

THE Anchor

Shipyard's Community Connection

FALL 2019





GM's Desk

SALLY WARREN

Thanksgiving is my favorite time of the year as we get to pause for a moment and be thankful for all the blessings in our lives. One of the blessings we have in Shipyard is that we actually have a Board of Directors that work together to blend their interests and get things done for the betterment of the entire community. This is a rare dynamic in community associations and something that benefits everyone because we get things done instead of arguing about getting things done. We just finished the budgeting process for 2020, and the Executive/ Finance Committees unanimously approved a 2.1% increase for 2020 and the Board subsequently endorsed that recommendation. This means that you will receive a \$20.00 annual increase which basically covers the labor increases needed to keep competitive and the funds to handle property and medical insurance increases. The total increase in projected expenses is 2.95%, but additional revenues in cell tower income, decal revenue, and cable franchise income are paying 40% of that increase and the owners are paying 60%.

We are on track to end the year within budget, with a less than 1% deductible, and a banner year in real estate sales. Shipyard is an attractive alternative for people as we are the most cost effective beach community that is well-maintained and has a sense of community through the Beach Club.

Your staff is working hard to keep up with needed maintenance initiatives through the off season, and we appreciate your patience as we try to get this work accomplished before year-end.

Have a wonderful thanksgiving with your families and know that your Shipyard family cares not only for you but also making Shipyard a place where people want to visit and live.

Happy holidays.

Sally Warren

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

MEREDITH ELMORE

Gregory Bader

The Comeback Kid



Originally from Bellmawr, NJ, Greg joined the Shipyard security team in 2016. He left briefly to explore other employment options, but came back in 2018. You may have seen him at the gatehouses during that time, but will now see him out and about on patrol.

Greg is married with three children, ages 9 months, 2, and almost 4 years old. As you can imagine, being a father of three keeps him very busy. However, his favorite thing is spending time with his family. He also enjoys fishing and watching football. Even though he is a Philadelphia Eagles fan, we still keep him around (*says a faithful Dallas Cowboys fan*).

Greg is happy to be back with us here in Shipyard. He says that he enjoys the good camaraderie among co-workers and interacting with all of the owners and guests most of all. On behalf of management, we are delighted to have Greg back on our team, as evidenced by his winning the Employee of the Quarter award earlier this year. Greg is a model team player, with a great attitude and the desire to learn. Good job, Greg and thanks for all you do to enhance our team.

Need to Contact Us?

**Shipyard POA
Welcome Center**

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HHI, SC 29928
(843) 785-3310

Parkway Gate/Patrol
(843) 785-4776

Pope Gate
(843) 785-3776

Owner Updates

Important Reminders from the Welcome Center

MEREDITH ELMORE, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS



BEACH LOCKER UPDATES

Locker renewal invoices were sent out earlier this month, and payments are due by mid-December. If you intend to discontinue your locker agreement, please be sure to let us know by December 13th 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 13th, please contact the Welcome Center. We appreciate your patience as we complete the renewal process.



DECAL RENEWALS

Decal renewals for 2020 will begin on Monday, December 2nd. 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. **Feel free to discard your current beach hangtag**, as you will receive a new one for 2020-2022 when you apply for your vehicle decals. If you have questions about the decal or hangtag renewal 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 9th at 6pm at the Sonesta Resort. The Headliners, back by popular demand, will entertain as you enjoy an upscale holiday dinner. We made a few revisions to the menu to appeal to a wider variety of palettes, and we think you'll love it. Tickets remain a bargain at \$25.00 for your dinner, entertainment, and all of the dancing you desire. This year, to guarantee a spot at the same table, you will need to bring in a check (or money order/cash) for all 10 people at the same time. If you do not have a full table, we will arrange a table for you. Mingling during a cocktail hour prior to dinner was a huge hit again 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 ELMORE, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

There was so much to celebrate at this year's Hurricane Nibble & Nip, as we had just narrowly escaped the wrath of Hurricane Dorian. The weather was perfect for enjoying music and sharing time with neighbors on the deck. The POA provided a spirited hurricane punch, which was a hit! There were endless amounts of great food and conversations. Check out the photos below, as we tried to capture the fun-filled vibe on film. Be sure to check out the upcoming events below.



HILTON HEAD EVENTS

Bluffton Christmas Tree Lighting—
December 6th 5:30pm

Bluffton Christmas Parade—
December 7th 10am

Taste of the Season—
Marriott Hilton Head
December 6th 5:30-9pm

Winter Wonderland—
Shelter Cove
December 6th 4-8pm

H.H Choral Society Sounds of Christmas—
First Presbyterian Church
December 13th 7-8:30pm

Brunch with Santa—
Alexander's
December 22nd 10am-12pm

Rockin' on the River NYE Party—
River House
December 31st 9:30pm-12:30am

Hilton Head Snow Day—
Shelter Cove
January 25th 11am-4pm

BEACH CLUB EVENTS

- December**
- 2: Owners Only 4-9pm
 - 4: Men's Club Holiday Party 6:30-9pm
 - 9: Mingle & Jingle 6-9pm**
 - 10: Women's Club 10am-2pm
 - 16: Owners Only 3-9pm
 - 17: Holiday Sweater Nibble & Nip 6-9pm**
 - 23: Men's Club 6:30-9pm
 - 31: Special New Year's Nibble & Nip 6-9pm**

- January**
- 6: Owners Only 4-9pm
 - 13: Men's Club 6:30-9pm
 - 14: Women's Club 10am-2pm
 - 20: Owners Only 3-9pm
 - 27: Men's Club 6:30-9pm
 - 28: Women's Club 10am-2pm



- February**
- 3: Owners Only 4-9pm
 - 10: Men's Club 6:30-9pm
 - 11: Women's Club 10am-2pm
 - 17: Owners Only 3-9pm
 - 24: Men's Club 6:30-9pm
 - 25: Women's Club 10am-2pm



CHRISTMAS TREES, CANDLES & LIGHTS

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

As you decorate your home this holiday season with trees, candles, and lights, be sure to take some safety precautions.

When using a live tree, check to make sure the needles are fresh and green. Location of the tree is important. Do not place it near any heat source like a fireplace, and water your tree daily.

Make sure all candles are on a sturdy base. Trim wicks before use. Long wicks can cause uneven burning, dripping or flaring. Candles on a low coffee table can be a danger for small children or pets. Also, never leave candles unattended.

Don't keep any lights with frayed or cracked cords or damaged sockets. As a general rule never connect more than 3 strands of lights together. Don't overload your outlets or run extension cords under carpets.

Are your lights approved for outdoor use? Indoor lights can catch fire if used outside. Make sure all exterior lights are plugged into a ground fault interrupter circuit.

When putting up lights outside, try to pick a day when the weather is good. Test all your lights before you get up on the roof. It's easier to replace bulbs on the ground! Make sure your ladder is on stable even ground before you use it.

Keep in mind that decorative lights are made for temporary use so be sure to take them down within 90 days to prevent them being damaged by the weather.

Happy and safe decorating!



Photo Contest Rescheduled for Sunday, January 26th from 4-6pm

Due to a lack of entries, we had to reschedule the annual photo contest. We have moved it to January of 2020, and we are hoping this extension gives more people a chance to enter. Along with moving the date, we have broadened the topic as well. The theme will still focus on beach life, but it can now be from any beach, not just Hilton Head's. We will be collecting entries until January 24th at 3pm. We look forward to seeing all of your photos in 2020!



Holiday Sweater Nibble & Nip with Toy Drive



Our fourth quarter Nibble & Nip will be a Holiday Sweater party. We encourage all who attend to wear your best sweater! We will also be collecting toys for local underprivileged children. Please bring a new unwrapped toy to be donated. The POA will be supplying a special holiday drink, but please remember to bring your own nibbles & nips to share! There will also be music provided by the Single Husbands Band. The party is **Dec. 17th from 6-9 pm** at the Beach Club.

We can't wait to see you there!

Nature Notes

JOANNE VOULELIS, LOWCOUNTRY MASTER
NATURALIST, COASTAL DISCOVERY MUSEUM

CRITTERS YOU MAY MEET ON THE BEACH: Part III- ECHINODERMS

The name Echinodermata comes from the Greek words meaning “hedgehog skin.” What do sea stars, sand dollars, sea urchins and sea cucumbers have in common with a hedgehog? They are all spiny-skinned animals. Their spines, covered by a thin layer of living tissue, can be felt with your finger.

Echinoderms are very unique; instead of blood, they have a water vascular system which is used for movement and predation. Water from the sea fills its tube feet for extension. Then using tubular muscles, the feet retract. This propels them along the sandy bottom. Tiny suction cups on the ends of their tube feet allow the animals to hold onto rocks, grip prey and even pry open the shells of a bivalve. Quite an efficient system.

Another feature of an echinoderm is its radially symmetric body design consisting of five equal pieces typically organized around a central disk. The sea star has five arms, the sand dollar has five petal shapes and five slots, while the sea urchin has five triangular shaped teeth. There are five rows of tube feet on the sea cucumber.

While finding a sea urchin on our beaches would be a great find, sea stars, sand dollars and sea cucumbers are quite common. Unfortunately, beach visitors often like to take these animals home for a souvenir. Beach regulations prohibit the taking of live animals from the beach and if caught, it carries a hefty fine. So how do you know if the animal is alive or dead? Check to see if the spines or tube feet are moving. If they are, keep the animal on the beach.

Part IV of this “Critters” series will feature Crabs!



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.

Have a safe and happy holiday!

SONESTA RESORT
HILTON HEAD ISLAND'S

2019 Holiday Events

FESTIVAL OF TREES

November 22nd-December 7th
Admire a spectacular display of beautifully decorated and creatively-themed Christmas trees and wreaths in all sizes and colors filling our resort. The trees have been decorated by local businesses, organizations, and school children



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Sundays: 12/8, 12/15, 12/22

9AM-12PM

Enjoy breakfast with Santa at Heyward's Restaurant and Seacrest Terrace & Patio.

CHRISTMAS DINNER BUFFET

December 25th | 5-9:30pm



Enjoy a Lowcountry-Inspired Christmas dinner with family and friends indulging in Christmas fare and desserts

SIPS FOR THE SEASON EVENT

Thursday December, 19th | 6:30-9:30pm



Join us this holiday season for an unforgettable wine dinner featuring six unique wine pairings from Breakthru Beverage.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER

December 31st



Bring in the new year with Sonesta! Enjoy a special buffet in Heyward's followed by live music in Bayley's Bar (7-10pm). Watch the ball drop on TV in our Savannah Ballroom in an intimate setting with late night appetizers & champagne toast at midnight.

TOY'S FOR TOTS

November 21st - December 10th

Drop off a new, unwrapped toy for "Toys for Tots" and receive a \$10 Gift Certificate for use at any of our outlets. Stop by the front desk to retrieve



ARUM SPA OPEN HOUSE

December 1st 12:00-4:00pm

Come to Arum Spa for giveaways, mini spa treatments, food, & of course our lavender champagne!



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO MAKE RESERVATIONS,
PLEASE CALL 843.341.1850

sonesta.com/hiltonheadisland



SHIPYARD CARES!

It's Community Harvest Time! As the Thanksgiving holidays approach, it is the perfect time to consider helping the less fortunate on the Island. In years past, the management team has gone door to door to collect non-perishable food and toiletry items for donation to the Deep Well Foundation. This year, there will be donation boxes in the Welcome Center until December 6th. This process will allow for more convenience for you to donate items at your leisure, as well as hopefully increase the donation volume. Look at the E-blast that was sent for a list of needed items. We will also have limited hardcopies available for pick-up at the Welcome Center.



N-Touch



As this year comes to a close, we just wanted to remind you of our N-touch program. This program was designed to ensure that there is a constant circle of caring here in Shipyard. So if you are ill, live alone, or are recovering from an illness; we can help make sure that we stay N-Touch with you. Essentially, you can enroll in the N-Touch program on an ongoing basis or just for a limited time. If you opt-in for this complimentary service, we will ensure that any information you provide will be kept confidential and used for the sole purpose of confirming your safety and well-being. You can download a form from our website, or stop by the Welcome Center and pick one up. You can either drop it off or email it to communications@shipyardhhi.com.



Bluffton Screen Repairs



Local Resident Dino

843-263-2990

SHIPYARD POA
 10 SHIPYARD DR
 HHI, SC 29928

PRSR STD
 U.S. Postage
PAID
 Savannah, GA
 Permit No. 33

**HAVE FEEDBACK YOU'D
 LIKE TO SHARE?**

We'd like to hear it!
 For story ideas,
 comments and
 suggestions,
 please call
 (843) 785-3310
 ext.1000 or send an email to
 msimmons@shipyardhhi.com



**SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING
 EMAILS TO THE
 WELCOME CENTER**

Be sure to use
passes@shipyardhhi.com
 (not 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
 Pope: (843) 785-3776



**SHIPYARD REAL ESTATE QUARTERLY UPDATE BY
 YOUR NEIGHBOR KARL SNEED**

Sales continue to show Shipyard is a very desirable place to live. Not only do we offer the perfect setting to live, but a great place to invest for the future. Home sales have doubled compared to last year. With the lower inventory of villas, the number of sales are down, giving way to swift sales for new listings. If you are buying or selling property, now is the perfect time to act!

Thinking of buying or selling? Karl can assist you in a smooth transaction. 30 Years of experience!

SHIPYARD PROPERTY STATISTICS				
HOMES				
Year	Total Sold	Total Dollars Sold	Median Sold Price	Average DOM
11/1/2019	15	\$7,410,000	\$485,000	50
11/1/2018	6	\$2,694,500	\$448,500	85
VILLAS				
11/1/2019	72	\$23,004,150	\$314,500	27
11/1/2018	89	\$27,569,700	\$300,000	35
LOTS				
11/1/2019	1	\$197,000	\$197,000	105
11/1/2018	0	\$0	\$0	0

86 Gloucester Road
 3 Br. 3.5 Ba. | \$499,900



UNDER CONTRACT

105 Townhouse Tennis Club
 3 Br. 3 Ba. | \$385,000



SOLD

140 Beachwalk Villas
 2 Br. 2.5 Ba. | \$319,900



FOR SALE



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