



SHORELINES

Editor: Mackenzie Sikora

Message from the President

Colin Walsh

Summer Rec

**Monday, April 15 to
Saturday, April 20**

It's time to sign up for summer rec! This year is [online registration only](#).

After your online registration is reviewed and approved, you will receive a link to make payment.

Payment must be made **in full** at the time the link is received.

You may pay using Venmo (@HBCA-Centerport) or by Credit Card.

[Sign up now!](#)



Happy winter! I hope everyone is enjoying the seasonal weather, and excited for another great HBCA summer. I look forward to serving the beach for another year as president, alongside my fellow board members. I have gotten to know many neighbors over the past year, and I look forward to meeting more of you this year.

HBCA membership remained strong in 2023 at 460 members, just over 2022's count. It has been great to see so many new families move into the HBCA, and we hope this continues to help membership grow, and the beach thrive.

We were fortunate to have some relatively mild weather to kick off the year, which resulted in a terrific turnout for the New Year's Day Polar Bear Plunge. 50+ people braved the chilly water and took the plunge, with many more coming down to the beach to watch and support. Thank you to the Centerport Fire Department and Huntington Harbor Master, who are always on hand to support us and make this a fun and safe event!

We have many more fun events planned throughout the year, starting up again on March 2nd with Pasta Night. This event serves as an early kickoff to the season and is a great way to meet and mingle with fellow members. I encourage you all to join in the fun and attend either the earlier family/ children seating or the later adult seating.

With membership numbers up, participation in our events continued to demonstrate the strong community spirit within HBCA, and we hope that continues in 2024 and beyond. As always, these cannot happen without all the neighborhood volunteers that commit their time and energy to ensure these events are always a success.

As we head into 2024, the Board and I are committed to making sure we continue to maintain and improve the Beach for all to enjoy. HBCA is never short of capital projects that need to be addressed throughout the year, and I would like to thank the entire Board and all the neighbors and volunteers who consistently devote their time to help keep HBCA a desirable place to live. Some important projects I would like to highlight are the ongoing boat ramp project, which is in progress; and the playground replacement project, for which fundraising efforts are underway. I ask for your patience on both of these projects, and as always, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or anyone on the board if you have any questions or would like to get involved in any capacity – the beach belongs to us all. Enjoy the rest of the winter!

Letter from the Editor

Mackenzie Sikora

To the Shorelines readers,

It is my privilege to share with you the Winter 2024 issue. Thank you to all those who reached out to contribute and help shape the pages of this newsletter.

Do you have an interest in writing, design, publishing? A memory to share? An idea? Comment? Email me at shorelines@hbca.org. I'd love to hear from you.

Cheers to the memories to unfold, and the stories to be told!

Upcoming Events

Pasta Night

Saturday, March 2nd

Enjoy a complimentary, Italian waterfront dinner with your family
Two Seatings: 5:30pm (families) and 7:00pm (adults only)

Pancake Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Saturday, March 23rd, 9am to 10:30am

Enjoy a fun, family breakfast with the Easter bunny, and crafts and games for kids
\$10 per adult, kids eat free!

Spring Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 23rd, 11am to 12pm

Hop on down to the beach for our annual egg hunt. Don't forget your baskets!
Enjoy fun games, prizes, music & a special guest appearance!

Go Fly a Kite Day

Sunday, April 21st, 12pm to 3pm

Join the [national movement!](#)

Build or buy a kite and fly it at the HBCA. Free for all members.

Beach Cleanup

Saturday, April 27th, 9am to 3pm

We need volunteers to help get the beach ready for summer! There will be bagels, coffee, and orange juice for the early risers, and lunch to all who help out. Bring your gloves, rakes, hats, sunscreen, and energy. Your community thanks you!

General Meeting

Thursday, May 2nd, 7:30pm to 9pm

This is a quarterly open invitation for all HBCA members to attend one of our monthly Board meetings. Please come down and join your neighbors and the Board of Directors to listen in on what's happening with our association! There will also be plenty of opportunity to express any concerns or requests you have.

READY, SET, SUMMER!

Calling all Lifeguards

HBCA Water Safety is accepting new lifeguard applications (and welcoming returning lifeguards) for the summer 2024 season.

Candidates must have current certifications for Waterfront Lifeguard, First Aid, and CPR.

Responsibilities include water safety monitoring and enforcement while on the chair, and beach cleanup duties while off the chair.



Those interested should contact HBCA Water Safety. We will be in touch for your certification and resume:

- ✦ Thom Hessel: thom.hessel@hbca.org
- ✦ Kim Stevenson: kim.scudlo@hbca.org

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Interested in renting the HBCA casino?

For information, contact Brian Puccinelli at casino@hbca.org
Available for rental by members only

Note: Your date is not booked until all paperwork is submitted

HBCA HAPPENINGS

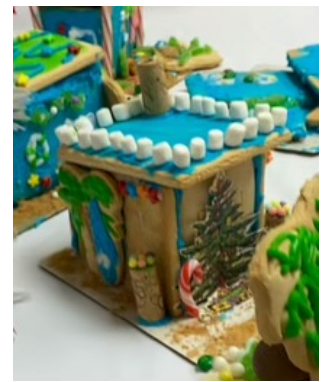
Ladies Ornament Exchange



The Annual Ladies Ornament Exchange was an evening of merriment meeting with friends, neighbors, and some new faces. Hosted by Rebecca Lakhani and Luella Semmes, they introduced a gingerbread beach house competition and a karaoke sing-along (led by none other than Cindy Forstbauer from District 8) with the new addition of the casino Smart TV.

Great job to all six groups with their gingerbread creations. You

can view everyone's work on the HBCA Facebook page. Chosen by HBCA teens with a sweet tooth, Table #6 pictured here, was the winner with bonus points in creativity and resourcefulness – the cork pilings and paper plate tree clinched their win! Honorable mention was awarded to the house themed as "Superstorm Sandy" (LOL).



WE'RE HIRING: HBCA Beach Summer Gate Attendants

If interested, email security@hbca.org. Please put Gate Guard as the subject of the email.

This is a part-time position, open to all ages!

We need reliable people with good attitudes to monitor cars and maintain a constant presence at the entrance of our private beach.

Main responsibilities include:

- Giving members beach permit stickers for their cars, kayaks and boats
- Placing beach permit stickers on car windows
- Ensuring all member cars have a sticker to enter the HBCA parking lot
- Making / keeping a list of member guests coming into the beach
- Telling guests where to park during special events
- Making sure drivers stop when they enter the beach and drive slowly when entering the lot



Other responsibilities may include moving traffic cones to ensure the safety of our beach, watering some plants, and other light duties, as assigned.

The beach is open from 9am to 9:30pm, seven days per week, during the summer.

We need people to fill two shifts: 9am to 3pm and 3pm to 9:30pm.

The season starts with weekend shifts in May, transitioning to 7 days a week from Memorial Day until Labor Day.



2023 HBCA COCOA CRAWL



Congratulations to our 2023 HBCA Cocoa Crawl winners at 729 Harrison Drive!

HBCA PLAYGROUND FUNDRAISER

SUPER BOWL POOL

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	8	MalloryC 11	TherriF 12	JoannaG 13	LisaF 14	TherriF 15	TherriF 16	KathyP 17	Gene 18	Kathy 19	RJH 20
	3	BrianM 21	JoannaG 22	Hughes 23	Katy 24	JoannaG 25	TaraM 26	LindsayC 27	MarkM 28	M GAI 29	Owen C 30
	7	KathM 31	SusanF 32	DeborahP 33	KimberlyS 34	Nicole 35	JustinA 36	EstV 37	FrankM 38	TaraM 39	MalloryC 40
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	5	Christopher 81	ChristineB 82	GerardV 83	WenaeB 84	ChristineB 85	Justin 86	TherriF 87	ChristineB 88	JohnP 89	PamelaM 90
	0	JessicaW 91	BrianH 92	MarenB 93	KathM 94	KathM 95	JoanP 96	WenaeB 97	BrianM 98	LisaF 99	DeborahP 100

CONGRATS TO THE WINNERS!
 Q1: JOAN P
 Q2 & Q3: TARA M
 FINAL: CHRISTINE B
 THANK YOU ALL PARTICIPANTS!

Thank you to all participants & supporters of the playground fundraising effort. We raised \$1,750 for the new playground!

Helpers for Hire

Cameron Gai (13)

516-658-3288
Dog walking and checking in on pets

Declan MacDevitt (22)

631-987-0479
Dog sitting, house sitting, and babysitting

Finn MacDevitt (24)

631-388-1644
Guitar/Singing gigs for parties

Padraig MacDevitt (17)

631-388-2219
Dog sitting, house sitting & babysitting

Sadie MacDevitt (18)

631-769-7710
Dog sitting and babysitting

Hartley Semmes (16)

631-223-9779
Trumpet lessons (Marching & Jazz Band experience)

Julia Somers (16)

631-425-9821 or 631-530-6841
Babysitting, Mother's Helper, pet sitting

Shannon Walsh (14)

516-510-6926
Babysitting

Kirsten Zheng (14)


kirstenzheng1@gmail.com
Beginner to intermediate piano lessons
(8 yrs experience, current student at Manhattan School of Music)



Have something to share? Submit your next big life update with the community by reaching out to shorelines@hbca.org! We'd love to feature you.

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