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Greetings! Usually the Editor's Letter just flows from my pen (er...keyboard) but I have to admit that this one took some sleeping on. I mean, trying to write a "year in review" about Dataw Island is like trying to count the stars on a clear night. Where to start? And how to fit in everything I want to say on this one little half page?? Suffice it to say that it will NOT all fit but I have to start somewhere...

First, WOW and how amazing that some Dataw Island members anonymously moved to purchase and donate Oak Island to the community. The generorsity and altruism of Dataw never cease to amaze and continually renew my faith.

And how exciting is it after 93% of members voted to purchase the Dataw Marina that in one short year we were able to restore her beauty and functionality and are well on our way to having the best facility in the region? Many thanks to all the volunteers, countless staff hours (including our own GM rolling up his sleeves and literally hammering nails), and the many partners who made the dream a reality.

Speaking of clocking hours, can you forgive me for again saying WOW? WOW! Through the Government & Community Relations' Committee's Volunteer Survey, we learned that 5660 HOURS of volunteer work are completed every month by the members who answered the survey (and only about a third of members had answered!) And, this is just the local ongoing work. (More on page 7.)

October brought Pledge the Pink and 1500+ pinkclad walkers. The rave reviews gushed praise on the amazing work poured into the event by our island's volunteer army who rolled out the pink carpet to give our guests a royal welcome.

Our vibrancy was also felt as new clubs emerged, like the Dataw Grower's Group and the Dataw Dawgs, and other fledgling groups like the Pickleball Club gained momentum. Kayaking activities, including guided trips under the DIYC, continued to expand (see page 4 - I dare you not to want to run out and paddle immediately!)

In 2019, we also created an even more welcoming membership structure by beginning to offer an addon for parents, kids, and siblings of members. We also instituted a lot development incentive program.

And in marketing, we increased our reach, fine-tuned our audience, trained 20+ new agents, hosted 99 "Experience Dataw" stays... and so very much more (the story on page 13 just scratches the surface).

I would be remiss to not also add the recent votes to renovate the Ballroom and build Pickleball Courts, the result of the legwork put in during 2019; the fruits of which will be enjoyed for years to come.

If the start of 2020 is any indication, I need to start

finding synonyms for "wow" before the next year-in-review letter. Thanks, Dataw, for making this a fantastic place to live, work, and play!

Laura Q. McCarthy

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"Kayaking Dataw Island" Photograph by Grea Schulte



COVER CONTEST Announcement

Would you like YOUR artistic creation to be featured on the next edition of Lasting Impressions? Each quarter, we will announce a theme and accept submissions for member art to be featured on the front cover.

Images will be selected based on how well they meet the theme that month, along with how well they capture the beauty, history, and charm of Dataw.

SUMMER THEME: Live Nell

Please submit images at a minimum of 1 mb and a maximum of 10 mb to datawmarketing@islc.net.

Include your name as you would want it credited, as well as the title of your art. Submitting a piece for inclusion implies consent for Dataw Marketing to use your image in our marketing materials.

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Interested in contributing to Lasting Impressions? Please contact Laura McCarthy at (843) 379-3056 or at datawmarketing@islc.net.

Dataw Living



by Nancy and Greg Schulte

The waters around Dataw Island are a kayak paddler's paradise, changing daily with the tide and the season. As the tide rises, periwinkle snails inch up spartina grass to escape predators washing into the marsh. As the tide drops, dolphins team up to trap fish washing out. At low tide, oysters pop shut and snowy egrets stalk the mud flats for worms and crabs. As the seasons change, the spartina grass celebrates each with beautiful displays of color. And every paddle promises a surprise: a mink swimming across your bow, an eagle soaring overhead, a new view of our beautiful island.

Before moving to Dataw Island, we kayaked on rivers and lakes, waters that flowed one direction or not at all. We were initially intimidated at the prospect of paddling through a tidal marsh. Nobody wants to make the front page of the Beaufort Gazette stuck in pluff mud or swept out to the Atlantic! But we quickly learned that, with preparation, paddling our waters can be just as safe and relaxing as paddling a river or lake -- or just as safe and invigorating if you want exercise. Plus, there are unexpected delights: watching a dolphin mother and baby playing together; sighting osprey or pelicans diving for fish; being scolded by clapper rails hiding in the marsh.

Key to preparation is checking tides. Jenkins Creek and Morgan River are extensions of Saint Helena Sound, flowing in and out twice daily with the tides. A smartphone tide app like "Tides Near Me" can help you plan a safe and easy trip. Tides differ along our sinuous shoreline: Check for the tide at "Jenkins Creek – Polawana Island" for the Jenkins Creek launch and at "Morgan River – Lucy Point

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Creek Entrance" for launching from Sparrow Nest. Generally, it is best to kayak during "slack water" (the hour before and after high tide) when there is less current and a reduced risk of stranding. If possible, plan your trip to ride a rising tide to vour destination then return on the falling tide. If exploring a new part of the marsh, go on a rising tide; it will lift your kayak out of pluff mud rather than leaving you stranded until the next high tide. Tide height is also important: It affects

whether you can paddle under the causeway, how far you can venture up a small creek, and what you can see beyond the spartina grass.

Safety is another key to preparation. The Coast Guard requires kayakers to wear a personal floatation device and a whistle. Inflatable life jackets that automatically inflate in the water are less constricting and cooler in our hot summers. Paddle with a buddy or group and ensure that one of you has a coil of tow line and a mobile phone in a waterproof pouch. Phoning 911 is the best way to get help in an emergency; the 911 dispatcher can even determine your location. If you paddle on your own, make sure someone knows your itinerary. Don't paddle in high wind – we draw the line at 15 mph -- or if there is any risk of lightning. Bring water and sunscreen.

There are currently two good launch points on community property: the Jenkins Creek launch on Dataw Drive near Oak Island Road and the "wrack" (dead spartina grass) to the right of the crab pots near the Sparrow Nest gazebo. The EZ Launch on Jenkins Creek is easy to use; you won't even get your feet wet. From there, a popular paddle is to take the rising tide "up" to the causeway then ride the falling tide back (route A on the map). For variety, you can cross Jenkins Creek and turn



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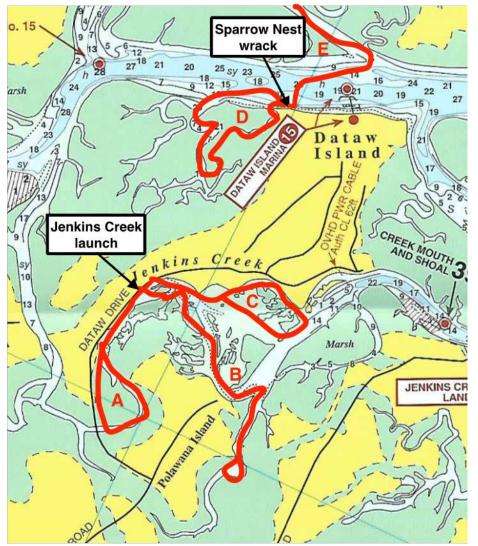
behind Polawana Island (route B), or head "down" by the Clubhouse to Pee Dee Point (route C). Be sure to wave at the golfers on Cotton Dike holes #8, 9, 10, and 11!

Launching from and returning to the wrack at Sparrow Nest is only possible during the hour before and after high tide; even then, you will get your feet wet. From there you can wind through the marsh off Sparrow Nest Point (route D) or, if calm, cross the Morgan River into the Coosaw marsh (route E). There, if you know the route and use your smartphone's GPS map, you can explore the prehistoric Indian shell rings on the far shore.

Morgan River can be more challenging than Jenkins Creek, so checking the tide and wind is doubly important. Wind and tide in opposite directions can create swells or even whitecaps that all but the most experienced kayakers will want to avoid. Yet on a calm day, Morgan River can be as smooth as a lake. Launching into the Morgan River would become easier and safer if we were to add a kayak launch at our Marina, like the one on Jenkins Creek. That would open new kayaking opportunities, to include outings at low tide to the sandbar off Morgan Island.

Circling Dataw by kayak gives new appreciation for the size of the salt marshes to our east and west. One of us has circumnavigated the island four times, taking 3 to 3 1/2 hours depending on tide and wind. Circling the island in two days, leaving from the Jenkins Creek launch and "overnighting" your kayak at the Marina (see map), is less exhausting





Kayaking Routes Off Dataw

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and can take better advantage of the tides. The trip is best undertaken by experienced kayakers in a group, particularly since there are few places to take out.

Kayaking around Dataw Island is guaranteed to make you smile. We'll never forget when a dolphin suddenly surfaced a paddles-length away, eliciting a squeal of surprise from Nancy. The dolphin, perhaps equally startled, circled back to give her a questioning "eye ball." Our curious companion was clearly saying "Sorry!" or perhaps asking "Are you okay?"



For more information, please feel free to contact the authors, Nancy at <u>nschulte10@gmail.com</u> or Greg at <u>gschulte10@gmail.com</u>. And join us for a future "kayaking meetup" on the welcoming waters around our Island.

Nancy and Greg Schulte moved to Dataw in 2015. Nancy is Kayaking Captain of the Dataw Island Yacht Club.

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4 Quick Tips for your Kayaking Trips:

1. STORAGE

You can rent kayak storage at the Jenkins Creek launch by contacting Jackie Karasch in our Accounting department by phone at 838-8435 or by email at jkarasch@islc.net.

2. GUIDED TRIPS

The Dataw Island Yacht Club regularly organizes guided kayak trips off Island, a good way to learn about paddling in our tidal salt marshes. The dates of these trips are listed on the club website at https://datawyachtclub.com, and more details and sign-up information is sent via the DatawNet a month in advance of each trip. The club also has a kayak loaner program for members, accessible on the Yacht Club's website by signing in as a member with the password on your membership card.

3. OH, CRUD! (PLUFF MUD)

Stuck on pluff mud? Don't get out of the kayak because the pluff mud will suck you down. Paddle backwards to the deeper water from which you came or wait for a rising tide to lift you up. If the tide is falling, the 911 dispatcher can send an airboat from the Beaufort Water Search and Rescue. Expect to make the front page of the Beaufort Gazette!

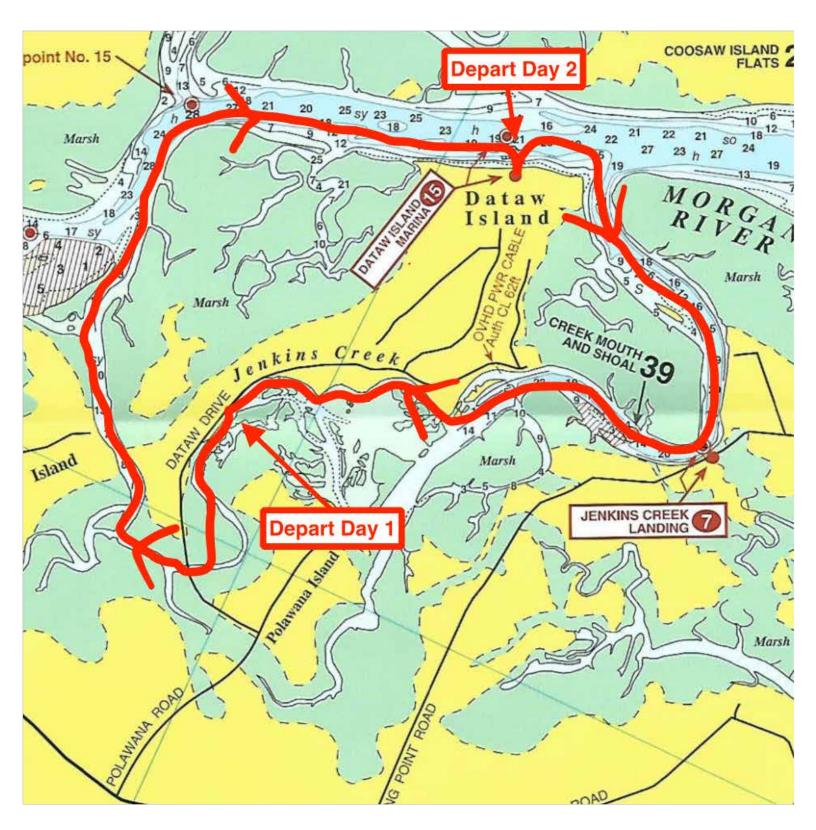
4. WHICH BOAT IS BEST?

A 12- to 14-foot sit-in kayak offers good maneuverability and decent tracking for our salt marshes. Lighter is better for carrying on land, though ultralight composites are easily scratched by oyster shells and boat ramps. If you fish or have restricted mobility, a sit-on-top kayak may be preferable, though they are usually heavier and more easily blown off course by the wind. Invest in a lightweight carbon-fiber paddle so your arms won't be as tired after a long paddle. An outfitter can provide further advice.





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Circling Dataw in Two Days

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Enriching Lives Through Vounteering

Live, Love

by Dashae Middleton

Dataw Island is recognized for its beautiful golf courses, top rated tennis facility and its phenomenal natural beauty. And, there are many clubs and sports within our island that members can participate

in to feel engaged. But there is also a huge spirit of community that lies within for Dataw residents; a spirit that inspires members to give back to our community and the surrounding Beaufort area.

Many Dataw Island members pour hours into volunteer work. About a third of the residents of Dataw Island responded to a recent survey by the Dataw Island Government and Community Relations Committee. Of the 381 respondents, almost 200 members said that they spend at least 10 hours a month doing volunteer work, 123 members donate over 20 hours a month and more than 30 members devote over 40 hours to volunteer commitments each month. That's 5660 hours of volunteer hours on average, every single month!



Volunteer



"And why do they do it?" the survey asked. Because they want to give back and stay involved.

Ghandi said, "The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."

The survey summary noted:

Just about another half of the survey respondents focused on staying involved in the community and using and applying skills that they had gained over many years. Others noted that volunteering is not only fun, but also a great way to meet people and to network. Some of our volunteers emphasized that volunteering provides them opportunity to keep learning, as evidenced by the many who are trained docents at historical and architectural sites.

One of the ways Dataw residents help service others is through Second Helpings. Second Helpings is a charity, locally stationed in Beaufort, that rescues excess food items from supermarkets and distributes the food to local food banks. The island's residents help drive their trucks, collect food, and distribute it to food bank storage areas. Not only do Dataw residents help by providing food for those who are in need, but they help provide medical care. The Good Neighbor Free Medical Clinic of Beaufort is the only of its kind in northern Beaufort county, and it provides free medical care, from volunteers, to very low-income individuals who have no insurance. Twenty volunteers out of 60 at this clinic are members of Dataw Island. They help the physicians and nurses, assist with budgeting, financials, writing grants, front desk and administrative personnel, and three members serve on the Board of Directors.

Dataw Island residents also help support local education through Adopt-a-School

programs, and fundraise for injured veterans by hosting golf tournaments in support of groups like Tee It Up for the Troops. Just as important, they help with organizations that help preserve and protect the environment, help with local government, and save injured and abandoned animals.

In a nutshell, Dataw Island volunteers do everything! Non-profit and charitable organizations try to keep their expenses down so that the donated money goes to the intended recipients. As a result, while some organizations need specialized and professional assistance, almost all of them can benefit from volunteers doing general labor, administrative tasks, and



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work that does not require specific expertise.

Volunteers often find that giving back also helps them feel good, and they appreciate the opportunity to share their skills and stay involved in the community. One person noted that "Life is so good, I have a responsibility to give back."

The amount of volunteer work that Dataw's residents contribute is important and extraordinary. Though I have mentioned a few organizations by name, it does not even

scratch the surface or show the amount of effort members put into the community, including greater Beaufort and the surrounding areas. A more complete summary of findings can be found on the Dataw Island website (as a news article and as a text link under "Belong" --> "The Dataw Difference").

Dataw Island has beauty in nature and also has a beauty that shines from within the hearts of the community.



View the Voluniteer Report on www.Dataw.com

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Embracing Natural Beauty: Melding the outdoors with the indoors

by Laura McCarthy

Whether looking out over a pond or marsh or onto a golf course rife with wildlife amidst the trees and greenery, most Dataw Island homes feature grand views of nature. Our sense of "place" is grounded in nature, and in fact many claim that spending time in nature not only boosts happiness but can also decrease stress, increase energy, and make us more productive and creative. So, why not marry everyday living to natural beauty at every chance given?

Not exactly synonymous but closely related to featuring nature/natural finishes, Southern Living Magazine says that there was one resounding top home trend of 2019 (and that it is here to stay!), and that is "farmhouse": "The style encourages a cozy, laid-back way of living. Reclaimed wood accents—like hardwood floors, dining table, or exposed beams—add instant warmth and age to a space, making the interiors feel lived in and loved. Open floor plans encourage community living."

While some ways to enjoy nature are obvious (take the morning paper on your porch, play a round of golf, walk your dog) enjoying the outdoors can continue even once we return to the AC. Here

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are a few ideas to consider that will help maximize your exposure to the natural elements.

Choose Window T r e a t m e n t s Wisely

While that c o m p l e x layered drapery may look very nice in a formal

setting, take into account how it may affect your views. It may make your mother shudder, but consider leaving a picture window undressed. Several manufacturers offer protectant films to reduce UV exposure (important for yourself as well as to protect your art and furniture!) For the windows you do need to dress, choose natural fabrics or wood over synthetic options and try to keep the window dressings as "accessories" to the window and not the main show. Think of it like dressing for an evening on the town – your radiant smile (the view!) should be the feature with the accessories there to ... accessorize.

Choose Natural Materials

Whenever possible, opt for natural materials.

Rather than a manmade countertop, choose granite, quartz, marble, travertine or even wood. And, although manufactured surfaces can be more cost-effective up front, a traditional hardwood floor never goes out of style. Choose a quality wood at time of install, and you should be able to get one or two "refinishes" out of it if necessary, extending its life and its value.

It may not be in the budget to go out and replace laminate cabinets, but even details like drawer pulls and sink faucets made of glass or solid metals will have a more lasting quality feel and be more grounded in nature than those that incorporate plastic. Also look for natural fibers when selecting furniture, bedding, and throw rugs. A wood picture frame (even if covered in gold or silver leaf) with glass wins hands-down every time over an injection mold frame with plexi.

Don't forget to look up! Do you have an outdated, overly-formal, or utilitarian light fixture or fan that could use updating? If so, this is a great way to bring in some of the aforementioned farmhouse charm without breaking the bank. For hanging fixtures, bare wire (or jute-wrapped) reign over the traditional brass chain, and vintage bulbs are all the charm these days.

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Enhance Your View

We talked earlier about window dressings, and you can also further blur the line of indoor and outdoor spaces in several other ways.

Do today: Rearrange your furniture

If you have a great view that is not getting its just dues, take a fresh look at your furniture arrangements. And, don't be afraid to switch up rooms! Do you find yourself gravitating to a favorite chair that's in a less-than-picture-perfect room? Move it! Then, challenge yourself to create a seating arrangement to feature the view. This is a really fun way to refresh your look as well, and it's likely you will find some pieces in the room just don't "fit" with your favorite chair...no problem! Can you add some throw pillows or a decorative ottoman to tie it together? Or maybe the grand switcheroo is on (you know, where your husband comes home and the TV room is now the sewing room, and he can't find the breakfast table because you moved it to the screen room..?)

Don't be afraid to break rules. Of course, SOME rules are meant to be followed (I once had a roommate who moved her bed to the living room while I was away...don't be an Elizabeth! She was not my roommate for long...) but other rules can certainly be bent. Consider your routine and where you spend time in daylight hours. If you find that you spend significant time in your office that is in the formal space near the front of your home with only a tiny window, consider if there is a more natural setting in your home that you could repurpose; your old office can be a guest room or TV room if you only watch at night.

Do soon: Change up your plantings

This might not sound like it fits in this same article but please bear with me a minute. Sometimes we hire a landscape designer who makes our house look fantastic from the outside, but how many of us have ever thought to invite them inside to see our views? If you aren't comfortable inviting them in, ask the questions of how fast each plant grows and how big they will get, and be present when they are "dry laying" them to make sure you like where each plant is going. (See photos to the right -- you may purchase a grass at a small size but it may grow into a bohemoth! Work with your landscape professional to choose the best varietals for your needs.)

Also, consider what makes you the happiest. Is it seeing butterflies or birds? Dramatic bursts of color? Year-round color? If there is something that makes you smile, plant to satisfy.

Plan your outdoor living spaces how you would your indoor spaces: natural materials, good flow, and a sense of Zen.





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Do next time you're due for updates: Open up spaces and bring in more light

This is a biggie but will have the most dramatic results. When it is time to make some major updates (like replacing kitchen cabinets or windows) think about if there are some small changes that can make a big impact. Some of these might include changing a small window to a larger window (or even making it into a French door!). If your spaces feel a little closed off, invite a contractor or interior designer to help visualize the easiest way to open it up. You may be surprised how big an impact removing just one or two walls can have, and if done at the same time as other projects (and using the same contractor) it will be more cost-effective than piecemealing the projects over time.

It is easy to get so used to seeing our space a certain way that we can't see the forest through the trees – or in this case, we can't see the forest through our "stuff." Merging the indoors and outdoors will help create a tranquil and relaxing setting to enjoy the beauty that surrounds us.



Marketing & Sales Report



Sales Stats

After a slow start in real estate sales in 2019, we finished the year strong. Please see graph below. On it, you will see the total number of sales per year, divided by homes and lots. On the following page, this data appears by quarter. 2020 is starting out strong, and based on the high level of real estate activity, it looks promising for another busy year. In 2019, we increased the number of people who visited our website (unique users) by 16.44%, from 58,879 to 68,557.

Marketing Approaches

In 2019, we continued our omni-channel approach to marketing, meaning we had a broad reach of highly targeted marketing. This narrow-casting approach is highly effective on

> a small budget, but it also means that our marketing efforts will not be visible to everyone.

> With traditional advertising (such as print, billboards, radio/TV) you could only choose a subscriber base, and you would choose, for example, during which television shows to run your ads based on the assumptions and data regarding the viewing audience.

> In 1936, Nielsen began monitoring radio listening, measuring the length of time a radio was turned on and to which channel it was tuned. Staggering

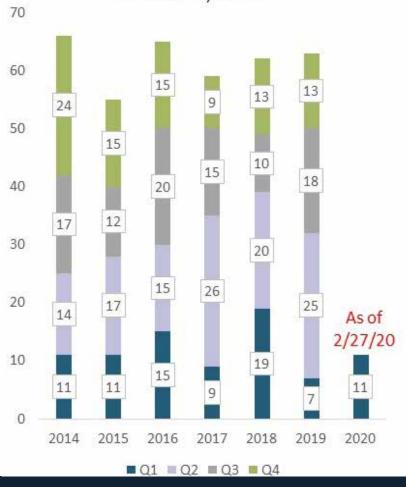


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technology for the day! And, since then, they have become much more sophisticated. However, they still cannot tell such things as who is watching a TV that is on, or if anyone is even watching it at all. (Using myself as an example, "I" watch 4 hours of Nat Geo a day on stormy mornings according to Nielsen. However, it's Radar and Piper who are soothed during thunderstorms while I am at work -- and those canines have zero buying power!)

These days, Nielsen data just scratches the surface of digital (online) media's much more sophisticated means by which they identify and measure their audiences. These highly-detailed targeting indices allow us to not only broadcast to "everyone who watches HGTV because surely some of them want to buy a home soon" but to advertise to, for example, "people ages 50-65 looking for amenity-based gated communities



Number of **Home Sales** Per Quarter, By Year in the Southeast who have a household income of \$100k+ and a net worth of \$1,000,000, and especially if they like golf, tennis or boating and are interested in coastal regions." Now, these folks may ALSO be watching HGTV or visiting HGTV.com, but rather than throwing the millions of dollars (that we don't have) at TV ads, we can reach only those who are truly house-hunting and who match our buying personas for pennies on the dollar. Thus, we spread our budget much further while fine tuning our focus to reach only the most qualified/likely buyers.

In other words, our ads reach thousands of people who are likely to purchase on Dataw Island and exclude millions more who are not.

In 2019, we had several paid print placements in periodicals, including but not limited to "Links" golf magazine's Premier Properties, a "Best Golf" ad in "Ideal-Living Magazine," "Connecticut Cottages & Gardens," a "Best Golf" ad in "New Jersey Monthly," "Homes & Land" (which was distributed in the Wall Street Journal and other strategic markets), "Washington Post," and "Hilton Head Monthly's Top 25 Golf Communities," to name a few. Several of these buys were for "advertorials," meaning they read like a story but were pay-to-play.

We also had strategic print placements in the Beaufort Visitor's Guide and the Hilton Head Visitor's Guide, several event-specific publications, and more.

Ourbroadcastmediaincludedvideoplacements at the Savannah Airport and appearances on Fox Sports on "Golf America."

Dataw Island attended four retirement expos through Ideal-Living, and marketed to many onisland event attendees, such as the 1500 Pledge the Pink walkers, the many golfers who played in the competitive tournaments we hosted, the 100+ tennis players who came for Splash, and more. We also hosted several Realtor events and put more than 25 agents through the 3+ hour Dataw University training. In 2020, we welcomed

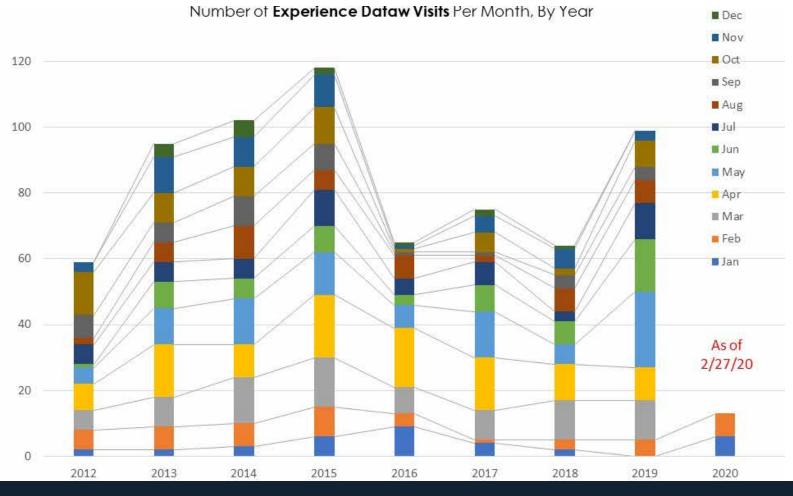
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Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices/Bay Street Realty Group to join ERA Evergreen in the Sales Center, and outfitted Lowcountry Real Estate's new Frogmore office with a Dataw promotional corner.

Online, we reached people through social media, paid ads through Google, ad retargeting, and through several paid placements on portals such as "Golf Home Network" and "Private Communities." We also used email marketing to keep in touch with prospects and to stay top of mind with local Realtors (our list of those who have shown on island is now well over 400, and we want to make sure these 400+ agents know that they are welcome here and to assure that they have the resources they need to be successful selling Dataw Island).

Our online and print reaches were complemented by our PR efforts, which included more than 30 press releases, as well as calls and emails to media. Many of our press releases were posted as news or blog items as well, and cross-shared on social media. We also received excellent unpaid (true PR!) coverage in publications such as Ideal-Living Magazine and the SCGA magazine.

Our plan for 2020 looks similar to 2019, but we continue to tweak the efforts, are always fine tuning our campaigns and adding new components, and we will continue to alter some of our placements to keep things fresh, eliminating the lower performers in favor of those that produce better results. The final chart, below, shows our "Experience Dataw" visits month over month, year over year. As you can see, we hosted quite a few prospects in 2019 (99!) and have already charted 13 couples/ individuals in 2020. Dataw Marketing is also generating an increasing number of leads. This year we also have the Marina, Pickleball, the Multi-Generational Membership program, and Oak Island to help us meet prospective buyers' needs. Here's to a great year ahead!



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Springtime Fun ~ Calendar of Events

Having friends or family visit this Spring? Here are some great events that they may enjoy!



The Beaufort Charities Oyster Roast

March 7

Now in their 16th year, The Beaufort Charities Oyster Roast is the premiere oyster roast in Beaufort County. Hosting 2,500+ attendees, our event offers a FREE Kids Zone with free pizza for kids from 5-12 years old; ALL you can eat oysters; 2 Live Auctions, and entertainment by The Embers from 4-7 pm and "Steel Rail Express" from 8-10 pm. At \$35 per person, there is no better VALUE for the family for full day of fun!!!

www.beaufortcharities.org/oysterroast

Historic Beaufort Foundation's Architects' Tour March 14

Showcasing the creative and distinctive imprint of some of Beaufort's most accomplished architects. Beaufort has boasted some of the best of southern architecture since building began here in the 18th century and today's local architects continue the tradition. This year, the tour features the work of Allison Ramsey Architects, Frederick and Frederick Architects and Montgomery Architecture & Planning. The annual tour provides a sample of both traditional and contemporary architecture that interprets the Lowcountry in the 21st century.



www.historicbeaufort.org.



MAISON BEAUFORT SPRING 2020

March 12 - 15

Maison Beaufort is a four-day event held at The Beaufort Inn's Tabby PLace in downtown Beaufort, South Carolina. The home furnishings show will showcase 20-30 carefully selected vendors offering a variety of items for the Home and Garden—a blend of antiques and art, vintage and one-of-a-kinds, lighting and furniture, linens, and garden accents. \$5-\$30. The Tabby Place at The Beaufort Inn, 913 Port Republic St., Beaufort.

maisonbeaufort.org

Beaufort's Women's Wellness Weekend March 19 – 22

This 4-day weekend provides opportunities for women to explore personal, physical, spiritual, financial and emotional wellness through workshops, presentations and mentoring. Enjoy networking and mentoring opportunities abound as we uplift, strengthen and enrich ourselves and



each other at the Women's Wellness Weekend!

https://www.uscbcenterforthearts.com/2020-19-schedule-1

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Savannah Music Festival 2020

March 26 – April 11

Now in its 31st season, SMF is Georgia's largest musical arts event and one of the most distinctive cross-genre music festivals in the world. As a 501 (c)3 not-for-profit organization dedicated to inspiring and growing audiences of all ages through engagement with the musical arts, we advance our vision through an array of musical performances that include dance, film, and narrative programs.



www.savannahmusicfestival.org



The Great Helicopter Egg Drop

April 4, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

On Saturday, April 4th, we invite the ENTIRE community to join us for the third annual Great Helicopter Easter Egg Drop. We're dropping thousands of plastic Easter eggs from a helicopter...yup, you heard that right – a HELICOPTER! Pre-register your children to participate in one of FOUR age-specific egg hunts with over 15,000 eggs!

www.eventbrite.com

RBC Heritage Golf Tournament April 13 - 19

The 2020 RBC Heritage Presented by Boeing will take place at the Harbour Town Golf Links on Hilton Head Island, SC. Get your plaid on! Don't miss a moment of the RBC Heritage, as some of the top names in the game play the most fun and fan-friendly stop on the PGA TOUR schedule!

rbcheritage.com





North Charleston Arts Fest

April 29 - May 3

Join us as we kick off the 38th Annual North Charleston Arts Fest! Enjoy live music, artist demos, and complimentary beer, wine, and refreshments while admiring hundreds of pieces of artwork on display in Exhibit Hall A of the Charleston Area Convention Center as part of the Arts Fest's Judged Fine Art, Judged Photography, SC Palmetto Hands Fine Craft, and Tri-County Youth Art Competitions & Exhibitions. Free admission.

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FREE ADMISSION!

MAY 1-2 WATERFRONT PARK, BEAUFORT

FOOD, MUSIC, ENTERTAINMENT, ARTS & CRAFTS MARKET, CRAB CRAWL 5K

A Taste of Beaufort May 1 - 2

This Music, Arts & Food Festival, will take place at the Henry C. Chambers Waterfront Park in beautiful downtown Beaufort Friday, May 1st from 6 p.m. – 10 p.m. & Saturday, May 2nd from 11 a.m. – 8 p.m. Produced by the Beaufort Regional Chamber of Commerce. Free Admission! The Arts & Crafts market opens at 12 p.m. on Friday! Stop on by & check out the wonderful array by hot, local artists.

www.beaufortchamber.org

Seussical, the Musical, Jr May 15 - 17

Beaufort Children's Theatre Presents Seussical, the Musical, Jr

Horton the Elephant, the Cat in the Hat and all of your favorite Dr. Seuss characters spring to life onstage in Seussical JR., a fantastical musical extravaganza from Tony-winners, Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty. Transporting audiences from the Jungle of Nool to the Circus McGurkus, the Cat in the Hat narrates the story of Horton the Elephant. A wonderful story in which the powers of friendship, loyalty, family and community are challenged and emerge triumphant!



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