

# The Anchor



SHIPYARD PLANTATION'S COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Spring 2017



## Casino Night A "Winner"



Shipyards "Chips and Champagne" Casino Night, attended by more than 70 residents, was a resounding success.

Casino tables -- blackjack, roulette, and craps -- were crowded by players who were given chips with the play money value of \$5,000. At the end of the evening, winners exchanged chips for raffle tickets for prizes ranging from landscaping to restaurant meals to rounds of golf. Before the "gambling" began, attendees enjoyed a scrumptious champagne "Nibble and Nip."

Special thanks to our raffle gift donors: Shipyards Women's Club \$50 gift cards for

SERG and RedFish, a hand-made purse by Cathy Winelman, \$25 Riley's gift certificate, three Hinoki restaurant gift cards valued at \$25 each, two Greenery gift cards valued at \$50 each, Shipyards Golf 18 holes for four players, lunch at Brick Yard Pub for four, one large pizza for four at Dough Boys and a bottle of wine from the Mangiaracinis.

Shipyards POA's social committee, comprised of officers of the Men's and Women's clubs, along with the Shipyards staff, planned the Beach Club event. Meeting Dynamics of Hilton Head provided and staffed the gaming tables.

### NO HURRICANE ASSESSMENT

While several gated communities have increased assessments to cover Hurricane Matthew clean-up and repairs, Shipyards is bucking the trend. See full details on page 2 in Sally Warren's "Manager's Report."

### WE WANT YOUR INPUT

If you have a news tip or suggestion for a story in a future Shipyards newsletter, please e-mail your ideas to [info@shipyardsghi.com](mailto:info@shipyardsghi.com). We'll be getting back to you for additional information.

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# Manager's Report

*from the desk of Sally Warren*

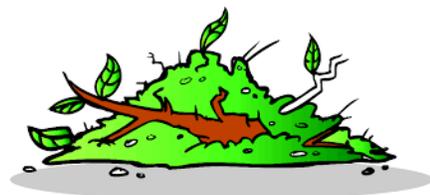
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As you may have read in the last Hurricane Matthew Summary provided by the Town of Hilton Head, almost all areas of Hilton Head have had their first pass for roadside clearance, and the areas that are almost complete include Hilton Head Plantation and Sea Pines. Sometimes being small is a disadvantage; but after a disaster, it may be a blessing. Shipyard was one of the first communities cleared and currently items that remain to be done include removing large stumps, which FEMA will do last, and getting trees removed from the lagoons which is currently under FEMA review. The Town reports that Crowder Gulf has exceeded the two million cubic yard milestone for debris collected from the roadsides, and contractors estimate that over 100,000 trees have been removed from the island. The final pass will begin on February 27th. It is a testimony to good town management and effective management throughout the island that we are as recovered as we are currently. Of course all of us are working to try to have Hilton Head ready for the Heritage which this year coincides with Easter. This is a huge economic and marketing opportunity for Hilton Head so we are collectively working to be ready for the world by mid-April. The annual meeting is the time of year when we thoroughly review our prior year operations and finances as well as preview our goals for the coming year. This event will be held at the 4:00 on March 8th at the Sonesta and we hope to see you there. Thank you for your support and your patience as we return Shipyard to pre-Matthew conditions. The best news I can report is that the SPOA Board determined in January that there will be no additional assessment for hurricane damage.

## **Please Get Your Debris Out!**

FEMA will begin the final pass on Hilton Head on February 27<sup>th</sup>. This is your last opportunity to stage legitimate Hurricane Matthew debris. Please do not stage any regular yard or general landscape debris. We thank you for your efforts in helping us get back into "SHIP SHAPE."





## **SHIPYARD PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION**

**CALL TO ORDER  
OF  
2017 ANNUAL MEETING  
AT THE SONESTA RESORT HILTON HEAD  
ON MARCH 8, 2017 AT 4:00 P.M.**

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### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Welcoming Remarks  
Roll Call  
Approval of Prior Minutes  
Financial Report  
Manager's Report, Sally Warren, General Manager  
Guest Speaker-Lisa Baldwin, Crowder Gulf  
Adjournment

# *Did You Know?*

The Shipyard Women's Club has re-elected Candi Humphrey and Jean Shaver as co-presidents. The 140-member club meets twice monthly -- from September through May at the Shipyard Beach Club. The women's group recently enjoyed its winter night meeting and is looking forward to the annual tea on March 14 and a fashion show in April. Ladies interested in joining should contact Nancy Kramer at [nkkramer72@yahoo.com](mailto:nkkramer72@yahoo.com).

At the February 13th meeting of the Shipyard Men's Club, members re-elected president Steve Mangiaracina. The group meets twice monthly at the Beach Club. In late January, the club held its 10th annual Trivia Night. Members and their wives/significant others participated in groups of four testing their knowledge on sports, the arts, and entertainment. The winners of the spirited competition were John and Frances Egan, Harold Lee and Ellen Milk. Get information on joining from Jim Inns at 847-863-5340.

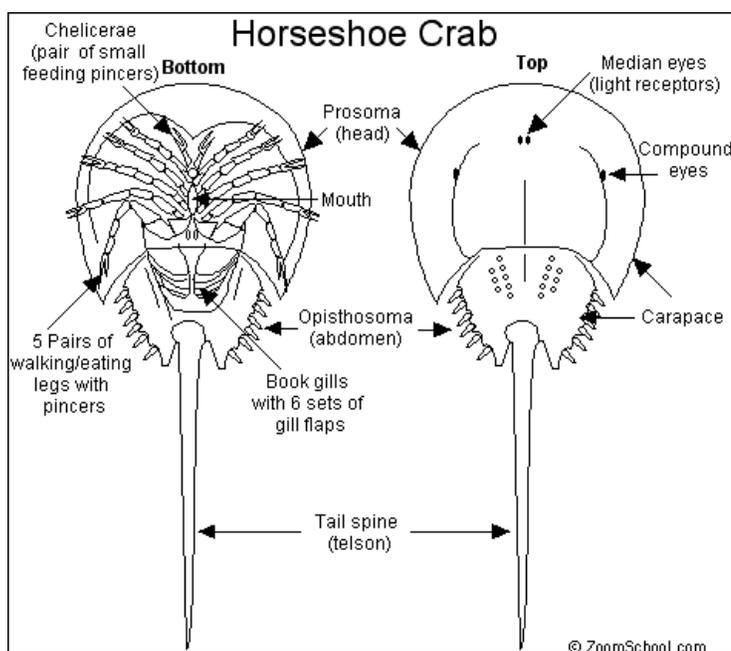
Have a suggestion? The POA staff is listening. A Shipyard resident had suggested holiday decoration improvements and the results this past holiday season were impressive. Brightly-lit Christmas trees were erected at the 278 and Pope Avenue entrances and landscape lighting was added in other areas. Based on their comments, everyone liked what they saw.

# NATURE NOTES

*Joanne Voulelis, Lowcountry Master Naturalist, Coastal Discovery Museum Docent*

What has 10 eyes, knows the time of day, eats through its brain, refuels migratory birds, walked with the dinosaurs, has blue blood, needs a book to breathe and is called a living fossil? If you said a Horseshoe Crab, you are correct. While there are four species of horseshoe crabs worldwide, *Limulus polyhemus* can be found along the coast of the Atlantic from Maine to the Yucatan peninsula and is a Hilton Head full time resident.

Horseshoe crabs got their name because the shape of their carapace resembled a horse's shoe. But they are actually not a true crab at all. Horseshoes belong to a class of animals called Merostomata (meaning legs attached to mouth). While they are related to true crabs (Class: Crustacea), they are also related to insects (Class: Insect) and spiders (Class: Arachnida). More remarkably, horseshoe crabs are most closely related to trilobites (meaning "three lobes"), a fossil group of extinct marine arthropods that first appeared over 500 million years ago, predating the dinosaur. It is indeed a "living fossil!"



The body of a horseshoe crab has three sections, the first of which contains the mouth, a pair of feeding pinchers and five pairs of legs. The second section has the abdomen, a set of book gills (for breathing underwater) and the third section is the tail or telson. The telson has a series of light sensors that help the horseshoe crab keep track of day and night. And while the telson might look dangerous or spear-like, it is essential for the horseshoe's survival. This tail acts as a rudder for steering, but it also allows the horseshoe to "right itself" if flipped over onto its back. Why is that important? Because the horseshoe crab is a bottom feeder. The mouth is located at the center of the underside and is surrounded by its legs, close to the abdomen. As it crawls along the sandy ocean bottom it picks up mollusks, dead fish, worms and algae; the horseshoe then uses its legs to push the

food into its mouth, grinding it with stiff bristles (it has no teeth). The food passes through the esophagus (which is surrounded by its brain) and finally to the stomach. If the horseshoe is on its back, it cannot eat and is also more vulnerable to predators. It should also be noted that if the telson breaks off, it will not regrow.

Horseshoes have ten eyes. There are two compound eyes on the top of its carapace which assist in locating mates. The other eight eyes are not as apparent and can be found on the head, tail and underside. These eyes sense both visible and ultraviolet light which allow the animal to respond to day-night and lunar cycles.

During the new moon and full moon high tides (called spring tides), horseshoes can be found on our local beaches spawning between April and June. The females emerge with males grasping to the edges of their backs. The pair moves together into the intertidal zone where the female deposits up to 4,000 eggs in a shallow nest she digs in the sand. The male fertilizes the eggs before she covers the nest with the sand. She will lay 5-6 nests per cycle. The surviving eggs will hatch in just a couple of weeks and the larvae will settle to the bottom of the intertidal area for the next two to three years.

Unfortunately, only about six out of every 10,000 eggs will hatch. Of those that survive, only about three will live past the first year. As sad as this may seem, the eggs are actually ecologically important for sustaining and fueling migrating birds, especially the red knot bird, whose journey home from South America would not be possible without feeding on the protein from horseshoe crab eggs. Horseshoes grow by molting. During this process, a new

pliable shell is formed under the existing one. When the new shell is ready, the horseshoe absorbs water through its gills and expands. The old shell cannot expand and eventually it splits enough for the animal to struggle out it. It will take about a day for the new shell to harden. A horseshoe molts at least 16 times before reaching full maturity which takes 9 - 12 years. They can live up to 20 years, possibly more, if they avoid predators (sea turtles, sharks, humans).

In recent years, it was discovered that horseshoe crabs are biomedical wonders. Their blood is unusual; it contains copper (not iron) and turns blue when exposed to oxygen. It also contains a unique compound called Limulus Amoebocyte Lystae (LAL) which will bind to inactivate bacteria, fungi and viruses, functioning as a primitive "immune system." This blood is now used by pharmaceutical companies to test products (such as vaccines) for bacterial contamination. There are three labs on the east coast that test the blood, the closest of which is in Charleston. The horseshoes are returned to the ocean once their blood has been extracted, but approximately one third will not survive the re-entry. Scientists are working on developing a synthetic compound, but so far, this has not been successful. So, the next time you must be injected with a vaccine, it is likely it was given the "horseshoe crab stamp of approval."

Although not considered "endangered," the horseshoe population is declining. As with so much of our marine life, human involvement is essential. Threats to the horseshoe crab population include overharvesting, spawning habitat loss, and pollution. You can help to protect this species by doing simple things like picking up trash off the beach and just flipping a horseshoe crab back over if it is stuck on its back. It will not hurt you but please don't pick it up by the tail...that could injure the crab. If you see a horseshoe crab with a tag on it, please call the number on the tag and report the tag number. Reporting tags will help organizations like the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources learn more about these incredible animals.

References:

Coastal Discovery Museum

South Carolina Department of Natural Resources

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# BRICKYARD PUB

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# Beach Club Events



## March

2<sup>nd</sup>  
6<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
13<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>  
17<sup>th</sup>  
28<sup>th</sup>

Nibble & Nip (2pm-8pm)  
Owners Only (2pm-8pm)  
Men's Club (6:30-9pm)  
Owners' Morning (8am-12pm)  
Women's Club (10am-1pm)  
*The Women's Club will meet at the Sonesta on the 14<sup>th</sup>.*

## April

3<sup>rd</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>  
6<sup>th</sup>  
10<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>  
11<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>  
  
28<sup>th</sup>

Owners Only (2pm-8pm)  
Nibble & Nip (6pm-9pm)  
Men's Club (6:30pm-9pm)  
Women's Club (10am-1pm)  
*Women's Club will also meet on the 5<sup>th</sup> at 4pm*  
Owners' Morning (8am-12pm)



## May

1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>  
4<sup>th</sup>  
8<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>  
9<sup>th</sup>  
26<sup>th</sup>

Owners Only (2pm-8pm)  
Nibble & Nip (6pm-9pm)  
Men's Club (6:30pm-9pm)  
Women's Club (10am-1pm)  
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## SAFETY TIPS

### *Courtesy of the Town of Hilton Head*

With somewhat warmer weather and longer days approaching, people in the lowcountry are focusing on long neglected projects like spring cleaning, home repairs and yard work. Homeowners are ready to clean up items that have accumulated over the winter.

Reduce the amount of clutter inside and outside your home. While clutter does not start fires, it can become fuel for a fire. Household and pool chemicals, paints and poisons should be marked and stored out of children's reach. Dispose of any that are leaking or expired. Make sure gasoline and cleaning fluids are also marked and stored in a cool dry place away from the house and away from children and pets. Use only approved containers for gasoline storage. Common household chemicals can fuel a fire and can also be hazardous to your health. Maintain only the amounts you need and be sure to use, store and dispose of household hazardous materials in a safe manner as outlined on the product.

Maintain your yard ~ trim bushes, plants and trees. Removing vegetation clears fuel for any potential fire. Keep gutters and roofs clear of leaves and other buildup. Double-check for any sharp debris objects, poisonous plants, and tripping hazards. Remove all fire hazards, including stacks of rags, newspapers and magazines. Pay attention to spaces around your hot water tanks, fire places, space heaters and dryers as well as under stairs.

Check your barbeque grill for leaks and cracks and be sure to store any propane tanks at least 10 feet away from your house and garage. Locate grills a safe distance (at least 10 feet) from buildings or wooden decks.

Test all your smoke alarms to ensure they are working. Change the batteries at least once every year. Most smoke alarms also need "spring cleaning" maintenance - check your manual.

Spring cleaning can improve the safety of your home and family.

Cinda Seamon, Fire & Life Safety Educator

Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue

# SHIPYARD - A UNIQUE COMMUNITY



Ask a Shipyard resident why they chose to live in Shipyard and you would get answers that are strikingly similar. Many cite the temperate climate. Some say it's the beach. Others talk about the picturesque landscape and laid-back coastal lifestyle. However, most all say it's the unique community of 27 distinct neighborhoods.

How did they get here? Again the responses could be interchanged. Most say they came to Hilton Head and discovered Shipyard through a villa rental. Those vacation rentals later became more permanent when homes were purchased -- many for retirement.

A good example of "Why Shipyard" is Joyce Gentile who, with husband Paul, lives part of the year in Pittsburgh. Joyce says "As retirement approached, we talked about buying a place to enjoy warmer winters. Shipyard, we felt, was the most desirable place because of its size and location."

"Shipyard had a warm and welcoming feel, beach access, a resort hotel and yet residential advantage of a small town. It was central to all the amenities of the Island, had two gates, and fire, EMS and security within immediate reach. We saw the clubhouse as potentially providing a sense of community, and we were absolutely right." The Beachwalk resident added "The decision to try a vacation a little further south so many years ago has certainly proved to be a life changer."

Betsy and Bill Papale came to Shipyard from Philadelphia. Bill says "We like the semi-tropical surroundings," and he paints quite a landscape picture as he talks about "the stately Spanish Moss-draped Live Oak trees, tall pines, attractive flowering plants, ponds and lagoons and the va-

riety of interesting wildlife." But, more importantly, he adds, "We've found new friends and neighbors who also enjoy this first-class community."

Another Shipyard booster is Don Manak who noted the "affordable choices in housing, the beach club, its activities and the men's and women's clubs. Manak and many others talked about the overall size of Shipyard compared to the other plantations. Don, who lives in The Greens, called it "more of a neighborhood feeling."

The common threads at Shipyard appears to be good neighbors, interesting activities, a great beach and tropical surroundings. Certainly a unique community.

*This article is the first in a series planned for future editions of The Anchor. The writer is Dave Humphrey who lives in Residential South.*

An advertisement for Mike's Bikes. The top section has a red background with the text "RENT BIKES FROM MIKE'S!" in white, bold, sans-serif font. Below this is a white background featuring a black silhouette of a bicycle with a basket on the front and a red flag on the back. The flag has a white crescent moon and a palm tree. Underneath the bicycle, the text "MIKE'S BIKES" is written in a large, bold, red serif font, with "Bicycle Rentals" in a smaller, black sans-serif font below it. To the left of the bicycle is a circular red badge with white text that reads "\$18.90 A WEEK PER BIKE" and "RATES NOT VALID Easter Week of 1st &amp; 2nd of April &amp; 1st &amp; 2nd of July". To the right of the badge, the text "WE'RE #1 FOR BIKES" is written in a bold, black sans-serif font, followed by "FREE DELIVERY AND PICK UP" in a slightly smaller, black sans-serif font. The bottom section of the advertisement has a red background with the phone number "843-671-MIKE (6453)" and the website "mikesbikeshiltonhead.com" in white, bold, sans-serif font.

# Shipyards Real Estate Quarterly Update By your neighbor Karl Sneed

## SHIPYARD PROPERTY STATISTICS

HOMES				
Year	Total Sold	Total Dollars Sold	Median Sold Price	Average Days On Market
12/31/16	17	\$6,817,000	\$394,000	102
12/31/15	14	\$5,841,000	\$392,500	108
VILLAS				
12/31/16	72	\$20,230,601	\$272,000	93
12/31/15	68	\$18,249,765	\$260,000	106
LOTS				
12/31/16	1	\$180,000	\$180,000	337
12/31/15	3	\$615,666	\$214,000	178

## Shipyards Real Estate Market

Real estate sales are expected to flourish this spring. If you have been considering selling or buying, now through spring is the most productive time to act. We had a great year last year and we are looking forward to 2017. If you are a buyer, or you're interested in selling, please consider Karl as your first choice. Helping buyers and sellers come together is my business. One of the largest assets you have is owning a piece of real estate, and you want someone you can trust to represent you. Call a professional who cares and has the knowledge, (bylaws, regulations and benefits) to buy or sell property in our community. Thank you in advance, Karl Sneed

### 87 Gloucester Road | 3 Br. 3 Ba. | \$565,000



FOR SALE

New build in 2015. 2,068 sq.ft. High efficiency home with spray foam insulation, 3 zone heat pump & much more. 2+ car garage, corner .67 acre lot with beautiful views from your screened in porch of lake to 4th tee box of the Clipper Golf Course. Bike ride to Coligny Plaza & the Shipyards Beach Club.

### 12 Port Au Prince Road | 3 Br. 2.5 Ba. | \$489,900



FOR SALE

Great opportunity to own a ranch type home for under \$500,000! 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath. All new kitchen stainless steel appliances and granite counter tops. Good number of windows and slider glass doors to make this cozy home bright and airy. Over half acre lot overlooking 2nd hole of the Galleon Golf Course. All of this plus a two car garage and over-sized private swimming pool.

### 9 Port Au Spain Road | 4 Br. 3.5 Ba. | \$599,000



FOR SALE

New fresh look. Entire house has been cleaned/pressure washed/touch up paint inside and out and ready for a new owner. Sit on your porch overlooking beautiful pool/spa out to the #2 fairway of the Galleon/Shipyards Golf Course. Oversized Master bedroom, bath with jetted tub/walk-in shower and walk-in closet on first floor. Perfect home for retirement or investment with weekly rental income.

### Colonnade Club



FOR SALE

**176 Colonnade Club 2 Br. 2 Ba. \$248,000**  
2nd Fl. Flat with view of lagoon to golf course and pool. Villa placement gives you the feel like a corner unit

**147 Colonnade Club 2 Br. 2 Ba. \$244,500**  
1st Fl. Flat with Landscape View Pool and BBQ area on-site. 10 minute walk to the beach and Shipyards clubhouse.

### 143 Beachwalk Villas | 2 Br. 2 Ba. \$287,500



FOR SALE

Large 1348 sq.ft. first floor flat. Very bright with lots of glass out to a good sized deck with landscape to golf course view. Close walk to on-site pool, Shipyards beach and beach club, Van De Meer Tennis and Sonesta hotel. Excellent rental income and pet friendly.



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