

The Sea Breeze

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March 2024



Sunday, January 28th—Volunteers showed up and redistributed the sand displaced by the extreme high tides and high winds from winter storms. Thank you to Chloe & John Griffis, Laura Malone, Adam & Sharon Blugis, Michelle O'Brien, Helene Raven, Geoff Werner & Chelsea Trotter, Jim Collatz, Paul Kelley, David Pim, Joe Kiebish, Carson & Katie Leedy (& kids), Kevin Green, Mary Bogardus, and Garrett Tache.

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President's Message

Tom Anderson, HSIA President



The HSIA Board meeting on Thursday February 29th was very productive as we discussed several key issues facing the community. I stressed the importance of openness in communication – a practice that the HSIA Board has subscribed to in the past as well as during my tenure as President of this great community. The HSIA Board believes that community input is key to the success of a healthy community and welcomes input at any time including Board and General meetings.

I started last week's meeting by announcing the resignation of HSIA Board member, Sharon Blugis from the Board and Beach Committee. I quickly interviewed several capable candidates for Beach Committee chair and have asked Geoff Werner to lead that team on an acting basis until the process is complete.

I went on to discuss Teamwork – it is an imperative in this environment. None of the at-large Board members owns any specific function, but instead is expected to demonstrate leadership and inclusiveness in performing their role. I stressed how important it is to seek input and advice from other HSIA members.

Our role is to communicate effectively with each other as well as with the broader community. HSIA publishes a significant amount of information through many different mediums, and we continuously seek input from our community. We use open discussions such as Board and General meetings (including Zoom access for all those unable to be in physical attendance), email communications, the *Sea Breeze*, the Hillsmere website, and the only official Hillsmere Facebook page – its name is: Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association.

Because we are openly communicating with all of you, I have little tolerance for those community members who create and support the “underground” social media network that seeks to disparage the Board and/or its volunteers. This ineffective communication is harmful to the Hillsmere community. To the small number of individuals who hide behind these unofficial Facebook pages in an attempt to position community thinking to align with theirs, I say to you: please come out from the shadows and start effectively supporting this community. To everyone in this community – please use social media to share important community information with each other. It's not the place to complain or seed discord.

I'm looking forward to a great year in the community in 2024! I thank all of you who give your time tirelessly to making this a wonderful community. Thank YOU! Since the inception of HSIA, we have always relied on the volunteer community. If you have time that you can give to support our evolution, please contact us now. Our emails are all listed right here in this *Sea Breeze* document and in many other places.

Mark Your Calendars—Upcoming Meetings

3/9 @ 10AM	Beach Committee Meeting	119 Great Lake Drive
3/12 @ 7PM	Piers & Harbors Committee Meeting	119 Great Lake Drive
3/14 @ 7PM	General Membership Meeting	Barn Commons, Key School
3/18 @ 7PM	Events Committee Meeting	119 Great Lake Drive
3/28 @ 7PM	HSIA Board of Directors Meeting	119 Great Lake Drive

Motions from January 2024 Board meeting:

(complete minutes can be found on the Hillsmere website at www.hillsmereshores.org)

PROPERTY MANAGER:

1. Steve Vanderbosch moved the Board delegate authority to the HSIA President to approve award of a furnace replacement at the community house NTE \$20,000. Sharon Bugis seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.
2. Steve Vanderbosch moved approval to purchase 15 recycled plastic wheel stops to replace missing wheel stops at the marina NTE \$1500 (ST). Claire Corcoran seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.
3. Steve Vanderbosch moved, in order to facilitate the work and productivity of the HSIA Property Manager and to achieve greater efficiency, responsiveness, and savings in HSIA property management, the Board hereby authorizes the Property Manager to have Spending Authority of \$1,000 for each purchase of goods or services for HSIA. Claire Corcoran seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Steve Vanderbosch moved the Board approve the Annapolis Run for the Lighthouse on September 15. Joanna Parkinson seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

POOL:

1. Gene Gross moved the Board approve the Pool Membership rate increase as follows:

- Family Membership from \$500 to \$575
- Adult Membership from \$195 to \$225
- Youth Membership from \$100 to \$115
- Fee for over 6 people on Family Membership from \$25 to \$30
- The late fee after May 1 will remain at a 10% surcharge
- Guest Passes from \$5 to \$6
- Black Walnut Cove –Family Membership from \$600 to \$690
- Black Walnut Cove – Adult Membership from \$275 to \$315
- Black Walnut Cove – Youth Membership from \$150 to \$173
- Key School – from \$6,000 to \$6,900
- Hammerheads – from \$1,500 to \$1,700

Ray Sullivan seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

2. Gene Gross moved the Board approve the Pool Budget of \$149,000. Ray Sullivan seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.



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
HSIA Property Manager: propertymanager@hillsmereshores.org
Key School liaison: kaustin@keyschool.org
AACO traffic engineer: pwflor11@aacounty.org
Community Cat Program: jckilborn@yahoo.com

Motions from February 2024 Board meeting:

(complete minutes can be found on the Hillsmere website at www.hillsmreshores.org)

PROPERTY MANAGER: Steve Vanderbosch moved the Board delegate authority for the President to execute the Stormwater BMP contract with Welspryng for the 2024-2025 year. Bill Schrott seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

SECRETARY:

1. Mike Wurst moved the Board approve the HSIA Secretary and Property Manager to select a small business printer for the community house to be capable of color printing, scanning, and emailing, total cost NTE \$700. Steve Vanderbosch seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.
2. Mike Wurst moved the Board approve the Pet Waste Station Services from \$50 to \$65 / per sweep of the 9 total stations in the neighborhood effective March 1, 2024. Steve Vanderbosch seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.
3. Mike Wurst moved the Board approve that the HSIA Board present at the next General Meeting to vote on amending the bylaws related to spending authority limits. The proposed changes involve the below areas of the HSIA Bylaws:

Article III Section 12

1. Board Vote Requirements – The advice and consent of the Board of Directors shall be required on expenditures of the Corporation where the amount involved exceeds the value of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00). **Change from \$1,000.**
2. Bid Requirements – All new contracts involving more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) shall be submitted for competitive bids. If no bids are received or bids received are deemed unreliable by the Board, the Board may award the contract without competitive bids. The Board shall consult with the appropriate committee chairman before awarding any contract, accepting the work performed or making final payment. **Change from \$2,500.**

Article IV Section 7

Section 7. Committee Spending Authority Change from \$250 to \$1,000

The advice and consent of the Board of Directors shall be required on expenditures of the Corporation where the amount involved exceeds the value of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) as approved in the Committee's Annual Budget.

Article V Section 2 President Change from \$1,000 to \$3,000

Section 2. President

The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation, shall sign all documents binding upon the Corporation and conduct all meetings of the membership or the Board of Directors. The President may approve expenditures involving Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) or less.

The President shall designate the chairmen of all standing Committees and may designate

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functions of each standing Committee. The President shall have such other and further functions as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

Steve Vanderbosch seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

PIERS & HARBOR: Steve Vanderbosch moved the Board authorize the transfer of up to \$20,000 of the \$70,000 budgeted as Capital Improvement funds for the Sand Spit Living Shoreline/Coastal Resiliency Project to Arundel Rivers Federation for the payment of permitting and other costs not otherwise eligible for reimbursement under the State Capital Grant of \$109,000 or the DNR Grant of \$669,191 for the Project. Bill Schrott seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

POOL:

1. Joanna Parkinson moved the Board approve funds for the Pool Committee to purchase new umbrellas, tables, and chairs for the season, NTE \$6,000. Bill Schrott seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.
2. Joanna Parkinson moved the Board delegate authority to the Property Manager, with input and direction of the Pool Chair, her Committee, and myself, to contract to repair the fence of the kiddie pool, upgrade the closure of the fencing surrounding the dumpsters off Phipps, and enclose the recycling bins adjacent to the dumpsters for an amount NTE \$3,500. Steve Vanderbosch seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

Events: Helene Raven moved the Board authorize payment for Moxie Blues Band performing at the Beach on June 9 or 14 (rain date), and to permit amplified music until 8:00 pm. The total cost, including the liquor license fee is NTE \$550. Claire Corcoran seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

A promotional graphic for Key School. The background is dark blue with a faint image of a school building. On the left and right sides, there are white line drawings of tulips. The text is in white and yellow. The main headline is 'More than a School.' in a large, stylized font. Below it, there is a paragraph about the school's academic program. Then, a sub-headline 'But Key is more than just a school.' is followed by another paragraph. At the bottom left, it says 'Key School is one of the most sought-after college preparatory programs in Maryland because we are more than a school.' and 'Experience the Key difference for yourself!'. On the right side, there is a 'VISIT KEY' section with a QR code and a list of rankings. At the bottom right is the Key School logo.

More than a School.

Key is renowned for its rigorous academic program, which emphasizes inquiry-based learning and interdisciplinary studies, and produces unparalleled student outcomes.

But Key is more than just a school.

It's a diverse community where students are transformed through authentic connections with their teachers and peers. It's a training ground for winning athletic teams and talented artists. It's a safe space where students take risks, self-advocate, and grow into ethical citizens and exceptional leaders.

Key School is one of the most sought-after college preparatory programs in Maryland because we are more than a school.

Experience the Key difference for yourself!

VISIT KEY

Schedule a private, weekday tour of campus



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BEST SCHOOLS

#1 Private School in Anne Arundel County

#1 School for STEM in Anne Arundel County

#7 K-12 Private School in Maryland

KEY SCHOOL

HSIA Community News and Events

Jean Somers, HSIA Administrator



Come And Get It Day—Thank you to all the residents who came to Come And Get It Day to pay dues, get stickers, pay for boat ramp keys, Boat Park storage, Rack storage, Slip rentals, and the pool. Also, thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the day a success! This day would not be possible without the help of many people, and your dedication and support doesn't go unnoticed! We welcomed approximately 240 people through the doors that day. Thanks so much for a job well done!

Burning of the Socks—It's that time again...time to Burn Your Socks! Please join your friends and neighbors on Wednesday, March 20, from 5:00 to 6:30 pm at the community beach to welcome the start of Spring for the Annapolis tradition of BURNING OF THE SOCKS. More info can be found on the Events page in this issue. Happy Spring!

Egg Hunt—Hop on down and join us at our annual Egg Hunt at the community beach on Saturday, March 30, at 10:00 am. Please bring a basket for your eggs, and *please be prompt*! More information can be found on the Events page in this issue. "Hop" to see you there!

2024 Membership and Stickers—Be sure to get 2024 stickers for your vehicles and trailers if you plan to use community facilities this year. This ensures our wonderful facilities are used only by Hillsmere residents, owners, and their guests. Please complete the 2024 HSIA Membership form found in this issue, and send it with photocopies of your vehicle and trailer registrations to HSIA, P.O. Box 3485, Annapolis, MD 21403, or place it in the HSIA drop box at the community house at

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119 Great Lake Drive. We will send your stickers in the mail. If you also want voting rights in the Association, be sure to include a \$25 dues payment for each individual membership with your Membership form and registrations.

Boat Ramp Keys—2024 boat ramp keys are now available. To request a 2024 boat ramp key, please tear the membership form out of this issue and mail it with your dues and boat ramp key payment. Be sure to remember to include photocopies of your vehicle and trailer registrations for stickers. All Piers & Harbor locks will change on April 1. Get your key now! **Remember that keys are not available on short notice.** Please allow a few weeks processing time. Thanks for your understanding!

Have You Joined the Pool Yet? Spring is right around the corner, and with Spring and warmer weather comes thoughts of joining our wonderful pool! Pool forms can be found in this issue of the *Sea Breeze*. Please remember that all pool members are required to be members of HSIA. So when you're completing the pool form, please be sure to complete the HSIA Membership form also found in this issue. Both forms can be mailed to the address on the forms or placed in our community drop box, and both fees can be included in one check. Please remember to sign the waiver on page 2 of the pool form!

2024 Beach Reservations—The 2024 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 may 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. Further instructions on how to obtain a One Day Liquor License will be provided at time of booking.



Bylaws Report

Mike Wurst, HSIA Secretary



By-laws Spending Authority Proposal Change

The HSIA board approved a motion at their February board meeting to increase the spending authority for several areas contained in our Bylaws. This would include committee chairs, bid requirements, President approval, and Board of Director Vote requirements. This motion approval means that it will be on the March 14th General Meeting Agenda for voting by the HSIA membership.

Why is this increase needed/proposed?

Our Bylaws have not been changed in decades. The spending authority levels have not been adjusted for inflation over time. What this means is currently committee chairs (such as beach, marina, pool, etc.) need board approval for anything over \$250, even if the item is part of their ap-

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proved yearly budget. Most repairs/purchases cost more than \$250. All this currently does is slow down approval and resolution, since they can only be approved at board meetings. Same thing can be said for the approval levels that the Board and President currently have.

What exactly is being proposed to change?

The sections of the Bylaws that would change are the following, the current approval levels are in bold at the end of each section:

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How can you help?

These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Members present at any general or special meeting of the Membership. Prior to any meeting where amendments of these By-laws shall be considered, notice shall be given in accordance with Article X. Our next general meeting is Thursday March 14th at the Key School Barn at 7pm. Please plan on attending and supporting this proposed amendment.

Any questions on this proposed change may be sent to secretary@hillsmereshores.org.

Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association 2024 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	Additional Membership (add \$25.00)
Name:	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: _____

<p>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</p> <p>YOU WILL ONLY RECEIVE STICKERS IF REGISTRATIONS ARE PROVIDED TO HSIA.</p>	<p># Stickers</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto;"></div>
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Payment Type	# Requested	Unit Cost	Total Cost
HSIA Dues (2024)		\$ 25.00	
Additional Member		\$ 25.00	
Kayak Rack Storage (Pay Upon Assignment Only)		\$ 50.00	
Boat Ramp Key (Must Pay HSIA dues)		\$ 50.00	
Boat Park Key (Pay Upon Assignment Only)		\$ 240.00	
Boat Slip Fee (Slip #)			
Slip Wait List Deposit (Must pay HSIA dues)		\$250.00	
Pool Membership (from Pool Form)			
Other			
		TOTAL	

PIERS & HARBOR WAITING LISTS:

NOTE: You are required to pay a onetime \$250 slip deposit to be placed on the Slip Waiting Lists 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 ☐ Wet Slip Waiting List -OR- the ☐ Lift Slip Waiting List

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

For Slip Holders only: Please issue me _____ 2024/2025 marina guest passes (standard 2 passes)
Number

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

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

(Questions? Email admin@hillsmershores.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 #:	Check #:
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. <i>NOTE: All trailers using the Boat Ramp are required to have current HSIA decals/stickers.</i>	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. <u>Maryland law requires all boat trailers be registered.</u> 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 (slips only)	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 that has 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 the required coverage and limits of liability.

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

2024 Hillsmere Shores Improvement Association - Pool Membership Form

Household Information:

Primary Member Name (also list as #1 below)	
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.				

Membership Type	Postmarked by May 1st	Postmarked after May 1 st	Qty.	Payment Due
Family	\$575	\$630		
Adult	\$225	\$245		
Youth	\$115	\$125		
Fee pp over 6 members	\$30	\$30		
TOTAL				

Please make checks payable to HSIA and mail membership forms and checks to HSIA, PO Box 3485, Annapolis MD 21403

**** 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. Please read page 2 of this application “Request and Release”. Signatures are required.**

Check #:	Amount:	Received By:	Date Received:	HSIA member:
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2023 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.

Print Full Name

Signature

Date

Print Full Name

Signature

Date

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:

Property Manager Report

Robin Clark, HSIA Property Manager, propertymanager@hillsmereshores.org



Contracts

A central responsibility of the Property Manager is 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](https://hillsmereshores.org/)" Facebook page and check the website (<https://hillsmereshores.org/>) for updates on requests for proposals and contracts.

Groundskeeping

The 2024-2025 Groundskeeping Contract has been awarded to Annapolis Landscaping and Maintenance. The contract begins March 1. This contract covers mowing and string trimming throughout Hillsmere's community properties (eight different locations), weeding, mulching, and pruning garden beds and plantings once in spring and fall, replenishing wood chips pathways, and leaf removal in the fall.

The Hillsmere Pool

The contract for pool operations and management for the 2024 season of the Hillsmere Pool has been renewed with Anchor Aquatics and the Hillsmere Pool Rules have been updated and provided to Anchor prior to the March 1 deadline.

Environment

The Board awarded a contract for maintenance of stormwater best management practices for the 2024-2025 season to Welspryng Landscape and Stormwater. Welspryng maintained the rain gardens, bioretention ponds and swales in prior years. The contract to begin March 1, 2024 has additional emphasis on maintaining a heightened aesthetic appearance and Chris Moore, owner of Welspryng, provided several examples and suggestions to this end during the RFP review process.

Calling Property Brothers (& Sisters)

Do you have a pickup truck? A chain saw? Extra elbow grease? Do you take pride in the appearance of your neighborhood? Would you pull over to the side of the road to untangle a plastic bag from a hedge in the median? Do you have an eye for architecture or garden design? Join the Property Brothers & Sisters - a team of residents helping to keep this community looking good.

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Security

A Request for Proposals (RFP) for secondary duty law enforcement officer patrols was released and has a March 4 deadline for bids. Another RFP for private security at the beach and marina and random night patrols will be released at the direction of the Security Chair. If you are interested in joining an RFP Review Team for security, please email Propertymanager@hillsmereshores.org.

Pet Waste Stations

On February 29, the Board approved an increase for weekly pet waste stations provided by Max Penn, submitted by the Property Manager. Penn plans to continue to provide this service indefinitely.

Property Maintenance

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

Piers and Harbors

At the request of the Chair of the Piers and Harbors Committee, the Property Manager researched and purchased 15 new gray recycled plastic wheel stops for the marina to replace those that have floated away. The Piers and Harbors Chair is preparing the wheel stops for installation. The Property Manager reached out to Comcast and Verizon who successfully lifted a downed power

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Shout out!

Special thanks to Ed Maurer, who found a friend to break down and haul a broken soccer goal in the Community Park; Tom Schwallenburg, who is taking the lead on a replacement HVAC system in the Community House; and Colleen Menucci, who is finding window coverings for privacy at the Community House.

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line at 541 Beach Drive. The Property Manager hired and supervised a contractor to remove excess sand that had washed up the marina parking lot, and then sift the gravel from the sand and replace it on the south side of the berm.

Pool and Community Park

At the request of the Pool Chair, the Property Manager met with a contractor to repair the damage to the fence at the kiddie pool and to request an estimate for an expansion of fencing around the kiddie pool. The Property Manager also requested a quote for bolstering the closure of the fencing around the dumpsters, and creating a fenced enclosure for the recycling bins.

At the request of the Environment Committee Chair, the Property Manager is adding a request for an estimate for fencing to protect the rain garden at the corner of Phipps and Great Lake and to surround on-site leaf composting for use by groundskeeping and stormwater maintenance contractors.

Community House

In coordination with the HSIA Administrator, Events Chair, and former House Committee Chair, the Property Manager hired a contractor to clean the Community House, purchase trash and recycling bins for the Community House kitchen, obtained a recycling bin from the County, and solicited multiple bids and designs for a front path for the Community House.

Continuing furnace issues at the Community House have led the Board to redirect, seeking to replace the oil furnace with a heat pump or ductless split. The Property Manager, working with the former Community House Chair and with the input and review of the Board will seek to replace the system in the coming month with a heat pump or ductless system, and to have the external oil tank removed.

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 December, neighborhood monitoring continued. The Property Manager translated a letter to a resident from the Board regarding a permitting violation into Spanish in an attempt to bridge an asserted language barrier. She also spoke with Alison Flores, Director of the Office of Hispanic/Latino and Multicultural Resources, in the Office of the County Executive for additional support with translation services for HSIA's administration.

In a meeting with Flores's predecessor in fall 2023, the County offered to help the President and Vice President of the HSIA Board with such outreach. In the coming months, with or without the County's support, the Property Manager hopes to make strides in providing additional language options for content on HSIA's website and signage throughout the Community at the request of relevant Committee Chairs. Flores also welcomed the opportunity to attend an upcoming community event or general meeting.

Hola! ¿hablas español?

Are you a resident with a professional certification in a foreign language, in particular Spanish, and would be willing to help with translations, please reach out to the Property Manager at propertymanager@hillsmershores.org

HSIA Building Permits



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 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.*
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
6. Provide current mailing address, as your HSIA Building Permit will be mailed via USPS

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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, or voice mail, 410-263-4456.



Events Report

Helene Raven, HSIA Board Member and Events Committee Chair



2024 Events Calendar

Our first events for 2024 are in March. We start with the annual sock burning at the Beach on March 20 from 5:00-6:30 PM. This annual tradition heralds warmer days when socks are no longer needed. HSIA will provide oysters. This is a BYOB (bring your own beverage—no glass) and a BYOS (bring your own socks—cotton or wool only). Thank you to Noel Gasparin, Kevin Green, and Ray Sullivan for coordinating. HSIA's annual Egg Hunt at the Beach will be held March 30 starting at 10 AM. This event is planned to make sure that the little children and older children all have equal opportunities to find surprise-filled eggs. Thank you to Crystal Monkman and her crew of helpers for putting this together.

April 27, 10 AM-2 PM, Hillsmere Community Garage Sale. Set up begins at 9:30 AM.

We will gather at 10 AM on Monday, May 27 for our annual Memorial Day Remembrance at the Beach. All active duty, reserve duty, retired military, fire fighters, police, family, friends, and supporters are welcome.

On Sunday, June 9 [Moxie Blues Band](#) will play from 5:00-8:00 PM. This is a BYOB (no glass), BYOC (bring your own chair), and BYOP (bring your own picnic—no glass) event. Moxie Blues Band was at the Beach two years ago and we are thrilled to have them perform for our community again.

July brings the annual Fourth of July Parade (on July 4), followed by snacks at the Beach. Details to follow. July's Happy Hour is Friday, July 12 from 5:30-7:30 PM. Bring a dish to share, a chair, and BYOB. Please do not bring any glass to the Beach.

Join us on Saturday, August 10 at 6:00 PM for an ice cream social. Bring toppings and a chair—we will provide the ice cream and sorbet.

The last happy hour of the year is on Saturday, September 14 from 5:30-7:30 PM. A volunteer recognition party will be held Saturday, September 21. October has the annual Halloween Parade. Details TBA due to Halloween being on a Thursday. On November 2nd the Maple Drive Crew has organized the annual Oyster Roast at the Beach from 5:30-7:30 PM. BYOB, BYOC, and bring side dishes to go along with the oysters. As always, refrain from bringing glass bottles, containers, and/or dishes to the beach! Finally, on December 8th we will enjoy caroling, hot chocolate, and cookies while waiting for Santa to show up on the fire truck. This event is made possible by the Annapolis Fire Department, Police Department, and Anne Arundel County Sheriff's Office. Details TBA.

Events Committee Meeting Dates

Events meetings are open to residents. All comments welcome. Our next meeting will be March 18, 7:00-8:00 PM at the Hillsmere House, 119 Great Lake Drive. Agenda to include (1) Tour of the house and supplies, (2) Request for ideas for events, (3) Volunteer opportunities, and (4) Coordination with the Field Committee. Future meetings are May 20, September 16, and October 21, all from 7:00-8:00 PM at the Hillsmere House.

Final Notes

Watch for details on the Hillsmere Shores website, HSIA official Facebook page, *Sea Breeze*, and community bulletin board. HSIA membership dues fund all events; neighborhood volunteers plan and coordinate these. More volunteers are always welcome.

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At the request of the Board, the Property Manager drafted letters to residents regarding the Board's new rule on carports, clarifying that even temporary carports require permits from HSIA and must meet HSIA setback requirements. If you have input or suggestions for neighborhood monitoring, please be in touch with Propertymanager@hillsmereshores.org.

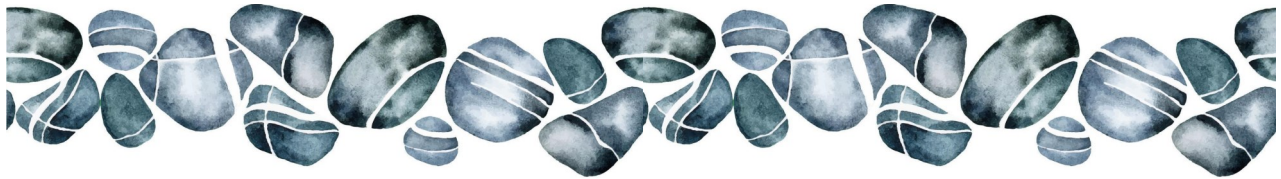
Did you know?

In September 2023, the HSIA Board adopted a rule stating that temporary carports require an HSIA building permit, and must follow HSIA setback requirements?

Special Projects - Reserve Study

A responsibility of the Property Manager is to assist in the management and construction of Special Projects by providing input to architects, engineers and contractors on project design; ensuring that necessary permits are secured; drafting requests for proposals/bids; soliciting proposals/bids; and managing the selected contractors.

A reserve study to make sure that Hillsmere has adequate resources to, based on the estimated cost of major repairs to or replacement of the common assets, preserve and maintain its assets into the future is a special project assigned to the Property Manager. The Property Manager has reached out to Superior Reserve for information about a reserve study for Hillsmere's assets, including the community beach, the pool, and the Community House. Superior Reserve conducted a reserve study for the Hillsmere Marina in 2020.



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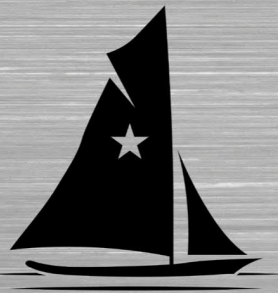
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Did you know Annapolis is a designated Bird City and our signature bird is the osprey? Pamela Kellett from [Bird City Maryland](#) talked on the organization in Maryland. The Bird City Network has over 200 communities across 3 countries which promote bird-friendly actions. Each organization designates its own Migratory Bird Day based on the conditions of the location.

Our native plant presentation was an informative video on the [Coral Honeysuckle \(Lonicera sempervirens\)](#). In our area, the unique, native vine can display all stages of its growth cycle simultaneously in the fall: beautiful flowers, immature berries, ripe berries, new leaves, and dead leaves. This is a magnet for bees, butterflies, hummingbirds, and other birds.

Our March 20th meeting will feature a speaker who will discuss invasive plants, how to avoid them and what to do about them. For April, a field trip to [Annemarie Sculpture Garden](#) is planned.

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).

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Steve Vanderbosch, HSIA Board Member and P&H Chair



SAND SPIT LIVING SHORELINE/COASTAL RESILIENCY PROJECT

Great News to report on the Living Shoreline Project! On February 26, 2024, the US Army Corps of Engineers ("ACE") gave HSIA its provisional approval of the Project. The approval is contingent only upon Maryland Department of Environment ("MDE") concurring with the Maryland Coastal Zone Management consistency certification and MDE issuing a Water Quality Certification, both of which MDE intends to include in MDE's Wetlands Permit for the Project.

Notice of the Project was posted on MDE's public notice website from January 15-February 15, and no comments or requests for a hearing were received, allowing MDE to proceed with final review. MDE has advised that it intends to recommend approval of the Wetlands Permit to the Maryland Board of Public Works in the near future.

A Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") among Anne Arundel County, Arundel Rivers Federation ("Federation") and HSIA concerning the Project, Permit fees, water quality improvement credits and Project maintenance has been executed. This is a standard MOU that, among other things, requires the Federation to maintain the Project and 85% of its planted vegetation for 5 years, and thereafter requires HSIA to maintain the Project and its planted vegetation.

We are filing an application for a Grading permit from the County, and it now appears a Building permit will not be required. The HSIA Board has approved the transfer of up to \$20,000 of Special Tax funds budgeted for the Project to the Federation for reimbursement of permitting costs and other Project costs not eligible for funding under the two State grants for the Project.

An RFP for the construction of the Project was sent in mid-February to a select group of contractors with proven experience in this type of work. A pre-bid meeting was held at the Marina on Tuesday February 27, with five contractors participating. Proposals are due March 8, 2024.

We are anticipating construction of the Project could begin in the Fall of this year, assuming all the necessary permits and approvals are obtained.

A description and design plans for the Project continue to be posted on the HSIA Website and can be viewed at:

<https://hillsmershores.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Hillsmere-Shores-Coastal-Resiliency-Project-Plans-1.pdf>

COME AND GET IT DAY

Come And Get It Day was moderately successful, with a good number of residents bringing in paperwork and payments for HSIA Membership renewals, Slip, Boat Park and Kayak Rack renewals, and purchases of Boat Ramp Keys. All this can still be done by mail or via the community drop box, located at the community house at 119 Great Lake Drive (box is at the corner of the garage).

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@hillsmershores.org so people on the various Waiting Lists can be accommodated.

For returning slip holders:

SLIP FEES AND UPDATED DOCUMENTS WERE DUE MARCH 1ST. If you have not yet sent your payment and documents, you are subject to a \$100 late fee. The late fee increases to \$200 for pay-

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ments and documentation received after April 1st.

If you need to make alternative payment arrangements, please contact the P&H Chair at marina@hillsmereshores.org or call or text 410-212-6978.

Invoicing this year was sent to residents *via email only* from "HSIAInvoicing". If you have not received an invoice, please check your spam. Otherwise, please contact admin@hillsmereshores.org or 410-263-4456 and the Administrator will send you a copy of your invoice.

Late Fees in Calendar Year 2024:

- Slip fee and documentation not received by March 1: \$100 late fee
- Slip fee and documentation not received by April 1: \$200 late fee
- Slip fee and documentation not received by May 1: Loss of slip

"Documentation" includes:

- HSIA 2024 Membership Form.
- Copies of current vehicle registrations for HSIA stickers.
- Completed and signed 2024 Slip Permit.
- Copies of:
 - Boat Title, if not already on file.
 - *Current* boat registration or USCG documentation
 - *Current* boat insurance declaration of at least \$100,000 liability coverage.
 - For boats with more than one owner, a HSIA Vessel Ownership Affidavit.
 - If you are in the Boat Park, a copy of your current *MARYLAND* trailer registration.

GUEST PASSES & HILLSMERE STICKERS

This year new orange and black 2024-2025 Guest Passes are being issued.

- Slip holders will get 2 Guest Passes but can request more *if really needed*.
- Slip Holders receive a HSIA sticker for their boat, with "MARINA" printed on the lower corner.
Stickers with "MARINA" printed on them go on your boat, not on your car!
- Boat Park space holders will get a HSIA sticker for their trailer.

SLIPS WAITING LISTS

Starting this year the Slips Waiting Lists are being reorganized into Wet Slip Active and Inactive

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Waiting Lists, and Lift Slip Active and Inactive Waiting Lists. The cost for a non-slip holder to get on or stay on the Wet Slip Active Waiting List or the Lift Slip Active Waiting List has increased from \$100 to \$250. Current slip holders do not have to pay any additional fees.

Non-slip holders who were already on the Wet Slip Waiting List or the Lift Slip Waiting List who wished to remain on the *Active* lists were required to pay an additional \$150 by the end of January 2024. As a result, 24 names were automatically moved to the respective Inactive List.

The new Slip Waiting Lists are a work in progress as the HSIA Administrator continues to process membership and waiting lists requests. As of March 4, 2024, the Waiting Lists status was: Wet Active - 13 names; Wet Inactive - 47 names; Lift Active - 10 names; Lift Inactive - 5 names.

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

MARINA OPERATIONS

Ice Eaters

At noon on Thursday January 18, in balmy 30-something degree weather, a group of intrepid volunteers installed 8 ice eaters along the Marina bulkhead in about 45 minutes to ward off the encroaching sheet of ice in the Harbor. After being operated intermittently over just 5 days, keeping the ice away, the ice eaters will soon be pulled, cleaned and stored again.

A big *THANKS!* Goes out to Dave Edinberg, Doug Freeman, Rosemary Foltis, Ralph Naranjo, Chuck Metzger, Kevin Green, and Mike Case.

January 9th Storm Follow-Up

The major damage from the January 9th storm occurred on the Sand Spit due to waves driven by high winds overwashing the rip-rap, leaving scattered debris and eroding both the shoreline and the berm near the Marina entrance. The HSIA Property Manager arranged for the removal of debris from the Marina and the Sunset Boat Ramp, and for the relocation of some of the sand that was washed up on the Marina parking lot. The Marina gravel will need to be raked and refreshed this Spring due to both storm damage and normal wear and tear.

About 12 plastic curb stops washed away from the Sand Spit Parking area. The HSIA Property Manager has acquired replacement curb stops for the Marina to replace those washed away, with installation to be performed by P&H volunteers.

Electrical

As reported previously, in December Leight Electric completed the long-delayed replacement of 13 old shore power pedestals on A and C Docks with new shore power pedestals. Sadly, the principal owner passed away unexpectedly, and the business has closed. Punch-list items and County inspection of two P&H electrical projects remain incomplete for: 1. the new A Dock Boat Lifts, and 2. the new Shore Power Pedestals. We met on site with KV Electric to discuss completion of the unfinished electrical work and arrange County inspection, but as of this report the work has yet to be done.

Camera System

The camera system at the Marina and Sunset Ramp is completed and operational and new camera use signs have been posted. Testing and familiarization are underway, led by Mike Waters. There is

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also an open WiFi system available at the Marina and Sunset Boat Ramp entitled “Hillsmere Marina.” Additional system enhancements, such as Uninterruptable Power Supply, an upgraded video recorder, and a weather station, are under review.

Water/Pump Out Systems

The water and pump out systems will be turned on and tested after the threat of a hard freeze has passed. No date has been selected yet.

BOAT PARK

The Boat Park Waiting List request must be renewed every year. If you want to be on the Boat Park Waiting List, you should have checked that box on the HSIA Membership form. To be added to the Waiting List, contact the HSIA Administrator: admin@hillsmereshores.org.

Payments to renew spaces at the Boat Park, \$240/year, are due no later than APRIL 1st. In May offers will be sent to people on the Boat Park Waiting List to fill available spaces after renewals are processed.

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

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The advertisement for Foxwell Floor Covering features a logo with a grid of colored squares (brown, teal, and gold) to the left of the company name 'Foxwell' in a large, bold, brown serif font. Below 'Foxwell' is the text 'FLOOR COVERING' in a smaller, gold, sans-serif font. To the right of the logo, the text 'Local Annapolitan Over 60 Years' is in a brown serif font, followed by 'On Staff Designers, Sales, Installers, & Repair Techs' in a brown sans-serif font, and 'Free Financing Available' in a brown sans-serif font. Below this, the services 'Carpet ■ Hardwood ■ Tile ■ Luxury Vinyl Laminate ■ Sanding & Refinishing' are listed in a brown serif font. A large, bold, brown serif font text 'Mention this Ad for 10% Off!' is centered below the services. At the bottom right, 'MHIC# 50685' is in a small, brown sans-serif font. The bottom section of the ad has a dark brown background with white text: 'Family Owned & Operated • Lifetime Warranty on all Installations', 'WWW.FOXWELLFLOORS.COM', '1977 WEST STREET, ANNAPOLIS MD', and '410.224.7010 OR INFO@FOXWELLFLOORS.COM'. Decorative leaf patterns are visible on the left and right sides of the bottom section.

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the fenced area.

It is very 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.

KAYAK RACKS

The increasingly popular Kayak Rack Wait List has grown to 23 people seeking storage spots at the various Racks. A big shout out of THANKS! to Racks Dude Tim Arnett to keeping all 132 racks assigned and full.

Payments for Rack renewals, \$50/year, are due by APRIL 1st. If you do not intend to renew your Kayak Rack space, please let us know by email to marina@hillsmereshores.org or marina-racks@hillsmereshores.org so people on the Kayak Rack Wait List can be accommodated. Reminder: Storage at the Racks is on an assignment basis, and they are not open for free storage.

If you are only using the Kayak Rack to store your canoes or kayaks, and do not reasonably expect to use them this year, please consider giving up your rack space so some of our 23 neighbors on the Kayak Wait List can have an opportunity to use the racks.

WINTER SLIPS

While we may get an early Spring, for those who have left their boats in the water, Spring can also bring extreme high winds and fairly extreme high and low tides.

- Make sure your boat is properly moored, using extra lines, spring lines and chafing guards as necessary.
- Check your boat often, especially after storms and high winds.
- 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 or text 410-212-6978.

LOCKS & KEYS

The locks on the gates at the Boat Ramps, Kayak Ramp and Boat Park will be changed on APRIL 1st! Until then your 2023 keys will work, but starting April 1 you will need the 2024 Ramp key or 2024 Boat Park key to access those areas.

P&H MEETINGS

P&H Committee meetings are now at the Hillsmere Community House at 119 Great Lake Drive. The next P&H Committee meetings will be held Tuesday March 12, 2024, 7 pm, and Tuesday, May 14, 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 and be on the lookout for Special P&H Notices.



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Elaine	Adult	443-822-6035
Hannah	Adult	410-980-6189
Keira (cats only)	Age 12	443-440-5558
Lauren	Age 18	443-750-1228
Linda	Adult	443-822-7956
Maggie	Age 16	443-900-5511
Mary Ellen	Adult	410-212-5744
Quentin	Age 13	301-793-0032
Sean	Age 16	443-481-9401
Shanley	Age 15	443-569-9764
Shondra	Adult	240-578-9221
Sky	Age 13	410-562-3409
Taegan	Age 14	410-562-2679

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.

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Kevin Green	410-263-4456
VACANT	410-263-4456
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Claire Corcoran	410-263-4456
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COMMUNITY FACILITIES and LOCAL CONTACT INFORMATION

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Boat Ramp Keys & Boat Slip Assignments	410-263-4456
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Hillsmere Car & Boat Trailer Stickers	410-263-4456
Hillsmere Garden Club	410-268-7175
Hillsmere Hammerheads Swim Team	443-336-8432
County Community Services Specialist	410-222-1242
Animal Control	410-222-8900
Recycling Information & Bulk Trash Pick Up	410-222-6100
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2024 BOARD MEETINGS—119 Great Lake Drive @ 7PM

Jan 25	April 25	July 25	Oct 24
Feb 29	May 30	Aug 29	Nov 21
Mar 28	June 27	Sep 26	Dec 19

2024 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS—Key School Barn Commons @ 7PM

Jan 11	Mar 14	May 9	July 11	Sep 12	Nov 14
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March—April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10	11	12 P&H Committee 7P	13	14 HSIA General Membership Meeting 7P	15	16
17	18 Events Committee 7P	19	20 Garden Club Sock Burning @ Beach 5P	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 HSIA Board Meeting 7P	29	30 Egg Hunt @ Beach 10A
31	1 April Piers & Harbors LOCKS CHANGE (see pgs. 7 & 26)	2	3	4	5	7
7	8	9	10	11	12	13



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