March 10, 2022

Our speaker will be Ann Beattie who is well known on the Seacoast area.

The subject of her presentation and her bio follows.

## The Wondrous Isles of Shoals

Explore four centuries of life on the nine stark and hauntingly beautiful Isles of Shoals through a series of fascinating historical images. Investigate the role the Isles played in the worldwide fishing trade of the 17th century, when the Isles of Shoals were the busiest spot in the New World. Find out why hundreds of people packed their steam trunks and spent the summer at one of the Isles of Shoals resort hotels centuries later. Discover the natural and cultural wonders of the Isles of Shoals today

Our speaker, Ann Beattie, is an educator with a fascination for the Isles of Shoals and its rich history. She combs through historical records, salt cod recipes, and journals of Shoalers in an effort to capture and revive the unique stories that bring Shoals history to life. Ann is a former president of the Isles of Shoals Historical and Research Association and serves as the Star Island Historian and a Board member of the Portsmouth Athenaeum. She always has an intriguing tale to tell about a place so magical it will steal your heart.