

THE Anchor

Shipyard's Community Connection

FALL 2018





GM's Desk

SALLY WARREN

It's budget time at Shipyard. At their October meeting, the POA Board of Directors unanimously approved our 2019 operating budget which increases Shipyard's annual landowner fee by \$20 to \$955. The new assessment of 2%, previously endorsed by the Executive and Finance committees, will fund increases in insurance costs, a competitive 3.5% wage increase for Shipyard staff, and minor contractor increases. The struggle to keep staff is an ongoing concern for Island businesses and Shipyard is constantly assessing how best to attract and retain quality labor. The 2019 assessment of \$955 will be billed to owners in late December and will be due in January. Late charges will be implemented after February 28th.

On the income side of the ledger, we are forecasting continued strong decal income and some rising interest income for 2019 and increases in our franchise income from our arrangement with Hargray and Time Warner/Charter. Additionally, we are making an important change for properties used for rentals purposes. These properties will no longer be billed their annual access fee in December for the coming year, but instead their rental companies will be billed \$10.00 per pass for 2019. This pass program is currently in place in both Sea Pines and Palmetto Dunes and is being implemented in Shipyard starting January 1st.

Improvements continue across Shipyard as a result of the Enhancement Income realized with the sale of whole ownership property. Continued bike path widening has been approved and plans are in the works for adding additional parking spaces at the Welcome Center. Design and permitting are currently in process at the Town.

We were fortunate to experience minimal damage from Tropical Storm Michael, as the highest clocked winds were 46 mph. So, we are all looking forward to the end of hurricane season and anticipate a happier time with the coming holidays.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

WRITTEN BY MEREDITH SIMMONS



Alyssa Veale

Alyssa, our Communications Coordinator, is our newest team member. She is a native of Savannah, GA and a graduate of Augusta University. She studied Communications with an emphasis in theatre, television and cinema. Previously, she worked as a Communications Specialist at a private school in Savannah. She loves to watch and coach sports in her free time. She is also a former collegiate cheerleader, and has spent the last three years coaching at college and high school levels. Alyssa is very passionate about working with students and helping them see their potential. She also loves to sing and perform. She is very excited about her new role at Shipyard and is looking forward to getting to know all of you. So please take a moment to meet her when you visit the Welcome Center or an upcoming special event. On behalf of management, we are so excited to have someone with her talents on board and we look forward to what she brings to enhance the way we communicate with you.

Need to Contact Us?

**Shipyard POA
Welcome Center**

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HHI, SC 29928
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Parkway Gate/Patrol
(843) 785-4776

Pope Gate
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Owner Updates

Important Reminders from the Welcome Center

MEREDITH SIMMONS, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS



BEACH LOCKER UPDATES

Locker renewal invoices were sent out earlier this month, and payments are due by December 15th. If you intend to discontinue your locker agreement, please be sure to let us know by December 15th and remember to remove the contents by December 31st. Locker waiting lists letters will be sent out by the end of November. If you are on the waiting list, and do not receive an update by December 5th, please contact the Welcome Center. We appreciate your patience as we complete the renewal process.



DECAL VALIDATIONS



Decal renewals for 2019 will begin on Monday, December 3rd. If you do not wish to register any new vehicles, you do not need to bring anything besides your photo ID. If you intend to register a new vehicle, please bring the applicable vehicle registration with you. Please do not discard your beach hangtag, as you will receive a validation sticker for it along with the ones for your decals. If you have questions about the process, please call (843)785-3310 ext. 1000 or email passes@shipyardhhi.com. Thanks so much!

UPCOMING HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS.

It's Almost Time to Mingle & Jingle!

The annual Mingle & Jingle will be held on Tuesday, December 11 at 6pm at the Sonesta Resort. The Headliners, back by popular demand, will entertain as you enjoy an upscale holiday dinner. Tickets remain a bargain at \$25.00 for your dinner, entertainment, and all of the dancing your feet will allow. Since it worked out so well last year, full table reservations will be allowed again this year. Essentially, you can arrange to sit with specific neighbors and friends. All you need to do is gather checks/money from your entire party (groups of ten) and bring them to the Welcome Center to reserve your table. Mingling during a cocktail hour prior to dinner was also a huge hit last year. This year, we will have cocktails (cash bar) beginning at 6pm with dinner to follow at 7pm. Tickets are now on sale at the Welcome Center.



Ring in the New Year with Neighbors & Friends!

Mark your calendars for the special New Year's Nibble & Nip, scheduled for December 31st from 6-9pm at the Beach Club. It will be midnight in Reykjavik, Iceland at 8 pm that evening, so we will celebrate with an early toast at that time. We will have the champagne and party favors ready for you.

SOCIAL SCENE

MEREDITH SIMMONS, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS



Oktoberfest at the Beach Club

A Celebration of Fall



It may have started out as a rainy day, but the clouds moved away just in time for the festivities to begin. If you were not able to attend, you missed a great Oktoberfest on October 6th at the Beach Club! We had the largest turnout ever, as over 140 owners and their guests came out for this event. They enjoyed beer, brats, strudel (and much more), as well as a mix of beach and German music courtesy of a talented DJ. So needless to say, we are all looking forward to more events like this in the future. To that end, many of you may have already received a survey (via eBlast) regarding the types of events you would like to see held at the Beach Club. If not, please feel free to pick-up a hardcopy at any owner event at the Club or stop by the Welcome Center. You may also email communications@shipyardhhi.com to request an electronic copy.

Beach Club Events

Be sure to check out the community events happening near you this season!

December

- 3: Owners Only 3-9pm
- 6: Nibble & Nip 6-9pm
- 11: Women's Club 10am-2pm
- 12: Men's Club Holiday Party 6:30-9pm
- 15: Women's Club Holiday Brunch 10am-2pm
- 17: Owners Only 3-9pm
- 31: **Special New Year's Nibble & Nip 6-9pm**

Special Notice about owner events in January and February:

Please note that some event times are subject to change due to tentatively scheduled Beach Club roofing.

January

- 7: Owners Only 3-9pm
- 8: Women's Club 10am-2pm
- 14: Men's Club 6:30-9pm
- 21: Owners Only 3-9pm
- 22: Women's Club 10am-2pm
- 28: Men's Club 6:30-9pm

February

- 4: Owners Only 3-9pm
- 7: Nibble & Nip 6-9pm
- 11: Men's Club 6:30-9pm
- 12: Women's Club 10am-2pm
- 18: Owners Only 3-9pm
- 25: Men's Club 6:30-9pm

HOLIDAY FIRE SAFETY TIPS

CINDA SEAMON, FIRE & LIFE SAFETY EDUCATOR
HILTON HEAD ISLAND FIRE RESCUE

Keep your special occasions safe!

- If you choose a fresh tree for the holidays, the needles should be green and hard to pull back from the branches. The trunk should be sticky to the touch. Do not place your tree close to a heat source and keep it fresh by placing it in a stand that holds water. If you choose an artificial tree, make sure it is flame retardant.
- Inspect your holiday lights each year for frayed wires, bare spots, broken or cracked sockets, or excessive kinking. Do not link more than 3 light strands. Avoid using candles on a tree and always use decorations that are non-flammable.
- If you do decorate with candles, make sure they are in stable holders and are never left unattended. Keep candles away from curtains or other combustibles.

It's always nice to have a fire in the fireplace around the holidays but just remember a few safe practices:

- Remove ashes in a metal container, because they may rekindle, and never store ashes in your home.
- Have your chimney inspected at least once a year.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday! For more information contact Cinda Seamon, Fire & Life Safety Educator Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue, at 843-682-5141.

SONESTA RESORT HILTON HEAD ISLAND'S

2018 Holiday Events

STORY TIME WITH SANTA

December 14th & 21st 8:30PM

Come join us in our lobby under our giant Christmas tree for a story with Santa



FIRESIDE MOVIES WITH POPCORN

December Saturday nights 7PM

On Saturday nights enjoy a movie fireside & under the stars with popcorn. Kick back, relax, and take in the show



LETTERS TO SANTA

Write a note to Santa and drop it in our golden mailbox in the lobby! We will deliver it to the North Pole



COOKIE & ORNAMENT DECORATING

December Fridays & Saturdays | 7-9PM

Poolside

Everyday | 11AM | Lobby
\$7.00

Come decorate a Christmas ornament or cookie in our resort lobby or poolside! Take your ornament home and enjoy your cookie



TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS READING

December 24th

Come join us beneath our Christmas tree in the lobby in your pajamas for a live reading of the timeless classic! Hot cocoa for kids & wine for adults



ELF ON THE SHELF

December 1st-17th

Search our resort to find Sonny! When you find him, take a pic and use the #Sonestaelf for a chance to win a free Christmas cookie



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO MAKE RESERVATIONS,
PLEASE CALL 843.341.1850

SONESTA RESORT
HILTON HEAD ISLAND

sonesta.com/hiltonheadisland

Life-saving AED Installed at Beach Club

DAVE HUMPHREY, CONTRIBUTING WRITER

More than 2,500 homeowners spend time at the Shipyard Beach Club each year. The POA Board of Directors has added a new addition that could prove to be a life-saver. Installed near the coordinator's office, the new automated external defibrillator (AED) is a device used to administer an electric shock and restore the heart's normal rhythm in the event of sudden cardiac arrest. The Beach Club staff, as well as Shipyard's mobile security patrols, have been trained to use the AED. All AED devices have voice prompts, enabling untrained bystanders to easily administer therapy.

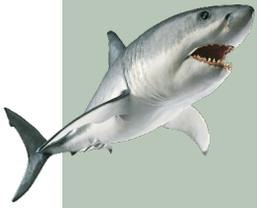
"The POA Board of Directors proactive decision to make this medical device available could indeed save lives," said Lawrence Alexander, Shipyard's Chief of Security. "Hopefully, we won't ever need to use the AED." Chief Alexander also noted that, in addition to the new Beach Club AED, Shipyard Security's two patrol units also have portable AEDs.



HOW IT WORKS:

Beach Club Coordinator Debra English (center) trains with Chief Lawrence Alexander and Hilton Head Fire and Rescue Trainer Cinda Seamon.

Killing nearly 300,000 people every year, sudden cardiac arrest is a leading cause of death in the United States and it can strike persons of any age, gender, race and health. Ventricular fibrillation is the abnormal heart rhythm that most often leads to sudden cardiac arrest. If a victim receives defibrillation through an AED within the first minute, the survival rate is 90%.



Nature Notes

JOANNE VOULELIS, LOWCOUNTRY MASTER
NATURALIST, COASTAL DISCOVERY MUSEUM

Quoting Alvy Singer in the movie *Annie Hall*, "A relationship, I think, is like a shark. You know? It has to constantly move forward or it dies. And I think what we got on our hands is a dead shark."

Alvy was right (at least about the shark). Sharks can only swim forward because their fins are stiff and cannot be controlled by muscles. Here are some other fun facts about sharks:

- Sharks have been living in Earth's oceans for over 450 million years
- The smallest shark is the "dwarf lantern" that only grows to six inches in length
- The largest shark is a "whale shark" that grows to over 41 feet in length
- The average shark has 40-45 teeth in up to 7 rows (ouch!)
- Most sharks can never sleep because they constantly pump water through their mouths to breathe
- They have an extraordinary sense of hearing and can hear prey up to 3000 feet away
- While sharks are likely color blind, they see best in dark and murky water (like HHI has)
- Sharks have the thickest skin of any animal species-up to 6 inches thick
- They do not have vocal chords and make no sounds; that's why they are called the "silent killers"
- One of the most common ways sharks mate is by biting each other (how romantic)
- Some species are carnivorous in the womb and the 1st pup to hatch will eat its siblings
- Most females lose their appetites before giving birth which prevents them from eating their pups
- Shark attacks are extremely rare and account for about four fatalities a year worldwide.
Humans, however, kill 100 million sharks a year
- Most sharks do not like the taste of humans so mostly just take a bite and swim away

In the Lowcountry, the most common sharks are tiger, black tip, spinner, Atlantic sharpnose, black nose and hammerhead. An occasional bull shark may swim in our waters and are considered to be the most dangerous. And yes, there are great whites off our coast; it is estimated that as many as 1000 great whites will swim here during winter months.

I think Peter Benchley's description of sharks in the book, *Jaws*, sums them up best.

"Sharks have everything a scientist dreams of. They're beautiful-God, how beautiful they are! They're like an impossibly perfect piece of machinery. They're as graceful as any bird. They're as mysterious as any animal on earth. No one knows for sure how long they live or what impulses—except for hunger—they respond to. There are more than two hundred and fifty species of shark, and everyone is different from every other one."

SAFETY TIPS EVERY DRIVER SHOULD KNOW

REMINDERS FROM CHIEF ALEXANDER

As you get ready for the upcoming holidays, a few of you will be driving to visit family and friends. Here are four driving safety tips to practice on your trip.

Focus on driving

- Keep 100% of your attention on driving at all times-no multi-tasking.
- Don't use your cell phone or any other electronic device while driving.
- Slow down. Speeding gives you less time to react and increases the severity of the accident.

Drive defensively

- Be aware of what other drivers around you are doing and expect the unexpected.
- Assume all motorists will do something crazy and always be prepared to avoid it.
- Keep a two second cushion between you and the car in front of you.
- Make that four seconds if the weather is bad.

Make a safe driving plan

- Build time into your trip schedule to stop for food, rest breaks, phone calls or other business.
- Adjust your seat, mirrors and climate controls before putting the car into gear.
- Pull over to eat or drink. It takes only a few minutes.

Practice safety

- Secure cargo that may move around while the vehicle is in motion.
- Don't attempt to retrieve items that fall on the floor.
- Have items within easy reach-such as toll fees, toll cards and garage passes.

HATS OFF TO THE WINNERS!

Artist's Choice

Happy Wood Storks
Al Burnett

1st Place (Popular Vote)

Swimming Ray
Judith Ferrell

2nd Place (Popular Vote)

Barred Owl
James Smith

Artist's Honorable Mention

Quiet Reflection
Jenny Bullington

UPCOMING PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES

Due to increased demand, our resident photographer Mary Alice Tartler has agreed to teach another photography class soon. We are working on setting a date, but first need to learn how many of you are interested. Want to sign-up? Just send an email to communications@shipyardhhi.com. Just remember, you do not have to be an expert and the class is free! Just be prepared to learn and have fun.

The Annual Photo Contest

A wonderful turnout for this year's theme, Hilton Head Wildlife

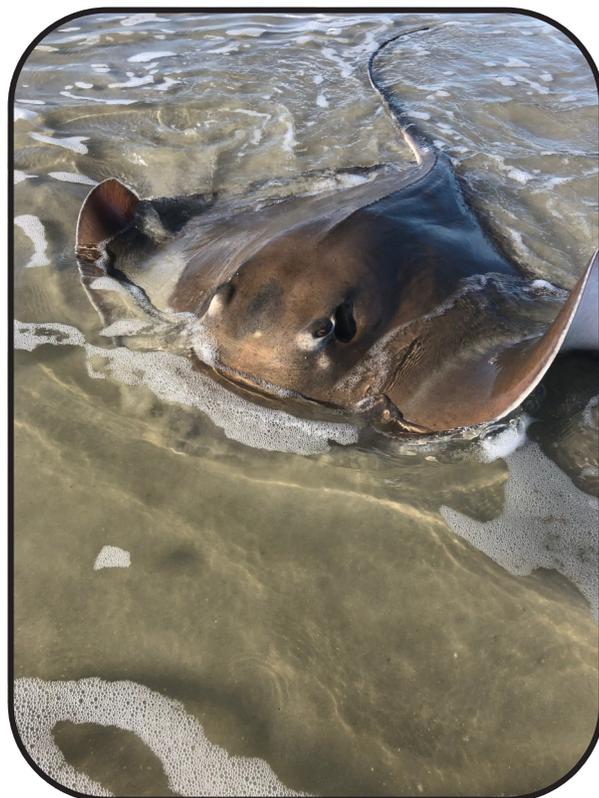
MEREDITH SIMMONS, DIRECTOR

A warm thank you to all of the photographers who entered photos for this year's competition. There were 23 entries for this year's theme - Hilton Head wildlife, and around 50 owners came out to assist in judging the photos by popular vote.

According to resident photographer, Mary Alice Tartler, this year's entries were some of the best she has reviewed for the contest in many years. Perhaps that might be a result of participation in her photography classes. So luckily, Mary Alice has agreed to teach more classes in the coming year. In any case, a great time was had by all. Many attendees commented that they really enjoyed viewing the photos and learning about photography tips and techniques from Mary Alice when she announced the contest winners.

We will be sure to feature the Artist's Choice photo, by Misty Cove owner Al Burnett, on the cover of the winter issue of *The Anchor*.

Pictured above, is the winning 1st Place Popular Vote entry, *Swimming Ray* by The Greens owner Judith Ferrell.



NEW GRILL GETS WORKOUT

DAVE HUMPHREY, CONTRIBUTING WRITER



PICTURED: Men's Club members break in the new grill at the Shipyard Beach Club.

The outdoor grilling area at the Shipyard Beach Club—upgraded with an improved impervious paver pad and a new grill – got quite a workout at a recent Shipyard Men's Club event. The new grill is one of a series of Beach Club enhancements, including drainage improvements made to deter water from running into the ground level locker area.

Shipyard owners enjoy the Beach Club more than 100 days each year. Both the Men's and Women's Clubs meet there regularly. In addition, Nibble & Nips, Owners Only Days, and special/seasonal POA events like Oktoberfest, photography lessons and competition, cook-offs and Casino Night are interspersed.

With 72 members and guests participating, the Men's Club held its best-attended annual "Name That Tune" night in mid-November. The Men's annual Christmas party, at the Beach Club, will be December 12. The Women's Club will hold its Holiday Social and Christmas Cookie Exchange on December 11. Both social clubs have large memberships: 129 in the Men's Club and 156 in the Women's Club.

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NOTICE REGARDING EMAILS TO THE WELCOME CENTER

Please use **passes@shipyardhhi.com** (instead of shipyardpasses@aol.com) to request passes or communicate with Pass Desk staff. You may also call (843) 785-3310, ext. 1000 to request passes.

QUICK TIP FOR HOLIDAY PASSES

For last minute holiday guest arrivals, the fastest and easiest way to provide them with a pass is to call the gate directly. Parkway: (843) 785-4776 or Pope: (843) 785-3776

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS
FROM YOUR NEIGHBOR KARL SNEED**

Sales volume continues to show Shipyard is a very desirable place to live. We continue to out perform last year in: sales volume, number of sales (+22%) and less days on the market. If you are buying or selling there is no more perfect time than now to sale or purchase property.

Thinking of buying or selling? Karl can assist you in a smooth transaction. 28 years of experience.

SHIPYARD PROPERTY STATISTICS

HOMES				
Year	Total Sold	Total Dollars Sold	Median Sold Price	Average DOM
11/5/2018	6	\$2,694,500	\$448,500	85
11/5/2017	14	\$6,161,000	\$444,500	99
VILLAS				
11/5/2018	88	\$27,262,200	\$300,000	35
11/5/2017	69	\$19,706,025	\$295,000	87
LOTS				
11/5/2018	0	\$0	\$0	0
11/5/2017	1	\$200,000	\$200,000	701

86 Gloucester Road
3 Br. 3.5 Ba. | \$575,000

279 Evian Villas
3 Br. 3 Ba. | \$450,000

188 Beachwalk Villas
3 Br. 3.5 Ba. | \$399,999

203 Shipmaster
3 Br. 3 Ba. | \$339,000

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*** I'm a Shipyard Owner/Resident ***
*** Executive Board Member ***

Thank you to my friends and neighbors. Your referral is the best compliment I could receive.