



Island Report

Communication, Advocacy and Protection of BHI Property Values

Dive into Your Community — Volunteer!

You've heard it many times — much of what Bald Head Association accomplishes is a direct result of the contribution of its volunteers. You've heard it because it's true. On any given year — except for 2020, of course — the activities of BHA's volunteers vary from serving as board members, helping plan and organize events for property owners and reviewing the literally hundreds of applications for new construction projects and remodels. They help ensure that the organization's financial position is strong and organize community events such as litter sweeps and tree plantings. Volunteers are crucial to BHA's mission.


Most of the Island's organizations rely on volunteers and, like them, BHA has a consistent need for new energy to be fused into its five committees — Architectural Review (ARC); Finance (FC); Resource Conservation and Beautification (RCB); Socialization, Education and Recreation (SER); and Strategic Planning & Long Range Projects (SPLRP). The time commitment for individuals who volunteer on these committees for three-year terms varies widely and ranges from an occasional meeting to plan an event to regular, monthly +/- half-day meetings to review construction and landscaping submittals. The time, talents, experience and desire to make a difference that BHA's property owners have is what makes the committees work!

New property owners can find volunteering with BHA a fun way to get involved with and learn more about the BHI community, as well as meet fellow property owners. New and seasoned property owners — whether they live on BHI full-

time or are part-time residents who aren't on-Island as much as they'd like to be — can get involved since BHA holds its meetings in person or utilizing Zoom.

If you're not ready to sign up just yet, consider this. Right now is a crucial time of expansion for Bald Head Island. Currently, 25-30 homes are built each year; there were about 200 real estate closings in 2020 (with many of them new owners); research by the BHI Club shows many new owners are of a younger demographic with families who are looking for ways to enjoy BHI. Do you have the desire to help continue the long legacy of sustaining what is unique about Bald Head Island while also finding ways to meld a new generation of owners into the fold? If so, we need you!

Still need more information to decide? Go to BaldHeadAssociation.com/committees and learn about the charge BHA's bylaws assign to each of the committees. If you have questions about any of them, contact the Board Liaison of that particular committee. Or, you can email Executive Director Carrie Moffett (Carrie@BaldHeadAssociation.com). When you're ready to volunteer, all you have to do is fill out the volunteer application available on BHA's website (BaldHeadAssociation.com/committees) and email it to Carrie@BaldHeadAssociation.com. We'll take care of the rest.

With new volunteer terms of service beginning in late January, we hope you'll consider volunteering with BHA. You just might make new friends, have some fun and impact the quality of life found on BHI for generations to come. 

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Coming next month: BHA's 2nd "Operation Re-Forest — We Forest" a Great Success!

Hot off the press! Details on the BHI Transportation Authority's asset acquisition are posted online at BaldHeadAssociation.com/news.



Ask ARC before any work begins!

- Planning a renovation project or new construction?
- Wanting to change outdoor lighting or fixtures?
- Thinking about cutting/trimming trees or vegetation?
- Considering any landscape changes?

ARC office — open by appointment only

Email Fran Pagliaro, ARC Coordinator, at Fran@BaldHeadAssociation.com or call Carol Collins, ARC Associate, at 910-477-7246.



New ARC Coordinator Hired

BHA welcomes Fran Pagliaro as our new ARC Coordinator, who started working in December 2020. Fran will work closely with Karen Mosteller, who will transition to working part-time in the field.

A Southport area resident since 1997, Fran’s background is real estate sales, community and home building marketing and customer service. She served as an elected official for Southeast Brunswick Sanitary District, as well as POA boards and committees. She resides with daughter, Sofia, and their pets in Southport. “I am so pleased to be here among nature, on Bald Head Island,” says Fran. To contact Fran, call 910-457-4676, ext. 22, or email Fran@BaldHeadAssociation.com.

ARC Sections Modified and Aligned with CWS Evaluation Sections

With ARC Section A being overwhelmed with submittals and Section B having much fewer submittals in 2020, the new dividing line for the two sections beginning in January 2021 will be Muscadine Wynd. Another benefit of the reapportionment is that these slightly modified ARC section areas will align with Community Wide Standards (CWS) evaluation sections to help balance the workloads for the volunteers who make up the ARC and the BHA staff.

Section A will review submittals for properties from the median of Muscadine Wynd, moving west, with the exception of the following multi-family communities: Lighthouse Landing, Ibis Roost, Royal James Landing,

Sabal Palm Cottages, The Hammocks, The Villas and Timbercreek.

Section B will review submittals for properties from the median of Muscadine Wynd, moving east, including Silversides Trail as well as the following BHA planned unit development (PUD) and multi-family communities: Cape Fear Station, Flora’s Bluff/Killegray Ridge, Ibis Roost, Keeper’s Landing, Lighthouse Landing, Royal James Landing, Sabal Palm Cottages, Sumner’s Crescent, Surfman’s Walk, The Hammocks, The Villas and Timbercreek.

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Design Guidelines 25th Edition Draft Changes Approved by BHA Board

At its regular December meeting, the BHA Board of Directors approved the draft changes of the Design Guidelines 25th edition that were recommended by the ARC Committee and BHA staff. The updated version is posted on the BHA website (BaldHeadAssociation.com) and is effective for NEW submittals reviewed after January 1, 2021.

For any questions, contact newly hired ARC Coordinator Fran Pagliaro or part-time ARC Coordinator Karen Mosteller at 910-457-4676, ext. 22, or Fran@BaldHeadAssociation.com and Karen@BaldHeadAssociation.com.

Architectural Review Committee (ARC) 2021 Meeting and Deadline Schedules

The 2021 meeting and submittal deadline schedules are posted on the BHA website at BaldHeadAssociation.com. Select “About BHA,” then click on “Architectural Review.” Meeting schedules for Section A and Section B are listed below the ARC Application forms.

For any questions, contact ARC Associate Carol Collins at CarolC@BaldHeadAssociation.com.

BHA 2021 Annual Meeting, Online Voting and Smith Island Social

BHA 2021 Annual Meeting

For the first time ever, BHA will hold its 2021 Annual Meeting virtually, due to COVID-19 safety precautions. Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 30, 2021, at 9:00am. The live event is open to members, and it will be recorded and posted online for viewing on your own schedule. The live meeting link will be posted on BHA’s website (BaldHeadAssociation.com) and Facebook page, and the recorded link will be posted on the website.

We are working to provide an update on BHA’s accomplishments over the past year and have invited presenters from BHI organizations to join the meeting. Members can watch on a laptop, tablet or smartphone, with the ability to submit online questions during the meeting.

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**Vote online: <https://baldhead.ivotehoa.com/register>
December 30, 2020, 8:00am - January 27, 2021, 4:00pm**

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CWS evaluations will begin in the first quarter of 2021. Properties will be evaluated based on a standardized CWS checklist, and significant time has been built into the compliance process to complete repairs or resolve compliance issues that might be languishing. Property owners who receive written notification that their home is out of compliance will be given 60 days to provide BHA with a plan to bring their home into compliance. This is not 60 days to complete the repairs; rather, it’s 60 days to submit a plan to bring it into compliance. Then, owners will be given an additional 90 days to complete the work. All told, that is five months to bring the home back into compliance. Further, the deadlines can be extended if there are extenuating circumstances that prevent owners from meeting them. The key to making this work will be communication. Property owners who communicate with us about their

progress (or lack thereof) and are legitimately working toward compliance should have no problems. However, the Board will have no choice but to impose fines upon owners who refuse to respond to written communications or to bring their homes into compliance as requested.

Remember that BHA’s Board members are your neighbors and face many of the same challenges you face. They understand that it can be difficult to get work done on the Island. But, BHA believes that the stellar condition of homes on Bald Head Island will help the Island remain a community that is aesthetically pleasing and desirable.

The CWS and Design Guidelines are available online 24/7/365 at BaldHeadAssociation.com. For any questions, contact Carol Collins at CarolC@BaldHeadAssociation.com or at 910-457-4676, ext. 23. 



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Village of BHI Updates

By Carin Faulkner, Village Public Information Officer

Creek Access Permits

If you already have a space at the Village Creek Access for your vessel (kayaks, canoes and small boats without motors), Creek Access permits have been mailed, with payment due by the 15th of January 2021. If you would prefer your permit be emailed, please contact Daralyn at dspivey@villagebhi.org. Please review the information/address on the form and correct it, if needed. The permit needs to be filled out in its entirety and returned to the attention of Daralyn Spivey. Once payment is received, a permit number will be assigned, and staff will affix the stickers to the vessel for you. Permits are issued per vessel as opposed to per space.

If you are interested in having a space at the Creek Access, contact Daralyn (dspivey@villagebhi.org or 910-457-9700, ext. 1001). If space is available, she will get a space assigned to you once the proper paperwork is filled out and submitted. These spaces are permitted annually at the calendar year.

Annual Cart Registration

The annual cart registration is in full swing, with current registrations expiring on December 31, 2020. The Village would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of getting this done. Should there be an accident involving your cart and you are incapacitated, this registration may be the only way a Public Safety Officer (PSO) is able to contact your family. Additionally, in instances where a vehicle is stolen, either on purpose or by mistake, the registration is an important part of the PSO's follow-up to get the vehicle back to the right owner. New registrations must be completed at the Public Safety Building so that a PSO can check that the cart meets Village ordinance requirements.

If you are registering a new cart, please make sure you bring your liability insurance coverage information. Annual registration renewals for carts that already can be completed online at <https://villagebhi.org/residents-owners/submit-a/golf-cart-electric-vehicle-registration>.

When registering online, if you select the option to pick up the new sticker at the Public Safety Department, **please allow at least 48**

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The Creek Access site is located at 109 N. Bald Head Wynd. Annual permits are issued for spaces to store kayaks, canoes and small boats without motors. Annual permits are \$150 each.



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You Never Know What You Will Find on a Beach

By McAllie Givens, Visitor Services & Collections Associate

The United States' entry into World War II in December of 1941 rapidly increased the nation's need to build fighter aircrafts and train recruits to fly the aircrafts. The U.S. Army Air Forces (USAAF) contracted companies such as Republic Aviation Corporation to build new fighter aircrafts and took over civilian airfields like Bluethenthal Field in Wilmington, North Carolina, as training bases for recruited pilots. With new types of aircrafts being created and rookie pilots learning to fly, training accidents were inevitable. The Old Baldy Foundation's collections are rife with material evidence of the USAAF's activity in the Lower Cape Fear and Bald Head Island, including machine-gun shell casings, a logbook chronicling training flights and, most interestingly, a fragment of an aircraft found on Bald Head Island. These artifacts are physical reminders of the role Bald Head Island played in WWII.



Please note that by law, artifacts found within three geographical miles from the coastline are the State of North Carolina property. If one finds an interesting object on the beach, please contact the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources Underwater Archaeology Branch at Fort Fisher at 910-458-9042.

Bluethenthal Field in Wilmington, North Carolina, was one of the civilian airfields that were transformed and expanded by USAAF to train pilots to fly P-47 Thunderbolts built by Republic. One of the many P-47s that were delivered to the Bluethenthal Army Air Field was P-47D-RA Thunderbolt serial number 42-22331, or '331 for short. After being manufactured by Republic in Evansville, Indiana, in 1942, the P-47 Thunderbolt '331 was delivered to the USAAF in March of 1943. The aircraft was stationed at several different bases within the United States until it was finally assigned to Bluethenthal Army Air Field in August of 1943 for training exercises. Additionally, the aircraft underwent maintenance to address several engine problems. While the aircraft's journey in the sky would be dramatic but short-lived, its resurface decades later would be equally compelling.

On January 13, 1944, 2nd Lt. William Bell took off in the aircraft, commenced a half circle and made a belly landing near Bluethenthal Field after unknown engine trouble. Aircraft mechanics removed the engine for examination, with no specific cause of engine failure identified. The aircraft's misfortunes continued on May 30th, when it was one of three P-47s that took off from Bluethenthal Field to complete a low-altitude, cross-country flight. Under the control of 2nd Lt. Gerald Brose, the '331 flew past Wallace, North Carolina. Due to a rain shower, Brose flew low and hit a tree. Once rejoining the patrol at a higher altitude, the flight leader noticed damage to Brose's aircraft. Brose landed first, "wheels and flaps down." After the mishap, an investigation concluded that the accident was 100% pilot error and that damage occurred to the leading edges of

both wings. Once again, the aircraft was repaired and returned to service.

On June 29, 1944, '331 flew its final mission, with 2nd Lt. Robert Boyd Jr. taking off on a routine gunnery mission with his commander. Following the completion of firing, the aircrafts turned toward the base in a right turn. In order to stay inside the turn, Boyd cut the throttle. In an attempt to catch up, he applied the throttle again, but there was no power. Boyd used his radio to issue a mayday alert. With no response, he informed his flight leader that he was heading toward Southport but planned to land on the beach. When Boyd realized he was going to belly land on the beach, he "cut all switches, lowered his seat, checked his harness, and came in wheels and flaps up" on Ocean Isle Beach. The accident report uncovered that the accident was 100% pilot error because Boyd "ran out of gasoline on auxiliary tank and failed to switch to the main tank." Even though the USAAF removed

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2020 Sea Turtle Nesting Season

By Paul Hillbrand, Sea Turtle Program Coordinator, and Lauren Schaale, Coastal Scientist



Bald Head Island’s 2020 sea turtle nesting season came to an end when the last nest was excavated on Tuesday, November 10th. This nest, #115, was important to the Conservancy’s Sea Turtle Protection Team (STPT), as it was laid post Hurricane Isaias, had 78 of its 92 eggs depredated and showed no signs of having hatched. On its 80th day of incubation, the STPT pulled up to the nest, anxiously awaiting to get a look at the nest chamber and remaining eggs. Having lost almost 85% of its original eggs, the chamber was a smaller target to dig into and took the STPT a staggering 10 minutes to find! Once the chamber was located, to everyone’s delight, 11 of the remaining 13 eggs had hatched and made it to the ocean all on their own. What incredibly resilient animals our loggerhead sea turtles are!

Over the course of the 2020 nesting season, the STPT observed 115 nests and 125 false crawls by at least 55 unique nesting individuals from two species. The Conservancy also reported an 8% decrease in total eggs lost to predation and an 85% decrease in successful predation attempts. Our iconic loggerheads (*Caretta caretta*) were responsible for laying 114 nests, while one nest was laid by the most endangered, rarest and smallest species of sea turtle, the Kemp’s ridley (*Lepidochelys kempii*). This was the first-ever documented Kemp’s ridley nest on Bald Head Island since the sea turtle protection program’s inception in 1983. She proved to be a knowledgeable mother, as she laid her nest out of the reach of a King Tide and early enough to have 85 hatchlings boil and crawl to the ocean at 4:30am — **FOUR days** before Hurricane Isaias made landfall just south of the Island.

This season, the Island saw over 4,900 hatchlings make it to the ocean under the guidance of our incredibly hard-working interns and dedicated volunteer nest monitors. The turtles sure didn’t act like there was a global pandemic happening, and we were glad to have them take our minds off of it! We are already preparing for the 2021 season and look forward to seeing everyone on the beach next summer.



Introducing the Year of the Bird

By Emily Eldridge, Marketing & Communications Specialist

As we kick off the new year, we want to take a moment and express how thankful we are for our BHI Conservancy members who stood by us throughout 2020. Whether you renewed your membership last year or became a member for the first time, we appreciate your commitment to the mission and vision of the Conservancy. Our team is looking forward to 2021 and the opportunity to experience another sea turtle season on Bald Head Island. We are also excited to announce our new membership theme for 2021.

Our *Year of the Bird* theme was inspired by the painted bunting. On Bald Head Island, these colorful songbirds can be found along the trails through the maritime forest and marsh from April through the end of summer. Male painted buntings are small songbirds with a bright mix of colors — pinkish red breasts, bright blue heads and green/yellow backs and wings, while female and juvenile buntings are a duller green with a pale, white eye ring.

These instantly recognizable songbirds will be featured as artwork on new membership materials. So, keep an eye out for our new membership cards and stickers, and we hope to see all of our members around BHI this year.

BHA 2021 Annual Assessments

With BHA’s Board of Directors calling for a special meeting in December to approve its 2021 budget, the 2021 annual basic assessment was not finalized before the printing of this *Island Report*.

There were two additional considerations that will affect the amount of the 2021 dues. First, the Board commissioned a professional reserves study in 2020 to determine the shelf life of all of BHA’s assets, which has never been done. Second, the Board determined that a special assessment was needed to complete the construction of the Wildlife Overlook on Stede Bonnet Wynd, which will be split over three years to help lessen the financial obligation on an annual basis to members. This one-time special assessment will be \$240 for a home (\$80 per year) and \$80 for a lot (\$27 per year).

Paying Your 2021 Assessments

BHA’s 2021 annual assessment coupons will be mailed in

early January 2021 and are due by February 15, 2021. For property owners who wish to pay their 2021 assessment online, you must be enrolled in BHA’s member portal. For first-time enrollees, email Denise Eidal. For questions about the 2021 basic and supplemental assessments, contact Denise Eidal at Denise@BaldHeadAssociation.com or Carrie Moffett at Carrie@BaldHeadAssociation.com or 910-457-4676, ext. 26.

Through the portal, you can choose to sign up for TOPS AutoPay and have your annual assessment automatically drafted from your account or make a one-time payment at your convenience. Owners must have signed up for AutoPay by December 31, 2020, for the auto draft of the 2021 assessment now due. For one-time payments from a bank account, there is a \$2.95 processing fee. For VISA or MasterCard payments, there

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BHA Violations YTD 2020: 87

• Community Wide Standards (CWS)	29
• Clear-cutting and mulching over valuable barrier island understory	10
• Work done outside of ARC approval	16
• Commercial use of residential property	4
• Lighting	7
• Trash/debris	7
• Others (<i>yard sale, golf cart on blocks, storm shutters, visible boat/trailer, garage door, recreational equipment, decorative item and item affixed to tree</i>)	14

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Village Chapel of BHI Update

By Kevin Arata, Board of Trustees (Communications Chair) for The Village Chapel of Bald Head Island

The Village Chapel website was recently redesigned to make it more visually appealing, accessible on phones and tablets and easier to find information. It's the first time in many years our website has had a much-needed overhaul. We hope you enjoy it! Check back under the "Worship" tab often for updates on our outdoor worship service sign-ups and drive-through Holy Communion services, as we navigate the COVID challenges over the winter months. We encourage you

to check out our website at VillageChapelofBaldHeadIsland.org.



Village — Bulk Item Pick-Up Changes

By Carin Faulkner, Village Public Information Officer

Public Works will pick up larger items that residents cannot haul to the Public Works facility. Bulk item pick-ups are now limited to two items. And items must be left outside for pick-up. If you need more than two items hauled away or assistance moving items out of your home, please contact a local mover. The Bald Head Association website (BaldHeadAssociation.com) has a list of local movers under "Life on BHI" and then "Island Service Providers."

When the Village originally started providing this service, there were far fewer folks on the Island, and some of the residents were elderly and unable to move the items themselves.

With the recent increase in home sales and service impacts related to COVID-19, demand has surpassed the Village's current available resources.

If you need to schedule a pick-up, call the Village's Customer Service Representative at 910-457-9700, ext. 1000. The representative will take your payment over the phone, along with your contact information, which is then given to Public Works to contact you to schedule the pick-up. Please provide the Village with enough notice so that Public Works can schedule your pick-up. Special pick-ups are \$50.00. Mattresses are \$80.00 each.

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hours for processing by administrative staff before going by to pick it up. Note that the 48-hour processing does not apply on weekends and/or holidays.

If you have any specific questions about the annual registration process, please feel free to contact Public Safety at 910-457-5252 (Monday-Friday from 9:00am-4:00pm) or by email at psadmin@villagebhi.org.

Wilmington Harbor Inner Ocean Bar Project

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers contracted with Great Lakes Dredge & Dock to provide maintenance dredging of the

Wilmington harbor inner ocean bar. Approximately 1,490,000 cubic yards of the dredged material is being placed on South Beach. The project plans show that fill will be placed just south of 232 S. Bald Head Wynd and will go all the way down to the end of the Shoals Club property. The project is expected to conclude on or about February 9, 2020. The Village has created a webpage (<https://villagebhi.org/wilmington-harbor-inner-ocean-bar-project>) to post project information. If you have property near the project area and will have renters, this page will give them an idea of what to expect during construction.

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Happy New Year, Bald Head Islanders!

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Online Voting


BHA is utilizing the software Vote HOA Now for online voting for the 2021 Annual Meeting. BHA's 2020 Annual Report contained a representative copy of the proxy for voting. Members who cannot or prefer not to vote online can contact BHA (Diane@BaldHeadAssociation.com), and a paper proxy will be sent to them. **To vote online, visit the web address listed at the top of this article and enter your unique registration code from the label on the back cover of your 2020 Annual Report. You'll be taken to a secure site specific to BHA's election and can vote at your convenience.**

Online voting will begin at 8:00am on Wednesday, December 30, 2020, and end at 4:00pm on Wednesday,

January 27, 2021, and all paper proxies must be received by then in order to be counted. There will be no voting on the day of the Annual Meeting, and no motions will be taken from the floor.

Questions? Contact Carrie Moffett, BHA Executive Director, at 910-457-4676, ext. 26 or Carrie@BaldHeadAssociation.com.

Smith Island Social


Out of an abundance of caution, BHA has postponed the annual Smith Island Social, which is normally held the evening of the Annual Meeting, until it is safe for a large group of property owners to gather for socializing. The Board's intention is to hold the event later in the year after a viable vaccine has been distributed and public health officials deem large gatherings safe again. 

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is a 3% transaction fee in addition to the \$2.95 processing fee.

The Board allows property owners whose bill is more than \$1,000 to make quarterly payments that are due February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15. Payments can be made by mailing the coupon to the lockbox address identified on the coupon or by signing up for the new Owner Access

portal. For questions, contact Denise Eidal at Denise@BaldHeadAssociation.com or 910-457-4676, ext. 27.

If you would like to pay by check, make the check payable to Bald Head Association and mail it to the post office box identified on the coupon. As a backup, you can also mail checks to BHA at PO Box 3030, Bald Head Island, NC 28461. 

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Bald Head Association is the largest property owners' association on Bald Head Island, with 1,907 member properties. BHA has a six-member Board of Directors and is managed by Executive Director Carrie Moffett, with seven staff members. Here is a list of BHA staff members and their responsibilities, with their phone extensions and email addresses for easy contact.

Carrie Moffett, Executive Director

Oversee all aspects of the organization and manage the day-to-day operations of BHA; provide leadership in developing sound program, organizational and financial plans with the Board of Directors, committees and staff; carry out plans and policies authorized by the Board; act as the Board's representative for enforcing the Covenants; serve as a resource for property owner members.

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Diane Mesaris, Administrative Assistant

Contact information changes, real estate closing information, BHA master calendar of events, Association Center rentals, Welcome Package mailings, community garden and general BHA questions.

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Fran Pagliaro, Architectural Review Coordinator

Architectural Review Committee (ARC) activities and BHA's Design Guidelines — new construction, renovation and repair, all exterior structure changes including paint color, lighting, roofing, landscaping and tree and understory trimming/removal/additions.

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Karen Mosteller, Architectural Review Coordinator (part-time)

Field work related to Architectural Review Committee (ARC), BHA's Design Guidelines and more.

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Carol Collins, ARC Associate and Covenants Compliance Agent

Helps facilitate ARC process and general ARC questions, performs Community Wide Standards evaluations and handles resolution of all BHA violations.

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Pam Henson, Communications Associate

Monthly *Island Report* newsletter, Annual Report, BHI Basics, resource information and Welcome Package; BHA website and social media; seminars; videos and more.

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Denise Eidal, Full Charge Bookkeeper

BHA accounts payable/receivable, supports annual audit process, manages financial resources of the organization and BHA-managed communities (Keeper's Landing, Surfman's Walk and Sumner's Crescent) and TOPS owner access.

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Pam Rainey, Customer Relations Associate

Manages drip-line communities of Keeper's Landing, Sumner's Crescent and Surfman's Walk; manages tree trimming/approval requests on BHA common area; manages Boat Park storage.

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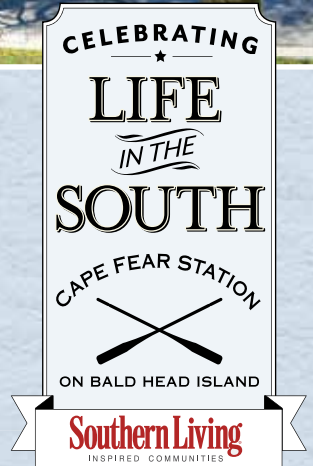
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BHI Questions?

What Is the Sand Pit Area at Muscadine Wynd and SBHW, and Where Can I Learn about Other Village Project Updates?

If you’ve driven on Muscadine Wynd near South Bald Head Wynd, you’ve probably seen the fenced-off sand pit area and equipment and wondered what it was. Here is the explanation from the Village’s “Projects” web page:

Duke Energy continues to bore down Federal Road to replace a section of cable through to the area of the BHI Conservancy. After the job is complete, there should be some redundancy to the area of the Conservancy and Shoals Club. The Village estimates that Duke has spent approximately \$10 million on its recent improvements on the Island.

Duke Energy contractors have used the Village-owned lot at Muscadine Wynd near South Bald Head Wynd to place the

excess dirt and spoils from the boring. As the material dries out, they have been working to remove some of the excess dirt and will bring the lot back to a more presentable state once the work has been completed. Some of this lot is used for beach access parking.

Village Projects Status Web Page

Did you know that you can check for updates about ongoing Village projects online? When you visit the Village of BHI’s website (VillageBHI.org), hover your cursor over “Residents and Owners,” then select “Village Projects.”


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parts of the aircraft following the crash, the aircraft had saltwater contamination due to it getting wet before it could be removed from the beach. Ultimately, the USAAF decided to leave the aircraft on the beach, where the wreckage attracted curious onlookers until it disappeared beneath the waves and sand.

For over 50 years, the aircraft remained on Ocean Isle Beach, becoming visible from time to time. Several severe storms in the 1990s caused beach erosion, but it was Hurricane Floyd in 1999 that uncovered the aircraft’s remains. With the help of several different entities, the aircraft’s remains were removed from the beach and transported to the Carolina Aviation Museum in 2000 for storage. Boyd would once again be reunited with the aircraft in 2001 when he spoke at the museum about his experience. Boyd flew 84 combat missions during WWII. After the war ended, he flew in several air guards until he returned to active duty during the Korean War, where he flew 100 combat missions. Following his military service, Boyd remained active in general aviation. Boyd passed away in 2011. Aircraft ‘331 is now in the hands of a private owner who works in aircraft restoration.

In the early 2000s, an aircraft fragment was donated to the Old Baldy Foundation. It is said that the piece was found on East Beach and could have come from the P-47D-RA ‘331 that crashed on Ocean Isle Beach many decades ago. The staff has attempted to confirm if the fragment came from the plane that crashed on Ocean Isle Beach; however, parts of the serial information have worn off or are missing. Even so, “Republic Aviation

Corp Evansville, Indiana” is engraved on the piece.

The Old Baldy Foundation would like to recognize Rolf Stibbe for his meticulous research on P-47D-RA Thunderbolt serial number 42-22331. 

January 2021

No ARC–A Meeting in January 2021

New Year’s Day	1/1/2021	
BHA Office Closed	1/1/2021	
ARC–B Meeting	1/15/2021	10am
Village Council Meeting	1/15/2021	10am
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	1/18/2021	
BHA Office Closed	1/18/2021	
BHI Transportation Authority (BHITA) Meeting	1/20/2021	9:15am
BHA Board Meeting	1/29/2021	
BHA Virtual Annual Meeting	1/30/2021	9:00am

Save the Date in February:

BHA Board Meeting/Board Retreat	TBD	
Village Council Regular Meeting and Retreat	2/2/2021	
ARC–A Meeting	2/5/2021	10am
Valentine’s Day	2/14/2021	
President’s Day	2/15/2021	
BHI Transportation Authority (BHITA) Meeting	2/17/2021	9:15am
ARC–B Meeting	2/19/2021	10am

Around the corner in 2021:

Daylight Saving Time Begins	3/14/2021
St. Patrick’s Day	3/17/2021
Spring Equinox	3/20/2021

Ongoing:

Village Chapel Virtual Services:	Sundays	10am
AA Virtual Meetings:	Mondays & Thursdays	8am
(Zoom Group: #3909737348, P/C: 217739, Email: sober.1day.at.a.time@gmail.com)		

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