The Sea Breeze

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Heinsohn Contracting, Inc. has completed the reconstruction of the Sunset Drive Boat Ramp and related improvements. Work began in early November and proceeded, with some interruptions due to unusually high tides and rain, until completion by the end of the year. The concrete ramp was poured on December 11th, and the new finger piers were completed on December 19th. A few minor punch-list items remained as of January 8th, including sealing the surface of the parking lot later in the Spring. Photo credits to S. Vanderbosch.

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President's Message

~ Michael J. Waters, HSIA President

Welcome to the combined January/February *Sea Breeze!*

Please join us for Come And Get It Day, in the Barn at Key School, on Saturday, 8 February, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. It is "one stop shopping" for all your Hillsmere needs; renew memberships, pick up car and trailer stickers, purchase boat ramp keys, pay for slip rentals, dinghy rack rentals, boat park storage, pool membership and more... It is the biggest community event of the year. Think of it as a mid-winter mixer to meet neighbors, learn about social and volunteer opportunities, while taking care of all your paperwork. You will find details and forms inside. Hope to see you there.

I am pleased to report that our Special Tax budget has been submitted to the County for review. The annual Special Tax will remain $249 per lot. This money is used to maintain and improve our infrastructure. The major expenses planned for next fiscal year are refurbishing the Hillsmere House at 119 Great Lake Drive and shoreline protection.

The largest infrastructure project for our current fiscal year has just been completed. Steve Vanderbosch and the entire Piers and Harbor Committee are congratulated on rebuilding the Sunset Drive boat ramp. It was a large, complex, multi-year job that involved engineering design, government permits, environmental reviews, and a consensus of several generations of the Board. I look forward to enjoying their good work.

Recently, Jean Somers put together a schedule of our 2020 social events. It is impressive, with something for everyone. Most (but not all) events have volunteer leaders. What we need now is someone to coordinate the leaders. As we go from event to event volunteers are given little support in figuring out their budget and what resources are available to them. Often, they start from scratch. The result is wasted effort, duplication, and frustration. They buy things we already have. For instance, we have nine cans of lighter fluid! Food, coolers, drink dispensers, paper plates, game boards, and bunch more stuff can be shared between groups. The job is not to run our social events, but to provide support for those that do. Our community would be nothing like it is without volunteers. Please let me know at Come And Get It Day if you are interested in helping.

Your will find a number of interesting articles in the remainder of this newsletter. Jane and I have lived here for twenty-two years and we are constantly, and pleasantly, surprised by the level of engagement and insight of our neighbors. We appreciate not everyone has time to volunteer or attend meetings. But we strongly encourage everyone to spend a few minutes reading about their neighborhood.

Please send me your messages with comments, concerns, and questions (president@hillsmereshores.org), or better yet, meet dozens of other volunteers and me at Come And Get It Day.

Warmest Regards,
Michael J. Waters
President HSIA

Please note, all HSIA email extensions have been changed from .net to .org.

HSIA Community News and Events

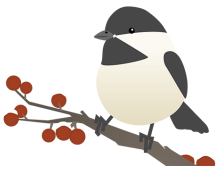
~ Jean Somers, HSIA Administrator

2020 Come And Get It Day – Be sure to attend our 2020 membership drive known as Come And Get It Day. Come And Get It Day will be held on Saturday, February 8, from 10 am to 2 pm in The Barn Commons building at Key School (off of Carroll Drive). Look for more information about Come And Get It Day on page 4 of this issue.

Pool Membership – The pool committee is happy to offer early sign up incentives for the 2020 season. Membership forms and payment received on or before Come and Get It Day (February 8, 2020) will receive two (2) permanent guest cards with Family memberships, and one (1) permanent guest card with Adult memberships. Each guest card is good for the complimentary admittance of one (1) guest per day. Additional day guest passes may also be purchased at the gate for $5 per additional guest. As always, guests must be accompanied by pool members at all times and will not be admitted without the presence of a current member. 2020 Pool Membership forms can be found on the HSIA website and on page 11 of this issue of *the Sea Breeze*.

2020 Hillsmere Recreation Dates – Please see page 18 of this issue for a list of 2020 Recreation and Event dates. Some of these dates may be subject to change, but we wanted to give you a snapshot of the fun events planned for 2020. We will make sure to keep you posted of changes and revisions. If you want to volunteer to help with any of our events, please email admin@hillsmereshores.org or call the voice mail at 410-263-4456. We especially need a volunteer to Chair our Happy Hours and our Community Picnic. Help is always needed and welcomed!

2020 Beach Reservations – The 2020 Beach calendar is open for reservations. To reserve the large pavilion, please contact the Administrator at 410-263-4456 or send an email with the date and time requested to admin@hillsmereshores.org. A refundable $200 security deposit is required. You will need to provide the time and duration of your event. You can reserve the pavilion for the entire day or for as little as two hours. This allows more residents use of the space for parties. Please note that reservations are not final until you receive a confirmation from the HSIA Administrator. If you are serving alcohol at your party, you will need to obtain an Anne Arundel County One-Day Liquor License. Signed application forms for a liquor license must be obtained from HSIA and submitted to the County as least two weeks prior to the event.



Important numbers and emails
AACO Police emergency 911
AACO Police non-emergency 410-222- 8610
Hillsmere Security: security@hillsmereshores.org
HSIA President: president@hillsmereshores.org
Key School liaison: llatimer@keyschool.org
AACO traffic engineer: pwflor11@aacounty.org

Mark Your Calendar

1/30	Board of Directors Meeting
2/4	Piers & Harbors Committee Meeting
2/8	**Come And Get It Day**
2/11	Environmental Committee Meeting
2/27	Board of Directors Meeting

COME AND GET IT DAY

Join us at **The Key School (Barn Commons 2nd floor),** on **Saturday, February 8**, for our annual Hillsmere membership day. Stop by between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm to renew memberships, pick up car and trailer stickers, purchase boat ramp keys, pay for slip rentals, dinghy rack rentals, boat park storage, and pool membership and learn more about the HSIA. Many Board members and committee chairs will be available to answer questions. Please join us at Key School, in The Barn Commons building off of Carroll Drive. Please remember that Come And Get It Day closes promptly at 2:00 pm. Thank you for your understanding.

New in 2020: Dues have increased to $25. All other fees remain the same.

Continuing in 2020: Individual Membership versus Household Membership
When reviewing our bylaws, the Board of Directors discovered that HSIA bylaws allow only for individual, not household, memberships. For this reason, the 2020 Membership form must be completed in the name of one individual, not the name of the household. Additional individual memberships may be added to the membership form for any person age 18 or over residing at the same address. Dues are $25 for each individual membership, and each individual member is entitled to one vote on HSIA matters.

Please remember:

- Photocopy of ALL registrations required: HSIA will give you one sticker for each vehicle and trailer registration you provide along with your membership form. Please attach your photocopy to the HSIA membership form and bring it with you on Come & Get It Day. Or, you can personally show us your registrations that day only.
- Slip Holders: Please remember to bring the slip invoice, Marina Boat Slip Permit, and HSIA membership form to Come And Get It Day, or return all in the mail. You MUST submit all supporting documents listed on your invoice, along with slip payment. PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS.
- Piers & Harbor Slip Waiting List: A onetime, non-refundable fee of $100 is required to be added to the slip waiting list. The fee will be applied to your slip rental when you are assigned a slip.

Pool Early Sign-Up Incentives: The pool is excited to offer incentives for pool memberships purchased on or before Come And Get It Day as follows: Family memberships will receive 2 seasonal guest cards and Adult memberships will receive 1 seasonal guest card. All pool members MUST also be current members of HSIA and submit an HSIA membership form.

Come And Get It Day is a Hillsmere tradition that saves our community association time and money by reducing mailing costs. Please complete the membership form in this issue and bring it with you to The Key School on February 8. You may also download all forms off our website, www.hillsmereshores.org.

Can't make it to Come And Get It Day? No problem! Simply tear the membership form out of this issue and mail it along with your payment and photocopied registrations to HSIA, P.O. Box 3485, Annapolis, MD 21403. Your stickers and keys will be mailed to you. Please allow a few weeks processing time.

Questions? Call the HSIA 24-hour voice mail at 410-263-4456 or email admin@hillsmereshores.org

Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association

2020 Membership Application

Payment of $25.00 dues allows one voting member. Additional voting members require payment of an additional $25.00 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, Address and DOB may be blacked out.

Individual Membership Name:	**Additional Membership**(add $25.00) Name:
Address:	
Phone: Home:	Phone: Home:
Cell:	Cell:
Email:	Email:

Attach additional forms for more members

☐ Owner ☐ Renter If renting please enter Owner Name: _____ Phone:_____

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, & Address

YOU WILL ONLY RECEIVE STICKERS IF REGISTRATIONS ARE PROVIDED TO HSIA.

 # Stickers ☐

Payment Type	**# Requested**	**Unit Cost**	**Total Cost**
HSIA Dues (2020)		$ 25.00	
Additional Member		$ 25.00	
Kayak Rack Storage **(By Assignment Only)**		$ 50.00	
Boat Ramp Key **(Must Pay HSIA dues)**		$ 50.00	
Boat Park Key **(Assigned Space #)**		$ 240.00	
Boat Slip Fee **(Slip #)**			
Slip Wait List Deposit **(Must pay HSIA dues)**		$100.00	
Pool Membership (from Pool Form)			
Other			
		TOTAL	

PIERS & HARBOR WAITING LISTS:

NOTE: You are required to pay a onetime $100 slip deposit to be placed on the Slip Waiting List **and YOU ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN UP AND PAY DUES ANNUALLY TO REMAIN ON THE WAITING LISTS.**

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

Check All That Apply: ☐ **Add me to the Slip Waiting List ($100 Deposit)**

☐ **Add me to the Kayak Rack Waiting List** ☐ **Add me to the Boat Park Waiting List**

For Slip Holders only: Please issue me _____ **2020/2021 marina guest passes (up to 5 guest passes)**
number

Sea Breeze Distribution: Please send via ☐ postal mail or via ☐ emailed link

To join the HSIA community email list visit www.hillsmereshores.org

(Questions? Email admin@hillsmereshores.org or call 410-263-4456 – 24 hour voice mail

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

HSIA Use Only

Sticker #:	Marina Sticker #:	Payment:
Trailer #:	Boat Ramp Key #:	Date Received:
	Boat Park Key #:	Received By:

Required Supporting Documents

In an effort to ensure our community facilities are properly used, and to protect the interests of our residents, HSIA requires specific documents be provided in order to obtain HSIA membership and/or a slip in our marina. Please submit a photocopy of the required supporting documents with your membership application. To protect your privacy, you may black out personal information - refer to the table below to determine the information that must be left visible. Please note that forms submitted without required documentation will result in a delay in processing. Be sure to include all required documentation to avoid delays in processing.

Document	Required By	Explanation
Driver's License or other proof of residency	Renters and/or anyone NOT listed on the property tax records.	**Full name and address must be readable.** Any resident over 18 or any property owner is eligible to join HSIA. We verify property owners with the current property tax records. Renters and/or anyone else not listed on the property tax records are required to provide proof of address to obtain HSIA membership.
Vehicle Registration	Any individual requesting a Hillsmere Shores automobile decal/sticker.	**Tag number, make/model, expiration date, name and address must be readable.** A copy of the current vehicle registration is required for EACH VEHICLE for which you are requesting a decal/sticker.
Trailer Registration	Any individual utilizing the Boat Park, requesting a Boat Ramp key and/or trailer decal/sticker. *NOTE: All trailers using the Boat Ramp are required to have current HSIA decals/stickers.*	**Tag number, name, and address must be readable.** A copy of the current trailer registration is required for EACH TRAILER for which you are requesting a decal/sticker. Maryland law requires all boat trailers be registered. HSIA will not issue a decal/sticker for any non-registered trailers.
USCG Documentation or MD Boat Registration; AND Boat Title (unless already on file); AND Boat Slip Permit	Anyone receiving a slip in the Marina -and- anyone with a boat in the Boat Park.	A copy of the boat's title and (1) the current USCG documentation -or- (2) the current MD boat registration (if not USCG documented) is required for any boat receiving a slip in the Marina and/or a spot in the Boat Park. All owners must be listed. See the Marina Rules for percent ownership requirements. A Boat Slip Permit must be completed and submitted for slips only.
HSIA Boat Ownership Form (Vessel Ownership Affidavit)	Anyone receiving a slip for a boat with multiple owners.	This document describes the percentage ownership of each owner of a boat receiving a slip in the Marina. This document must be signed by each owner of the boat. All signatures must be notarized.
Boat Insurance Policy Declarations Page	Anyone receiving a slip in the Marina.	A copy of the current boat insurance policy declarations page is required for any boat in the Marina. See the Marina Rules for required coverage and limits of liability.

HSIA does not release any information provided with membership applications or supporting documents to any third party. All reasonable efforts are made to protect the information submitted. If you have questions or concerns about providing the required information and documentation, please contact HSIA, 410-263-4456 (24-hour voice mailbox).

Regular Meetings of the HSIA Board of Directors

(Visit hillsmereshores.org for complete meeting minutes)

Motions from November 2019 Board meeting:

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Gene Gross moved the Board approve the FY2021 General Fund Budget in the amount of $41,775. Ray Sullivan seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.
- Gene Gross moved the Board approve the FY2021 Piers & Harbor Budget in the amount of $154,000. Steve Vanderbosch seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.
- Gene Gross moved the Board approve the FY2021 Pool Budget in the amount of $128,462. Mike Wurst seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.
- Gene Gross moved the Board approve the FY2021 Special Tax Budget in the amount of $647,899 considering a $249 per lot assessment to be adjusted accordingly up or down upon receiving final Estimated funds available from the County and the actual number of lots to be taxed. Ray Sullivan seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

Environmental Committee

~ Katie Matta, Hillsmere Resident & Watershed Steward

The Environmental Committee will hold regular meetings the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm in Room 102 of the Key School Science and Library Center (January 14, February 11, etc.). The December meeting included discussions on the Shoreline Protection and Restoration Committee and a petition to the County for deer management. Since the meeting was held, the Chesapeake Bay Trust approved an application for a $2500 Anne Arundel County Community Mini-Planting Grant. HSIA will match the funds and 500 trees and shrubs will be planted during Earth Week with the help of Arundel Rivers Federation and Key School students. Additional details will be made available in upcoming newsletters. Anyone is welcome to attend EC meetings - brighten up a winter night by joining us to make plans for the spring! Interested, but can't make it in person? We can call you, just email environment@hillsmereshores.org.

Beach Report

~ Jeri Singleton, Beach Committee Chair

Happy New Year from the Beach Committee! Very few swans have visited us this winter & we miss them! We are now in the second year of the Improvement & Maintenance 5 Year Plan. Our mission is to preserve the Beach for Hillsmere owners, residents, and their guests. The next Beach Committee Meeting is Tuesday, March 10th, 7pm at Key School. Our annual Spring Beach Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, May 9th, 9am-Noon, with a meeting at 11am. Thank you everyone for your commitment to carry in/carry out, keeping our Beach clean. See you at Come And Get It Day!

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2020 Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association - Pool Membership Form

Household Information

Primary Member Name	
Address	
Phone	
Email Address	

Member Information – Family, Adult, Youth & Caregiver

List all pool members, DOB and the type of membership for each. All children must have a membership regardless of age. Youth memberships (17 years old or under) must be purchased with a parent or guardian purchasing an adult membership.

Family memberships allow up to six (6) family members residing at the same address. One (1) caregiver may be added to the family membership as part of your "family". Families with over six (6) members (including one (1) caregiver) must pay $25 fee for each additional member.

Full Name (please print)	**DOB (required)**	Family	**Adult**	**Youth**
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
6.				
Additional members subject to $25 fee per person				
7.				
8.				

Memberships and payment received on or before **Come And Get It Day** will receive (2) seasonal guest cards with Family memberships and (1) seasonal guest card with Adult memberships. Each guest card is good for the complimentary admittance of one (1) guest per day. Additional day guest passes may also be purchased at the gate for $5 per additional guest. As always, guests must be accompanied by pool members at all times and will not be admitted without the presence of a current member.

*Note: Hillsmere and Black Walnut Cove residents/property owners are only permitted as guests on Tuesdays, unless they are attending a prescheduled private party. Abuse of guest policy will result in forfeiture of permanent guest cards.

Membership Type	**Postmarked by May 1st**	**Postmarked after May 1st**	**Qty.**	**Payment Due**	**Please mail membership forms and checks payable to HSIA:**
Family	$500	$550			**HSIA** **PO Box 3485** **Annapolis MD 21403**
Adult	$195	$225			
Youth	$100	$125			**** Hillsmere residents/property owners must join HSIA and pay annual HSIA dues to remain pool members. Dues can be added to pool membership fees and combined on the same check but separate HSIA form is required.**
Fee pp over 6 members	$25	$25			
Guest Pass - single	$5	$5			
TOTAL					

Check #:	Amount:	Received By:	Date Received:	HSIA member:	Seasonal Guest card:

2020 Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association - Pool Membership Form (page 2 of 2)

Request and Release: ***(This must be signed by all pool members who are 18 years of age or older, and all Caregivers. Attach additional forms, if needed)***

We hereby request permission to enter the Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association Community Pool Facilities, located at 100 Phipps Lane, Annapolis, MD 21403 (the "HSIA Pool"), during actual pool operating hours, to participate in swimming, sun bathing, swim meet competition and related activities of a community swimming pool, as well as to view and be a spectator at any HSIA Pool events (collectively "Pool Activities") to be held from May 1st to October 1st of the current year.

We are generally familiar with the HSIA Pool and its equipment and are aware of the dangers and risks inherently involved in Pool Activities. We individually assume all risks of injury to our persons, our minor children, and/or property that may be sustained in connection with Pool Activities at the HSIA Pool. We realize that swimming, diving and related Pool Activities are dangerous and unpredictable and we hereby relieve and release all other parties of any duty to care for, protect or look after our safety while at the HSIA Pool.

In consideration of the permission granted to us to enter the HSIA Pool and participate in Pool Activities we do hereby, for ourselves, our minor children, our heirs, administrators and assigns, release and discharge: (1) the HILLSMERE SHORES IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, its directors, officers, and members; (2) any operators or sponsors of the HSIA Pool, pool equipment, or Pool Activities, and their respective officers, employees and agents; and (3) all other participants in Pool Activities, of and from all claims, demands, actions and causes of action of any sort, for injuries sustained by our persons, our minor children, and/or property at the HSIA Pool and/or by participation in any Pool Activities, due to any negligence or any other fault.

We certify that our attendance at the HSIA Pool and participation in Pool Activities is voluntary, and that we are not an employee or agent of the owners, operators, or sponsors of the HSIA Pool or any Pool Activities. We realize that Pool Activities are for personal enjoyment, and are not essential to public health or welfare.

We agree to familiarize ourselves, our minor children and our guests with the Pool Rules, Membership and Guest Policies, and Pool Party Rules, and agree to abide by them.

We have read and voluntarily sign this Request and Release on behalf of ourselves and our minor children, if any, any our representatives, heirs and assigns.

Child Attendance Waiver ***(Optional)***

I hereby authorize my children, named below, to use the HSIA Pool without being accompanied by an adult (18 years or older). I certify that: (1) each child named below is between eleven (11) and seventeen (17) years old; and (2) I have reviewed with each child the rules and regulations of the HSIA Pool, including the fact that they must first pass the standard swimming test, obey HSIA Pool rules and follow the instructions of the lifeguards and pool manager. Failure to follow the rules and the instructions of the lifeguards will result in the following disciplinary actions:

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

i. 1st written offense in discipline log – warning letter to parents
ii. 2nd written offense in discipline log – removal from pool for the day
iii. 3rd written offense in discipline log – 1 week suspension, no longer able to use pool without parental supervision
iv. 4th written offense in discipline log – loss of membership for remainder of summer

Child:	Child:
Child:	Child:

_____ _____ _____
Print Full Name Signature Date

_____ _____ _____
Print Full Name Signature Date

Garden Club

~ Leigh Gruber, Administrative Assistant

December is generally the club's busiest month, with committees decorating community venues. Quiet Waters Park Visitors Center was decorated inside and out. The Eastport-Annapolis Library was adorned with a swag, while the Christmas tree was replaced this year and stood decorated with "book" ornaments galore. Other teams participated in the Hammond Harwood House decorations and joined local garden clubs in contributing two wreaths for the State Circle.

At the end of the busy season members and guests took time to relax and celebrate at the home of Jane Waters for our annual holiday luncheon.

Our January 15 meeting will be at the Eastport/ Annapolis Neck Public Library starting with refreshments at 12:30. Maria Price Nowakowski, recently retired from Willow Oak Flower &

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Louise Bower, Linda Elkington, Myrna Dobbs, and Carol Owen decorated the library tree with an assortment of book related ornaments.

Joni Simon, Jean Koehler, Vijay Ramraj, Louise Bower, and Angie Smail. Photo credit to Ed Koehler.

Myrna Dobbs, Sue Hecht, Doris Ratti, Angie Smail, Carol Owen, and Leigh Dempsey chat with Jean Strucko (Front). Photo credit to L. Gruber

Louise Bower, Vijay Ramraj, and Leigh Gruber. Photo credit to Mary Ericson

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Herb Farm in Severn, will share her extensive knowledge of herbs at the meeting.

Linda Elkington will conclude presentations with a short Native Plant talk on Echinacea purpurea.

Those with an interest in gardening related subjects are invited to the club, which meets September through May on the third Wednesday of each month. Visitors are always welcome. For those wishing to join (Hillsmere residency is not required), annual dues for September through May are $20.

President Jean Strucko and Treasurer Mary Ericson. Photo credit to L. Gruber

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Facility Hours: MONDAY - SATURDAY 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM except holidays

PLEASE unbag recyclables

Place recyclables loosely inside your containers. Recycling facility equipment is designed to sort items by size, weight, and type.

Paper, cardboard, cans, and bottles must be loose in order to be sorted by the machines.

. . . and **NO** Plastic Bags

Plastic bags, wrap, and film are no longer accepted in the curbside recycling program.

*Return **CLEAN, DRY** bags to a local grocery store or County Recycling Center for recycling.*

The following stores ACCEPT plastic bags for recycling:

Food Lion	Shoppers	Wal-Mart	Giant	Safeway	Harris Teeter
Lowe's	ShopRite	Mom's	Wegmans	Target	Whole Foods Market

To find other drop-off locations, visit www.plasticfilmrecycling.org/recycling-bags-and-wraps/find-drop-off-location.

REMINDER: Plastic bags, film, and wrap are not accepted in the curbside recycling program.

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For more information, contact the Recycling and Waste Reduction Division at 410-222-7951 or visit www.aacounty.org/departments/public-works/waste-management.

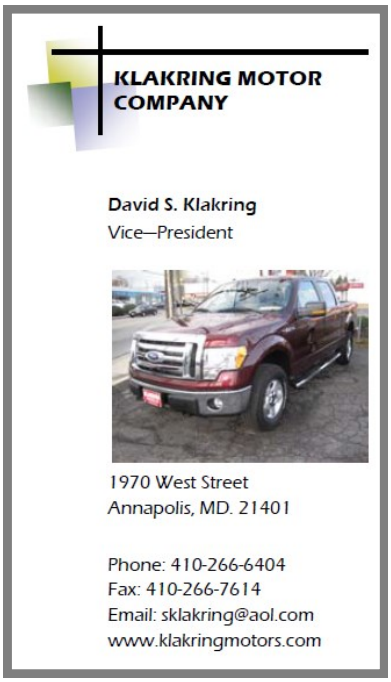
Local School News

~ Irfan Latimer, Key School Director of Communication

House cleaning for the new year?
If you have any used books do donate to the Annapolis Book Festival, please box them up and bring them to Key School to the PODS on Mansion Drive from 8:00-8:45 a.m. on Friday February 7 and March 13 & 27.

Blood Drive at Key School - Thursday, February 27 from 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Key School seniors are partnering with Anne Arundel Medical Center to host a Blood Drive at Key. If you would like to donate, please contact Student Activities Director Lee Schreitz, lschreitz@keyschool.org to register. Day of walk-ins can often be accommodated as well.

Summer at KEY 2020 Registration Opens Thursday, January 30 at 10:00 a.m.
With about 50 new camp options this year, Summer at KEY 2020 has something for every age camper. Visit keyschool.org/summer to view all the exciting summer options!



Recreation & Event Dates for 2020

Friday, March 20	**Sock Burning**	**5 – 7 pm**	**Beach**
Saturday, April 11	**Easter Egg Hunt**	**10 am**	**Beach**
Saturday, April 25	**Spring yard sale**	**8 am - noon**	**Beach**
Saturday, May 2	**Yard sale rain date**	**8 am - noon**	**Beach**
Saturday, May 9	**Beach Clean Up**	**9 am**	**Beach**
Monday, May 25	**Memorial Day Recognition**	**10 am**	**Beach**
	Memorial Day pool party	**time TBD**	**Pool**
Friday, June 12	**Happy Hour**	**5 – 8 pm**	**Beach**
Saturday, June 20	**Ice Cream Social**	**7 pm**	**Beach**
Saturday, July 4	**Bicycle Parade**	**10 am**	**Beach**
	July 4 pool party	**time TBD**	**Pool**
	Firework Viewing	**9 pm**	**Beach**
Friday, July 10	**Happy Hour**	**5 - 8 pm**	**Beach**
Saturday, August 1	**Community Picnic**	**4 – 7 pm**	**Beach**
Saturday, August 8	**Community Picnic Rain Date**	**4 – 7 pm**	**Beach**
Friday, August 14	**Happy Hour**	**5 – 8 pm**	**Beach**
Sunday, September 6	**Labor Day pool party**	**time TBD**	**Pool**
Saturday, September 12	**Pig Roast**	**4 – 7 pm**	**Beach**
Saturday, September 19	**Fall yard sale**	**8 am to noon**	**Beach**
Saturday, September 26	**Yard sale rain date**	**8 am to noon**	**Beach**
****Sunday, October 25**	**Halloween Parade**	**1 pm**	**Beach**
****Saturday, October 31**	**Halloween Parade**	**10 am**	**Beach**
Saturday, November 14	**Oyster Roast**	**2 pm**	**Beach**
Sunday, December 13	**Santa's Run**	**6 pm**	**Pool**

*****Final date TBA***

HSIA Building Permits

~ Dave Miles, HSIA VP & Permit Committee Chair

Are you aware that an HSIA Building Permit is required every time an Anne Arundel County Building Permit is issued for any work done at your property? The responsibility of obtaining an HSIA Building Permit falls on the owner, not the contractor.

Why does HSIA require and issue building permits? Per HSIA Covenants & Deed Restrictions, HSIA's sideline setbacks (15') are different from the County (7'). *We encourage anyone having work done at their property to reach out to the HSIA Building Permit Chair, Dave Miles, before designing your structure or applying to the County.* Failure to obtain a HSIA Building Permit prior to the start of construction will result in a stop work order and, at a minimum, an increase in the cost of the permit.

The fee for an HSIA Building Permit is $25. The fee increases to $50 if work has already begun and you failed to apply for an HSIA Building Permit. **The following items are required to obtain a HSIA Building Permit:**

1. **A copy of the Anne Arundel County Building Permit.***
2. **A TO SCALE copy of the site plan.***
3. **A copy of the plans and elevations, TO SCALE, of the structure. ***
4. **Cash or check in the amount of $25., made payable to HSIA**
5. **Mail all required items & payment to HSIA, PO BOX 3485, Annapolis MD 21403**

AN EMAILED PDF OF THE COUNTY PERMIT AND THE TO-SCALE SITE and/or STRUCTURE PLAN IS PREFERRED AND MAY EXPEDITE THE PROCESS OF OBTAINING A HSIA BUILDING PERMIT.

HSIA Covenants & Deed Restrictions, recorded among the Land Record of Anne Arundel County, Maryland in Liber 900, Folio 334, are binding as a matter of law and are for the benefit of all other lot owners in Hillsmere.

Anne Arundel County Code, 2005, Article 18, Zoning, Title 2, General Provisions, Subtitle 3, Setbacks

For permit approval, please allow 10 working days to receive your permit in order to allow time to make sure all of your documents are legible (do not take photos of documents and email them), review it, verify your request meets HSIA Covenants and setbacks, and contact you for

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any questions on the submission. Your permit will also be mailed, via USPS, which takes several days.

If you have any questions on the setbacks, please see paragraph 2 on the previous page, or, feel free to ask before you go to the trouble of getting a County permit and find you cannot get an HSIA permit. When in doubt, or, if you have any questions, please contact Dave Miles, HSIA Building Permit Chairman via email, permits@hillsmereshores.org, or voice mail, 410-263-4456.

At the time of publication, the following HSIA Building Permits have been approved and issued in 2019 & 2020:

Property	Property Location	Type of Work	Permit #
G. MacDougall	404 Holly Drive	8' x 16' Shed	19001
W. Baton	98 Pine Drive	Fence	19002
k. Brinsfield	622 Riverside Drive	Addition	19003
A. Gibbs	127 E Bay View Drive	Addition	19004
K. Willingham	530 Harbor Drive	Interior remodel	19005
R. Minner	124 Sunset Drive	Repairs	19006
J. Cookson	150 E Bay View Drive	Repairs	19007
J. CochRan	108 Carroll Drive	Deck	19008
O.W. Reid	106 Magnolia Lane	Interior Remodel	19009
M. Case	600 Tayman Drive	Deck Addition	19010
P. Fisher	609 Forest Hill Drive	Sunroom & Deck Addition	19011
V. Damaino	110 W. Bay View Drive	Stoop and stairs	19012
R. Minner	124 Sunset Drive	Entry Foyer and Porch Addition	19013
G. Cadle	415 Beach Drive	Porch Addition	19014
S. Stelmash	140 Lee Drive	Porch Addition	19015
T. Foulk	101 Fogle Drive	Living Shoreline	19016
V. Werner	517 Tayman Drive	Deck Addition	19017
K. Hannan	103 E. Bay View Drive	House Addition	19018
E Barnes	287 Hillsmere Drive	Fence	19019
G. Bozelli	125 W. Bay View Drive	Sunroom Addition	19020
K. Coombe	126 Pinecrest Drive	Remodel	19021
J. Young	119-121 W. Bay View Drive	Pier	19022
R. Gibbons	506 Birch Drive	Retaining Wall	19023
F. Matos	109 Greenspring Drive	54' Tall Radio Tower	19024
T. Rodilosso	302 Edgemere Drive	Fence	19025
S. Shanahan	108 Boyd Drive	Front Entry & Sunroom Addition	19026
J. Whitmire	115 Hickory Lane	12x20 Shed	19027
J. Newman	607 Beach Drive	Water Access Steps	19028
Bay Built Homes	280 Cedar Lane	Fence	20001

Piers & Harbors News

~ Steve Vanderbosch, P&H Chair

Sunset Ramp Reconstruction Completed! ***(continued from front page)***

The reconstructed ramp measures 23' wide by 60' long, and consists of 10" thick, steel-reinforced, 3,000 psi concrete, over a 12" sub-base of rock and gravel. The ramp starts at a 12-degree incline, increasing to a 14 to 15-degree incline. This results in a water depth of more than 5' at the end of the ramp at MHW. There is a 6"x6" curb imbedded in the concrete at the end of the 60-foot ramp. Excavation of the old ramp revealed a 6" thick slab, not reinforced, with paver blocks making up the last few feet of the ramp.

The most interesting artifact discovered in the excavation was a Maryland trailer license plate with a 1973 sticker, still in good condition!

The ramp is framed by 3" thick bulkhead sheeting between support pilings. The pilings on either side of the ramp extend above the cap boards by 12" in height on the right, South side, to 20" in height on the left, North side to allow easy tying up of boats. A safety ladder is installed on the left, North side. The North side ramp walkway was expanded to be approximately 3' wide, and its length was extended by 16' water-ward, beyond the end of the ramp. The extension means the loss of Slip #S-10, however the water space between the dock, the bulkhead and the ramp will be considered in the future for a kayak launching platform. The ramp walkway itself is not cantilevered; it is supported by twin pilings for its entire length.

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Three new finger piers were constructed at the Sunset Drive Dock, two measuring 18' in length, and one 24' in length, to facilitate access to Slips #S-3, S-4, S-5, S-6, S-8 and S-9.

In addition, Heinsohn completed three structural repairs at the Marina, including reinforcing supports for two electrical panels and replacing a damaged stringer. We are also pleased to note that Eric Heinsohn recently purchased a home in Hillsmere and is now a neighbor!

Duvall Creek Channel Markers

In early December HSIA received from MDE an approved General Tidal Wetlands License, including Army Corps of Engineers approval, for installation of two wooden-pile mounted channel markers, with day shapes and one Osprey platform, as Private Aids to Navigation, in the Duvall Creek entrance channel. HSIA is now seeking required approval from the U.S. Coast Guard for the installation.

Come And Get It Day ("CAGID")

Mark your calendars! CAGID will be held on Saturday February 8th, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Key School. This is the premier opportunity to renew slip permits, update boat documents (current MD or CG registration, proof of insurance), purchase ramp keys, renew Boat Park spaces and kayak rack spots, and sign up on Waiting Lists (Slips, Boat Park, and Kayak Racks).

- Returning slip holders need to *pay their slip fees and update documentation NLT March 1, 2020*, so the Slips Committee can begin its magic of upgrading slips and filling vacant slips.
- If you would like to renew your slip permit but for some reason cannot pay the slip fees by March 1, please contact the P&H Chair at marina@hillsmereshores.org or call 410-212-6978 to make alternative payment arrangements.
- *If you are not going to renew* your slip, or Boat Park space, or Kayak Rack space, please let us know as soon as possible by email to marina@hillsmereshores.org so people on the various Waiting Lists can be accommodated.

Slip Waiting List

There are currently 22 names on the Active Slip Waiting List, although many have previously declined offers of slips. There are also 17 names on the Inactive Slip Waiting List, people who for various reasons are not actively seeking a slip. It is expected that everyone on the Active Slip

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Waiting List will be offered a slip in 2020. Everyone on the Active Slip Waiting List will be sent an email asking them to respond whether or not they will accept a slip if offered one in 2020.

MARINA OPERATIONS:

- **ICE–EATERS** Ice eaters were installed at the Marina on December 7th by a volunteer crew of 9 people, over a 2-hour period. Twenty-four (24) ice eaters are now installed at the Marina and Boat Ramp docks. Many thanks to: Norm Johansen (Co-ordinator), Adam Blugis, Tim Cantor, Dave Edinberg, Chris Elkington, Ryan Farrell, Chuck Metzger, Rick Stuntz and Steve Vanderbosch. Although we have had a little skim ice, Bay water temperatures remain unusually high (42 degrees) for this time of year. Hopefully, we will not have to run the ice eaters because… **ICE EATERS ARE EXPENSIVE TO OPERATE** and run up the Marina utility bill. We will monitor the weather forecasts and water temperatures, and when appropriate will plug in or unplug the ice-eaters. Please do not take this task upon yourself unless you coordinate with Steve Vanderbosch (410-212-6978) or Bill Barker (410-322-2255).
- **WINTER SLIPS** There are fewer than ever boats remaining in the Marina this winter. For those few who have left your boat in the water this winter:
    - Make sure your boat is properly moored, using extra lines, spring lines and chafing guards as necessary.
    - Check your boat often, especially after storms, high winds, and ice/snow events.
    - Do not use unattended space heaters in your boat! Space heaters are a leading cause of marina fires. Use of unattended space heaters is prohibited under HSIA rules, and is cause for losing your slip!

If you see any boat at the Marina whose lines (or anything else) need attention for any reason, please send an email to marina@hillsmereshores.org or call 410-212-6978.

Boat Park

There is some space available in the Boat Park. If you are on the Wait List (or wish to be) and are interested in a space, please let us know at CAGID.

The general parking scheme for the Boat Park is larger boats (2-axle trailers) on the left side and back, and smaller boats (1-axle trailers) on the right and in the front. It is essential that trailers be parked as close as possible, and parked at an angle to maximize use of space.

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Kayak Dock

The dock at the Kayak Ramp at 541 Beach Drive is nearing the end of its useful life. Deck boards are failing periodically, hardware has rusted/corroded, and some pilings appear to be splitting. We intend to develop a plan to replace the dock and perhaps incorporate a floating kayak launch platform into the design. This will be coordinated with shoreline landscape design and permitting. *Your ideas and input are invited and welcomed!* Please forward any comments to marina@hillsmereshores.org .

P&H Meeting Time and Place

The P&H monthly meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday every other month at 7 p.m. in the Key School Science & Library Center (the building closest to Carroll Drive), Room 101. ***HOWEVER, the next P&H Meeting will be Tuesday, February 4th, 2020.*** All Slip Holders, Ramp Key Holders, Wait Listers, Kayakers, Boat Parkers, etc. are welcome and are encouraged to attend.

IMPORTANT: To update the service provider list(s) found on the following page, please email seabreeze@hillsmereshores.org. Individuals listed are responsible for updating their information. HSIA provides these names as a courtesy to our residents who provide or require these services. HSIA encourages residents to obtain references when hiring any service provider or contractor.

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2020 BOARD MEETINGS - 7:00 p.m.

Jan 30	***April 30***	***July 30***	***Oct 29***
Feb 27*	***May 28***	***Aug 27***	***Nov 19***
Mar 26	***June 25***	***Sep 24***	***Dec 17***

2020 GENERAL MEETINGS - 7:00 p.m.

January 9	**May 14**	**September 10**
March 12	**July 9**	**November 12**

All Board & General meetings are held in the Barn Commons @ Key School, unless otherwise noted. *Science & Library Center @ Key School, room 102

February 2020

Happy New Year!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Groundhog Day	3	4 Piers & Harbors Committee Meeting 7p	5	6	7	8 **CAGID** *(details on page 3)*
9 Tu Bishvat	10	11 Environmental Committee Meeting 7p	12	13	14 Valentine Day	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Shrove Tues/MardiGras	26 Ash Wednesday	27 Board Meeting 7p	28	29

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