Shaw's Bounty Newsletter

Sharing news from your community



Happy Holidays!

Message from HOA President, Ken Lambright

With 2021 almost to a close, I am sure we are all looking forward to the holiday celebrations over the next few weeks. From Thanksgiving to Hanukkah, Christmas and New Year, I hope you enjoy plenty of much-needed time with friends and family. We had a fantastic Halloween night in Shaw's Bounty, with plenty of fun costumes and trick-or-treating. Check out this picture. It is amazing to see how our community has expanded! This year also marks the end of my 10-year term on the board and my time as HOA president. I have really enjoyed representing this wonderful neighborhood, and look forward to its continued growth!

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FIVE POUNDS ROAD

Welcome new family, JT and Stella Johnson and their four children to the neighborhood 223

FIVE POUNDS ROAD

Just two doors up, Dr Robert and Elizabeth Laundon and their daughter also recently moved in 225

FIVE POLINDS ROAD

Proving a popular address in SB, we also welcome Robert and Lindsey Miller to the neighborhood!



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Committee Highlights

We pay tribute to HOA President, Ken Lambright and Secretary Martha Johnson who leave the board this year after a combined 15 years of service

Since joining as board members Ken and Martha have played a pivotal role in making many positive changes in Shaw's Bounty. Ken joined in 2011 and became HOA President in 2014 while Martha took on the busy role of Secretary in 2017.

Both have worked tirelessly to ensure this neighborhood is one of the most attractive and sought after addresses on the Island. Upgrades to the landscape at the front of the community and paving all the roads are just are just a few of the projects Ken has been instrumental in organizing. Martha has also been one of the backbones of the HOA, tirelessly taking minutes, writing reports, updating the covenants and being a trusted go-to liaisons for neighbors seeking support or advice.

We would like to thank both of them for their time and commitment to the HOA and Shaw's Bounty we hope they enjoy a very well earned break!

Watch this space for news on our new HOA President and Secretary - coming soon!



Pictured: Sea Island decked out for Christmas

It's Holiday Season!

With Thanksgiving, Hanukkah and Christmas just around the corner, we look forward to plenty of celebration!

Halloween certainly put the festive season into full swing. Check out the next page for some pictures from our neighborhood's Trick or Treat extravaganza! With Thanksgiving next on the list, we turn our focus to the charities that we can help during this time of giving, more on that below.

We would also like to wish all our Jewish neighbors a happy and peaceful Hanukkah. Hanukkah means "dedication" in Hebrew, with 8 days of celebration beginning on November 28th, just a few days after Thanksgiving.

A TIME FOR GIVING

This season is a time for celebration and also a time for helping our neighbors in need by contributing to the work of local charities. We would like to start by recognizing Shaw's Bounty resident, Shep Davenport for his stellar work on the Can Drive earlier this year, "Thank you so much for helping with the "Can You Match It?" Can Drive in July," Shep told us. "With the help of Shaw's Bounty, over 3,650 cans were collected and \$1,250 was given to the Sparrows Nest charity."

This season can be a real challenge for some people, and sadly many are left homeless or struggling to pay bills. Charities such as the Salvation Army work hard to help those in need in our communities by donating money, meals and clothing and providing shelter and support. Click HERE to donate to their cause and follow them on Facebook to find out about local fundraising events during the festive season.



Halloween Fun

The neighborhood definitely got into the spirit of Halloween this year with plenty of fun costumes!

From SWAT team members, football players, zombies and blow up unicorns to the cast of Toy Story and The Golden Girls, Shaw's Bounty was out in force this Halloween! It was wonderful to see so many families out celebrating together - a real testament to how much our community has grown over the last few years.

Thanks to the Pollack family for kickstarting the trick or treating marathon at their house with some food and drinks, before the children went house to house collecting bucket loads of candy. Check out some of our pictures from all the fun!















Santa's coming to town!

With Christmas trees adorned and wish lists mailed out, all that's left to do on Christmas Eve is wait for Santa's St. Simons arrival, a fun festive, fire truck annual tradition!

Sirens blazing and children cheering, the streets of St. Simons are lined with neighbors on Christmas Eve, waiting to wave at Santa Claus as he makes his way past on a firetruck, complete with a police escort. It's one of the most anxiously awaited holiday traditions on the Island, and one that dates back more than 80 years.

It all began with local plumber, Bob Kent, a member of the St. Simons Civitan Club and a volunteer at the local Fire Department. He wanted to help deliver packages to needy children on the island, so he recruited the one fire truck they had and got in touch with the Big Man himself to spread some holiday cheer!

Santa's traditional route begins in the Pier Village before weaving his way up Frederica Road. You can keep track of his estimated arrival time on Christmas Eve by following the St. Simons Island Facebook page.

Hot Cocoa & Cookies!

Wrap up the kids warmly and join us at the top of the neighborhood for festive cookies and hot chocolate!

While we wait for Santa and his entourage, we will have a stand offering hot cocoa for the kids and their own take home "cookies for Santa bag" near the entrance to Shaw's Bounty. We will also have a treat of some mulled wine/punch for the adults!

So, come and wave Santa on his way with us from 7.30pm onwards!



Pictured: Some of the Shaw's Bounty kids crew waiting for Santa and his fire truck last year!

Mole Mania

Is your once pristine lawn now full of unsightly mole mounds?

A member of the shrew family, these small but destructive creatures can wreak havoc in your garden. With their curved front paws, pesky moles can dig at a rate of 18ft every hour.

To find out more about moles and how to deal with them, click on the link to this excellent HGTV article <u>HERE</u>. We would also love to hear your tried and tested solutions!

Homeowner's Top Ten



All homeowners in Shaws Bounty receive a 14 page document from the HOA detailing their responsibilities - we've highlighted the key ones to make it even easier to navigate...

The 14-page Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CCRs) is something every new resident of Shaw's Bounty receives from the Home Owners Association. While it's an easy read and something everyone should be familiar with, we've put together our Top Ten to keep you in good standing. Both the CCRs and the Bylaws are available on our website: shawsbountyhoa.com.

- 1. Attend the HOA Annual Meeting at 6 pm on the first Tuesday in December, or at least vote your proxy. We'll send your invitation in the middle of November. (Article VII).
- 2. You can use the common property for your enjoyment to fish, kayak, picnic, etc. However, don't erect anything or take other actions on HOA property that would lessen enjoyment by others. Also make sure you pick up after your pets. (Article VIII).
- 3. Pay your annual dues each year before February 1. If you own a home in Shaw's Bounty, you are a member of the HOA and when you signed your deed, you agreed to its CCRs. You'll receive your notice around January 1. (Article IX)

- 4. Maintain your property. (Article V, Article X)
- 5. Ask for HOA approval before you make any major changes to the exterior of your home. Or before you demolish your house, rebuild your home, or make significant changes to your front yard landscaping. (Article IV)
- 6. Any other structures, fences, or barbecue pits should also be approved by the HOA before being constructed. You'll want any additions to follow the look and feel of the architecture of your home. No chain link fences are allowed, and those already in place should be hidden with landscaping. (Article IV)
- 7. Don't cut down any trees of note—front or back yard—before getting approval from the HOA. (Article IV).
- 8. Home offices are acceptable but don't operate a business that brings customers to your home to receive services. (Article IV).
- 9. Don't lease your property for fewer than 30 days. If you rent your property, complete a "Tenant Registration Form" to provide the HOA contact information about the house's occupant. (Article IV).
- 10. Don't put signs in your yard, park an RV on your lot, let your dog bark incessantly, or do any other things to drive your neighbors crazy. (Article V).



Golf Cart Cruising!



A fun mode of getting around St. Simons Island, golf carts have been booming in popularity lately! We look at some of the regulations aimed at keeping us safe on the streets.

Glynn County Police Department recently updated their Golf Cart Ordinance to tighten rules for people using low speed and PTVs (Personal Transport Vehicles). As well as ensuring **you must be 16 years or over and a license holder** to drive a golf cart, it also warns people not to impede traffic or drive your cart on the beach! You must also register your golf cart with Glynn County before you take it out on St. Simons streets and your speed should not exceed 25 mph.

We would like to extend a gentle reminder to be careful with your cart in the neighborhood. Look out for children who may be playing and make sure you are abiding by the regulations, given our neighborhood roads fall under the county jurisdiction. You can find the full details by clicking here: Golf Cart - Personal Transportation Vehicle (PTV) | Glynn County, GA - Official Website

Live Oak on Settlers

If you walked down Settlers Road during October, you might have noticed the massive number of leaves and nuts on the road between the Lemke/Schlich home and the Scott's. The beautiful oak on the Lemke/Schlich's property looks dull and bedraggled, so they decided to check with an arborist. The answer? The leaves were falling for

two reasons: squirrels and a heavy infestation of leaf galls, most often caused by tiny wasps, midges, or mites.

Galls grow to surround the small insects that form them, providing food and protection from weather, predators, and parasites. Thankfully most cause no permanent damage - they attack genetically attractive trees occasionally, and it is rare for it to happen every year, so the tree should recover to its former glory.

HOA to **Zoom** in **December**

The Board will conduct the 2021 Shaw's Bounty Home Owners' Association Annual Meeting at 6pm on Tuesday December 7. It will be held online using Zoom meeting technology.

Residents who need assistance setting up Zoom on their computer, tablet, or smartphone may contact board member John Pollock at 912-506-6129. We will send the required Annual Meeting Zoom link and password via email on Monday, November 29.

Kid's Corner / Photo Op!

Congratulations to Eloise Whatley who wins last month's \$10 Fuse card! This time, we would love you to share your photos of Nature in the Neighborhood! From squirrels and raccoons to deer and grey heron, we see so many species of wildlife in Shaw's Bounty! The winning photo will receive a Fuse gift card. We will also publish the best images on our neighborhood website www.shawsbounty.com. Email your photos to cheryl@thepeacelily.com before January 1.

