The BHI Conservancy had a tumultuous year in 2011. In many ways our successes and failures have tracked the broader economic trends. Despite this environment we have put in place needed staff and resources to support our mission of fostering community-based barrier island Conservation, Preservation, & Education to live in harmony with nature.

Elyse Brown started at Turtle Central in early May as Director of Retail Operations and hit the ground running during our busiest season. The economic downturn in the 2nd quarter was reflected in our sales results but the excellent staff, volunteers, and especially our Retail Committee breathed fresh energy into the management of Turtle Central. Sales increased steadily over the 3rd and 4th quarter when compared to 2010. Unfortunately the timing of the downturn coincided with our peak sales season, and the store never fully recovered. The store exceeded the forecasted budget (developed in October 2010). They were able to pull this off in large part by reducing part-time staffing. The reduction in staffing was due to the great work of Pat Lammert who took over as volunteer coordinator and has worked closely with Elyse to make volunteering at Turtle Central enjoyable for the volunteers and clearly valuable to the bottom line.

The education department lost a hero this year. Maureen Dewire, after 8 years service to the community of BHI, departed the Conservancy to be closer to her family. Maureen developed the education program at the BHI Conservancy to match the high expectations of the families that live and visit BHI. She is missed but we know that she is happy to be close to family and is enjoying her new ferry ride to Prudence Island in Narragansett Bay. In addition to Maureen, Andy Gould departed the Conservancy for the Fort Fisher Aquarium in the fall. With Maureen and Andy’s departure the BHI Conservancy reorganized the education and conservation programs. The Sea Turtle Protection program and other environmental monitoring, like shore birds and amphibians, will fall under the supervision of Dr. Tom Hancock and the Conservation team. Tracey Ritchie joined the staff in 2012 and brings a strong environmental education and management background to help take our educational programing to the next level. Tracey’s fresh take and enthusiasm will bring new opportunities to our excellent environmental education programs. Kendyll Goeman, a 2011 education intern, joined us as Environmental Educator/Outreach Coordinator in January 2012.

Dr. Tom Hancock, Director of Conservation, rejoined the BHI Conservancy in May of 2011. He quickly expanded beach monitoring to meet the needs of the community. His work has resulted in an excellent beach report, presented to both the Shoreline protection committee and Village Council. Tom Hancock continued work on the aquifer and BHI Creek. The creek work will be especially important to determine what, if any, impact the dredging this winter will have on water quality and oyster recruitment. The work of our Conservation department highlights the important role that your BHI Conservancy can play in environmental decision making. The BHI Community has established scientists on staff to perform high level monitoring and assessment of the BHI habitats. A new position was created to continue the monitoring efforts, a Conservation Biologist position was filled in January 2012 by Patrick Amico. Patrick has a master’s in Environmental Science from UNCW and was the acting Director of Conservation in 2011.

The Smith Island Land Trust, the Preservation arm of the BHI Conservancy, was graced with the gift of 2 pieces of property in 2011. These properties, located on Middle Island and on West Beach will be left in their natural state in perpetuity. The more land left undeveloped on BHI the stronger the natural resources are that protect developed property. We look forward to strengthening our stewardship and monitoring of SILT properties in coordination with the expanding role that our Conservation program has on BHI.

Financially the BHI Conservancy has met several goals this year. We exceeded goals for our community directory, thanks in large part to the exceptional efforts of Jane Baldrudge. Our membership campaign brought us the most members ever for the BHI Conservancy, indicating growing support for the organizations direction and exceeding our budget expectations. Membership revenues success was due in large part to the efforts of Bob and Kathy Ketels (Membership chairs) and Amanda Timbers, Development Director. Last year the Conservancy explored new lines of revenue and took some risks developing a broader base of income sources. We developed e-commerce for the first time at Turtle Central. Many of these efforts were supported by the development of a new web site. The new web site includes daily updates and a better organization of information. We look forward to growing income sources that have the potential to support the BHI Conservancy’s mission.

Development had an excellent year in 2011. The board and volunteer’s support gave us new opportunities, and broadened the number of people who understand the goals for the Barrier Island Study Center. The new facility supports your way of living on BHI, it supports the long history of excellent stewardship for this special human and natural community. It does this by providing specific tools to inform you about the state of nature on BHI. The building will house a highly trained and credentialed Conservancy staff that will continue to provide quality education and sophisticated environmental monitoring, while encouraging independent research by students and professors from far and wide. The more you know about BHI the better you can protect it from the many environmental challenges ahead. Not least of which is the damage to beaches from the Army Corps of Engineers. Our broad base of donors showed their support with donations to the Center. The annual fund had more contributors than ever before, unfortunately, we fell short of our financial expectations, likely because of the competing push that the capital campaign was making.

Overall the financial status of the BHI Conservancy is strong. The conclusion of the capital campaign is paramount to our goal of meeting our fundraising goals. Efforts are in full swing to sign up students and researchers to use the facility.

In conclusion, we need to thank the staff of the BHI Conservancy for pushing forward in 2011. We had tough losses in key staff positions, the work environment was particularly challenging as heavy equipment and construction noise was a constant distraction on our campus. We thank the incredible board of directors who provided high level oversight and input for the BHI Conservancy. Our volunteer corps is the lifeblood of the organization, without them our overhead costs would be so much higher and our ability to perform lower. We count on their efforts in Turtle Central, the Conservancy Picnic, the administration, as well as education and conservation programs. Finally, our members and donors have helped us provide you with Conservation, Preservation and Education at the highest standards and in a manner that meets your goals of living in harmony with Bald Head Island. As the economy struggles on we are especially grateful for your generous support. Your feedback as donors, members, volunteers, and supporters is welcome as we build the capacity of the BHI Conservancy to help you live in harmony with nature on Bald Head Island.

Sincerely,

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$5,000 and over
Trig and Alice Horton

Cape Fear Club
$2,500-$4,999
Harry and Barbara

Anchor Club
$2,000-$2,499
John and Sheila May
Larry and Pat Lammert

Palmetto Club
$250-$499
Mary McLean
Doug and Missy Anderson
Robert and Mary Fick
Gay Wells Humphrey

$500-$999
Donna Kerpelman
Vivian and Loretta

Live Oak Club
$1,000-$1,999
J. David and Ele Ross
H. Hunt and Ruby Hutton
Virginia Hunt

$1,000-$1,999
Watts and Betsy Carr
JoAnn Davis
Gene and Joyce Douglas

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Robert and Mary Fick
Gay Wells Humphrey

$5,000 and over
Marvin and Sarah Neuwirth
Doug and Missy Anderson

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of the San Antonio Area Foundation

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Spartina
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Friend
up to $124

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American Alligator babies, photo by Denny Sorber

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Alice and Trig Horton
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Doug Ledget and Donna Finley
Ralph and Willie Lee
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Link Lipzit
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Leatherback Sea Turtle Hatchling photo by staff
### Financial Highlights for Year 2011

**Financial Summary**

Year-ended December 31, 2011 with comparable totals for 2010 and 2009

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**BHIC Operations Revenue Chart**

A copy of the audited financial statements is available by contacting the Conservancy.

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The Barrier Island Study Center broke ground on October 15, 2010, and was under construction for the duration of 2011 and expected to be completed in the spring of 2012.

The 5,000 square foot facility, located on the Conservancy campus on Bald Head Island, includes a research lab and education lab, touch tank, media center, and public library for conducting and disseminating environmental research and education. The information gained at the Study Center will be shared with the scientific community, Bald Head Island community and general public a local and national scale. It will be applied to creating solutions for fragile barrier island ecosystems.

The building is on track to be the fifth in North Carolina – and the first in the southeastern part of the state – to achieve platinum LEED certification for new construction if such certification is achieved.

The $2.4 million research and education facility was fully funded by the community of Bald Head Island. No local or federal government funds were used to fund the project.
In all things of nature there is something of the marvelous!

–Aristotle