

# The Sea Breeze

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## Another successful Oyster Roast at Hillsmere Beach!

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# President's Message

Tom Anderson, HSIA President



On behalf of the Board of Directors, I wish all of you a happy and safe upcoming Holiday with family and friends. It's hard to believe that nearly another year has passed, and we'll soon be welcoming in a new year.

On January 1<sup>st</sup>, a new HSIA leadership team will become official and the existing four HSIA officers will be joined by Steve Vanderbosch, Maria Triandos, Ray Sullivan, Bill Schrott, Helene Raven, Joanna Parkinson and Sharon Bugis. They will take on the responsibilities of managing the seven new Committee groups. I extend a special thank you to the outgoing elected Board members for their service.

We are looking for additional volunteers to join our team. If you are interested, please contact anyone on the new leadership team! We have much to do in 2024 and we need your help!

Neighborhood security is a primary area of focus for the HSIA leadership team. We take it very seriously and always want to do what we can to help ensure your safety. Several HSIA leaders met with Sgt. Hardesty of the Anne Arundel Police Department on 12/4/23 to discuss practical security issues and concerns. The bottom line – **IF YOU SEE SOMETHING SUSPICIOUS, REPORT IT! CALL 911.** You should expect to see increased AACO Police patrols in our neighborhood and remember that the Police can and will give you a ticket for speeding.

The HSIA Board is increasing the enforcement for permit violations for things such as fences, structures, pods, etc. that are not in compliance with Hillsmere and/or Anne Arundel County laws. It's really simple – get a permit from the County and from HSIA if you plan to make a change to your property. Guidance is published in many places, starting with our website: <https://hillsmershores.org/>.

The HSIA Property Manager, Robin Clark has been doing a fabulous job for our community, focusing on many areas including service contracts for things like Grounds Maintenance and Security. Look for more news soon!

We live in one of the nicest communities in Anne Arundel County, with many young families and children. Look out for them and each other!



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# HSIA Community News and Events

Jean Somers, HSIA Administrator



**Board Member Elections** – At the November 9 General meeting, our newly elected Board was voted in as follows. Patrice Teetermoran removed her name as a candidate due to work commitments. Thank you to all members that voted.

Steve Vanderbosch – 80 votes

Maria Triandos – 76 votes

Helene Raven – 67 votes

Joanna Parkinson – 65 votes

Bill Schrott – 62 votes

Ray Sullivan – 61 votes

Sharon Blugis – 52 votes

**Thank You To our Volunteers** – Thank you to Mark Carroll, Dave Fredlund and our Oyster Roast volunteers for another successful Oyster Roast. And thank you to Sandra Brown and Stacie May for stepping up to organize our Santa Caravan. None of our events could happen without the coordination of our wonderful volunteers.

**No Dogs Allowed At The Beach** – We’ve had some reports of residents bringing their dogs to the beach. This is just a friendly reminder that dogs are not allowed at the beach park, either on the sandy beach, grassy area, or parking lot. Thank you for your understanding.

**Please Clean Up After Your Pets** – Please remember to be courteous and clean up after your pets. It’s good for our neighbors and good for the environment. HSIA provides pet waste stations in many areas of our neighborhood. Please take advantage of the pet waste stations and keep our neighborhood free of pet waste. Please don’t put any other trash, other than pet waste, in the pet waste stations. Thank you for your consideration.

**Come And Get It Day** – Mark your calendars for our annual membership drive known as Come And Get It Day. The event will take place at Key School, The Barn Commons, from 10 am to 2 pm, on Saturday, February 10. More information will be in the January/February issue of the *Sea Breeze*.

*HSIA wishes everyone a very happy & safe holiday season!*



  
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## **Motions from November 2023 Board meeting:**

(complete minutes can be found on the Hillsmere website at [www.hillsmreshores.org](http://www.hillsmreshores.org))

### **BUDGET:**

- Gene Gross moved the Board approve the FY2025 Special Tax Budget in the amount of \$982,486 based on 1,219 taxable lots at a tax rate of \$249 per taxable lot. Steve Vanderbosch seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.
- Gene Gross moved the Board approve the FY2025 Piers & Harbor Budget as submitted by the Piers & Harbor Committee in the amount of \$158,000. Steve Vanderbosch seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

**SECRETARY:** Mike Wurst moved the Board approve \$479.76 for 2 – 12 month licenses for Adobe Pro software to be used by the Property Manager and Communications Committee. This will be used to update our forms and RFP's into electronic and web-based compatible versions. Steve Vanderbosch seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

### **PIERS & HARBOR:**

- Steve Vanderbosch moved the Board approve the additional expenditure of up to \$5,000 Special Tax funds for the Video Camera System to include upgrading the Network Video Recorder and expenses for uninterruptible power supplies, video monitor and other miscellaneous items. Claire Corcoran seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.
- Steve Vanderbosch moved the Board approve award of a contract to Pay Dirt, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$1,800 Special Tax funds for removing old coir logs and stakes at 3 Marina black pine trees and installing 6 new coir logs with 48 stakes and fiber roping, and providing and spreading sandy soil as needed to backfill eroded areas. Christian Elkington seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.
- Steve Vanderbosch moved the Board approve the expenditure of funds not to exceed \$4,000 to Bastion Security for the annual re-keying of lock cylinders for locks at the boat/kayak ramps and the boat park, and the annual purchase, cutting and stamping of 320 restricted keyway (Do Not Duplicate) keys for the boat/kayak ramps and the boat park. Gene Gross seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.
- Steve Vanderbosch moved the Board approve the expenditure of funds for the purchase of 2024-2025 Guest Parking Permits for the Marina and for the Beach, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000, from MyParkingPermits.com. 500 hanging tag Guest Parking Permits will be purchased for the Marina, similar in design to past Guest Parking Permits, but in a different color, good for two years of use. Christian Elkington seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

# **Property Manager Report**

*Robin Clark, HSIA Property Manager, [propertymanager@hillsmereshores.org](mailto:propertymanager@hillsmereshores.org)*

## ***Do you have stormwater management or public safety experience?***

The level of commitment among the HSIA Board, Committee Members, and volunteers is impressive. They work on a holiday to make sure the marina is clean, they monitor police reports and keep in touch with County representatives, they offer personal services to improve community facilities free of charge, they make sure special events come together. In Hillsmere, there is a core group of dedicated public servants consistently contributing to property management and quality of life in the community.

In the coming months, there will be a couple of opportunities for residents with particular subject-matter experience or expertise to engage in community service through the 2024 Hillsmere contract process for the contract to maintain stormwater management practices throughout the neighborhood and the security contract. Serving as a member of a Request for Proposals Review Team is a short-term commitment. Teams of three or more residents review bids received by the deadline and conduct one or at most two rounds of interviews with candidates before making a recommendation to the Board. Please contact [Propertymanager@hillsmereshores.org](mailto:Propertymanager@hillsmereshores.org) if you are interested in serving.

## **Contracts**

A central responsibility of the Property Manager is contracts. The Property Manager is charged with leading the coordination of existing maintenance contracts and establishing new contracts based on Board defined objectives. The Property Manager, with oversight provided by the responsible HSIA Committee Chair, must assist in the procurement of select ongoing service contracts by identifying the scope of work; drafting requests for proposals; soliciting bids/proposals; evaluating bids/proposals/qualifications; making award recommendations; and managing the selected contractors.

Follow the Board's "Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association" Facebook page and check the website (<https://hillsmereshores.org/>) for updates on requests for proposals and contracts.

## ***Groundskeeping***

On November 22, HSIA's Request for Proposal (RFP) for groundskeeping services closed. This RFP encompasses mowing, string trimming, debris removal and landscaping for various community properties, including the medians on Hillsmere Drive, the Beach, the Marina, and the property between Harbor Drive, Great Lake Drive, and Phipps Lane. There were several responses to the RFP. An RFP Review Team has been selected and they are reviewing the bids. In the coming week, interviews will be conducted and a recommendation made to the Board prior to the December 21 Board meeting.

## ***The Hillsmere Pool***

The Swimming Pool Management contract with Anchor Aquatics was renewed for 2024 on November 24, 2023. This contract will be competitively bid for the 2025 season.

## ***Environment***

An RFP for maintenance of stormwater best management practices is drafted and will be finalized following a meeting with a representative of Anne Arundel County's Bureau of Watershed Protec-

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tion & Restoration on November 30, 2023. When asked by HSIA's Property Manager, Sally committed work with HSIA to identify County support for Hillsmere's efforts to improve water quality through stormwater management.

### **Security**

An RFP for security services is drafted and will be released in December.

### **Property Maintenance**

Another responsibility of the Property Manager is property maintenance. The Property Manager is responsible for overseeing miscellaneous property management initiatives.

Debris washed up into the Hillsmere Marina due to a storm and tides the week of Thanksgiving. At the request of the Piers and Harbors Committee Chair, and with his oversight, a contractor was obtained to remove the debris and the work was completed on Friday, November 24.

At the request of the Community House Chair, additional preparatory tasks were added to the agreement, requested by the Environment Committee Chair,

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Sally Albright, Outreach Coordinator at Anne Arundel County Department of Public Works Bureau of Watershed Protection & Restoration with Kevin Green, Chair of the HSIA Environment Committee. Sally inspected bioretention and stormwater conveyances at the Community Property bordering Harbor Drive and Phipps Lane and walked stormwater bioretention and shoreline areas at the Hillsmere Beach.

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for a contractor to mulch around young trees planted on the corner of Harbor Drive and Great Lake Drive, and proceeding down Great Lake Drive, and to create two mulched beds in front of the Community House. The contractor will now also be addressing drainage concerns in the front and rear of the property prior to completing the mulched beds.

The HSIA Secretary, Treasurer and Administrator have identified priorities for internet service at the Community House, and the Property Manager will be working to obtain quotes specific to those priorities including reliable internet service that facilitates virtual participation by residents into meetings held at the Community House, including Board and Committee meetings. The aim is to find a best value solution.

The Secretary will be transitioning oversight of dog bag station maintenance (emptying the stations and replenishing bags) to the Property Manager. Short term goals include continuing with the current service provider and developing a plan for continuity of services and redundancy.

### **Neighborhood Monitoring**

The Property Manager monitors Hillsmere Shores for deviations and irregularities to current HSIA Guidelines, Rules & Regulations, including monitoring approved building permits and reporting any non-approved building activities.

In November, neighborhood monitoring continued. New violations of HSIA covenants and rules and County laws and regulations regarding portable storage containers and dumpsters were reported to the Board, in addition to a limited number of continuing violations. Pruning of wetlands vegetation at the Hillsmere Beach, reported to the Property Manager by a concerned resident, was shared with the Environment Chair and the Board.



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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 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.

The fee for an HSIA Building Permit is \$25. The following items are required to obtain a HSIA Building Permit:

1. A copy of the Anne Arundel County Building Permit.\*
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3. A copy of the plans and elevations, TO SCALE, of the structure. \*
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[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 any questions on the submission. Please provide your current mailing address if it is different than the address on the AA County Building Permit. Your permit will also be mailed, via USPS, which takes several days.

If you have any questions on the setbacks 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, contact HSIA Building Permit Chairman via email, [permits@hillsmereshores.org](mailto:permits@hillsmereshores.org), or voice mail, 410-263-4456.



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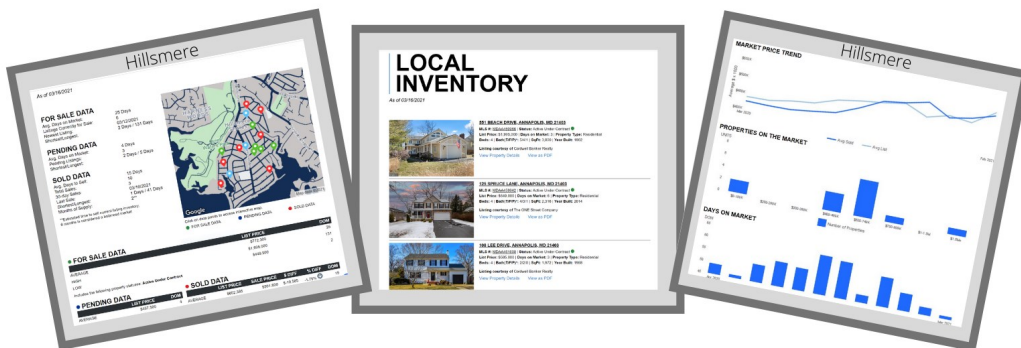
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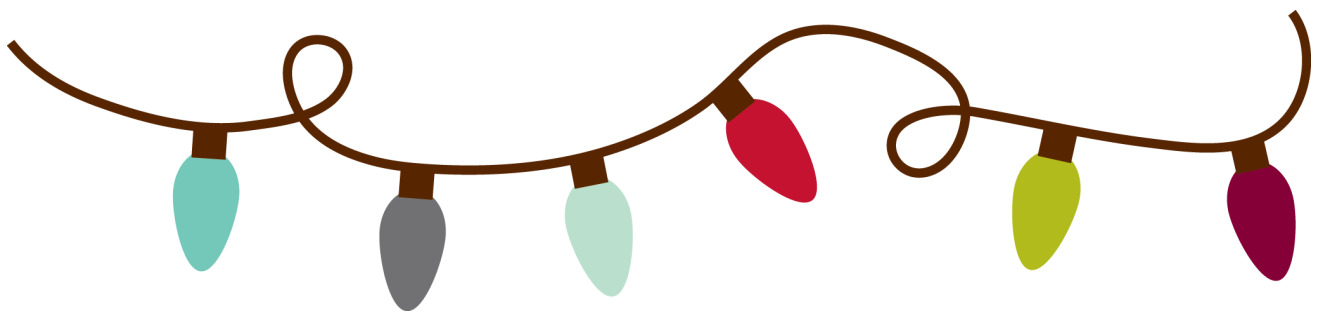


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# Beach Report

*Maureen Sherer, HSIA Board Member & Beach Committee Chair*



As December days shorten and become busier, it's likely we infrequently visit our Beach. Certainly, it is a quiet time at the Beach, but it still welcomes us to walk the open space, enjoy the views, and play. – It seems it is never too cold for children to want to swing and slide. The eastern natural shoreline, now an oasis of native grasses and plants, welcomes native wildlife. The landscape and the river-scape are settling into their winter modes. In addition to sightings of migratory water fowl, we can view the river bottom in much richer detail due to increased water clarity during the winter. This clarity is due to colder water temperatures, which slows the growth and reproduction of plankton. While our schedules may preclude us from visiting our Beach as often as we like, it's always interesting to check South River conditions through the "Eyes on the Bay" website of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

(<https://eyesonthebay.dnr.maryland.gov/eyesonthebay/currentconditionstable.cfm>; in the "Select Tributary" box, select "Western Shore", then "South River")

Going to our Beach always restores my spirits. It has been an honor to work on its behalf and to serve the interests of our Hillsmere neighbors. I thank the Beach Committee members for their many hours of service and advice, and treasure the many conversations shared with neighbors at our Beach.

Even though we have less daylight hours, let's hope for plenty of calm days to visit our beach. Best wishes for the holiday season!

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# Events Report

Helene Raven, Events Committee Chair



**Santa Caravan**—Thanks to Sandi Brown and Stacie May for making the Santa Caravan a success for another year. December can be cold and windy so it's always nice to start the season with the warmth of friendship and good cheer at the beginning of the holiday season. Thank you again to Sandi, Stacie, and the many elves that helped this year.

**Santa Run**—Thanks to the Annapolis Firefighters Local 1926 for sponsoring the Santa Run again this year. Each year Santa rides into Hillsmere and around the county on a fire truck to pick up new toys for needy children in Annapolis and the County. Our neighbors, local businesses, the Annapolis Fire Department, the Annapolis Police Department, and Anne Arundel County Sheriff's Office delivered toys for nearly 5,000 children since the first Santa Run ten years ago.

Bring unwrapped new books, toys, and gifts to the Hillsmere Pool on Sunday, December 10 to meet Santa and enjoy hot chocolate and cookies. Santa Run elves will take care of wrapping and distributing gifts. Santa's scheduled arrival time will be posted later.

**A reminder to thank the volunteers that make Hillsmere a wonderful community**—Some are recognized on these pages because they chair committees, but most are the unsung heroes in the neighborhood that help out with the Garden Club in maintaining the library gardens, pick up litter at the beach or marina, plant flowers at the entrance, show up for work days, board and general meetings, coordinate parades, or provide needed help on short notice.

## Upcoming Events

- Sunday, December 10 Santa's Run (Fire Dept), Time TBA, Pool Parking Lot



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## Garden Club

*Leigh Gruber, HGC Administrative Assistant*

Members at the November Garden Club meeting decorated a new set of ornaments, with the theme “Nature’s Wonders in Quiet Waters Park”, for the Eastport Library holiday tree. Attendees also prepared yards of garland that will be used at the Park Visitor Center. A short talk on White Heath Asters was also presented. These late blooming, tiny, daisy-like flowers are still blooming as Thanksgiving approaches.

There will be a holiday potluck luncheon at a member’s home rather than a formal meeting in December. It will allow members to celebrate the completion of the clubs’ traditional holiday activities, which include trimming the Library Tree, making and hanging wreaths at the park and library, making a wreath for the State Circle, and decorating a room at Hammond Harwood House.

Those with an interest in gardening-related subjects are invited to join 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 \$30. To receive the monthly “Buzz” newsletter or for more information about joining, send an email to the administrative assistant at ([HillsmereGardenClub@gmail.com](mailto:HillsmereGardenClub@gmail.com))



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# Piers & Harbors News

Steve Vanderbosch, HSIA Board Member and P&H Chair



## **Sand Spit Living Shoreline/Coastal Resiliency Project**

Review of our joint Federal/State wetlands permit application is underway. Our design contractor Environmental Systems Analysis, Inc. ("ESA") has received some questions/comments from Maryland Department of the Environment ("MDE") and US Army Corps of Engineers ("USACE") on the application. The comments are straightforward, primarily asking for more measurements of the proposed elements shown on the plans, and ESA is working on a response.

ESA has also submitted the form that starts the Water Quality Certification (WQC) process, a requirement of the Clean Water Act, that will ultimately certify that the Project will not adversely affect existing water quality. In December or January ESA will submit the design plans to Anne Arundel County for review and for issuance of a Grading Permit and a Building Permit.

## **Winterization at the Marina**

Water and Pump Out Systems: The Marina Water System and the Pump Out System were both winterized on Thursday November 30<sup>th</sup>. To forestall any freezing of pipes, for the two below-freezing nights prior to winterization a healthy trickle was started at the far ends of the water system.

Hoses: If you have a hose at your slip, please drain it and store it at home over the winter.

Ice Eaters: Maintenance and testing was completed on our 26 ice eaters in preparation for the winter season, but ice eater installation has not been scheduled. Because the past two winters were very mild, only a few ice eaters were run for a couple of hours each year. This winter we will wait and see if temperatures will be sufficiently cold to threaten significant icing at the Marina and boat ramps. If cold conditions warrant, an email call for volunteers will be sent out asking for help from slip holders to work in groups of two or three to install the ice eaters, which will be pre-positioned at the slips where they will be placed, minimizing the time and effort required for installation.

We again have had a mild fall, and the long-range forecast is for a mild start to December. With luck, the ice eaters will not be needed at all during the winter, similar to the last two winters.

## Winter Preparations:

If you are leaving your boat in the water at the Marina this winter, please:

- 1) Make sure your boat is properly moored, using extra lines, spring lines and chafing guards as necessary.
- 2) Check your boat often, especially after storms, high winds, and extreme tides.
- 3) *Do not use unattended space heaters or dehumidifiers in your boat!*

Be a good neighbor! If you see any boat at the Marina that needs attention for any reason, please send an email to [marina@hillsmereshores.org](mailto:marina@hillsmereshores.org) or call 410-212-6978 and someone will respond.

If you have hauled or will haul your boat this winter, please remove all mooring lines (and hoses,

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see above). Mooring lines and hoses left at vacated slips may be removed and disposed of.

### Winter Slips

The Slips Committee is offering temporary winter slip assignments, in more protected slips behind the bulkhead (Slips #1- #51), *to the extent they may be available*, to slip holders who are leaving their boats in the water for the winter. Contact [marinaslips@hillsmereshores.org](mailto:marinaslips@hillsmereshores.org). About every fifth slip will be kept open for possible ice eater use, so fewer slips may be available for Winter Slip use.

*Reminder:* Winter Slip assignments are temporary, and the *Winter Slips must be vacated by March 15, 2024*, or sooner if requested by the permanent slip holder. Failure to remove your boat from a temporary Winter Slip assignment may result in transient slip charges of \$1/foot/day beginning April 1, 2024.

### New Boat Lifts

The 8 new boat lifts were installed on A Dock during the first two weeks of November by Boat Lifts Unlimited. Electrical connections were completed by Leight Electric on November 29<sup>th</sup>. Both contractors will be returning to complete punch list items, but the lifts are now operational.

The Slips Committee has made offers of the new lifts to people on the Lift Slip Wait List in accordance with the new rules for occupancy, with the option of occupying the lifts now or starting on April 1, 2024.

All work is being funded by the Piers & Harbor Fund. As with the lifts on C Dock, the costs of the

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new lifts will be recouped over a period of 10 years by increased lift slip fees for these new lifts. At this point the estimated lift slip fee on A Dock will be \$2,600/year, subject to recalculation after final costs are all in.

### **Slip Waiting List Fee Change**

Starting now, for 2024, the cost to get on or stay on the Active Wet Slip Waiting List or the Lift Slip Waiting List will be increased from \$100 to \$250.

Those already on the Active Wet Slip Waiting List or the Lift Slip Waiting List who wish to remain active will be required to pay an additional \$150 by the end of December 2023, or they will be moved to the Inactive List. If you are on either the Active Wet Slip Waiting List or the Lift Slip Waiting List, you will be contacted this month, requesting you remit \$150 to HSIA by December 31, 2023, to remain on the Active List. Anyone on the Active Wet Slip Waiting List or the Lift Slip Waiting List who does not remit \$150 by the end of December 2023 will be automatically moved to the respective Inactive Waiting List.

Checks may be mailed to HSIA, PO Box 3485, Annapolis, MD 21403, or deposited in the Drop Box at The Hillsmere House, 119 Great Lake Drive. Please annotate checks with "Slip Waiting List Fee" in the Memo line.

Those currently on the Inactive Wet Slip Waiting List need do nothing, unless they wish to return to the Active Wet Slip Waiting List, for which they will be required to remit \$150. Current slip holders do not have to pay any additional fees.

REMINDER: Waiting List Fees are credited to the first Slip Fee once a slip is assigned.

### **Marina Video Camera and WiFi Systems**

Camera and WiFi system installation has been completed, with two cameras and a Wi-Fi point added to the Sunset Ramp, for a total of 16 cameras. We are reviewing and will be adjusting camera views, testing system reliability, and reviewing punch list items with the contractor. Additional system enhancements, such as Uninterruptable Power Supply, an upgraded video recorder and a weather station, are under review.

There is now an open WiFi system available at the Marina and Sunset Boat Ramp entitled "Hillsmere Marina." For a testing period, the WiFi system will be open and not password protected. Mike Waters continues to oversee the project, and is working on making video feed available to slip holders on a password-protected basis.

### **Winds and Tides**

A combination of a storm with very high winds and an unusually high tide overnight on Tuesday November 21, 2023, caused significant damage at the Marina, and flooded over portions of the Sand Spit and the docks.

- Six (6) dock boards washed away, and an additional four (4) boards and a dock light stanchion were badly damaged by a sailboat whose spring lines broke. All boards have been replaced and a light stanchion replacement fixture is on order.
- Protective coir logs around three (3) pine trees washed out and disintegrated, leading to serious erosion beneath two trees. Pay Dirt LLC, which installed the coir logs several

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years ago, was hired to replace the coir logs and soil, and completed the work on December 4<sup>th</sup>.

- Considerable amounts of debris were deposited on the Sand Spit and on the docks. The docks were cleared and the Property Manager hired a firm to rake debris from the Sand Spit on November 24<sup>th</sup>.
- A fairly large sink hole in the vicinity of the Porta-potty re-opened. The hole was filled with about 8 cubic feet of material (concrete rubble, pea pebbles, and topsoil).

### **Boat Park**

Offers have gone out to those on the Wait List to fill the few remaining spots available.

#### Parking Scheme:

- Large, two-axle trailers will continue angled parking on the left (South) side of the lot, but not in the rear of the lot, *unless they will remain empty, i.e., no boats*.
- The rear of the Boat Park will be primarily for small, single-axle trailers/boats, and empty trailers.
- The right (North) side and the front of the lot will continue with angled parking for small, single axle trailers, and overflow of larger, two-axle trailers toward the center of the right side, along the fenced area.

It is critically important to park your trailers and boats as close together as possible so we can maximize the use of space in the Boat Park. Trailers may need to be repositioned to achieve best space utilization. If your trailer has a lock, please make sure that we have a copy of the key or lock combination.

### **Dredging**

As part of the Anne Arundel County Maintenance Dredging of Duvall and Kitty Creeks Project, HSIA plans to apply for a combined permit for any needed maintenance dredging at the P&H facilities, to install fixed piling channel markers in the Duvall Creek entrance channel, and perhaps replace the Kayak Dock at 514 Beach Drive. Actual dredging needs will be determined by bathymetric surveys to be performed by BayLand.

HSIA has advised BayLand that, unlike the last time Duvall Creek dredging occurred in 2012, HSIA does not intend to allow the dredging contractor to use HSIA boat ramps to remove dredged materials by truck.

Anyone in the community with experience in dredging projects is asked to step up and volunteer to assist HSIA's efforts. And anyone who has encountered shoaling in the vicinity of HSIA ramps and docks, please let us know at [marina@hillsmereshores.org](mailto:marina@hillsmereshores.org).

### **P&H Committee Meetings Time and Place**

P&H Committee Meetings have moved to the Hillsmere House at 119 Great Lake Drive. The next P&H Committee Meeting will be Tuesday, January 9, 2024, 7 pm. All Slip Holders, Ramp Key Holders, Wait Listers, Kayakers, Boat Parkers, etc. are invited to attend. Volunteers are always needed and welcomed! In the interim, please direct your questions, issues, concerns, and comments to [marina@hillsmereshores.org](mailto:marina@hillsmereshores.org) and be on the lookout for Special P&H Notices.



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## **NOTE**

All babysitters, dog walkers, and pet sitters have been verified and updated as of October 2022. Individuals are responsible for updating their listings.

If you would like to be added to either service listing, please email [postmaster@hillsmereshores.org](mailto:postmaster@hillsmereshores.org).

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## **2023 BOARD MEETINGS**

Jan 26

April 27

July 27

Oct 26

Feb 23

May 25

Aug 31

Nov 30

Mar 30

June 29

Sep 28

Dec 21

## **2023 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

Jan 12

Mar 9

May 11

July 13

Sep 14

Nov 9

Note: All HSIA meetings begin at 7pm in the Barn Commons on Key School campus.

# December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4	5	6	7	8 Hanukkah Begins	9
10 Santa's Run	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 7p—HSIA Board Meeting	22	23
24	25 Christmas Day	26	27	28	29	30
31 New Years Eve						



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