reported. Home prices have now increased on an annual basis for 36 consecutive months, reflecting continued demand despite inventory remaining below historically balanced levels. Heading into July, there were 1.56 million properties for sale, down 0.6% month-over-month but up 1.3% from the same period last year, representing a 4.6-month supply at the current sales pace. Homes spent a median of 28 days on the market, with first-time homebuyers accounting for 33% of home purchases. ### Janet Gresham is the CEO of the Beaufort-Jasper County REALTORS® and the Lowcountry Regional Multiple Listing Service, Inc.

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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

Name/Company: _____

Attention: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Web Site _____

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Type of membership: Business _____ Residential _____ Civic Org. _____

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