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PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

What a beautiful Fall we've had so far. I know the drought has caused problems, but it's made for some great weekends! There's still some great weather to come as we approach Thanksgiving. I hope everyone takes the time to get outside and appreciate the wonderful place we live.

I want to thank Kate Penn, Noel Gasparin, and the rest of the Beach Committee for the very popular series of Beach Happy Hour parties held this summer. The last one was on October 20. These were a great opportunity to meet your neighbors and enjoy our beautiful beach. The Beach Committee provided hot dogs and grills. People brought side dishes and their favorite drink. If you didn't attend one of these parties, then make sure to stop by next year. It's a great community event.

Speaking of great community events, our Entertainment Committee has been hard at work as well. Stephanie Geib and Susan Staples have been doing a wonderful job for years producing events that the whole community enjoys, but are especially geared towards families with younger children. They put on the Easter Egg Hunt, the Ice Cream Social, the July 4th Parade, the Community Picnic, and the Halloween Parade. They don't get in the limelight very often, but they deserve a big thank you from all of us.

Special Election Issue

**Look for your ballot in
this issue**

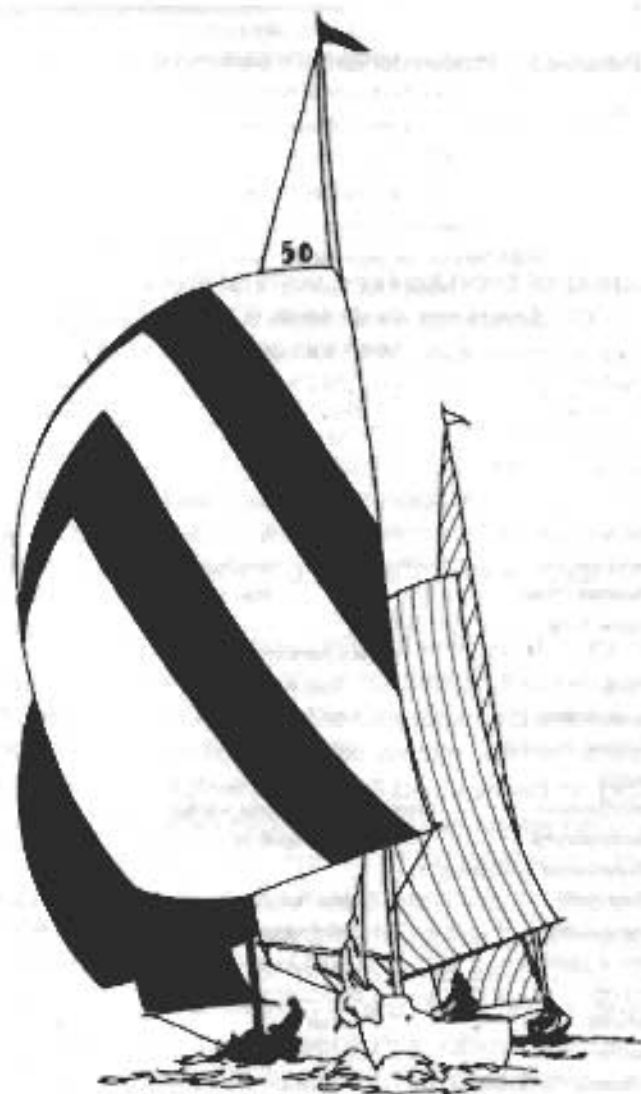
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the General Meeting on
Thursday, November 8**

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Jul 26	Sep 27	Nov 29
Aug 30	Oct 25	Dec 13

2007 GENERAL MEETINGS - 7:00 p.m.

Jan 11	May 10	Sep 13
Mar 8	Jul 12	Nov 8

All Board Meetings at The Key School Science and Library Center

All General Meetings at The Key School Multi-Purpose Building

The big story for this issue is our November 8th General Meeting. There will be three big items on the agenda. We will be approving the Special Tax budget, holding HSLA elections for the Board of Directors, and having a presentation about our beach restoration project.

The Budget Committee worked hard to prepare the General Fund, Piers & Harbors, and Special Tax budgets for FY 2009 that starts on July 1, 2008. The Special Tax budget includes an additional \$60,000 for the second phase of the beach restoration project. The proposed budget calls for a very small increase, less than \$7 per year, in your Special Tax payment. As you probably know, the Special Tax is collected as part of your real estate taxes. For the current year, the Special Tax amount was just over \$156. At the General Meeting, you will have the chance to ask questions and vote on the Special Tax budget. This is a preliminary vote. The board approves the final budget in November and it is published and presented, in its final form, at the January General Meeting. Since no vote is held then, the November 8th meeting will be your last chance to have your opinion affect the outcome.

The beach restoration project will result in exciting improvements to the jewel of our community. We have hired Flood Brothers to design the beach improvements. The concept is for a "living shoreline". Stone breakwaters will be constructed offshore, parallel to the beach, with gaps between them. The result is that the force of the waves will be absorbed by the breakwaters and sand will be deposited on the beach. Native plants will be planted on parts of the sand to stabilize the new land. We will still have a swimming area protected by the nettle nets, we will still have sand beaches for our kids to play on, we will still have the benches to sit on and enjoy the bay, and you will still have that wonderful view of the water as you drive down Hillsmere Drive. The difference will be that the shoreline will be natural, without bulkheads, and will contribute to the health and ecology of the bay. In addition, it will better withstand hurricanes and other storms. The estimated cost of this project is about \$226,000. We expect about \$88,000 in grants leaving about \$138,000 in direct costs to our community. Representatives from Flood Brothers will give a presentation about the project at our November 8th General Meeting and answer any questions or concerns you might have. We will also be asking the membership to indicate their support for this project in a non-binding referendum.

Finally, we will also be having our elections for the Board of Directors. Elections are held every year and those elected serve two year terms. We elect officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer) and Directors in alternate years. This year, we will be electing Directors. There are seven Director positions. A ballot is included in this issue of the Sea Breeze. You can mail it in or bring it to the meeting. There is one vote per membership. Most households have one membership, unless more than one adult joined. Please mail, send, or bring your ballot to the meeting. Be sure to follow the instructions in this Sea Breeze to make sure your ballot is counted. Remember, unless you bring the ballot to the meeting in person, you must include your name and address and sign the ballot. The election will be the first thing on the agenda. Once the ballots are collected, the voting will be closed and no more ballots will be accepted. If you come late, you won't be able to vote. The best bet is to mail in your ballot. It must be received by November 8th. Please vote!

The General Meeting will be on Thursday, November 8th at 7:00 pm at the Key School General Purpose Building. We will have refreshments, so now you have an excuse to come! See you there.

Bill Shuman
President, Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association

Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association Board Election Ballot

Key School Multi Purpose Building
November 8, 2007, 7:00 pm

Only HSIA members in good standing may vote. One vote per membership.

Please vote for seven of the following:

_____ Jennifer Collesano Adams

_____ Suzanne Miller

_____ Bill Anderson

_____ Kate Penn

_____ Christian Elkington

_____ Ray Sullivan

_____ Christina Friday

_____ (Write-in or Floor Nomination)

_____ Natalie Lobe

_____ (Write-in or Floor Nomination)

In order for a ballot to be accepted by mail-in vote or other than in-person, the following must be completed:

Voter's Printed Name

Voter's Address

Voter's Signature

Date

HSIA Election Voting Instructions

Vote By Mail: If you are unable to attend the November 8th HSIA General Meeting, just follow these simple steps in order to vote by mail.

1. Tear the ballot out of *the Sea Breeze*.
2. Fill out the election ballot.
3. You must include your name, address, date and signature in the space provided on the ballot.
4. Mail the signed ballot to HSIA, P.O. Box 3485, Annapolis, MD 21403. Be sure to mark "Ballot" on the envelope.
5. Ballots must be received prior to the General Meeting. Ballots will be checked against a list of paid members. If the voter's name is not on that list, the ballot will not be counted. Dues will be accepted with mail in votes. Please include the membership form found in this issue of *the Sea Breeze*.

Vote In Person: Please note: If you are voting in person, there is no need to provide your name, address, date, and signature on the ballot.

1. Tear the ballot out of *the Sea Breeze* or pick up a ballot at the meeting.
2. Have your ballot validated upon arrival at the meeting. You do NOT need to mark your selections before the ballot is validated.
3. Please be prepared to show a picture ID.
4. Drop ballots in the ballot box or hold them for collection.

Note: You may have someone else drop off your completed, signed ballot at the General Meeting by following steps 1,2 and 3 in the Vote by Mail section above.

Don't be Late: On voting night, after HSIA members in the room have voted to close the voting process, no more votes will be accepted.

Remember — You must be a current member of HSIA to vote. Not sure if you're a current member? Call 410-263-4456 and leave a message for the Administrator or email admin@hillsmereshores.net. There is a membership form in this issue for anyone that would like to join the HSIA. Please note that the membership year expires on March 31, 2008.



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Jennifer Collesano Adams - I have lived in the Annapolis area for roughly six years. I am an attorney practicing in DC and Maryland. I run my own practice with my husband Jasen, also an attorney. My practice involves civil litigation and complex commercial litigation, business representation, real estate, family law and estate planning. I earned my law degree from Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law in Washington, DC. After graduating from law school, I practiced government contracts and business litigation in the District for a number of years before concentrating on growing a firm in Maryland. I hold a B.A. in English from Cornell University and an M.A. in U.S. History, legal and constitutional history, from the University of Maryland, College Park. I now also work as an Adjunct Professor at the University of Baltimore School of Law, where I teach legal research and writing and trial and appellate skills. I have two children and have been an active member of the "Hillsmere Moms" playgroup. I participate in sailing activities sponsored through the Annapolis Yacht Club and the Eastport Yacht Club, and cruise and race sailboats in the area. I am a member of the American Association of University Women.

Bill Anderson - I have been a resident of Hillsmere since September 1969 along with my wife Sandy. We have two children and three grandchildren. I've provided 37 years of service to the Hillsmere community. Since 1970, I have served as President of HSIA for one term and have been a board member for approximately 26 years. I chaired the committee that constructed the boat ramps and the new pavilion. My family and I have assisted, or single-handedly performed the maintenance throughout the community since 1975. I've participated in cleanup efforts of the beach, marina and boat ramps after numerous hurricanes and storms. Since 1998, I have been Chairman of the HSIA Building Permit Committee. I've participated in the budget planning process for our community for the last 14 years and I've also served as the Beach Chairman for five years. I constructed, and regulate assignments, for spaces on the dinghy/canoe/kayak racks and I manage spaces assigned in Hillsmere's Boat Park on Beach Drive. I organize our community Dumpster Days and am the liaison with the County for this clean-up effort. I've also attended and participated in several County hearings of concern to Hillsmere community projects.

Christian Elkington - I have been a resident of Hillsmere and an HSIA member for 27 years. I am a retired Federal employee with extensive experience in project management, budget formulation and the coordination of Federal activities with local, state and federal agencies.

I have become progressively more concerned about the direction in which the community is moving. We have seen significant increases in our property taxes to support projects that have never been accomplished and actions in the name of the community on which the community has neither been permitted to express an opinion nor vote approval or disapproval. We increasingly rely on paid positions to meet community needs despite the fact that the Board has volunteers willing and able to accomplish these tasks.

If elected, I am committed to insuring that your opinions have an avenue of expression before the Board and to making *the Sea Breeze* an open forum for the expression of diverse opinions on issues affecting the community.

Christina Friday - I moved to Hillsmere approximately 3½ years ago with my husband, Tom, and our daughter, Chase. We have two children, Chase, now four years old, and Christopher who is two years old. Hillsmere is the perfect place for us; the place that I dreamt it would be for our family.

I was born and raised in Huntington, Long Island, where my true love of sea and sand began. In the early 1990's, I traveled to Bosnia-Herzegovina where I worked as an admin assistant for the United Nations High Commission for Refugees. After 2½ years, I returned home to be with my mother who was undergoing cancer treatment in New York. She is currently well and visits OFTEN! I have a major in Political Science and attended both Drew University and St. Mary's College. I have worked as a public servant in several capacities, engulfing all arenas of county, state and federal government. I've since entered the private sector starting my own business, Developmental Strategies, Inc., focusing on both political and non-profit fundraising.

I am honored to represent and serve our community as a current board member. I will continue to do my best for the residents of Hillsmere and welcome your thoughts and input.

Natalie Lobe - Since I joined the HSIA Board in 2005, I have used my previously earned skills as an urban planner and realtor to promote environment upgrades and social cohesion in the Hillsmere community. I Chair a subcommittee that analyzes the 2005 Community Survey results and recommends action plans to the Board. Some of these recommendations, such as "The Volunteers Corner" and the expanded "Events" column in *the Sea Breeze*, have been put in place.

I will continue to work on the survey until the analysis is complete. I will also do whatever I can to preserve our waterfront, our community owned land and to improve opportunities for Hillsmere residents to meet and interact.

In addition to my Hillsmere activities, I am a poet, teacher of poetry, and I serve as Education Director on the Annapolis Arts Alliance Board of Directors.

Suzanne Miller - My husband, George, and I have lived in Hillsmere for more than 40 years and have been members of HSIA all of that time. I have served on various committees and have been Treasurer. I have seen Hillsmere grow and evolve as new people of different generations have moved into the community.

I bring a sense of Hillsmere history and continuity to the Board and want to see members and families brought together in many activities in the spirit that has made Hillsmere the chosen community for many of us. Having raised our family here and eventually on to retirement here, I can bridge the gap of different goals of the generations involved.

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Kate Penn - I am running for re-election to the HSIA Board of Directors to continue my work as Beach Chair. It has been a great two years, working with the volunteers on the Beach Committee, and with the many volunteers who have joined our spring and fall work days at the beach. We have accomplished some great improvements, as well as provided important maintenance. However, I am very excited about the major projects we will be starting this Spring with the Shoreline Remediation project.

My professional background is in construction management. I currently provide part-time consulting while raising my three pre-school children. When my family moved here three years ago, we were looking for a neighborhood with a strong community and where our children would have open spaces to play and explore. My experience has far exceeded my expectations, as I am regularly surprised and warmed by the friendliness, concern, and sharing I have witnessed among neighbors. I am proud to be a part of this neighborhood and appreciate the opportunity to work with you all to make it an even better place to live.

Ray Sullivan - I have lived in Hillsmere on Meade Drive since 2001. During these six years, I have been involved in many local activities both inside Hillsmere and in the greater Annapolis area. My focus has been on growth issues that affect our quality of life with particular interest on traffic and the environment.

For the past several years, I have been the Hillsmere delegate to the Annapolis Neck Peninsula Federation (ANPF) and have helped keep the board and our community informed on these issues. My role as the ANPF delegate has put me in contact with many other communities in our area. It has made me begin to understand how the County and City government organizations function. It is my experience that by building alliances with other communities, we can be effective in having a real voice in the changes that will happen due to growth. We have had some successes with Bay Village and the Hillsmere Plan ... let's see what else we can do about Forest Drive.

Recently, I was appointed to the board. By being on the board, my role will strengthen our community's position in this arena. I intend to continue to keep people informed on these issues, to build alliances inside the community and with other communities and hope to get more residents involved.



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GARDEN CLUB



The Garden Club will meet on Monday, November 19 at the Eastport/Annapolis Neck Library. Our program for the day will be a presentation by flower arranger Carol Breza, former longtime owner of a flower shop in Alexandria, Virginia. There will be a brief social/refreshment time at 12:30 pm and the program will begin at 1:00 pm. Hope to see you there!

After our busy schedules with the holiday preparations and decorating around our homes, community and Hammond Harwood House, we will meet for a relaxing Christmas luncheon on Wednesday, December 19th.

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

TOY DRIVE IN HILLSMERE

This year's "Santa Run" sponsored by the Annapolis Firefighters Union will pick up presents at the Hillsmere pool on Sunday, December 9, at 6:30 pm. Please bring the kids to see Santa and bring a wrapped present with a tag on it with age and gender of present. To see other communities involved, go to www.annapolissantarun.com. For more information, contact Kurt Beall at 410-507-4797 or heroespub@aol.com.



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ANNAPOLIS NECK PENINSULA FEDERATION

Annapolis Neck Road Development: 157 homes proposed (This development is only in the planning stages. You will be updated with further developments on this and other developments along Forest Drive.

The following is a report from the October 18 Annapolis Planning Commission ...

We attended last night's public work session of the Annapolis Planning Commission on the development plans for the 60 acre Old Annapolis Neck Road property (SW corner of Hillsmere Road and Forest Drive). This property was annexed March 14, 2005. The concept is for 157 homes. Two-thirds will be single-family residences; one-third, condos. As you enter, a road circles around the property with a forest in the center. The single-family residences are on the western (Annapolis Overlook, Hunt Meadow), southern edge (QW Park) and eastern edge (Hillsmere Shopping Center) and in the middle; condos are on the northern edge (Forest Drive). Homes are the typical Georgian colonial, 2-car garage. The only automobile entrance is onto Forest Drive at approximately where the current entrance is to the community. A pedestrian walkway is proposed to connect to Hillsmere Road. There is no pedestrian/auto connection to Annapolis Overlook condos, Hunt Meadow, or to the south to Harness Creek View Road. Most of the forest will be destroyed, though the developer and the Planning Commissioner did make an effort to conserve or replant some of the forest. There is a fine 30' buffer around the property. The storm water pond would be within the forest in the center of the development. Our major concerns should be forest conservation and traffic. We should work to cut the density down to whatever is appropriate for forest conservation and traffic. Also discussed was that we pressure the County and the State to protect the forests from destruction and the roads from congestion. Our sense is that whatever happens here will rebound to the Katherine Properties development (600+ homes).

Here is a viewpoint from one Annapolis Neck Road resident ...

Some pertinent information to share about the October 18 meeting with the City's Planning Commission on the Annapolis Neck Road subdivision. It is a WORK SESSION, which means that the public is invited to come listen, but will not be giving testimony like we do at a public hearing. They will be discussing some preliminary design issues for the development, early stages, nothing finalized at all. Regarding the possible connection of Annapolis Neck Road to Hillsmere Drive — this idea appears unlikely to occur. The developer was not pushing this idea, it was the City's desire to provide this connection, and they seem to be backing off of this proposal. Please consider that this already developed parcel (low density currently) is ripe for redevelopment and is walkable to key community features such as the library, park, restaurants, convenience stores, laundry, etc. Consider that this development will be the first one to provide workforce housing for purchase in the City. We decry the lack of affordable housing for our police, teachers, etc. There will actually be 16-17 homes in this development set aside for workforce housing. The traffic issue is a big one and will have to be solved with input to the City.

The Annapolis Neck Peninsula Federation has many battles to fight to protect the area we live in. Please consider making a donation. Donation checks should be made payable to:

Annapolis Neck Peninsula Federation

**Send payment to: ANPF c/o HSIA
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Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association

Membership Application

Payment of \$10.00 dues allows one voting member per household. Additional voting memberships require payment of an additional \$10.00 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.** Attach 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	Additional Membership (add \$10.00)
Name(s): _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	
Phone: Day: _____ Eve: _____	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		\$ 10.00	
Additional Membership		\$ 10.00	
Dingy Rack Storage (By Assignment Only)		\$ 30.00	
Boat Ramp Key (Member)		\$ 40.00	
Boat Ramp Key (Non-Member)		\$ 60.00	
Boat Park Key (By Assignment Only)		\$ 65.00	
Boat Slip Fee (Slip # _____)			
		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:
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Did You:

<input type="checkbox"/> Attach vehicle registration forms?	<input type="checkbox"/> Attach proof of residency (non-owners)?
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PIERS & HARBORS NEWS

A View from the Harbor



It is with great anticipation and optimism I write to you, this first time as your new Piers and Harbors Chairman. Please let me introduce myself. My name is Mark Jones. For those of you who already know me, well you can skip the next few sentences. For the rest of you, I have lived in Hillsmere since 1966 when I moved here with my parents. Growing up in Hillsmere, I have seen many changes in our community to include the growth of, dare I say, the best community marina in Annapolis. Well, enough about me. There are many things that we need to accomplish over the coming year, so let's start with taking a look back for a moment before we look forward.

As you may know, Tom Anton decided to pass the Dock Lines to a new Chairman. To Tom, I want to say THANK YOU for a job well done and for all his dedication and service to Hillsmere and Piers and Harbors. Looking forward or towards the Bow in nautical terms — Believe it or not, winter is on its way. With the end of the boating season approaching, there are a few housekeeping items that I want to address concerning our Marina.

- The WATER at the Marina will be shut off and lines drained on or about NOVEMBER 15.
- All water hoses must be detached from the hose bibs and either rolled and attached to the piling or removed from the pier.
- All dock lines should be removed from the pilings if you are removing your boat from your slip for the winter. If your boat is remaining in water for the winter, all dock lines MUST be neatly tied so to not hang in the water. DOCK LINES LEFT FOR THE WINTER THAT ARE HANGING IN THE WATER WILL BE REMOVED AND DISPOSED OF.
- The Sewage Pump Station will be winterized on or about NOVEMBER 15.
- The port-a-potty will be removed on October 28 for the winter season.

The Slip Wait List, Slip Upgrade List and Current Slip Holders List are now up to date and will be added to the Piers and Harbors web pages as soon as possible.

I would like to ask for volunteers to take on one week of marina security duty. This consists of locking the gate after dark each evening and one walk through of the marina during your week, to note lights that need replacing or anything else you may notice that requires attention. Dean Montgomery heads up the security committee and can be contacted via email at marina@hillsmershores.net. In the future, we will be adding the volunteer schedule to the Piers and Harbors web page. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions concerning the marina rules or volunteering for marina security.

Now, thinking ahead to next year and COME AND GET IT DAY, a friendly reminder: Every February, all SLIP HOLDERS, current and new, will be asked to submit photo copies of their boat title, current Maryland boat registration or USCG Documentation, and boat insurance policy (including a minimum \$100,000 liability coverage). ALL of these documents must bear the slip holder's name. If these documents bear more than one name, the slip holder must submit a notarized statement, provided by HSIA, signed by all individuals listed on the boat title, stating

that the named Hillsmere residents own a minimum of 50% interest in the boat. These documents must be submitted along with the slip rent payment. No payments will be accepted without the required documents. Any payment that cannot be accepted by March 30 due to lack of any of these documents may result in the loss of the slip.

All slip holders, current and new, and all members of the Slip Wait List must be current members of HSIA. This means that you must maintain a current HSIA membership throughout the time that you hold a marina slip or have your name entered on the Slip Wait List. Lack of HSIA membership will result in being dropped from the Slip Wait List, so please make sure you are a member. Additionally, **Slip Wait List members will be required to sign up EVERY YEAR for the Wait List.** Failure to renew membership on the Slip Wait List by Come And Get It Day will result in loss of current position on the Slip Wait List.

Piers and Harbors Fees for the coming year:

Dinghy Rack	\$35 per year	\$5 per year increase
Ramp	\$40 per year	NO CHANGE
Boat Park	\$75 per year	\$10 per year increase
Slip Rental	2% increase	

Please try to attend Come And Get It Day and take care of your slip rental payments and slip wait list re-registration at that time. Come And Get It Day is the easiest and best way to make sure that you comply with the rules and guarantee your continued slip privileges.

Marina Rules that apply to slip payments, reassignments, and wait list changes can be found on the Piers and Harbors web page under the Marina Rules Link or the left of the page.

I look forward to serving as the Piers and Harbors Chairman and look to you my neighbors to assist with Piers and Harbors. In the next few months, I will be looking for Hillsmere residents to participate on the Marina Rules Committee to review and ensure that the current rules serve the needs and best interests of the community.

PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING THE PIERS AND HARBORS COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD EVERY 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE KEY SCHOOL SCIENCE AND LIBRARY CENTER.

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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.
4. Mail to HSIA, P.O. Box 3485, Annapolis, MD 21403

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ITEMS OF INTEREST & FYI

The Hillsmere community is having a "Get to Know Your Hillsmere Women Owned Businesses" day November 17, from 9 am to 12 noon. It will give the women of Hillsmere an opportunity to exhibit their products or services to the other women of Hillsmere as well as the mothers of Key School students.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

All the women of Hillsmere should attend. If you are a women that owns her own business, runs their husbands' business, partners in a business, is an independent consultant or subcontractors, you should consider becoming a vendor.

WHY SHOULD YOU CONSIDER BEING A VENDOR?

There are over 1200 homes in Hillsmere and Key School has a typical class size of 16 to 18 with 111-faculty members. This means your business has the potential of reaching hundreds of women for just \$10. I cannot even begin to measure the potential return on this \$10 investment.

I quickly calculated that 75% of my new business came from referrals made by women and 79% of my clients had the women of the house do the initial interview. If you would like to see more statistics how women's purchasing decision influences the market you can click on the link below or research the web using the search words "percentage of purchasing decisions made by women"

http://www.businessweek.com/bwdaily/dnflash/feb2005/nf20050214_9413_db_082.htm

WHY ALL WOMEN OF HILLSMERE SHOULD ATTEND:

I believe this is not only a wonderful marketing opportunity, but also the first step in developing a sense of community among the women in Hillsmere. There is a level of integrity and security that can be found doing business with your neighbors over strangers or an impersonal large corporation. So why not come out, meet your neighbor, and support the women of Hillsmere.

In addition, some vendors will be offering incentives to their neighbors that they will not offer to others.

REGISTRATION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Vendors and attendees should RSVP via email to either Co-Chairs Kathy McFadden kmcfadden@fashinfitformula.com and Dr. Tara Creamer, D.D.S tjens001@aol.com or call 410-330-8432 for additional information.

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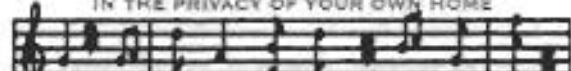
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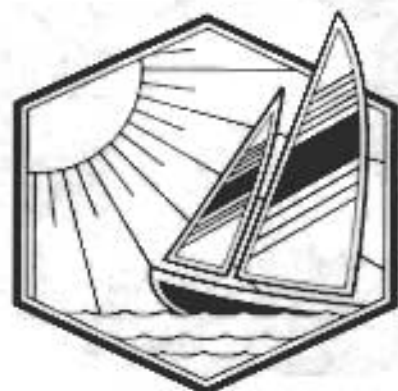
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18	19 Garden Club	20	21	22 Thanksgiving Day	23	24
25	26	27	28	29 HSIA Board Meeting	30 <i>Sea Breeze</i> deadline	



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