Redesigning Fishersisland.net

Project Description:
FishersIsland.net is the first website on a Fishers Island Google search. The content – text, news, calendar, links and photos, milestones and more–create an image of the island and serves as an important resource for information – to those on and off island.

Fishers Island has outgrown the current website design. The redesign, with a fresh modern look, will incorporate new features and improve overall content organization and usability.

This website upgrade will allow us to produce and send a weekly (seasonally bi-weekly) Fog Horn eNewsletter to all subscribers (and produce a printable version for those who wish to receive it). The website content and eNewsletters will be managed by a local part-time editor who will coordinate the site redesign and be responsible for editing and writing the ongoing content and eNewsletters.

Many thanks to the Sanger Fund for helping fund the redesign and the launch, anticipated for early January, 2014. The new site will also allow for advertising that will help with funding the site going forward.

The current site will remain in place until we switch over. It is a good resource for calendar events and announcements.

In the meantime, if you are on Facebook – please go to FishersIsland.NY https://www.facebook.com/FishersIsland.NY and ‘Like’ the page. Created October 5th, it already has over 400 readers/Likes.

This Facebook page will feed information from the new website (when live) and contains news and photos, announcements and upcoming FI calendar events. If you have something you would like posted, a story idea, photos to share, please send it to Jane Ahrens at info@fishersisland.net
Ebb & Flow

Births:

Engagements:

Weddings:
Annabel Vartanian and Andrew Jeffries were married on Fishers Island on September 21, 2013
Coleman Brinckerhoff and Tina Lundh were married in Tiburon CA on October 12, 2013

Deaths:

FI Community Center Café Fall Hours:
Wednesday Night
Saturday Morning: 7:00 - 12:00
Saturday Night:: 5:30 - 9:00

Call ahead to place your order! 631-788-7601
Don't forget to check out the Community Center's Facebook page for weekly additions and specials!

ADVERTISING Fees for the Fog Horn

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Size</th>
<th>Monthly</th>
<th>6 Months</th>
<th>12 Months</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1 page</td>
<td>$100</td>
<td>$500</td>
<td>$900</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>½ page</td>
<td>$50</td>
<td>$250</td>
<td>$450</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>¼ page</td>
<td>$25</td>
<td>$125</td>
<td>$225</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bus Card</td>
<td>$15</td>
<td>$75</td>
<td>$135</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

All ads need to be camera ready – either a word document or a jpeg. Please, no pdf's – the images don't translate well in publisher. Ads are offered on a first come, first serve basis and we have the right to limit ad space each month. We also reserve the right to approve any ad copy or content. All ads must be paid for in advance – either by check or credit card (please call the Community Center 788-7683).

FISHERS ISLAND FERRY DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING SCHEDULE

October 21st 4:30pm

Meetings are held at the Fishers Island Community Center, unless noted.

FI Community Board
Schedule of Regular Meetings

All meetings are open to the public and are held at the Fishers Island Community Center unless noted.

FI School Board
Schedule of Regular Meetings
2012-2013

November 20th 6:00 pm
December

All meetings are held at the Fishers Island School in the History room unless noted.

Fog Horn Entries:

Send your photos, announcements, articles and other submissions to ficommunityboard@gmail.com
or you can mail them to:

FI Community Center
P.O. Box 464,
Fishers Island, NY 06390

You can also drop them off at the Island Community Center or call 788-7990 and leave a message and someone will get back to you.

Submissions are due by the 7th of the month.
RIDGWAY--Emily Parsons, of Short Hills, NJ and Fishers Island, NY died peacefully on October 1st, two months before her 103rd birthday. Her husband William C. Ridgway, Jr. predeceased her, as did her sister, Lucille Parsons Balcom, and her brother, Joseph Lester Parsons, Jr. She is survived by her four children William C. Ridgway, III (Carol), Charles P. Ridgway (Julianne), Emily R. Crisp (Peter), and Sara R. McLean (Locke); eleven grandchildren, five step-grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren and her step-sister, Harriet Wells Bailey. Emily was a dedicated volunteer, serving as President of the Short Hills Garden Club and going on to serve as a Vice-President of the Garden Club of America; as a Trustee of Miss Porter's School; as a Regent of Kenmore and as a member of The Auxiliary of Overlook Hospital. She was an Overlook Foundation Trustee from 1988-1994. In 2002 she received the Hospital's Lifetime Achievement Award for Community Service. She was a lifetime member of twenty-two philanthropic organizations. Following her husband's death in 1986, she pursued her long suppressed dream to be on stage by performing in a number of Paper Mill Playhouse productions. Emily was an avid collector of art and artifacts and travelled extensively including two trips around the world in her later years. Horticulture, particularly orchids, was her passion. She treasured her flower and vegetable garden at Fishers Island and tended it with loving care each summer while boasting she never bought a single vegetable during the season. Emily also held strong political views which she had no hesitation in expressing, sometimes to the consternation of her friends and family. Her exemplary life will be an inspiration to her family and all those who were privileged to know her.

A celebration of her life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, contributions to Overlook Foundation (Box 220 Summit, NJ 07902) or The Island Health Project (Box 344, Fishers Island, NY 06390) would be appreciated.

2013 Christmas Wreaths
Proceeds support the FI School Class of 2014

$15 Pre-paid or $20 at the time of delivery
Wreaths will be delivered the week of December 9th

Contact a Member of the Senior Class 631-788-7444
Amber, CJ, Garret, Molly, Olivia, Tyler
Or
Chris Dollar (c.dollar@fichool.com)
To order your wreath today!
Images and Artifacts Wanted for HLF Museum’s 2014 Exhibition

By Pierce Rafferty

Next year’s show, “COMING AND GOING,” will document a wide range of transportation modes to and from F.I. over time, including war canoes, sloops, excursion steamers, military transports, commuter yachts, private planes and corporate helicopters. The central focus of the show will be organized ferry service beginning in the mid-1870s and running to date.

If any members of the extended Fishers Island community have images or artifacts of possible use for this show, please contact Pierce Rafferty, Director, H. L. Ferguson Museum, by e-mail: fimuseum@fishersisland.net or by phone: 631-788-7239. Specific wants include images of Jock Whitney’s seaplane, seaplanes landing in Hay Harbor, the use of Middle Farms Flats as an airfield, yesterday’s commuter yachts, today’s commuter boats, activity at Elizabeth Field, and interior views of F.I. ferries. THANK YOU!

Fishers Island ferry MV Islander, former WW I Navy Sub-chaser, circa 1930s. Museum Collection.
Maddemar - This East End island property offers water views of the Connecticut shoreline, from all the principal rooms. It sits on 5.73 shorefront acres with 5 bedrooms, 4.5 baths and a guesthouse. $3,990,000

Mansion Cottage #8 - This classic summer cottage is in an ideal Fishers location directly across from Hay Harbor Club. Sunset porch, open living spaces, formal dining room and furnace for the cooler months. 7+ bedrooms including a private master suite on the first floor. $995,000

Ocean View Contemporary - Beautifully set on 2.33 acres of manicured grounds; this five-bedroom house enjoys wide, stunning views to the South and East overlooking Block Island and Long Island Sound. $3,500,000

Alpine Ave House - Cozy 3 bedroom, 2 bath house has great expansion opportunities. Located in a charming neighborhood it is a short walk to the Library and the Village. You can hear the surf on south beach and be at water's edge in just a few minutes. $495,000

Hakki House - Built in 1990, the Hakki House is contemporary in design with the back of the house open to the great water views. $835,000

The Barnacle - This cute little two-bedroom cottage on the west end is a short distance to everything and has endless possibilities. $345,000

Built in 1987, this private East End home overlooks the golf course and Fishers Island Sound. Relax on the back deck and watch the golfers on the fairway and the sailboats sailing by Latimer Light. 4 bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths. $1,750,000

The Barn - This is a unique opportunity for an island business to acquire a 1.97 acre location free from worries of flooding. This barn has survived the 1938 hurricane and served as part of the Fishers Island Farms business through the 1950’s. $900,000

Village Green - This wonderful location in the center of the action on The Village Green is a mixed use building. It has over 1600 square feet of commercial rental space. $525,000

Shutters & Sails, LLC, Licensed Real Estate Broker
Office: 631-788-7921 Email: info@shuttersandsails.com
French Onion & Mushroom soup

Makes 8-10 servings

Ingredients
2 medium sized sweet onions, peeled & sliced fine
8oz. crimini mushrooms cleaned & sliced thin
cloves garlic, pressed or chopped
4 T. butter
1 t. salt
½ t. dried thyme
1/2 t. dried parsley
1 t. sugar
½ C. sherry or good red wine
8 C. beef broth
Pepper, to taste
Croutons
Gruyere cheese, grated
Smoked provolone slices

In a large soup pot, melt butter over medium heat. Add onions and mushrooms. Cook on high heat until caramelized- about 20 minutes, you can add a splash of water if they start to stick to the bottom of the pan). Stir occasionally. Add garlic, salt, thyme, parsley, sugar & pepper, stir to combine. Add sherry and allow to cook for 15 minutes, then add broth. Bring soup to a boil, then turn down to a simmer & allow to do so for 30 minutes.

Turn broiler to hi heat. Fill 6 to 8 oz. bowls with soup, leaving about a ¼ inch rim on the top. Top with a handful of croutons, a few tablespoons of gruyere and a slice of provolone. Place bowls on a pan and place under broiler for 1 minute, or until golden and bubbly. Serve.

Recipe courtesy of Chef Robin Toldo
COMMUNITY CENTER CAFÉ MENU

Café Menu Starters
BUFFALO WINGS  9
Zippity doo da! A set of eight crispy wings drenched in traditional buffalo sauce. Served with café made blue cheese sauce & celery

BREADSTICKS  7.50
Fluffy breadsticks topped with real butter, garlic & herbs. Served with pizza sauce

CHIPS & SALSA  5
Tri-colored tortilla chips served with mild salsa

CAESAR SALAD  Lg 7, small 4
Crisp romaine, shaved parmesan, crunchy croutons, tomatoes and creamy Caesar dressing

DAILY SOUP SPECIALS
Cup 3, Bowl 4.50

SANDWICHES
Served with Kettle chips & pickle spear

French Dip  9
Tender warm garlicky roast beef served on a toasted roll topped with sautéed peppers, onions & smoked provolone, side of au jus

TURKEY CLUB  9
Shaved smoked turkey, bacon & Swiss cheese topped with lettuce, tomato & café made honey mustard sauce on a grilled Kaiser roll

CHICKEN CAESAR WRAP  9
Grilled chicken, fresh romaine & tomato shaved parmesan & Caesar dressing on a whole wheat wrap

CAFÉ BURGER  8
House seasoned grilled* all beef patty topped with lettuce, tomato & onion served on a grilled Kaiser roll
Add cheese 1- Add bacon 1.50

Pizza & Grinders
PIZZA  14
Basic Cheese Pie on hand tossed dough with zesty café made sauce & a blend of three delicious cheeses

CREATE YOUR OWN
Pepperoni, Italian sausage, bacon, grilled chicken, buffalo chicken, black or green olives, tomatoes, mushrooms, peppers, onions, garlic, pesto $2 per topping

ITALIAN GRINDER  9
Salami, ham & pepperoni on a toasted grinder roll with mozzarella, lettuce, tomato & Italian dressing

PIZZERIA VEGGIE GRINDER  7.50
Black & green olives, mushrooms, onion, mozzarella cheese on a toasted grinder roll with lettuce, tomato & mayonnaise

DESSERTS
GIANT COOKIES  2.50

DAILY SPECIALS
Just ask!

631.788.7601
OPEN WEDNESDAYS 4-8pm SATURDAYS 7-11am, 4-9pm

Making QuickBooks and Accounting Fun!
Thank you to the island community for allowing me to help businesses and organizations on Fishers Island improve their accounting records and workflow.
My relationship with you all means the world!

Dawn W. Brolin, CPA MSA
(860)234-2059
dawnbrolin@gmail.com
Classic Property
West End, Private, Water Views
5 BR, Garage, Great Cond.
$2,250,000

Chocomount Beach House
4 Acres, Classic Beach House
Great Views with Beach Access
$3,500,000

East End
2.9 Acres, 6 BR, Private, Pool, Distant Views
$1,400,000

East End Lots
Two lots (2.22A & 2.77A)
Beach, water views
$1,500,000

Clay Point Road
4 BR, Private
Distant Water Views
$1,200,000

Mansion Hill Property
Near Hay Harbor
Great Location
$995,000

631.788.7882 or 860.885.9880
www.mysticislerergy.com
Jim Reid, Bagley Reid and Meg Atkin
Spectacular, West End
Contemporary
Strong views over Long Island Sound
Infinity pool, Well Maintained
Yard and Gardens
$3,495,000

East End
Elegant Modern Property
4Bedrooms, 4 Baths
Meticulously Maintained
Lap Pool, Private, Water views
$1,950,000
Undeveloped Lot
East End, Private, Water Views
Elevated northeast Panoramic
$725,000

New Listing
4 BR, West End
Water Views, Pool, Garage
Revised $689,000

West End Lot
3.3 Acres
Private Setting
$435,000

East End
3 BR & 2 Bath
Winterized, Water Views
$835,000

Undeveloped Lot
Overlooking Chocomount
Distant Water Views
$550,000

Winthrop Ave.
5 BR, Winterized
Nice Location
$650,000

Jim Reid, Bagley Reid and Meg Atkin
631.788.7882 or 860.885.9880
www.mysticislerealty.com
October Gardening from Melie

I hope you found Joe Henderson’s article on Asian plants invading Fishers Island as interesting as I did. Everyone should try to keep these plants under control, which is not an easy task, but worth the effort.

Another disturbing event on the Island, is the how few Monarch Butterflies were seen this year. This is not just a problem for Fishers Island, but the whole country. Monarchs on the East Coast migrate from Mexico to Canada in the spring and back again to Mexico in the fall, some stopping at Fishers Island along the way. Dr. Karen Oberhauser of the University of Minnesota’s Monarch Larva Monitoring Program says, “We’re about 20 to 30% of our average since migration depends on a long chain of habitat that is being removed from the landscape by over development, the use of chemicals and extreme weather changes.” Milkweed is the primary host plant for Monarchs to lay eggs in and it provides nectar for other butterflies and bees as well. Its removal from the landscape is doing great harm.

We can help by planting Milkweeds and other nectar source plants like Joe Pie Weed, Golden Rod, Asters, Liatris, Ironweed and many plants from the daisy family. You can Google Monarch Joint Venture and visit the University of Minnesota’s informative website. The Milkweed plants we should cultivate in the North East are the following:

- Common Milkweed - asclepias syriaca
- Swamp Milkweed – asclepias incarnate
- Butterfly Weed – asclepias tuberosa
- Whorled Milkweed – asclepias verticillata
- Poke Milkweed – asclepias exalta

The new meadows that people are planting on the Island are a wonderful start to this project. There are a number of annuals and perennials that also attract butterflies and bees, so try to incorporate those plants in your gardens as well next year.

Save the Date
Fishers Island Community Center
3rd Annual Turkey Trot
November 28 9:00am
WWII history and mystery dug from Fishers Island
By Anna Isaacs

Publication: The Day Published 09/26/2013

WWII sailor’s shirt, found buried in sand, reunited with owner’s daughter

Fishers Island - On a crisp Wednesday morning, 12 years to the day of her father’s death, Julia Kushigian stands at the Fishers Island Ferry terminal holding an empty garment bag. The ferries that cross these waters are the same ones she would ride with her father for Memorial Day trips to Long Island - the ones reconditioned from their days as Navy vessels during World War II, ones just like the ship her father was on when it landed at Normandy in June of 1944.

Today, which also marks the anniversary of her father’s discharge at the end of the war, Kushigian finds herself clambering aboard one once more, for a trip nearly seven decades in the making, to retrieve a long-lost possession she didn’t know until this month was lost.

Eight miles across the waters, Justine Kibbe, a naturalist for the Fishers Island Conservancy, has her father’s shirt. "We thought, because of the synergy, we would do it today," she says.

Eight months ago, Kibbe was monitoring a stretch of beach called Hungry Point, counting birds and taking notes on a bright, cold January day. A couple of months after Superstorm Sandy tossed about the shoreline, Kibbe recalls the stillness of the day, so calm she couldn't make out the direction of the wind, so quiet she could hear the shrill whistle of a train across the water.

A couple of yards across the sand, Kibbe spotted a flicker of white no larger than her fist peeking out from a patch of dirt. She pulled - gently - and the sand seemed to fall away, revealing a cuff, then a sleeve, and then the rest: a stiff, off-white sailor’s tunic, with a flapped collar at the back, a deep V at the front, a blue-striped patch and a singular left breast pocket. It was dirt-encrusted and pockmarked with holes; the cuffs were in tatters; one arm patch - the red and gold of the Navy amphibious force - was dangling by a couple of loose white threads, and the seam in one armpit had been torn wide open.

Kibbe didn't identify the patches until later. But it was clearly old, and clearly belonging to someone - by the black, block-letter initials "JPK" printed on the inside back - and, feeling as though she’d experienced something sacred, she tucked the shirt into her backpack, hung it up at home, and didn't speak of it for days.

In May, Kibbe says, a bit of caked dirt and sand flaked away around the hem on the inside, revealing a full name: "KUSHIGIAN."
• • •

"You're not going to believe this" are the words Julia Kushigian recalls hearing through the phone a few weeks ago.

Kushigian, a Connecticut College Hispanic studies professor who lives in Waterford with her husband and daughter, carries her father with her on her right lapel and on her wrist: a pinned pair of tiny knit mittens from Norway and a bracelet of British copper farthings, both gifts from him to her mother from his war travels.

Jack Paul Kushigian was a New Haven Naval recruiter who said he’d recruited every eligible man in the area before 1943 when, as the war was progressing in Europe, he decided to go, too. While overseas, the code phrase he used to signify his homecoming to his fiancée was, "Put your red nail polish on." On leave for a few weeks before he was to be sent to the Pacific, Jack stopped off in New York to marry Julia’s mother, Rose, on Aug. 12, 1945. Three days into their honeymoon at the Hotel Astor in Times Square, they saw the wall of ticker tape through their hotel room window: Japan had surrendered, and the war was over.

They were married for 56 years until Jack’s death in 2001. Ever in fantastic shape, Julia says, he was trimming a tree limb at age 83 from the roof of the one-story Florida home he shared with Rose when he fell to the ground. Six months later, after a surgery, he never recuperated.

Rose passed away last year.

After hanging up with Kibbe, Kushigian called her brother in Indianapolis, shaking, crying.

When the full name on the shirt was revealed, Kibbe started some amateur Internet research. She started by looking up "Naval combat Kushigian," which brought her to a Connecticut State Library listing for a veterans commemorative booklet - Volume 6, No. 1, "Connecticut men of the United States Navy, demobilization, Lido Beach Separation Center, September 17th to 30th 1945."
"You can Google anything nowadays," she says.

In the text of the booklet, under "The Final Muster Call," was Jack's name and a New Haven address.

A 411 call yielded no Kushigians in New Haven. But there was one in Waterford. The operator put her through.

"And this lovely voice comes through," Kibbe says. And after breathlessly describing her find to Julia: "There's silence and she says, 'That would be my father.'"

Julia disembarks the ferry just after noon to meet Kibbe for the first time - "She told me she has long, blonde hair" - and the two embrace like old friends.

Kibbe, who usually gets around by bike, wears a gold necklace with two dolphins leaping through a hoop. She spent childhood summers on Fishers Island, and returned nearly three years ago after stints doing research on an island in the Bering Sea and teaching English for the Peace Corps in Kazakhstan.

Today, she's enlisted a neighbor's generosity, and so they pile in his car and begin the long drive to Hungry Point, past the derelict, overgrown buildings from an old Navy post, pristine houses and beaches, golf courses, and an osprey nest Kibbe points out atop a utility pole.

They park outside a one-story summer home and wend their way down a snarled path of sand and tall shrubs to a narrow strip of beach, cluttered with rocks, driftwood, shrubs and seaweed, no more than 40 feet from shoreline to earth.

Walking her through that day in January, Kibbe guides Kushigian up to the spot where she'd paused to pull at that flicker of white and, finally, presents it to her.

This dirty old shirt, this relic of family and American history, makes Julia choke up, as she and Kibbe each clutch a sleeve. For a long time, while exchanging words of gratitude - to each other, to this country's armed forces - neither lets go.

"I can't help but think it's a hug from your dad," Kibbe says.

It's a story teeming with coincidences that Kibbe and Kushigian spend the rest of the day marveling at: That they both grew up in New York's Westchester County; that their birthdays fall within three days of each other's; that they share the same initials - Jack's, too; that Kushigian's name was unique enough to pin down with just a bit of Internet finagling; that she'd kept that maiden name when she married because she'd already published some academic articles with it; that Kushigian just happened to live within miles of Kibbe's discovery, and could be here today.

How her father's shirt wound up on Fishers Island, buried - mostly intact - deep in sand at its north end, is a complete mystery to both women. Jack was never stationed at the military base that was once there.

Julia thinks perhaps it was misplaced during one haphazard mass uniform washing in a Manhattan hotel bathtub when her father and his buddies were on leave.

Perhaps when he was decommissioned on Long Island's Lido Beach that September in 1945, he'd taken it off and flung it with celebratory abandon into the sea, where it took a meandering journey around the island and somehow washed ashore to its final resting place.

There is one theory Julia favors, which involves the time Jack rode the subway with his fresh-pressed uniform tucked into a twine-wrapped box on the floor. When he looked up from his newspaper, the box was gone.

With this theory, Julia explains, maybe the uniform had been stolen, only for its centerpiece to be returned to her at this moment.

"I like that story," she says, "so that now it's come full circle."
Greetings!

Don't forget to buy your Christmas Stamps!!
They go on sale October 10, 2013th
Feel free to give us a call and mail
A check to us so we can send them out
In the mail for you free of charge!!
(631)788-7835
We thank you for your support!
Gail and Allison

Veterinarian on Island
Does your pet need an appointment with the veterinarian? If so please contact Jennifer Sanger for appointments . 788-7264
THE BEACH PLUM
FALL HOURS:
WEDNESDAY 10:00 - 1:00
THURSDAY – SATURDAY
10:00 - 1:00 & 3:00 - 5:00

ALWAYS OPEN ONLINE
WWW.THEBEACHPLUM.COM

FIWASTEMANAGEMENT@GMAIL.COM
2013-2014
COMPOST STATION
631-788-7227
Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri
7:30 am-12:30 pm & 1:30 pm-4:30 pm
Sat 7:30 am-12:30 pm
*closed Thurs & Sun
*Facility hours are subject to change
and will be clearly advertised*

HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION
WILL BE HELD THE OF SUMMER 2014
***NO COLLECTION 2013***

2013-2014
TRANSFER STATION
(Household Garbage and Recyclables)
631-788-5515
Winter hours: September 16, 2013 - May 17, 2014
Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat, Sun
7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
*closed Tues & Thurs
*Facility hours are subject to change
and will be clearly advertised*

HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION
WILL BE HELD THE OF SUMMER 2014
***NO COLLECTION 2013***
IMPORTANT FALL/WINTER 2013 IHP INFORMATION

*** NOTICE: All visits to the Doctor’s Office are **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.**
Patients requiring urgent care will be seen the same day they call. ***

**WINTER OFFICE HOURS SEPTEMBER 9, 2013 - JUNE 23, 2014**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Hours</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>4:00pm – 7:00 pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>9:00am – 12:00 pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>CLOSED</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>9:00am – 12:00 pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>9:00am - 12:00pm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**DR. INGRAM IS CREDENTIALLED WITH THE FOLLOWING INSURANCE COMPANIES:**

**BLUE CROSS / BLUE SHIELD** (CT Anthem & NY Empire, plus most EPOs and PPOs)

**AETNA**

**MULTIPLAN** (includes some CIGNA plans)

**MEDICARE**

**OXFORD** (Liberty and Freedom)

**UNITED HEALTHCARE**

**UHC EMPIRE** (NYS employees)

**WE DO NOT ACCEPT MEDICAID.**

**PLEASE NOTE** – patients with other insurances will be required to pay in full on the day of service. You will be given a detailed receipt to submit yourself for reimbursement from your insurance company. Patients with NO insurance will be charged a discounted rate and will also be required to pay in full at the time of service. No exceptions.

**INSURANCE INFORMATION:** In order to bill your insurance, we **MUST have on file at our office 1) a copy of your insurance card (both front and back) and 2) a copy of a photo ID.** Please do not arrive for an appointment with only the name of your insurance company and your ID number, or in the case of Medicare, your SSN. ALL co-pays are due at the time of service. **Failure to comply with these requirements will result in the patient being responsible for the cost of the entire visit.**

**TO SAVE TIME:** If you have NOT been a patient at the FI Doctor’s Office within the last three years AND you know you will need to see the doctor this summer, please log onto our IHP website, www.islandhealthproject.com and download our PATIENT REGISTRATION FORM. Please fill it out and mail it (PO Box 344) to us in advance of your arrival, including a requested appointment date. OR bring it to the office when you arrive on the island. This will be a HUGE help to us. Thank you.

*** PHONE NUMBERS / EMAIL ADDRESS ***

Tel. (631) 788-7244   Fax (631) 788-7968

e-mail fishersislandsoundmedical@lmhosp.org

**FOR URGENT NEEDS ONLY** -
To reach the doctor outside of office hours call this cell number:
From a FI landline: **1-942-9647 OR** From a cell phone: **631-942-9647**