

the *Sea Breeze*

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Neighborhood Students head back to school

Fall is here and Students are headed back to School. The pool is closed, the leaves are starting to fall, and neighborhood children are lining up for buses. As the school year gets underway, please watch for our students as they travel to and from schools and bus stops.

Be sure to check out the School News and Local Events section on page 17 in this issue of *the Sea Breeze*. This regular feature details upcoming events at the numerous schools and other organizations in our community, such as the public library and Quiet Waters Park.

And remember, summer may be over, but there is still plenty of community fun coming our way. See inside this issue for upcoming events this fall.



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President's Message

~ *Christian Elkington, President*



Welcome Aboard

As we announced last month, Nancy Fulton, who was elected Treasurer last November, reluctantly had to resign. Our bylaws provide that in the event of a Board vacancy, the Board will appoint someone to fill the unexpired term. This was done at our July meeting. While we were all sad to see Nancy go, we could not have found a more capable replacement than Suzanne Martin. Suzanne brings enthusiasm, a keen eye for detail, and a ready smile to her new position. Welcome aboard Suzanne!

Last Chance

Sunday, September 22st is the Autumn Equinox as the Sun crosses the equator officially ending summer and ushering in autumn. To maximize the days of summer, the Annual Pig Roast has been moved from its traditional October date and is scheduled for Saturday, September 21st, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Community Beach. A whole roast pig, chicken, and beef briskets are only three of the items that will come out of the smoker. Bring a chair, a side to share, a beverage to drink and an appetite.

While you are there be sure to thank Chuck Graves and Mark Jones, our Masters of Pit BBQ, and Noel Gasparin and Kevin Green, who each year stay up all night cooking and preparing for the crowds and staying for the inevitable cleanup. While you are thanking people be sure to look around and tip your glass, be it milk or something stronger, to the members of HSIA whose dues make these events possible.

Not a member? We could use your participation in the community and of course your dues. It is only \$16 and goes to a worthy cause – your community.

School is Back

Recently we have had a number of complaints about residents and non-residents alike speeding, passing slower cars on our narrow residential streets, running stop signs, and in general exhibiting rude and potentially dangerous behavior that endangers themselves, dog walkers, bike riders and most importantly our children on the way to and from school.

Each weekday our children walk to and wait at multiple locations throughout the community for their school bus. Each morning numerous vehicles are seen driving too fast past these locations. Please slow down, stop talking or texting, and keep everyone safe. A reminder – the speed limit on all Hillsmere roads is 25 MPH, except for Hillsmere Drive, where it is 30 MPH.

Election – Candidates Wanted

This November we will be electing the seven General Members of the HSIA Board of Directors. A number of our current Directors have decided that after many years of service to the community they will not be running for reelection. This is both a loss and an opportunity - a loss that their talent and experience will no longer be available to the Board and the community, and an opportunity to bring a new set of talents to the management of our community. I encourage anyone with interest in serving on the Board to consider running.

(President's Comments, continued from page 2)

Your interest in running for office should be submitted to Ted Sheppard, Chair of the Nominations Committee (Nominations@hillsmereshores.net) no later than September 30, 2013 and should include a statement of your intention to run for the Board of Directors, a brief statement of your qualifications, and your objectives for the next two years should you be elected. Candidates' statements will be published in the October Sea Breeze.

In the past the candidates' statements were the only exposure they had to the larger community. Residents had no opportunity to ask questions or solicit the candidates' views on specific issues until the night of the election after most of us had already cast our ballots. This year we will be holding the Second Annual Meet the Candidates Night on Thursday, October, 24th at 7 p.m., Katherine Hall, Key School. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

Election to the Board requires an investment of your time, but offers the opportunity to create a better Hillsmere.

Run for Shelter Half Marathon –Sunday - September 29th

Each year Hillsmere selectively sponsors a limited number of fund raising events for local causes. In September, for the fourth year, Hillsmere roads will be part of the annual Friends of the Lighthouse half marathon to raise funds for the Lighthouse Shelter in Annapolis. Complete information on the event can be found at www.runforthelighthouse.com.

Upcoming Dates To Remember:

- General Meeting: Sept. 12 at 7 p.m.
- Happy Hour/Pig Roast: Sept. 21 at 4 p.m.
- HSIA Board Meeting: Sept. 26 at 7 p.m.
- Run for Shelter: Sept. 29th
- Piers & Harbor Mtg: Oct. 8 at 7 p.m.
- Meet the Candidates: October 24 at 7 p.m.



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HSIA Community News and Events

~ Jean Somers, HSIA Administrator



Happy Hour and Pig Roast – Saturday, September 21, 4-7 p.m. at the



Beach. This time we'll be smoking up a feast of roast pig, brisket, and chicken. As always, bring a side dish to share, your lawn chairs, and a favorite beverage and enjoy the company of your neighbors and our scenic view of the Bay. The last Happy Hour of the season will be at the Marina on Saturday, October 12.

Fall Yard Sale – Just in time for Fall cleaning. Empty out your basements, closets and attics and bring your items to the beach for our Fall yard sale. The sale is scheduled for Saturday, September 28, from 8 am to noon with a rain date of Saturday, October 5. Space is on a first come, first served basis. No reservations are required. Please set up your tables on the grassy areas, not on the parking lot.



Residents are responsible for cleanup of their area. Please remember to take home your leftovers. Don't fill the trash cans at the beach with unsold items. Many residents "piggy-back" on the community sale and have yard sales at their homes. Please take a little extra time and bring your items to the beach. It's a great way to meet your neighbors and it helps contain the crowd in one area, which also helps with the sale of everyone's treasures. Thanks in advance!

The Annapolis Run For Shelter will take place in our community on Sunday, September 29. This is a scenic run along the trails of Quiet Waters Park and a Half Marathon through Hillsmere Shores. The Race starts at 7:30 am and is well-organized, with little disruption to our community. Half Marathon runners will make one clockwise loop through Hillsmere, and then return to the Park to finish the race. For more information or to participate in the run, visit <http://www.friendslhs.org/>.



Meet the Candidates Night on Thursday, October, 24th at 7 p.m., Katherine Hall, Key School. Come out to meet the candidates for the HSIA Board of Directors. Seven new officers positions are open for election this year. Elections are in November.

Halloween Parade – Save the date for our annual Halloween parade, October 27, at 1 p.m. More info will be in the October issue of *the Sea Breeze*.

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HSIA Board Nominations

~ Ted Shepherd, Nominations Committee Chair



Calling all Candidates for the HSIA Board of Directors

Is your Inner Public Servant yearning to be fed? You will have to defer your political callings if they are on the national stage, because elections for the Senate and House of Representatives are only in even-numbered years. However, recalling that former Speaker of the House, Tip O'Neil, said, "All politics is local," we have seven local races. That lucky number applies to the seven offices on the Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association Board of Directors.

For just a moment, dwell upon the third word in HSIA's name: **Improvement**. There are more than 1,200 homes in Hillsmere. The organization has a budget exceeding \$200,000; a permanent friend and neighbor, Key School; a wonderful bay-front park, marina, and swimming pool; and a calendar of events that includes everything from the Fourth of July to the Burning of the Socks. Relationships, resources, recreational activities--along with the normal requirements rarely noticed, but crucial to keeping our village rolling along--all need oversight. And this Board of Directors, your board, provides it under a banner that reads **Improvement**. If something didn't work well before, improve it. If it did work well, is there any way we can make it work better?

You've got ideas. And you probably have thoughts about improving things. These are needed, always.

The pay off? Aside from the gratitude and respect of several thousand people, you will improve your intellectual muscle by analyzing the myriad decisions that come to the board, polish your public speaking as you discuss with other members the particulars of the decisions, and generally get an education on how your larger home, Hillsmere Shores, operates.

Turning your Public Service dream into reality is as simple as sending an email to nominations@hillsmershores.net. Provide us with:

1. Your name,
2. A statement that you have paid your 2013 dues (and make sure you have, for this will be checked),
3. A few words about (a.) what you hope to do as a board member, and (b.) why you believe you are qualified to do it.

Along with biographies offered by other candidates, your information will run in the October issue of the *Sea Breeze*. The HSIA General Election will take place November 14. In the meantime, you can go about handshaking, smiling more often than usual, kissing babies, and otherwise preparing for the duties of public office. We await the chance to become your constituents.

Regular Meeting of the HSIA Board of Directors
Meeting Summary
August 26, 2013

(Please go to www.hillsmereshorers.net to read complete meeting minutes)

Board Members/Officers in attendance: Christian Elkington, TJ Hurlburt, Ray Sullivan, Suzanne Martin, Helene Raven, Kathy McFadden

The following motions were approved by a majority of the Directors present:

Piers & Harbors, Presented by T.J. Hurlburt, P&H Chair

Motion 1: TJ Hurlburt motioned the board approve the HSIA Marina Boat Slip Permit Rev-00 as distributed. Ray Sullivan seconded the motion. Discussion. Vote taken – unanimously approved (President non-voting member).

Motion 2: TJ Hurlburt motioned the Board approve the Marina Rules and Regulations Rev-00 as presented to the Board. Kathy McFadden seconded the motion. Discussion and revisions made. TJ Hurlburt withdrew motion. Kathy McFadden motioned the Board approve the Marina Rules and Regulations Rev-00 as amended contingent upon an email vote to confirm the accuracy of the changes. Suzanne Martin seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved (President non-voting member).



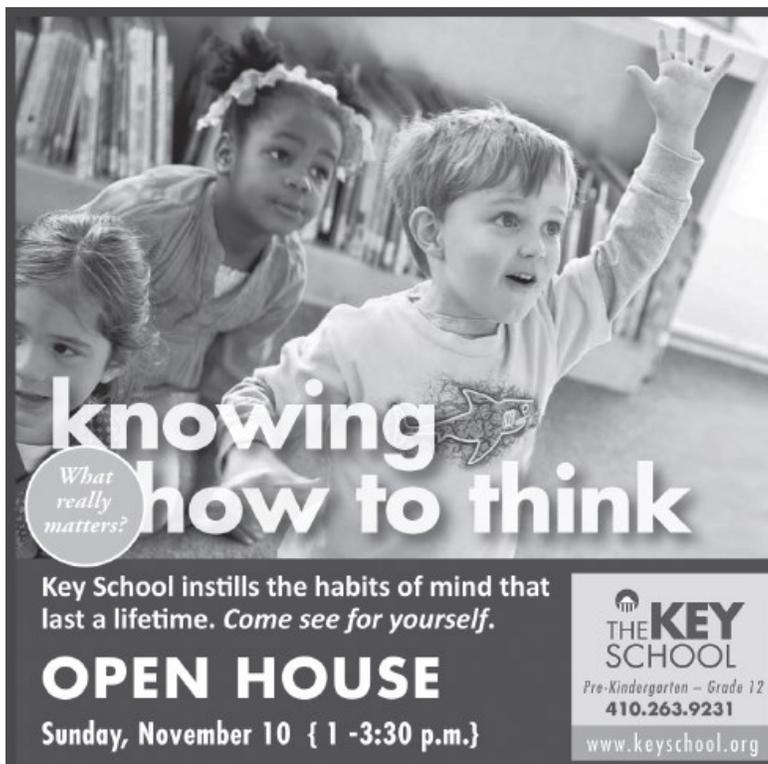
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New! Hillsmere eCommunity now on BigTent!

We have a new website for Hillsmere residents to network, stay up to date with community and local happenings, participate in groups/committees, and even sell or give stuff away!

The Mom and Dad's group has been on BigTent for almost 2 years. In that time we have received requests to create a broader, community-wide site for Hillsmere. In response, we now have a general Hillsmere Community site, on BigTent, with the following subgroups:

- ⇒ Hillsmere Moms & Dads,
- ⇒ Hillsmere Pool,
- ⇒ Hillsmere Running Group,
- ⇒ Hillsmere Security, and
- ⇒ Hillsmere Recreation Planning.

We are exploring the possibilities of adding other subgroups, and are open to ideas!

Subgroups can easily communicate with one email address for the entire group, share a group calendar, pictures, files, and have the associated history for all of that information.

If you would like to be added as a member to the Hillsmere BigTent website, please email Lori Hogbin: Lorilei5@outlook.com.



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Entertainment Committee

Now that September is here....it's time to start thinking about the fun fall activities. Keep in mind the Hillsmere Halloween Parade!! It is held the Sunday before Halloween, so mark your calendars and save the date for October 27.

In years past, our big and little goblins have paraded from the Key School parking lot to the Beach showing of their fun, pretty, spooky, scary costumes to the delight of all. At the beach several awards are given out and the kids get cupcakes and playtime with friends.

If you want to help with this fun and exciting event, which is relatively easy to plan, please contact Nuala O'Leary at entertainment @hillsmershores.net.

ALSO, please note the Community Picnic was cancelled due to the beach construction. We apologize for having to do this, but please plan on a fun bash next summer.



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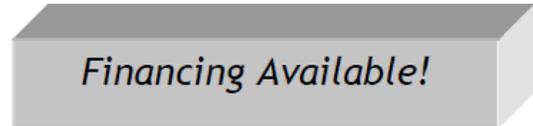
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Hillsmere Garden Club

~ Paulette Schwallenberg, President



The Hillsmere Garden Club will meet on September 18, 2013 at 12:30 p.m. at the Annapolis Neck Library. This meeting will be the start off gathering of members, new members and guests. Members are asked to bring a Flower Arrangement in their favorite vase or container. The flowers can be fresh, artificial or dried. We will have refreshments and a formal meeting to start the year.

The new slate of officers for the year 2013-2014 are: President, Paulette Schwallenberg; Vice President, Katie Berry; Treasurer, Barbara Brady; Recording Secretary, Jean Koehler; Corresponding Secretary, Clare Davison; and Hostess Chairman, Sam Hewett. We look forward to an exciting time that all should enjoy.

The club meets on the third Wednesday of the month, unless we have special workshops or planned field trips. If you have any questions regarding the club, please call, Paulette Schwallenberg at 410-268-5975.



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Piers & Harbor News

~ T.J. Hurlburt, P&H Chair



Current Events

Summer is at an end, although fall is one of the best times of the year for sailing and I look forward to another couple of months sailing. The Steering committee has completed authoring a new “Slip Permit,” which was approved by the Board at the August Board meeting. This document is also reflected in the Marina Rules, which was also approved at the Board meeting. These two documents, along with the rest of the official Marina documents, are now being configuration controlled with revision numbers and stored on a cloud drive repository. Hopefully this will tightly control ownership of these important documents.

The Operations committee fixed a water pressure problem on the main dock and has several other on-going projects. However, due to the cost of the pier replacement project there isn’t much money this year, so there has been much focus on documentation of the infrastructure.

Recently there have been a number of complaints about dogs not being on leashes at the marina and the sand spit. Please be considerate and understand, regardless of how friendly you may think that your dog is, not everyone is a dog lover.

Towing

Towing of non-stickered, non-guest-tagged vehicles was approved by the HSIA Board at the July Board meeting. Currently, a towing contract is being worked out and should be in place in the near future. While it is late for this season, it positions us well for next year. As a reminder, the towing issue has been discussed at the P&H committee level, at the Hillsmere General meeting level, and at the Board level. At all levels, and with little exception, a towing policy has been supported and encouraged. Recall that in the recent past, Blue Guard security has written several hundred citations to drivers with a car on the dock without a HSIA sticker or guest pass. However, it appears the repeat offenders aren’t getting the message.

Security Cameras

With the completion of the dock reconstruction project, all three security cameras are fully functional. These cameras are day/night (IR/low light) cameras and record 24-hours a day.

(P&H Report continued on page 11)

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(Piers & Harbors Report, continued from page 10)

Waitlists

The links on the P&H section of the HSIA website for waitlist are out of date – so out of date that they are largely meaningless. This needs to change. We are working on rolling out a new way to allow the link to show the waitlists in real time. This is being tested now, and if successful, will be rolled out for all wait lists. Please be patient.

Boat Park

A rate increase is being evaluated for the Boat Park spaces. Currently, we pay more for maintenance than the Park takes in for fees. I expect this rate increase to go into effect next season.

A Time of Transition

At the August P&H meeting I announced my intention to step down as P&H Chair. After 2 years of work rebuilding and restructuring the P&H committee, I feel that now is an appropriate time to begin the process of transitioning to new leadership. The transition plan is still being worked out and (hopefully) will become a model for future HSIA committee chairs successions. The process of a planned turnover will begin no earlier than October 8, 2013 (the October P&H meeting) and I am prepared to stay on as late as January 1, 2014. After all, there are still a few things I want to get done before passing the helm.

At my first P&H meeting I mentioned two guiding principles: Many hands make light work – and from that the subcommittees were started; and to build a deliberate, structured framework that would not suffer a drastic setback as personnel changes occur, including the chair. It is clear that it takes a village to keep the Marina running and I have been fortunate to be surrounded by dedicated volunteers and a very supportive wife who has been involved from behind the scenes all the while.

If you are or if you know someone who is interested in taking over as P&H chair, please email both myself (marina@hillsmereshores.net) and Christian (president@hillsmereshores.net) for consideration.

New Committee Volunteers Needed

Rack Committee Chair - Michael Burke is stepping down as the Rack Committee chairperson. I'd like to thank him for all of his effort over the last two years.

We are looking for new volunteers to help on the following sub-committees. Each committee meets at a time and place that works for those committee members. Many hands make light work, so please consider helping out.

The Operations committee is looking for 1-2 extra hands – specifically during daytime hours. They can be reached by email at marinaoperations@hillsmereshores.net or by emailing the P&H chair at marina@hillsmereshores.net.

P&H Meeting Time & Place

The main P&H monthly meeting is held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the Key School Science Center, Room 102.

Hillsmere Community Pool



~ Mike Drucis and Shannon Frece, Pool Co-Chairs

The pool is now closed for the season! We had a fun filled season with family and friends; too bad it had to end so soon. I want to thank all the pool members who joined the pool, as well the people who have volunteered to help make the pool a fun and enjoyable place to go. Without these volunteers the pool could not function.

Here are some key items the pool committee is working on in the off season.

- ~ Reviewing pool rules,
- ~ Reviewing membership,
- ~ Budget
- ~ Maintenance items,
- ~ Reviewing pool contracts,

Next “Clean up” Day – Date to be announce, but plan for it to be at the end of September or early October at the pool from 10 am to 1 pm. These are things we’d like to finish at the next Clean up day to close the pool. Any help would be appreciated!

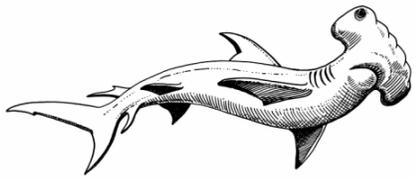
- ~ Clean shed out to store pool equipment
- ~ Press wash deck and drainage channels
- ~ Inventory furniture and other pool items
- ~ Work on lawn areas
- ~ Organize storage room
- ~ Turn off water and drain water boilers

Joining the Pool Committee is Easy! Email us at pool@hillsmereshores.net. Meetings are the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7pm at Key School (Science and Library Building)

Volunteers Needed – We are so excited about the enormous interest in the pool committee. We’d love to have even more volunteers to help with some positions in our sub-committees. Many of these positions involve a nominal amount of time. Please let us know how you can help!

Looking forward to next year!





Swim Team News

Congratulations, Hammerheads !



Congratulations to all of our swimmers... You came out every day to swim your best. Thank you to our team organizers and coaches for being there every day to help our swimmers have a great season. And, thank you to all the parents who supported our team and helped to keep the meets running smoothly.

Our Senior Splash Awards:

Joshua Dennis, Kellen McMahon, Brandon Peters

Most Improved Swimmers...

6 & Under: Girl - Anna Schneider; Boy - Max Penn;
7-8: Girl - Kaelyn Medine; Boy - Michael Levett;
9-10: Girl - Sabrina Penn; Boy: Azzam Islam;
11-12: Girl - Grace DiBerardinis; Boy Chris Jennings;
13-14: Girl - Anna McCaffery; Boy: August Duplechain;
15-18: Girl - Becca White

Coaches' Award

Jayce Maxwell, Gus Moore, Brandon Harris, Emma Levett, Jake Bugenhagen

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*HSIA Storm Water Committee
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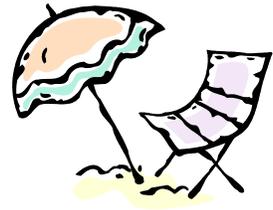
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<p>* Indicates Evergreen Plant descriptions obtained from Wildpeds and MOBOT</p>																											
Canopy Trees																											
American Beech	FIP	M	50-100' x 50-75'	x	x						x	x											3 gal.	10'+	\$18.00		
<p>A shade-tolerant species typically found on moist, well drained slopes and rich bottomlands. The mast (crop of nuts) provides food for numerous species of animals and American Beech trees are used as food plants by the larvae of a large number of butterflies and moths. Foliage turns golden bronze in fall and tends to persist on the tree through winter.</p>																											
Chesnut/Basket Oak	F	MW	50-80' x 75-100'	x							x												1 gal.	Tube	\$11.00		
<p>Chesnut oak is typically found in bottomlands, along streams, and in rich, moist forests. It is a relatively fast growing, large tree in the white oak family with a compact, relatively narrow, rounded crown. Chesnut-like foliage turns red/brown in the fall.</p>																											
Bald Cypress	FIP	W	50-100' x 20-30'	x							x												3 gal.	3-4'	\$18.00		
<p>Most Bald Cypress grow on flat ground on alluvial soils, mainly along riparian (riverside) wetlands normally subject to periodic flooding. It tolerates minor salinity but does not grow in brackish water. In cultivation it thrives on a range of soils including well-drained sites. It is a popular ornamental tree, grown for its feathery foliage and orange-brown fall color.</p>																											
Small to Medium Trees																											
River Birch	FIP	MW	20-30'	x							x												3 gal.	3-4'	\$18.00		
<p>Often with multiple trunks, the distinctive bark is variable, usually gray to pinkish-brown and scaly, exfoliating in curly papery sheets, making it a favored ornamental tree for landscape use. While its native habitat is wet ground, it will grow on higher land. Yellowish fall color.</p>																											
Eastern Redbud	FIS	DM	20-30'	x							x												3 gal.	3-3'	\$18.00		
<p>A popular landscape ornamental tree with clusters of magenta flowers appearing on bare stems in early spring. Eastern redbud is a frequent native understorey tree in mixed forests, hedgerows and roadsides. Heart shaped leaves turn bright yellow in autumn.</p>																											
Flowering Dogwood	NDW	P	DM	20-30' x 20-30'	x	x					x	x											3 gal.	3-3'	\$18.00		
<p>Flowering dogwood is a small deciduous tree growing to 30' high, often wider than it is tall when mature. In the wild they can typically be found at the forest edge. Small flowers surrounded by four conspicuous, large white bracts typically bloom in April to early May. Clusters of small drupes open in late summer and the early fall to a bright red. They are an important food source for dozens of species of birds.</p>																											
American Holly*	FIS	M	15-30' x 18-40'	x							x												3 gal.	3-4'	\$24.00		
<p>A slow growing ornamental plant, it will grow in both dry and swampy soil. The species typically grows as an understorey tree in forests. Songbirds including thrushes, mockingbirds, catbirds, bluebirds and titmice frequently feed on the red berries. The tree also forms a thick canopy which offers protection for birds from predators and storms.</p>																											
Sweetbay Magnolia	FIS	MW	20'	x							x	x											3 gal.	2-5'	\$18.00		
<p>An attractive multi-stemmed tree often used in horticultural applications to give structure to landscape designs. It is known for its large, white, vanilla scented flowers, for its clean, attractive foliage, and for its fast growth.</p>																											
Medium Shrubs																											
Summersweet	FIS	MW	6-8'	x	x						x	x											3 gal.	24-30"	\$18.00		
<p>Typically used as a shrub for natural gardens, or placed alongside a stream or pond in order to delay erosion. It grows in wet forests, pine flatwoods, wetlands, bogs and can be seen alongside woodland streams. The flowers are white or very pale pink with a sweet fragrance from July until September. Foliage turns yellow-golden during the autumn.</p>																											
Silly Dogwood	NDW	FIP	MW	6-12'	x	x					x	x											3 gal.	3-3'	\$18.00		
<p>A multi-stemmed shrub/small tree with an open-rounded form. Yellow-white flowers in flat-topped clusters bloom in late spring that give way to attractive whitish-blue drupes that ripen in late summer (birds are attracted to the fruit). Good shrub for moist to wet areas of the landscape in woodlands, naturalized areas, along streams/ponds or for erosion control. When left alone, this shrub may spread to form thickets.</p>																											
Inkberry*	FIS	DM	4-8'	x	x						x	x											3 gal.	18-30"	\$18.00		
<p>A slow-growing, upright-rounded evergreen shrub easily grown in average, medium to wet soils in full sun to part shade. Prefers rich, consistently moist, acidic soils in full sun. Good shade tolerance. Needs minimal pruning unless used as a hedge. Also effective naturalized in moist woodland gardens or in moist locations near streams or ponds.</p>																											
Winterberry	FIP	M	6'	x	x						x	x											5 gal.	3+	\$21.00		
<p>A deciduous holly is prized for the midwinter splash of bright red color from densely packed berries, which are highly visible on bare stems. Although wet acidic soils are optimal, the winterberry will grow well in the average garden. At least one male plant must be planted in proximity to one or more females for them to bear fruit. The berries are an important food resource for numerous species of birds. One male plant will be included with order.</p>																											
Southern Bayberry*	FIP	DM	6-12'	x							x	x											3 gal.	18-34"	\$18.00		
<p>A small tree or large shrub and is adaptable to many habitats. It grows naturally in wetlands, near flowing bodies of water, sand dunes, fields, hillside, pine barrens, and in both needleleaf and mixed-broadleaf forests. The fruit is a source of food for a lot of bird species. In winter, the seeds are important foods for the Carolina Wren and species of Tree Sparrow.</p>																											
Small Shrubs																											
Virginia Sweetopine	FIS	MW	3-4'	x	x						x	x											3 gal.	3-4'	\$18.00		
<p>Easily grown in average, medium to wet, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. Adaptable to shade. Prefers moist, humusy soils, but tolerates a wide range of soil conditions. Versatile shrub for sunny or shady areas of the shrub border or woodland garden. Leaves turn an attractive red in autumn.</p>																											

Plants indicated as Deer Resistant are less likely to be damaged by deer browsing. Deer will eat anything if they are hungry enough.

From the Beach ...

~ Kate Penn, Beach Chair



Shoreline Remediation Project:

I sincerely apologize for misjudging the start of the shoreline construction at the beach. I realize that by announcing the start in July, and then again in August, many residents were in the difficult situation of relocating parties they would have liked to have at the beach. It also completely derailed the planning for our Community Picnic. For that I am truly sorry, as I know how many people enjoy the beach during those fabulous summer months.

The permits for the project are still in review by Anne Arundel County. Although there have not been any major obstacles, the process is lengthy and the reviewers often require alterations so we can better protect the bay during construction. In our case, the reviewers had several concerns that required minor changes to the construction process, but not to the actual design. Our engineer, Near Shore Engineering, has made the changes and resubmitted the application. I hesitate to propose another start date, but will try to provide plenty of notification before the actual start of construction. Look for it sometime this fall!

Operation Clean Water, Summer 2013: The South River Federation (SRF) provides weekly testing of the microbial water quality for communities on the South River. The water sampling counts the level of fecal contamination in the water, and helps us gauge how safe the water is for swimming. If the levels exceed 104 cfu/100 ml, the water is not safe for swimming. Water quality reports are available on the SRF website, at <http://www.southernriverfederation.net>. This is the last report for the summer.

2013 South River Federation Bacteria Test Results

Date Sample Taken	5/22	5/29	6/5	6/12	6/19	6/26	7/2	7/10	7/17	7/24	7/31	8/7	8/14	8/22	8/28
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School News & Local Events



❖ **Hillsmere Elementary School Fall Fun Fair & Silent Auction**

Save the Date! Saturday, November 2nd, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

This annual event is open to the community, and is great fun for all ages. Located at the Hillsmere Elementary School grounds at 3052 Arundel on the Bay Road, Annapolis. The Fair features carnival-style games, face painting, music and inflatables, as well as a fabulous selection of food from local restaurants and a bake sale table. A silent auction and raffle will feature many premium items and a grand prize. Donations for the auction are welcome by contacting kathiann@verizon.net.

❖ **Indian Creek School invites you to visit The Creek!**

The Pre-K - 12th grade school will soon host Open House sessions for all age groups:

- Lower and Middle School, grades PK3-8 - Wednesday, November 6, 2013, 9 - 11 a.m.
- Upper School, grades 9-12 - Sunday, November 17, 2013, 1 - 3 p.m.

Additionally, parents and caregivers are invited to join us for Discovery Days, a series of enrichment events for children ages 2-5 and their parents. These fun, free events for the community offer parents with young children an opportunity to participate in enrichment activities taught by our innovative early childhood specialists. Each Discovery Day will offer an art and science project, a music jam session, a Spanish lesson, a technological exploration, and of course a delicious snack and plenty of play. Parents or caregivers attend and participate with the children. Pre-registration is required, as space is limited. Please visit www.indiancreekschool.org for more information.

❖ **Activities at the Eastport-Annapolis Library:**

- ~ Story Time: for children ages 2-5. Wednesdays, September through October, at 10 a.m.
- ~ Babies in Bloom: for children up to 24 mo. Bring your babies for a half-hour of stories, and songs. Saturdays, September 14 & 28, October 12 & 26, at 10 a.m.
- ~ Crafty Saturday: Saturdays, September through November, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. For elementary school students: Make and take a craft in the Children's area.
- ~ Talk Like a Pirate: Thursday, September 19, 1 - 8 p.m. Avast! Celebrate National Talk Like a Pirate Day with crafts. Costumes and pirate lingo encouraged.
- ~ Help with College Applications: Thursday September 19, October 3 & 17, from 6 - 8 p.m.: Free consult with college English Professor, Seth Forrest; for High School students.
- ~ Teen Origami. Thursday, October 3 at 6:30 p.m.: For 'tweens and teens.
- ~ Make & Take: Tote Bag: Monday October 7, 4 - 6 p.m. For elementary school students: Create a simple tote with local artist and designer, Patricia White.
- ~ Book Buddies Reading Club for Kids: *Ramona the Pest*, by Beverly Cleary; Thursday, October 10 at 4:30 p.m.
- ~ Secrets of the Lighthouse Library: Monday, October 14 at 3:30 p.m. For elementary school students: Lighthouse Librarian, Beth Schmeltzer, shares secrets of reading on the high seas.

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In order for a proxy to be used at an HSIA General meeting floor vote, it must have the following information:

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2. Name of person who will cast the vote.
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4. The particular subject or subjects for which it is valid.

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Mar 28	Jun 27	Sep 26	Dec 19

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Jan 10	May 9	Sep 12
Mar 14	Jul 11	Nov 14

All Board Meetings held at The Key School Science and Library Center
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September, 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8 Grandparent's Day	9	10 P&H mtg	11 Patriot Day	12 General Meeting	13	14 Yom Kippur
15	16	17	18	19 Sukkot	20	21 Happy Hour/ Pig Roast
22 Equinox	23	24	25	26 Board Meeting	27	28 Community Yard Sale
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138 Pinecrest Drive	\$367,500	3	2.5*
609 Hillsmere Drive	\$379,000	4	3
319 Edgemere Drive N	\$379,900	4	2.5
508 Birch Drive	\$449,900	4	3
125 Boyd Drive	\$469,000	5	3
316 Cedar Lane	\$479,900	4	2.5
129 Boyd Drive	\$599,000	4	4
106 Lee Drive	\$599,990	4	4
617 Beach Drive	\$850,000	3	1
155 Bay View Drive E	\$899,000	5	3.5
625 Demyan Drive	\$1,175,000	4	3
125 West Bay View Drive	\$1,985,000	4	3.5

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Homes:	Price:	BR	BA
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