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2nd Annual “Operation Re-Forest — We Forest”

BHA’s “Operation Re-Forest — We Forest” was a great success in 2019, and we wish to again thank everyone who participated. This was a huge undertaking led by BHA Board member John Kinney and Resource Conservation and Beautification (RCB) Committee chair Kay Menk.

Last year, volunteers and contractors planted over 60 live oaks, hornbeams and magnolia trees on BHA Common Area, along with 43 yaupon hollies, wax myrtles and American hollies. In addition, homeowners purchased and planted at least another 61 trees and bushes, and most of those were purchased through Island Hardware in conjunction with this operation. The Architectural Review Committee (ARC) worked with approximately 25 property owners to plant up to 70 trees through the ARC tree mitigation process. And many property owners stepped up to water the newly planted trees.


Where possible, BHA sought to place trees in locations where large trees had been lost from Hurricanes Florence and Dorian or 2018’s Winter Storm Grayson, as well as to fill open areas that could benefit from additional trees. While these plantings are a small step toward restoring trees lost due to storms, BHA’s intention is to make “Operation Re-Forest — We Forest” an annual event.

Everything that was planted in 2019 and will be planted

in 2020 is native to Bald Head Island and will benefit BHI’s ecosystem. For example, a live oak can harbor as many as 600 native caterpillars and insects, which are food for birds, whereas a non-native tree may sustain as few as 50 insect species. Native plantings help ensure plant survival and are important to Bald Head Island.

Property owners can participate this fall by planting trees on their own lots, volunteering for watering newly planted trees or — **NEW for 2020** — purchasing a tree to be planted on BHA Common Area in honor of a loved one. Proper ARC procedures, including once-only waived ARC fees, will be explained in the October *Island Report*. The tree order deadline will be near the end of October, with delivery and planting slated to occur sometime around mid-November to early December.

New for 2020 is the option to purchase a tree in honor of someone you love to also be planted on BHA Common Area — perhaps someone you’ve lost, someone who is special to you, a recent graduate or just because. Your tree will help Bald Head Island and is a nice way to honor a loved one. A map of trees planted to honor loved ones will be added to the BHA website.

Stay tuned next month for additional information on ordering trees in conjunction with BHA’s bulk order and delivery. 


NC Governor Roy Cooper Extends Phase 2 Through 9/11/2020

Governor Roy Cooper announced August 5, 2020 that North Carolina will remain paused in “Safer At Home Phase 2” for another five weeks as students and staff return to schools, colleges and universities and the state doubles down on efforts to decrease COVID-19 numbers.

“Other states that lifted restrictions quickly have had to go backward as their hospital capacity ran dangerously low and their cases jumped higher. We will not make that mistake in North Carolina,” said Governor Cooper. “In keeping with our dimmer-switch approach with schools opening, and in order to push for decreasing numbers which will keep people healthier

and boost our economy, North Carolina will remain paused in Safer At Home Phase 2 for five weeks.”

Dr. Mandy Cohen, Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) explained that while some of North Carolina’s numbers have mostly leveled, any progress is fragile as other states have shown with sudden and devastating surges in viral spread.

For more news and information from NC Governor Roy Cooper, visit <https://governor.nc.gov/news>. For more information about the NC Department of Health and Human Services, visit www.ncdhhs.gov/. 

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ARC Corner

Architectural Review Committee

DO NOT cut or trim trees and vegetation — ask ARC first!

Planning a renovation project or new construction?

Want to change outdoor lighting or fixtures?

Thinking about any landscape changes?

Ask ARC before any work begins!

Notice!

ARC seeking new committee member for Section B

ARC Section B oversees all multi-family sites and Cape Fear Station. Interested? Email Carrie Moffett, Executive Director, at Carrie@BaldHeadAssociation.com. Volunteer form is available at BaldHeadAssociation.com/volunteering-opportunities.

ARC office — open by appointment only

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

Design Guidelines Help Prevent Light Pollution (Oh, and Also Help Nesting Sea Turtles and Hatchlings!)

A majority of property owners on Bald Head Island originally bought property because of their love of untouched nature. This includes BHI's amazing dark sky, which allows stunning views of distant stars, planets, nebulae, comets and our very own Milky Way galaxy. Dark sky areas can be difficult to find, especially on the East Coast of the U.S. Just look online at a map of light pollution.

According to the International Dark-Sky Association, "Billions of dollars are spent on unnecessary lighting every year in the United States alone, with an estimated \$1.7 billion going directly into the nighttime sky via unshielded outdoor lights. Over-lighting the night neither improves visibility nor increases nighttime safety, utility, security or ambience."

Outdoor lighting on BHA member properties is controlled by BHA's Design Guidelines, which encourages frugal use of outdoor lighting. (*Thank you for turning off porch and exterior lights when not needed and overnight*). And blocking indoor lighting at night with room-darkening shades on ocean-facing homes is required during Turtle Nesting Season (May 1 through November 15) by both BHA and the Village of BHI. (*Remember to inform your guests and renters, if this applies to you!*) Plus, BHI roads are virtually free from street lights.

"Dark Sky Community" Designation Effort

With these measures to prevent light pollution already in place, Bald Head Island is ahead on reducing its own light pollution footprint. Steps have been taken in the past for BHI to achieve a "Dark Sky Community" designation with the International Dark-Sky Association. If this should occur, Bald Head Island would be the **ONLY** community designation on the entire East Coast of the U.S. Numerous BHI property owners are hopeful that someone will pick up where this effort has previously stalled. If you're interested in helping an effort to designate BHI as a Dark Sky Community, email Pam Henson, Communications Associate, at Pam@BaldHeadAssociation.com. Include your contact information and type "Dark Sky Community" in the subject line.

Lighting in the Design Guidelines

Now is a good time to review lighting in the Design Guidelines. Per the Design Guidelines for exterior lighting (accessible at BaldHeadAssociation.com, beginning on page 122):

"Light pollution is avoidable. Homes on the island must be extremely frugal with exterior lighting. Homes on the beachfront especially must be careful to prevent distraction of the hatchling and nesting sea turtles during the annual 'turtle season' from May 1st to November 15th. This necessary lighting restriction is strictly regulated by Village ordinance and enforced by Village personnel. Nesting female and hatchling loggerhead sea turtles should not be exposed to artificial sources of light while on Bald Head. Ocean-facing homes on the seaside of the Dune Ridge are required to install room darkening window treatments, such as blinds, shades and drapes, on all beach-facing windows. These window treatments should be closed from dusk to dawn during the 'turtle season' months to prevent interior house lighting from disturbing the nesting and hatching of the sea turtles. A variance may be requested if natural screening exists."

1. All exterior lighting fixtures, regardless of design, are subject to ARC approval.
2. Recessed exterior lighting fixtures are not allowed.
3. All lighting will be baffled to prevent direct visualization of the light source. The ARC may not approve lighting fixtures that have been modified or altered from the original manufactured design.
4. All exterior wall lighting shall have a baffle-to-light source relationship that creates a maximum spread of light of 90 degrees from the bottom of the baffle. All fixture lenses and bulb covers must maintain the source-to-baffle relationship indicated in the diagrams and examples of the baffle-to-light source relationship calculations.
5. All pathway low-luminary lighting shall have a baffle-to-light source relationship that creates a maximum spread of light of 120 degrees from the bottom of the baffle. All

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On behalf of the BHA Board of Directors, a big thank you goes to Public Works, Public Safety, Village staff and Village Council for doing a great job before, during and after Hurricane Isaias and the F2 tornado that roared through Bald Head Island on August 3, 2020. From making preparations before the storm; coordinating with county, transportation and other officials; sending ongoing communications updates and quickly cleaning up road debris following the hurricane and tornado, we appreciate all of your hard work!

Thank you!



BHA's Preventive Measures on the Front End — Meetings and a New Contract with Landscapers

The BHA Board of Directors has recognized that there have been numerous times where trees on BHI have been removed without ARC (Architectural Review Committee) or Board permission and fines (and/or mitigation) have been levied against the property owner. And though some of these cases involve a landscaper doing the actual work, it's always the property owner who is the responsible party for fines and/or mitigation.

The majority of property owners and landscape contractors are already doing it right, following the Design Guidelines and handling the pre-work approval process with ARC correctly. And BHA thanks you! Informing both property owners and landscapers on the front end is the best way to prevent violations from happening in the first place. The ARC approval process and the "why" behind maintaining understory, trees and a natural landscape have been covered in numerous *Island Reports* (most recently in the August 2020 issue online at BaldHeadAssociation.com/island-report-archives) and in new

property owner Welcome Packages.

On the contractor side, BHA holds meetings annually with landscapers to ensure understanding and compliance with the Design Guidelines. As an example, staff met with landscapers in late 2019 and again in 2020 to discuss a new guideline stating no clear-cutting of BHI's beneficial understory and mulching whole lots. Something new in the July 2020 meeting was a contract for landscapers to sign, giving them permission to reasonably access owner lots through BHA Common Area while giving "appropriate assurances that the performance of Services shall be consistent with the Covenants and BHA's Design Guidelines and Community Wide Standards."

This new contract helps ensure those landscape contractors who sign it will perform work in compliance with all pertinent BHA guideline documents. By signing the contract, it shows these landscaping companies and their employees have stepped

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The Lightship with Nine Lives

By McAllie Givens, Visitor Services & Collections Associate, Old Baldy Foundation

Off the southeastern point of Bald Head Island where Cape Fear is formed lies the Frying Pan Shoals, an innocuously named 30-mile stretch of shallow sandbars that, without the help of navigational aids, proved deadly to mariners for centuries. These constantly changing shoals off the coast of North Carolina, considered part of the Graveyard of the Atlantic, became the last resting place of many vessels attempting to travel up and down the coast. To prevent further loss of life and livelihood, the U.S. Lighthouse Service stationed the first lightship on Frying Pan Shoals in 1854. For the next 110 years, nine different lightships were stationed at the shoals at 13 different times.

Arguably the most famous of those lightships, *LV-115*, was the final ship stationed to protect mariners along the Atlantic Coast. Known colloquially as the *Frying Pan Lightship*, or *WAL-537* by the Coast Guard, *LV-115* was stationed off the coast of Bald Head Island two different times between 1930 and 1942 and again between 1945 and 1964. Not only a lightship, *Frying Pan* lived through many different incarnations, including as an examination ship during WWII, as a relief vessel for a short time and as an attempted floating museum in Southport, and has twice been resurrected after sinking due to negligence, all before being moored on the Hudson River, where she rests today.

On October 4, 1928, the Bureau of Lighthouses commissioned Charleston Dry Dock and Machine Co. in Charleston, South Carolina, to build *LV-115*. *LV-115* was completed between 1929 and 1930 and was officially placed out on Frying Pan Shoals on July 15, 1930. While moored out on the turbulent shoals, *Frying Pan Lightship* weathered many storms, including Hurricane 12, regionally known as "The 1933 Outer Banks Hurricane." The crew reported that the wind blew 80-100 miles per hour at their station on Frying Pan Shoals.

In 1942, the *Frying Pan* was replaced by a buoy when recalled from her station to serve as an examination ship during World War II. Between 1942 and 1945, *LV-115* was stationed at Cristóbal, near the Panama Canal. The crew aboard the ship were responsible for examining and verifying merchant ships entering or departing the port. Her Panamanian commander, Lieutenant,

Junior Grade, Clarence Samuels, was a trailblazer for minorities as one of the first non-white commanding wartime officers of an American naval vessel. Following the end of WWII, *LV-115* returned to her station on Frying Pan Shoals. Once again, the crew members aboard *LV-115* had to ride out treacherous weather.

Captain David Melvin, a former crewman aboard the *Frying Pan*, recalled the wind blowing so hard that the anemometer blew away during Hurricane Donna in 1960, before blowing the lightship nearly 14 nautical miles south of its station. His experience aboard the *Frying Pan* "ranged from sheer loneliness and boredom, to all the excitement you could stand." The lightship remained in her position off the coast of Bald Head Island until 1964, when the USCG replaced it with a "Texas Tower" called *Frying Pan Shoals Tower*. The lightship was used

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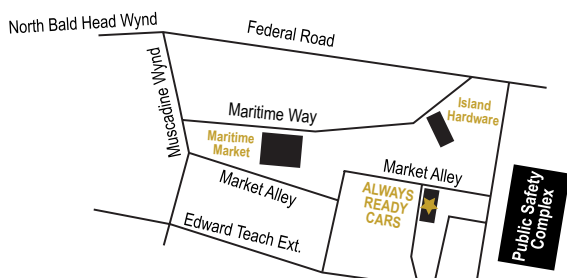
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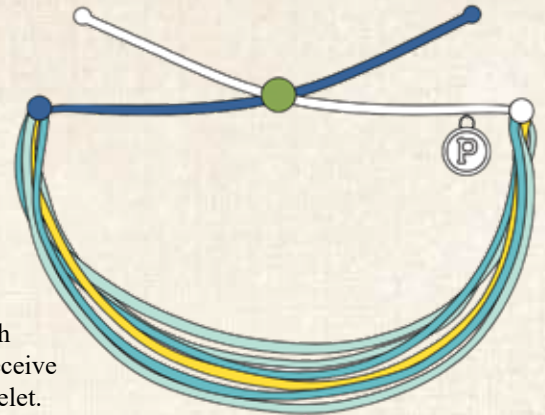
Introducing The Next Generation Club

By Olivia Thomas, Development, Marketing + Turtle Central Intern, BHI Conservancy

We're so excited to introduce The Next Generation Club! Through collaboration with younger generations, The Next Generation Club will foster a community of growing conservationists who commit to the mission and vision of the Bald Head Island Conservancy. "To Discover, Learn, Conserve, and Preserve" occurs beyond the walls of the BHI Conservancy, and we can't think of a better group of individuals to share this journey of environmental stewardship with for generations to come. Each club member is given a "checklist" with ideas to help them live out our mission, as well as a subscription to The Next Generation Club's monthly newsletter, which will feature a club member spotlight.

This club will be open to children 18 and younger who are eager to learn and lead with the Bald Head Island community. When you join The Next Generation Club, you will receive our new signature Bald Head Island Conservancy bracelet — The Next Generation bracelet. Members of the community had the opportunity to help choose the colors of the bracelet, with each color representing an element that is found on Bald Head Island. The teal blue strings represent the salt marsh, and the dark blue is for marine life. Gold stands for Island sunrises and sunsets, and white is a symbol for the birds of BHI. Seafoam green represents the beautiful North Carolina coast, and the green knot that ties the bracelet all together is for our beloved sea turtles.

Wear this bracelet as a reminder of the mission and vision of the BHI Conservancy, and let it inspire those around you to make a difference within their own homes and communities. Learn more at BHIC.org/nextgeneration.



Village Chapel of BHI Update

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

Those wishing to find more information out about the Village Chapel of BHI are encouraged to visit the Chapel's website at www.villagechapelofbaldheadisland.org. Signup for the quarterly newsletter, *The Beacon*, is also possible; scroll down to the bottom of the web page under "New and Noteworthy" and click on the appropriate link.

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Village of BHI Updates

By Carin Faulkner, Village Public Information Officer

New Finance Director

The Village welcomed Zachary Hewett as its new finance director in mid-July. Hewett is a native of Brunswick County. He attended East Carolina University, both as an undergraduate and a graduate, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics, a certificate in Management Information Systems and a Master of Business Administration.

Hewett brings over seven years of experience in local government. Most recently he worked for the city of Randleman, North Carolina. In Randleman, he initially served as the finance officer and was promoted to city manager, a role he successfully filled for the last two and a half years. During his tenure as manager, Randleman saw residential, organizational and industrial growth; received multiple state grants for infrastructure improvements; received two Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards from the Government Finance Officers Association; and much more.

Hewett started his local government career serving as the finance officer for BHM Regional Library, a library system in eastern North Carolina serving Beaufort, Hyde and Martin counties.

Hewett is a certified local government finance officer (CLGFO), an achievement which indicates he has met or exceeded a combination of professional experience and educational requirements and has passed four certification exams. The exams test finance officers in the areas of

governmental accounting, financial planning and budgeting, cash management and investments and financial management.

"I am greatly appreciative and excited about the opportunity to work for the Village of Bald Head Island. I am looking forward to contributing my firsthand experiences and institutional knowledge of local government in North Carolina to the continuing advancement and ongoing success of the Village. As Brunswick County natives, my wife and I are thrilled to return home to be closer to our families and raise our daughter near the same communities that we were raised in," said Hewett.

US Army Corps Project Scheduled for this Winter

Historically, the Village of Bald Head Island, Caswell Beach and Oak Island beaches have received sand dredged from the navigation channel per the Wilmington Harbor Sand Management Plan (WHSMP). The next channel maintenance relative to this plan in which Bald Head Island would be the recipient of sand is this winter 2020/2021. The last time Bald Head Island received sand from this project was in 2015, right before the terminal groin project.

Bids for this project were received in mid-July. Bald Head Island is expected to receive 1.5 million cubic yards of sand from this project, which is expected to be deposited on South Beach. The project will start no earlier than November 16, 2020 (to comply with the environmental regulations — specifically, turtle season). The Village will provide more information on this project as it receives information from the US Army Corps of Engineers.

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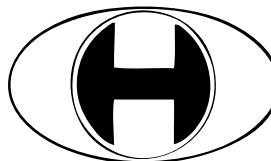
BHI Transportation Authority August Meeting

The public portion of the BHI Transportation Authority's August regular meeting saw an agenda of administrative items beginning with the announcement that Jim Bonica, who recently sold his home and, as a result, resigned from the Village Council, would not be accepting the Village's appointment to the Authority's Board of Trustees. That vacancy would be filled days later by Claude Pope, who was appointed at the Village's August regular meeting.

There was no discussion of the Authority's financials, and the Board approved a resolution to appoint Daralyn Spivey as Interim Clerk since Southport's City Clerk, who had served in that role,

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Debris and “Special Pickups”

YARD DEBRIS

For BHI property owners who do their own yard work, call Public Works to request a yard debris pickup at 910-457-5422. Debris will **NOT** be picked up without a request call. Maximum limb diameter allowed is 6” at its largest point. Calls made by 2:00pm the day before pickup will be included in next-day pickup.

From April through October, yard debris pickup is twice a month on the first and third Wednesday. Note that if a contractor/ landscaper does yard work, they are responsible for debris removal.

Please note: BHA's Community Wide Standards are in place and being enforced. To view, visit BaldHeadAssociation.com. Policy violators will receive a warning letter and must comply within 30 days.

CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS

Public Works does not take **ANY** construction debris. Contractors must remove all construction debris from the island. Property owners doing their own construction projects (remember, **ALL** exterior changes to homes, lighting and landscaping must submit and receive prior approval from ARC) can view dumpster providers at BaldHeadAssociation.com.

“SPECIAL PICKUPS”

For large or numerous items that property owners can't take to the Recycle Center, call Public Works at 910-457-5422 to schedule a Special Pickup. This does **NOT** include construction or yard debris. A Special Pickup is \$50 per truck load.

MATTRESS DISPOSAL PROCEDURE — CALL FOR A “SPECIAL PICKUP”

In an effort to help property owners and prevent random disposal, the Village of BHI has a new procedure for mattress disposal. This is for individual property owners who have mattresses that need to be disposed of, **NOT** for commercial properties. Call Public Works (910-457-5422) to arrange for a Special Pickup. There is a \$50 fee which must be paid prior to scheduling a pickup date, payable to the Village of BHI. Once payment is received, Village staff will coordinate with property owners and make arrangements to pick up the mattresses.

Golf Carts Are Not Toys

BHI may be an island, but everyone must still obey all North Carolina traffic laws. Too many serious golf cart accidents have occurred this year. **Inform your guests and renters!**

- Only licensed drivers can drive golf carts.
- Drive safely and obey speed limits and stop signs.
- Use child safety seats. Your child is not your airbag.

BHA 2020 Assessment Dues — Lien Process Has Started on Properties with Outstanding Balances

Thank you to all property owners who have paid their annual BHA 2020 assessment dues, which were originally due by February 29, 2020.

Due to COVID-19, interest and late fees were deferred until July 2020. For property owners who have not yet paid, final statements were mailed in May 2020. And the lien process has started in September 2020 on properties with outstanding balances.

Payments can be made easily and securely on the website at BaldHeadAssociation.com. On the top menu, click on “Make A Payment.” If you are signed up for Owner Access and log in under “Property Owner,” the amount due is shown. If you are not signed up for Owner Access and log in under “Other,” the amount due is not shown, and you must enter the amount from your statement.

Website payments can be made using a checking account (ACH) or credit card, with accompanying fees. If you prefer to mail a check, send it to Bald Head Association, PO Box 3030, Bald Head Island, NC 28461. Please note your BHI street address in the check's memo line and include your account number. For any questions, contact Denise Eidal at Denise@BaldHeadAssociation.com. Thank you!

Address Bollards

The visibility of your address bollard could mean the difference of essential seconds in emergency response time. Public Safety personnel cannot find you, tram drivers cannot find you and renters cannot find you if the address bollard:

- is missing
- is not visible at night because of faded, reflective paint
- is not visible due to YES/NO trash pickup sign obstruction
- is not visible day or night because of surrounding vegetation


Bollard construction and installation must comply with BHA Design Guidelines, so choose a service provider who complies with these guidelines (visit BaldHeadAssociation.com, click on “Life on BHI,” then “Island Service Providers”). A company in Southport that has made bollards for BHI according to Design Guidelines is A Sign of Distinction. Contact Smitty at 910-457-5303 or asodsmitty@aol.com.

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fixture lenses and bulb covers must maintain the source-to-baffle relationship indicated in the diagrams and examples of the baffle-to-light source relationship calculations. All pathway lighting shall be no higher than eighteen inches (18") above grade as measured from the top of the light fixture.

6. All hooded exterior wall fixture bulbs will be from the white family and no bulb shall be brighter than 450 lumens. (Approximately 40 watts incandescent, 6 watts LED, 10 watts CFL). The bulb/light color temperature must be 3000 degrees Kelvin or less, which is warm white in color.


7. Pathway or stairway lighting fixtures must utilize a maximum equivalent of 100 lumens or less. The bulb/light color temperature must be 3000 degrees Kelvin or less, which is warm white in color. The reduced baffling cannot result in direct visualization. This light style must be reviewed and approved by the ARC and must be used sparingly.

8. Placing television sets or other electronic equipment on exterior decks, porches, etc. is not permitted, unless it is possible to shield from horizontal view by neighbors and from the street/alley. 

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up to help us in preserving the Island. Their access to BHA Common Area may be revoked due to non-compliance, which would then be considered trespassing upon entering. BHA will identify landscaping companies who have signed this contract on the online list of service providers (BaldHeadAssociation.com/island-service-providers). Current landscape contractor signers

thus far are BHI Garden & Landscape and The Island Arborist.

Property owners who would like to hire landscapers who have not yet signed the contract can have the landscape company owner contact Carrie Moffett, BHA Executive Director, at Carrie@BaldHeadAssociation.com. 

BHA Violations YTD 2020: 34

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| • Clear-cutting and mulching over valuable barrier island understory | 5 |
| • Work done outside of ARC approval | 7 |
| • Commercial use of residential property | 3 |
| • Lighting | 5 |
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New to BHA?

The Wildlife Overlook on Stede Bonnet Wynd

If you're new to BHA, you may not know that as part of BHA Common Area, BHA owns the Wildlife Overlook on Stede Bonnet Wynd. While it currently has traffic cones and tape blocking the area for safety, there have been discussions, plans and movement behind the scenes. There is a lot of moving pieces to this puzzle, and we appreciate your continued patience. We know you miss the Wildlife Overlook. We miss it, too!

Initially damaged by Hurricane Florence in September 2018, the overlook structure was removed for safety precautions in 2019. The BHA Board has been working with an architect since 2019 on plans for the area, with new features that more fully take advantage of the opportunity to view and educate property owners and visitors safely about wildlife that frequent the area.

The lagoon at the Wildlife Overlook is connected to the overall golf course lagoon system, which allows for the Village, in coordination with the BHI Club, to move

floodwater off Island during extreme flooding events (i.e., Hurricane Florence) through the golf course irrigation distribution system. The lagoon also provides irrigation water to the BHI Club for the golf course. Each lagoon plays an important role in supporting much of the Island's wildlife.

In June 2020, BHA began soliciting bids from local contractors for the construction of the Wildlife Overlook. The BHA Board is in the process of finalizing contractor selection, obtaining permits and ensuring adequate financing. In July's Village Council meeting, Council members approved the right-of-way agreement between the Village and BHA that acknowledges a portion of the Overlook is located in Village right-of-way, which BHA will maintain.

So, when you drive by, there may not be any outward indication, but BHA is working hard behind the scenes to build a safe, serene, informative and attractive environment for all to enjoy for many years to come. Updates on the Overlook's progress will be made as more information is available.



BHI Questions? BHI's Municipal Services

As BHI's municipality, the Village of BHI provides many services to property owners. And with their recently updated website (VillageBHI.org), many answers to property owner questions can be found and are available 24/7/365.

You have easy access to Council meeting agendas and minutes, Village Ordinances with easy lookup, Public Utilities and Public Works services and information, citizen service requests, *Village's Voice* archives, staff and Council contacts and much more.



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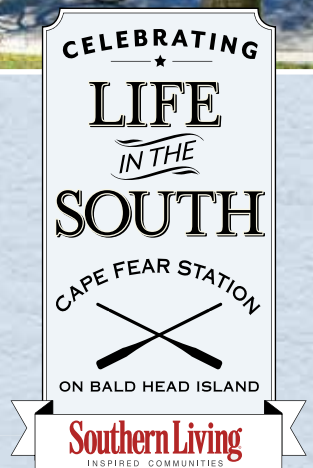
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as a relief vessel for a time at Cape May, New Jersey, before being decommissioned in 1967. Instead of being scrapped, as so many other decommissioned naval vessels are, the *Frying Pan* began its new life outside of military use.

Following her military decommission, the *Frying Pan* was acquired by the City of Southport and was eventually moored at the foot of Howe Street. Mary Strickland, a former city Alderman, became one of the key leaders of a committee created to oversee the ship's preservation and eventual use as a museum, before founding the Southport Maritime Museum, now the North Carolina Maritime Museum at Southport. In an interview for the *State Port Pilot* in 2017, Strickland reminisced about her family and her riding on *Frying Pan* as it was pulled south from the Elizabeth River marina. Despite expensive efforts to preserve and convert the vessel into a museum, the ship maintained severe structural issues which caused her to lean, take on water and eventually sink. The costs associated with salvaging the floating museum from the Cape Fear River prohibited the City of Southport from attempting its resurrection, and they finally decided to sell.

Between 1982 and 1983, the City of Southport sold *Frying Pan Lightship* to Charles B. Herter Jr., a ship salvager and tug operator from Norfolk, VA. According to Herter, part of the purchasing price included raising the vessel and towing it away. Herter towed *LV-115* up to Whitehaven, Maryland, where he docked it at a private dock along the Wicomico River sometime in 1983. Herter hoped to restore the vessel, possibly turning it into a restaurant or shops. Unfortunately, *Frying Pan Lightship* met the same fate as she did in Southport. In early January 1984, *LV-115*

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recently retired.

BHI Limited CEO Chad Paul gave a brief report on BHI Transportation's challenges of operating amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. He reported that after the July 4th holiday, ferry rider congestion seems to be limited to the first couple of ferries on the weekday mornings and Saturdays, which is turnover day for rentals. Revenue for the parking and barge has caught up to the yearly budget; ferry projected revenue is still short by approximately \$90,000 year to date. Paul stated that the NC Utilities Commission and its public staff will not consider a request to increase ferry capacity from 50% until Governor Cooper determines how to proceed when the current Phase II order expires on September 11th. He also reported there was minimal damage observed at Deep Point due to Hurricane Isaias. After a 1 ½ hour closed session, there was no further discussion and the meeting adjourned.

The next meeting of the Authority will be held remotely on Wednesday, September 16th at 9:15am. Contact Daralyn Spivey (dspivey@villagebhi.org) for information.

keeled over for a second time. Herter's office blamed the sinking on water pouring through the missing brass-rimmed portholes that had been stolen since the ship was towed up to Whitehaven. Others have speculated that a pipe burst on a cold day. Whatever the reason may have been, the *Frying Pan* remained underwater for several years until she was purchased by her current owner, John Krevey.

Krevey bought the former lightship for \$8,000 in 1987 and spent countless hours repairing her with the help of his friends. By the early 1990s, Krevey had relocated the ship to New York City, where she remains today at Pier 66a in Manhattan, NY. In 1999, *Frying Pan Lightship* was listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Today, one can visit *Frying Pan Lightship* and enjoy a drink or light snack at the pier and enjoy the view on the historic Hudson River.

As described by Krevey, "While the outside of the ship has been restored to her original appearance, the inside retains the barnacle-encrusted, sunken-ship motif that acknowledges her storied past." One could say that *Frying Pan Lightship* is nearing the end of her nine lives. Until then, we hope her remaining lives are as exciting as the ones she has lived before.



September 2020

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| ARC-A Virtual Meeting | 9/4/2020 | 9am |
| BHI Club Annual Meeting | 9/5/2020 | |
| Labor Day | 9/7/2020 | |
| BHA Office Closed | 9/7/2020 | |
| BHA Board Virtual Meeting | 9/14/2020 | 10am |
| BHI Transportation Authority (BHITA) Meeting | 9/16/2020 | 9:15am |
| ARC-B Virtual Meeting | 9/18/2020 | 9am |
| Village Council Meeting (<i>time subject to change</i>) | 9/18/2020 | 9:45am / 2:30pm |
| Autumnal Equinox | 9/22/2020 | |

SAVE THE DATE in October:

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| ARC-A Virtual Meeting | 10/2/2020 | 9am |
| BHI Fishing Rodeo (check Facebook) | 10/8/2020-10/10/2020 | |
| BHA Board Virtual Meeting | 10/12/2020 | 10am |
| ARC-B Virtual Meeting | 10/16/2020 | 9am |
| Village Council Meeting (<i>time subject to change</i>) | 10/16/2020 | 9:45am / 2:30pm |
| BHI Transportation Authority (BHITA) Meeting | 10/21/2020 | 9:15am |
| Halloween | 10/31/2020 | |

Around the corner in 2020:

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| Daylight Saving Time Ends | 11/1/2020 |
| Election Day | 11/3/2020 |
| Veterans Day | 11/11/2020 |
| Thanksgiving | 11/26/2020 |
| Christmas | 12/25/2020 |

Ongoing:

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| 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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