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Dear Friends of Hunting Island & Hunting Island State Park,

I am writing you this letter to thank you all for making our vacation much more enjoyable.

See last year while visiting my mom, who is now living in Beaufort, SC., she took us to Hunting Island Beach. My daughter who is handicapped loved her first time in the ocean waters and sand, and even though we enjoyed ourselves and had a wonderful time it was an exhausting time at the beach. You see her wheelchair wouldn't go in the sand, so we had to carry our daughter to and from the beach and while we were in the water. The only break we had is when we could sit her in a chair for awhile, but that didn't last long, because she loved the water. Also while visiting last year we didn't get to see the lighthouse like I had hoped.

So this year the lighthouse was the first place I wanted to go before hitting the beach again. While there the volunteers asked us if we were planning on going to the beach. At that time we weren't sure because of how tired we would be. Then they showed us the mobile wheelchair from "The Friends of Hunting Island", had there at the lighthouse. Well that changed our minds about going to the beach and we thought we would give it a whorl. It turned out to be the best time we had while in South Carolina. The chair was so easy to push through the sand and our daughter loved the way it floated in the water. We have taken some pictures to share with you all, but could not find an email address to send them to. So here is a disk with the pictures and a little video with Sammie Jeanne in the chair being pushed by her daddy and the waves. You might have to view the video with QuickTime, because that is how I copied it to the CD.

We just want to thank you all again for making our vacation memorable. There is just one thing I would like to say about the chair. There was no restraints to hold our daughter in, so that is something you might want to check into for others who might get the chance to use the chair and enjoy their time with the family too.

Sincerely yours,

The Livingston Family-- Patrick, Christine, and Sammie Jeanne



P.S. Hope to use the chair again sometime this July or August when we visit again