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PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

It's seemed like a very long Winter this year, but I think Spring is really coming. All the signs are there. Occasional really nice days, shoots coming up from the ground, and my favorite, woodpeckers making holes in my siding! Another sure sign of Spring is Come And Get It Day. This year was a great success. Thanks to everyone who came and got their stuff and a special thanks to everyone who volunteered to help give it to them.

Watching everyone working at Come And Get It Day, sitting there for four hours without a break, got me thinking about how much these people give to their community and how we need more like them to come forward. I came up with a Volunteer Recognition Program that I will propose to the board at our next meeting. I have already talked to several board members and they liked the plan and suggested a few adjustments. Here's how it would work. We would set up three levels for recognition: Gold, Silver, and Bronze. These would be based on the number of hours a person volunteered in a year. You could qualify for Bronze by working a small number of hours, probably by participating in a single event like Come And Get It Day or a beach cleanup. Bronze volunteers would receive a Hillsmere Tee Shirt. At the Silver level, you would receive a Hillsmere Tote Bag. Gold level volunteers would receive a gift certificate to a local business or restaurant. We will print special versions of the

Volunteer's Corner

Volunteers Needed ...

- **Hillsmere Historian** - research and write up Hillsmere history
- **Auditor** - audit this year's General Fund and Piers & Harbor Fund

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Jan 31	May 29	Sep 25
Feb 28	Jun 26	Oct 30
Mar 27	Jul 31	Nov 20
Apr 24	Aug 28	Dec 18

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Jan 10	May 8	Sep 11
Mar 13	Jul 10	Nov 13

All Board Meetings at The Key School Science and Library Center

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tee shirts and tote bags that say "Community Volunteer" under the logo. As you go through the year, you can be awarded a tee shirt and tote bag as you reach the required number of hours. Each year, we would devote the September Sea Breeze to our volunteers. We would list all the volunteers, perhaps even with pictures. In October, we would have a Volunteer Recognition Dinner. HSIA would cater the event and all volunteers would be invited. One suggestion was to have HSIA cater the main dishes, but have potluck desserts. The gift certificates for the Gold volunteers would be awarded at the dinner. Some of the details still need to be worked out, but I think this would be a great way to thank everyone who gives so much to their community. As an added benefit, it might also get a few more people to volunteer.

One of the big concerns to our residents is crime. After the crime wave of daytime burglaries in Eastport last month, residents in all the County communities that, like us, are next to Annapolis City, are concerned that the crime wave will spill over into our neighborhoods. With that in mind, I met with Captain William Krampf, the new Commander of the Souther District of the Anne Arundel County Police Department, and several of his officers. I was very impressed with his concern and his interest in working with our community. In response to the crime wave in Eastport, he assured me that there would be additional patrols, within the limitations of staffing levels. He is also working with both the Annapolis City Police and the Maryland State Police to increase coordination in areas where crime is increasing. Another concern that has been expressed to me by several Hillsmere residents is an impression that no one comes when they call 911 to report a suspicious person or similar information. Captain Krampf said that every call is responded to. In some cases, it is not a marked car or uniformed officer. They take every call seriously. Of course, calls are answered in order of importance and this may affect the time it takes to get a response. One sure way to know that someone responded is to have the officer come to your door. They always ask if you want to talk to an officer. Another point the Captain made was that residents should call 911 anytime they see something suspicious. People seem to think that they are inconveniencing the police when they call with something minor or that they are unsure of. Of course, a person has the right to walk down your street at 2:00 am with a plastic trash bag full of stuff, as one resident reported to me in an email. If you call 911, they will come and find out who the person is. They won't take him to jail or otherwise harass him. The police may not find out until days later that, for example, a home was burglarized in the next block. Without your call they will have no information at all. Remember, you don't have to have your name associated with the report. Captain Krampf has agreed to be our guest at the March General Meeting to answer questions and address concerns from our residents. That meeting will have already occurred by the time you read this. Finally, Josh Cohen, our Anne Arundel County Councilperson, has arranged a meeting with Captain Krampf and representatives of all the County communities bordering Annapolis City on the neck. We will be meeting to discuss some of the same concerns I already spoke to the Captain about, but in a coordinated manner. Thanks to Josh and Captain Krampf for their concern and willingness to address these issues.

Speaking of volunteers and security, we have a very important volunteer position that needs to be filled. Alan Weiss, a former HSIA board member, has served as the Chairperson of the Security Committee for over two years and is stepping down. He did a great job of getting our new security company in place and working out a system to manage the patrols. We need someone to take his place. The position involves scheduling the patrols, approving invoices, and passing on community concerns to the security patrols. We cannot have the patrols unless someone is fulfilling this function. If you would be interested in this position, please let me know.

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I receive many calls and emails about various issues, but one that keeps coming up is the number of homes in Hillsmere with a large number of people living in them. We are not talking about large families, but rather a large number of adults. This is usually associated with many cars as well. Unless the property is licensed as a rooming house, this is probably in violation of County zoning rules. I would like to work with the County to address this problem, if at all possible. In order to do so, I need a list of the properties that we are concerned about. If you know or suspect that this situation exists in a Hillsmere property, please contact me with the information. Again, your name will not be used when talking to the authorities. Email me at president@hillsmershores.net or call me at 410-263-4102.

As you have already guessed, we will be selling Hillsmere Tee Shirts again this year. In addition, we will be selling Hillsmere Tote Bags. That idea came from Angie Carroll, our new Welcoming Committee Chairperson. You may have met her at Come And Get It Day. She was compiling a list of new residents and talking to mothers about the Hillsmere Playgroup for infants and preschoolers. She will be delivering Hillsmere Tote Bags filled with information and coupons from local businesses to new residents. If you are new to Hillsmere or know someone that is, please let Angie know. You can email her at welcome@hillsmershores.net or leave a message on our 24-hour voice mail at 410-263-4456. This year, the tee shirts will be green instead of blue. An order form is included in this issue of the Sea Breeze. We'd like to get as many ordered in advance as possible. All the shirts are \$10 this year. If you want them mailed to an address outside of Hillsmere, then add an extra dollar per shirt. We don't make a lot of money selling tee shirts. It's just a great way to show pride in your community.

Well, that's enough for this month. I really enjoyed my role at Come And Get It Day. I get to meet everyone who comes in and make sure people get to the right tables. I also answer questions and concerns. It's a fun whirlwind of intense activity for four hours. It's very rewarding for me, but it's a bit of a blur. If you spoke to me and are waiting for me to get back to you, please send me an email to remind me what we talked about. A lot of people thanked me for the great work the HSIA Board is doing. You thanks means a lot to all of us, board members and volunteers. It's the only pay we get in this job, but it's worth it!

Bill Shuman

President, Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association



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A Successful Come And Get It Day - A huge "thank you" to all the wonderful volunteers that helped with this year's Come And Get It Day, our annual membership drive. And thanks to all the residents that came that day to join HSIA, purchase boat ramp keys and pay for slip rentals, dinghy rack storage, and boat park storage. It was a very well-attended event and our volunteers were busy from the moment the doors opened until the moment they closed. If you weren't able to join us that day, please take a moment to join our homeowner's association. Joining gives you voting rights in the association and allows your voice to be heard. Please use the membership form on page 7 of this issue and mail the form and your payment to the address on the top. Please allow a few weeks processing time as we handle the heavy volume of mail coming to the post office box at this time of year. Remember to photo copy your vehicle and trailer registrations. Thank you for your patience and support!



Boat Ramp Keys - Don't forget to get your 2008 boat ramp key!! All Piers & Harbors locks will change on April 1, 2008. If you haven't gotten your 2008 boat ramp key, now is the time to think about it. Don't wait until a beautiful, sunny day to get your key. **KEYS ARE NOT AVAILABLE ON SHORT NOTICE!!** Please use the membership form on page 7 to send in your dues and boat ramp key payment. Please allow a few weeks processing time. Thanks for your understanding!

Beach Volleyball Group Forming - Are you interested in playing Beach Volleyball at the beach this Spring and Summer? If so, please contact Craig Holt at 443-758-6975 or e-mail him at holt@usna.edu. Craig would like to start with pick up games once a week and maybe get a league going.

Be a Considerate Pet Owner - Please be a considerate pet owner and take a bag with you when you walk your pet. Please don't allow your pet to relieve themselves on your neighbor's property. Many families put a lot of time, money and work into their landscaping and flower beds. It's very frustrating to our neighbors to have someone walk their dog and allow it to relieve itself on their plants or to find a "present" left by someone's cat that is running loose. Feces and urine can damage and kill plants and there is the threat of transmitting parasites and illnesses too. We have many pet lovers in the community, but we also have many residents that do not have pets and do not want their gardens ruined. Please be a considerate pet owner!

SALE! **Spring Yard Sale** - Mark you calendars for our Spring yard sale at the beach scheduled for Saturday, May 3 with a raindate of Saturday, May 10. More information will be in the April issue of the *Sea Breeze*.

Dumpster Days - The County has scheduled our community for dumpsters in the Fall this year, so mark your calendars for October 3-4. The County schedules communities for dumpsters on a rotating basis, so the time of year varies depending on last year's schedule. Pertinent information will be in the September *Sea Breeze*.

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Bicycle Helmets - Spring is here! And with the warmer weather, many children will be riding their bikes around the community. As a reminder to them and to their parents, state law requires all children age 16 and under wear a bicycle helmet when operating, or riding as a passenger, on a bicycle. For the safety of the children, please make sure they wear their helmets!

Good Neighbors Program - Do you know of someone who could use a helping hand? It might be a neighbor and it might be you. The contribution could be as simple as moving something heavy, replacing the batteries in a smoke alarm or offering an unneeded item to someone who will use it. You can be on the giving or receiving end of the process. Let us know. Call HSIA at 410-263-4456 today or send an email to Goodneighbors@hillsmereshores.net to request or offer help.

Homestead Tax Credit - In the last *Sea Breeze*, we reported on filing for the Homestead Tax Credit. The Homestead Tax Credit is required to insure that all property owners receive the credit on the one property used as their principal residence and not on properties used for other purposes, such as a rental or vacation home. The Homestead Tax Credit is a one-time application and residents should apply during their reassessment year. Hillsmere will be reassessed next year, and an application form should be with your tax assessment. For more information, visit <https://sdathc.resiusa.org/homestead/> (Application).



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Membership Application

Payment of \$15.00 dues allows one voting member per household. Additional voting memberships require payment of an additional \$15.00 per person. Members must be 18 years of age or older. **Renters and other persons not on the tax records must provide proof of residency by attaching a photocopy of Driver's License or other documentation to this application.** Personal information other than Name and Address may be blacked out.

Household Membership

Name(s): _____
 Address: _____
 Phone: Day: _____ Eve: _____

Additional Membership (add \$15.00)

Name: _____
 Phone: Day: _____ Eve: _____

Attach additional forms for more memberships

☐ Owner ☐ Renter (please check one)

If Renter please provide Owner Name: _____ Owner Phone: _____

Number of Stickers Requested: _____

NOTICE: A photocopy of EACH vehicle or trailer registration is required to obtain stickers. You may black out all information except Tag Number, Make/Model, Expiration Date, Name, and Address.
YOU WILL ONLY RECEIVE STICKERS IF REGISTRATIONS ARE PROVIDED TO HSIA.

Payments:

Type	# Requested	Unit Cost	Total Cost
HSIA Dues		\$ 15.00	
Additional Membership		\$ 15.00	
Dingy Rack Storage (By Assignment Only)		\$ 35.00	
Boat Ramp Key (Member)		\$ 40.00	
Boat Ramp Key (Non-Member)		\$ 60.00	
Boat Park Key (By Assignment Only)		\$ 75.00	
Boat Slip Fee (Slip # _____)			
(Marina Sticker # _____)		TOTAL	

MARINA SLIP WAITING LIST:

NOTE: If you are already on the waiting list you must fill out the following to maintain your current position.

Check One: ☐ add me to the waiting list ☐ keep me on the waiting list

Boat Information: ☐ Sail ☐ Power Length _____ Beam _____ Draft _____

I understand that I must register for the waiting list each year to maintain my position.

Please sign your name here to register: _____

Did You:

<input type="checkbox"/> Attach vehicle/trailer registration forms?	<input type="checkbox"/> Attach proof of residency (non-owners)?
<input type="checkbox"/> Register for the Marina Waiting List?	<input type="checkbox"/> Write your phone number on your check?

To join the HSIA email list visit <http://www.hillsmershores.net>
 (Questions? Email admin@hillsmershores.net or call 410-263-4456 - 24 hr voice mail)

Mail to: HSIA, PO Box 3485, Annapolis, MD 21403

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Sticker #:	Boat Ramp Key #:	Boat Park Key #:
Date Payment Received:	Check #:	Received By:

From the Beach Committee

~Kate Penn, Beach Chair

The HSIA Board has approved installation of a stone revetment over the deteriorated bulkhead on the east end of the beach (left, as you face the water). Shoreline Design has been contracted to install the revetment, using large armor stone. The plan is currently in the permit review stage; we expect construction will begin late this Spring. The Board reviewed bids for both stone revetments and replacement bulkheads; a spreadsheet detailing the bid comparisons is included in this issue of *the Sea Breeze*. Shoreline Design was the lowest bidder who offered the size, type, and quality of installation we sought for this location. The work does not include the bulkhead returns at the swim area. The Beach Committee is studying the various options for shoreline protection to find what will best meet our needs for a swim beach.

Beach Committee members have been busy working on a number of activities throughout the beach and park area. The Beach Committee has also set some priorities for improvements at the park and beach, pending board approval. As we progress with the planning, we will make reports to the Board, in *the Sea Breeze*, and at General Meetings.

Noel Gasparin, Chair for the Beautification Committee, is getting bids for deep aeration of the lawn, to be performed this Spring. This will make the soil more permeable and will improve the grass roots. The combination of healthier grass and permeable soil will help reduce the problems we are having with standing water and flooding, especially by the large pavilion and volleyball court.

A number of families have asked if we can install a merry-go-round at the playground. Lee Ann Havard is exploring the feasibility of installing one where the former tire swing was located. Several of the tube slides at the large playground are showing signs of wear; one has cracks. Phil Jones was able to repair the slide so that it is safe, but we are working to have the playground supplier provide replacement parts.

Last year, volunteers installed a border at the volley ball court. This Spring, we plan to complete the improvements. The Committee also agreed to leave the volleyball net up for the summer.

The drainage trench on the east end of the park has become overgrown with phragmites and bamboo. This trench carries storm water runoff from East Bay View Drive to the Bay. However, the ground has become compacted and the plants are no longer effective for managing the water that travels from the street. We are proposing a series of natural systems to control and filter the runoff. This will reduce the problems with standing water, provide attractive landscaping, and contribute to improving the water quality along our shoreline. Kevin Green is exploring grant opportunities for design and installation of these improvements.

We are also exploring improvements to the small marshland at the far east end of the beach, behind the bulkhead (left, when facing the water). The marsh consists primarily of phragmites, a non-native grass that grow 8-12 feet high. Amy Shanahan is investigating permit requirements and options for removing the phragmites and planting native spartina, which grow to about 3 feet. The lower grasses will enhance the view on that end of the park.

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Lastly, Chris Elkington is looking into improvements to the parking lot. Plans include defining the perimeters and placing new gravel. We are also bidding pricing for a new, low fence to replace the pilings and cable surrounding the parking lot. The new fence will create a safer barrier between the playgrounds and parking lot, yet will be low enough not to obscure the view.

Thanks to all our volunteers for the hard work they contribute to make our wonderful beach a better place for us all. Please join us for our Spring Work Project in May. Watch for details in the next issue of *the Sea Breeze*!

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Scope:					
115 ft. stone revetment	\$ 27,000	\$ 31,100	\$ 35,160	\$ 21,250	\$ 25,000
- Imbreccated stone w/5' apron	apron@front&side	not incl.	incl.	not incl.	incl.
- 2,000# armor stone	Class 2&3 armor st.	300-800# armor st.	50-2000#Class 3 str	1,200# riprap	400-2000# armor stn.
- stabilize disturbed areas	incl.	incl.	incl.	- hand chink	- 2 layers armor
- Class 300 filter fabric	incl.	incl.	not incl.	incl.	incl.
- drawings & permits	3,500	2,000	2,600	1,500	1,000
Total	\$ 30,500	\$ 33,100	\$ 37,760	\$ 22,750	\$ 26,000



Build new bulkhead 18" in front of existing					
- 30 lf @ swim area returns					
- 115 lf @ remaining area					
- 10" piling/7'OC, capped					
- Deadmen & tieback rod					
- 3" 2.5 CCA sheeting					
- Remove & repl stone					
- install filter cloth & backfill					
- permits					
Total:					
	\$ 7,000	remove & repl. @ swim area \$ 25,600	remove & repl. @ swim area \$ 14,500	\$ 9,000	incl. \$ 95,000
	Advised against bulkhead at this location.	incl 44,000	Advised against bulkhead at this location.	12" pile / 5' OC	incl. 2" / 1.0 CCA
		incl		incl.	incl.
		incl		incl.	incl.
		incl		incl.	incl.
		incl		incl.	incl.
		incl		incl.	incl.
		2,000		1,500	
	\$ 71,600			\$ 51,875	\$ 95,000



RECREATION AND ENTERTAINMENT

Be sure to join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt at the community beach on Saturday, March 22. The Hunt will start promptly at 10:00 am. Please bring a basket to hold your colorful eggs. Last year, we had snow on the ground for our Hunt. Let's hope for some great spring-like weather! Hope to see you there.



Stephanie Crouse-Geib/Susan Staples: 410-263-4456

GARDEN CLUB



The Garden Club will meet on Wednesday, March 19, for a presentation by noted naturalist Gary Van Velsir on the topic of wildflowers. We are looking forward to working in the dirt again!

On Wednesday, April 16, our program will be a presentation on growing roses in Maryland by Gene Sumi from Homestead Gardens. Both meetings will be at the Eastport/Annapolis Neck Library and will start with a social time at 12:30 pm and meeting/programs at 1:00 pm. Anyone interested in either of these topics is invited to join us. We would love to have you attend!

For more information on the Garden Club, please contact Jean Koehler at 410-268-0276.

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Traffic

Forest Drive is the only egress on the southern portion of the Annapolis peninsula. It is heavily congested. The intersections from Hilltop Lane to Chinquapin and onto Aris T. Allen and Route 50 fail to adequately serve traffic volume during the morning and evening peak hours. Studies of possible alternative routes indicate that the financial and environmental costs would be unacceptable. *ANPF demands that no more traffic result from future development; encourages bike lanes and transit.*

Water

The Annapolis peninsula is surrounded on three sides by water: the South River, the Chesapeake Bay, and the Severn River. All three bodies of water are biologically stressed due to the effects of stormwater runoff from farms and residential and commercial development. *ANPF encourages conservation, preservation, and improved stormwater practices in current and future development.*

Trees

The proportionate size of the tree canopy to impervious surfaces has a significant impact on the peninsula's water quality and stormwater control. There is a healthy tree canopy in the County residential area of the Annapolis peninsula because it is a fairly mature and well-forested residential area and with preserved and protected tracts of land and forests.

The City of Annapolis' urban tree canopy covers 41% or 1,737 acres. *ANPF supports the state of Maryland recommendation that the city achieve a canopy of 50% by 2036.* (ref. Maryland's Dept. of Natural Resources' Forest Service report "Annapolis' present and potential urban tree canopy", 6/7/06) To achieve 50%, new development on the City's recently annexed land must preserve a large amount of the forested area!

Future Major Developments, planned or proposed, along Forest Drive, by jurisdiction

City of Annapolis

- Bay Village, front 4 acres along Bay Ridge Rd.: CVS drive-thru pharmacy, 2-story office bldg, relocated Mexican Cafe, one more lot to be developed.
- Bay Village, rear 6 acres, planned 3-story apartment building with over 100 apts.
- C&C Liquor, 6.5 acres, retail/commercial center, (presently in County).
- Dreamcraft Homes, 40 acres, 700 block of Old Annapolis Neck Road (behind Forest Dr. @ Hillsmere Rd.), 140 residences (sfr, condos).
- Crystal Spring Farm, 80 acres, 600 + residences plus retail/commercial center.
- AIC Forest, 5 acres, Forest Dr. between Spa Rd. & Crystal Spring Farm Rd., retail/commercial center.
- Village Greens, 6 acres, So. Cherry Grove at Skipper Lane, 109 residential units.
- Bowen property, 23.4 acres off Bywater Rd. (AT Allen @ Chinquapin), 49 homes.

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- Parole: 33 acres; 608,000 sq. feet of retail, 120,000 sq. feet of offices, 200 room hotel (80,000 sq. ft.) and 685 apts. (above retail).
- Annapolis Mall/Westfield: recent 240,000 sq. feet expansion to total 1.5M SF.
- Anne Arundel Medical Center Hospital: expanding!

For Sale - Wood picnic table with folding leaves, 4 large seats, 2 with backs, Amish made well, kept on enclosed screen porch, \$200 or best offer. JVC 32" stereo remote tv, excellent picture, manual included, \$100 or best offer. Please call Linda at 410-268-0248

BUILDING PERMITS

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1. A copy of the Anne Arundel County Building Permit.
2. A copy of the construction location on the property when required by the County.
3. Cash or check in the amount of \$5.00 made payable to HSIA, unless we sent you a certified letter. Then the cost is \$20 for the permit.
4. Mail to HSIA, P.O. Box 3485, Annapolis, MD 21403



Permits are required for construction of new houses, new sheds, additions to houses or sheds, retaining walls, piers and bulkheads. When in doubt, or if you have any questions, please call the HSIA Building Permit Chairperson, Bill Anderson, at 410-279-1666.

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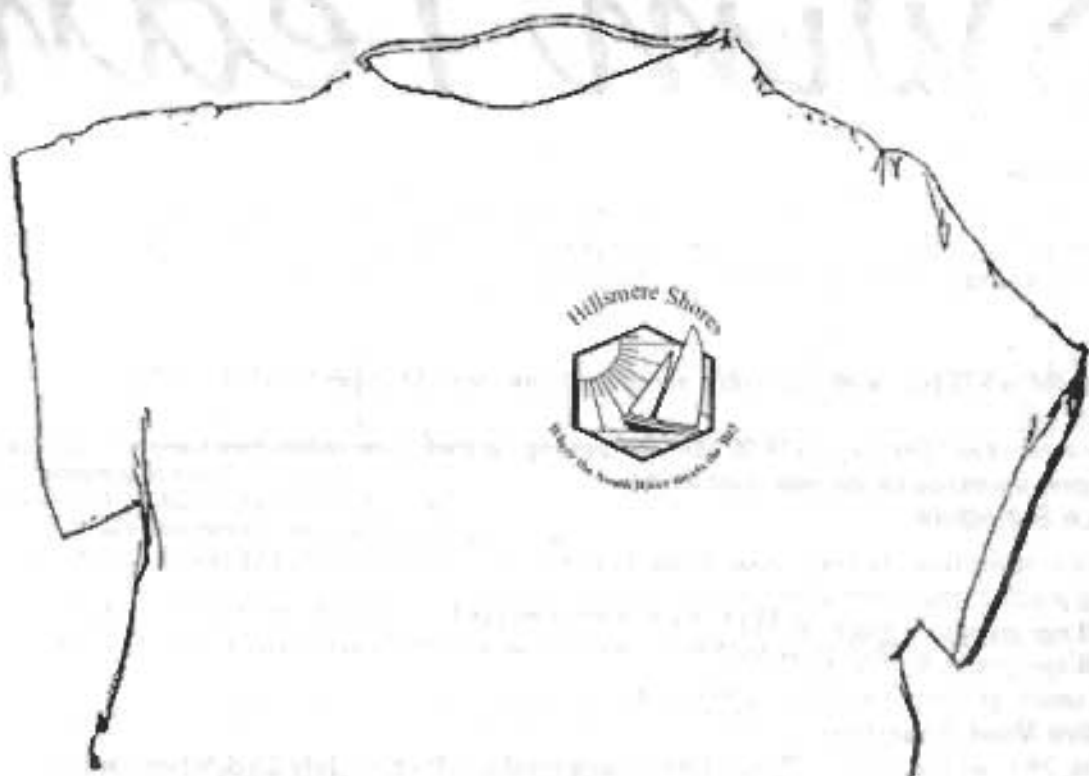
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Swim Team

Registration

Complete and mail the application form on the next page. The swim team is open to all residents of Hillsmere, not just Pool Association members. We will accept swimmers that live outside of the community if room is available. Children must be able to swim one length of the pool from the beginning.

Fees

Team Fee

The team fee is \$75 per swimmer, with a maximum team fee of \$175 per family living in the same house.

Insurance Fee

Each swimmer must also pay a \$29.00 USA Swimming insurance fee, unless they swim all year and have already paid insurance for the year 2007 - 2008.

Practice Schedule

Tentative practice times before school closes: June 9th to 13th : Girls 5:45-6:30 PM, Boys 6:30-7:15 PM

Morning practice times after school closes:

Girls, all age groups 7:15 to 8:10 AM

Boys, all age groups 8:15 to 9:10 AM

Six and under, girls and boys 8:30 to 9:00 AM

Tentative Meet Schedule

June 21st, 28th, and July 9th, 12th, and 19th. Championships; Bronze - July 23rd, Silver - July 26th and Gold - July 27th.

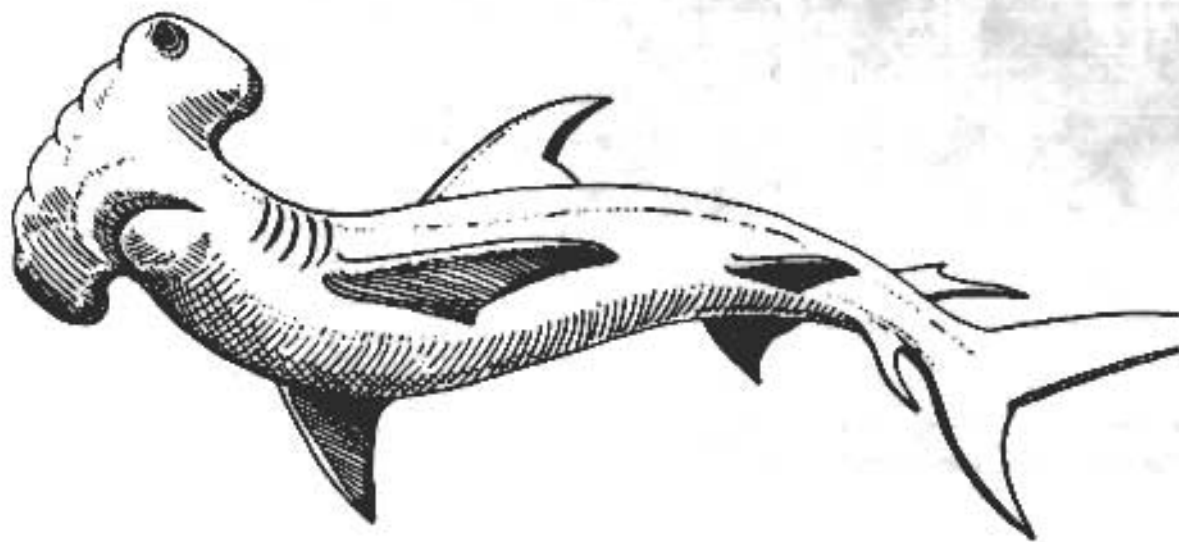
Swim Suits

The team suit is a royal blue racing suit.

Parent Meeting

Parents will have an opportunity to register and meet the coaches on Friday May 30th, 6:30 PM at the pool.

Questions – Call Robin Colley (410) 267 - 9054 or e-mail: rlaird@hotmail.com



2008 Hillsmere Hammerheads

Parents' names _____

Home Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ e-Mail _____

Child's Name First, Last, Middle Initial	Sex	Birthday	Age as of 6/1/08	Team Fee \$75.00 *	USA Insurance \$29.00 or winter team	TOTAL
* Maximum "Team Fee" \$175.00 per family. All swimmers must pay the \$29.00 USA Swimming Insurance fee unless they swim with a winter swim team such as ASC or NAAC or RAC. List your team affiliation in the insurance block if claiming this option.				TOTAL		

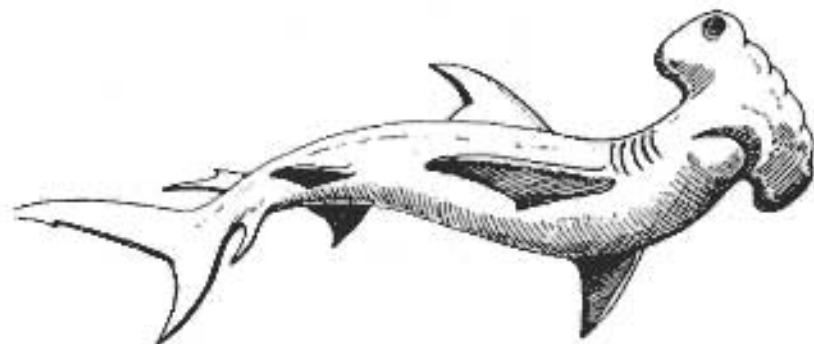
Make checks payable to Hillsmere Swim Team. Mail application and payment to:
Hillsmere Swim Team, c/o Robin Laird Colley, 109 Magnolia Lane, Annapolis MD 21403

Volunteers are needed at the swim meets. Please check a job that you would prefer:

- | | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Timing | <input type="checkbox"/> Food Table | <input type="checkbox"/> Scoring | <input type="checkbox"/> Runner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lane organizer | <input type="checkbox"/> Anything | <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke & Turn Judge | |

I hereby give permission for the above listed swimmer(s) to swim with the Hillsmere Swim Team at whatever pools are used for scheduled practices or team competition. I will permit my child (children) to travel as necessary for team meets. I agree to hold harmless the Hillsmere Swim Team, Greater Annapolis Swim League and the management of any pools which may be used for practice or swim meets, against suits, actions and claims including those arising from personal injuries which may result from this participation.

Signature of Parent _____ Date: _____



ITEMS OF INTEREST & FYI

♦ **Annapolis Book Festival** - Calling all readers!! Don't miss the sixth annual Annapolis Book Festival, Saturday, April 26 from 10 am to 5 pm at The Key School. Participating authors include:

Political Reports: Helen Thomas, DeeDee Myers, and Tom Oliphant

Parenting Experts: Rosalind Wiseman, Leonard Sax and Bobbi Conner

Biographers: Walter Isaacson, Joseph Glatthaar, Nina Khrushcheva, and Steven Harper

Fictional Writers: Lauren Willig, Alan Cheuse and Jeff Garigilano, and Pulitzer Prize winner Don Van Natta, Jr.

Returning again this year to delight the younger readers is book magician **Joe Romano**, joining the singing duo **Nada Brama** and poetry slammer **Gayle Daniels**. **Hillsmere residents - be sure to stop by the Information Booth to pick up Bonus Bucks available for all Hillsmere residents.** For more information, check www.keyschool.org.

♦ **Library Happenings** - Keep up with the latest happenings at the Annapolis and Eastport/Annapolis Neck Libraries. Visit the County Library web site at www.aacpl.net to see all the latest info on monthly events, book discussions, computer and internet training, events for teens, storytimes, adult programs, seasonal events, and much, much more.

In the Hillsmere Community Survey, residents asked for a column for personal announcements and community events. Because of this request, we created the Items of Interest & FYI page. This page is available for residents' use. Please take advantage of this column and strengthen community ties. Submit teenage events, new neighbors, tips on home care, announcements and formation of affinity groups. Also submit announcements of meetings on broader community issues that impact Hillsmere, e.g. environmental threats, development and other Annapolis Neck issues. Submit information to admin@hillsmershores.net or call 410-263-4456.



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9 Daylight Savings Time Begins	10	11 Piers & Harbor Meeting	12	13 HSIA General Meeting	14	15
16 Palm Sunday	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Garden Club	20 Spring Begins	21 Good Friday	22 Easter Egg Hunt
23 Easter	24	25	26	27 HSIA Board Meeting	28	29
30	31 Sea Breeze deadline					



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