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HUNT MILITARY COMMUNITY

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NEWSLETTER



## PATRIOT ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS

The Hunt Military Communities Foundation tasked military children to write what it means to show their patriotism as a way to honor 9/11, those who lost their lives, and those who still feel the pain of this day. We are proud to recognize the children who thoughtfully expressed their feelings, Congratulations to our 2023 Essay Winners:

- Kelsyn S. from Pearl Harbor
- Harrison L. from Maxwell
- Eden V. from Little Rock
- Norman Z. from Keesler
- Natalie K. from Pearl Harbor
- Alyssa T. from MCBH
- Justin D. from Fort Sam Houston
- Eran H. from Banker

## OCTOBER IS ENERGY ACTION MONTH

Get ready to power up and make a difference in our community! October is officially Energy Action Month, and we're excited to invite you to join us in taking meaningful steps towards a more sustainable and energy-efficient future.

Every small action counts, and together we can create a lasting impact on our environment and on reducing energy costs. Here are some simple yet powerful ways you can participate in Energy Action Month:

- 1) **Turn Off and Unplug:** Be mindful of turning off lights, electronics, and appliances when not in use. Unplugging chargers and devices can make a significant difference in reducing energy consumption.
- 2) **Optimize Thermostat Settings:** Adjust your thermostat to conserve energy. Lower the temperature in cooler months and raise it in warmer months to save on heating and cooling.
- 3) **Conserve Water:** Report any leaky faucets and take shorter showers. Every drop saved helps in conserving this precious resource.
- 4) **Switch to LED Lights:** Replace traditional light bulbs with energy-efficient LED bulbs. They last longer and consume less electricity.

Join us in this exciting initiative to make a lasting impact on our environment and reduce our collective carbon footprint. Together, we can create a more sustainable future for our families and generations to come. For more energy conservation tips, visit <https://www.huntmilitarycommunities.com/resident-resources>. Let's shine a light on energy efficiency and show our neighbors what we can accomplish together!

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# COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Pressure washing of homes is ongoing. We will provide 5 days of notice prior to the contractors starting work in your area. When notified, please comply with the instructions to prepare your home for our contractors' arrival.

A Terminix service is an amenity afforded to our residents quarterly. Please take advantage of this great way to prevent insects from invading your home. Every 3 months, simply submit a routine work order in your app for pest control. South Carolina Spring can be an active time for growth and nature and Shaw AFB is no different. The better care you take now, the less headache you will have to deal with later.

# COMMUNITY DIRECTOR'S NOTE

"PCS season flew by so fast; it's almost time for next year. Whether you're PCSing, retiring, or moving off-base for any reason, please remember that we require a 30-day Notice to Vacate. This notice is essential for us to process your departure smoothly.

Here are the key details:

- Shaw Family Housing requires a Notice to Vacate (NTV) of at least 30 days before departing from the home. Failure to comply will result in additional termination fees at move-out.
- To ensure a seamless transition, please have a final departure date in mind and provide a copy of your orders if you're PCSing, Separating, or Retiring. We highly encourage prior engagement with TMO.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to call our office at (803) 812-4200. Thank you!"

# MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Shaw Family Housing is still experiencing some back-order issues with certain parts and appliances. We appreciate your patience as we continue to work with our vendors to obtain needed parts/supplies. We will contact you to schedule repairs or replacements as soon as we receive the required items for your home.

Also, please remember that Emergency/Urgent work orders "MUST" be called into our office at (803)812-4200. Only routine work orders should be submitted via our mobile app. If Emergency/Urgent work requests are submitted via the app, we will not receive notifications of the issue and it will delay our response to assist you.

# CONTACT INFORMATION

**Office Hours:** Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

**Office Number:** 803-812-4200

**Email:** ShawContact@HuntCompanies.com

**Facebook:** @ShawFamilyHousing

**Website:** ShawFamilyHousing.com



## OCTOBER EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

### Teddy Knotts

Teddy Knotts is a Maintenance Technician II here at Shaw Family Housing. Teddy enjoys fishing and cooking. When asked what he loves about his job, Teddy said, "The aspect I like most about my job is the opportunity to collaborate closely with my fellow maintenance technician. We make a great team, and our teamwork ensures that our property is always in excellent condition. Additionally, I enjoy interacting with the residents of our property, as it allows me to build strong relationships and provide exceptional service."



## NOVEMBER EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

### Sean Marshall

Sean Marshall is Maintenance Technician III. Sean loves to fish and to spend time with family. When asked what he loves about his job, Sean said, "What I cherish most about my job is the opportunity to meet new people in our neighborhood, forging connections with our wonderful residents. Additionally, the thrill of fixing something different every day in our residents' homes keeps me engaged and excited to tackle new challenges, making each workday unique and rewarding."



# IMPORTANT COMMUNITY EVENTS

## Spooktacular Monster Mash

Get ready for a Spooktacular Monster Mash event, on October 26th, that's sure to send shivers down your spine! Join us for an evening of ghoulishly good fun, open to residents of all ages.

We have an array of thrilling games and activities planned to keep everyone entertained, and there are awesome prizes waiting to be won. Whether you're into spooky scavenger hunts, eerie costume contests, or just enjoying some delicious treats, there's something for everyone at our Monster Mash.

Mark your calendars for this unforgettable event and come dressed in your spookiest, silliest, or most creative costumes. Let's make this Halloween season one to remember.

Stay tuned for more details and prepare for a frightfully good time!

Wishing you a hauntingly happy October.

## A Time to be Thankful (writing contest)

As we embrace the spirit of gratitude this November, we are excited to announce our "Time to be Thankful" writing contest! From November 1st to November 17th, we invite all young residents aged 5 - 18 to participate.

Here's how it works: Share what you are thankful for in a short essay, poem, or creative writing piece. Let your imagination soar! Three winners will be selected from different age groups, and each winning family will receive a complete Thanksgiving meal to enjoy together.

This is a wonderful opportunity to encourage creativity, reflection, and a sense of community among our young residents. We can't wait to read your entries and celebrate the season of thankfulness together.

To submit your entries, please email them to [ShawContact@HuntCompanies.com](mailto:ShawContact@HuntCompanies.com) or drop them off at the Housing Office.

Submit your entries by November 17th, and winners will be announced on November 20th.

## Holiday Parade - TBD

As the holiday season approaches, we are excited to share some festive news with all of you! Weather permitting, we are planning to bring back the beloved Holiday Parade, and we can't wait to see our community come together for this joyful event.

We have an array of exciting festivities planned for families of all ages, and your presence will make it even more special. Stay tuned for further details and keep an eye out for updates on the parade's schedule and route.

Let's celebrate the spirit of the season together as a community, sharing laughter, warmth, and holiday cheer. We hope to see you all there, creating wonderful memories with your neighbors.

Wishing you a joyful and festive December.

## MEET OUR FRIENDLY STAFF

**Jeff Sanders**  
Community Director

**Mary Ruffin**  
Leasing Specialist

**Sanedra Staley**  
Community Supervisor

**Edith Amerson**  
Resident Service Specialist



## DECEMBER EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

### Anthony Nieves

Anthony Nieves is a Maintenance Technician II here at Shaw Family Housing. Anthony played college baseball for 3 years and loves to snowboard. When asked what he loves about his job, Anthony said, "What I value most about my job is the sense of family that permeates our workplace; the strong bonds and support among colleagues make each day enjoyable. I thrive on problem-solving, and this job provides me with a constant stream of challenges to tackle, which keeps me engaged and fulfilled. Additionally, the opportunity to continuously learn and meet new people adds an exciting dimension to my role, making it all the more rewarding."



OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL VETERANS AND  
MILITARY FAMILIES MONTH

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01 Rent is Due	02	03 Pet of the Month Starts Facebook	04 Trash & Recycling Pick Up	05 National Depression Screening Day	06	07
08 Miss Veteran America Pageant Day	09	10 Energy Conservation Day Pet of the Month Ends Facebook	11 Trash Pick Up	12	13 Navy Birthday	14
15	16	17	18 Trash & Recycling Pick Up	19	20	21
22	23 Halloween Décor Starts Facebook	24	25 Trash Pick Up	26 Deployed Day	27 Navy Day Spooktacular Monster Mash	28
29	30 Halloween Décor Ends Facebook	31 Halloween			Pest Control: Every Tuesday and Friday during the month from 9 AM - 2 PM	

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			01 Rent is Due Trash & Recycling Pick Up	02	03 Pet of the Month Starts Facebook	04
05 Daylight Saving Time Ends	06	07 Election Day	08 Trash Pick Up	09 Pet of the Month Ends Facebook	10 Marine Corps Birthday	11 Veterans Day
12	13	14	15 Trash & Recycling Pick Up	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Trash Pick Up	23 Thanksgiving <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	24	25
26	27	28 #GivingTuesday	29 Trash & Recycling Pick Up	30	Pest Control: Every Tuesday and Friday during the month from 9 AM - 2 PM	



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<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> National Guard Birthday Trash & Recycling Pick Up	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Holiday Decorating Contest Starts Facebook	<b>16</b> Wreaths Across America
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Space Force Birthday Trash Pick Up	<b>21</b> First Day Of Winter Holiday Decorating Contest Ends Facebook	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Trash & Recycling Pick Up	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b> New Year's Eve					<b>Pest Control:</b> Every Tuesday and Friday during the month from 9 AM - 2 PM	