



## Changes in the Works at the Island Commons

After many years of sponsoring our *fabulous* summer Island Commons Yard Sale, and enjoying the generous support of the Chebeague community for this worthy cause, the Commons board is going to *expand* your donating and buying opportunities by opening a resale shop in our charming Red Studio.

Yes, we'll *continue the yard sale*. (What would August be without it?) But we also will provide year-round opportunities to donate furniture, antiques, decorative pieces and architectural salvage materials. They will be on display and for sale at the studio. (No long lines or stampede required to snag the best of the best.)

We're still working out some of the details, but here's the plan:

**To donate furniture:** We will be accepting furniture and furnishings for resale. If you are interested in donating please contact Sam Mclean (846-0510) or [samhidval@gmail.com](mailto:samhidval@gmail.com) or Susan Stranahan (846-9378) or [susan.stranahan@gmail.com](mailto:susan.stranahan@gmail.com) We'll make arrangements to come take a look. **We are ending our "open door" policy for drop-offs simply because we do not have the space. We will come to you.**

Please note that **we can only accept items in good condition** and that are not in need of major repair. We welcome inquiries. We ask that you donate dishes, trinkets, linens and kitchen items to the Grange.

**Ongoing sales:** During the winter the Red Studio will be open by appointment. We will post information about new donations and available items on the Commons Facebook and web page (so check to see what we have for sale). To schedule an appointment, please call or email Sam or Susan.

**August Yard Sale:** Oh, yes, we will continue to sponsor **THE BIG SALE** with all sorts of wonderful treasures.

**Why the change?** After years of tirelessly masterminding the Yard Sale, Annie Thaxter has hung up her green apron and retired from the Commons board. We're using the occasion to reorganize and to spread out the gathering of donations, display of items, and access to super merchandise year-round. As always, donations of furniture and household furnishings will be **greatly appreciated and benefit the Commons.**

Stay Tuned for the Grand Opening of **the Red Studio Resale Shop**. And thanks for your support.