

HARBOUR HEIGHTS BULLETIN

2530 Harbour Dr., Punta Gorda, FL 33982

www.hhcivic.org

Rentals: (941) 629-2313 Events: (941) 623-7618

DECEMBER 2022

VISION: The Board of Directors of the HHCA envision a community that offers an inspiring lifestyle, quality of life and is a desirable place to live and enjoy the benefits of family, friends and community.

MISSION: Our mission is to enhance and preserve the quality of life and sense of community through effective and efficient management of the association and to support initiatives that benefit the greater good of the community.



FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello! It is hard to believe we are at the end of the year! We hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving. Our year will end with our Holiday Party. We hope you will come for voting of CY2023 Board Members and a social with your peer members.

We are looking forward to the new year of fun activities, such as the Superbowl/Food Truck Event in February, a Chili Cook Off, St. Pat's Day Event, a BBQ and some good speakers and social events at our General Meetings. We also look forward to greater attendance at the General Meetings in order to continue with our Civic Association. Thank you for your continued support.

Karen Pike, President

GENERAL MEETING/HOLIDAY PARTY Friday, December 10 @ 5:00 PM

The December General Meeting and Family Holiday Party will be held on Saturday, December 10 for HHCA members. Non-members may join us for a \$5 fee. At 5 pm, HHCA and the Yacht Club will entertain nominations and vote for officers of each group. Installation of officers will occur in January. There will be crafts for children with a visit from Santa at 6 pm. Our DJ will entertain us until 10:30. Snacks and beverages will be served. Side dishes are appreciated. The event is casual/holiday attire. Join us for an evening of fun.

HOLIDAY PARTY DECEMBER 10!

PLEASE RSVP to hhcivic2009@gmail.com or call 941/623-7618.

HHCA BINGO

BINGO will be held Monday, December 12 at 7:00 p.m. **No Bingo on Dec 26.** We are really pleased with the turnout. Bring your bingo stamper and join us for some fun and big winnings. Come try your luck!

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

We recently endured a Cat 4 hurricane that altered many things, such as our homes, which we hope have been repaired or will be soon. In addition, the vegetation in our yards also took a hit which you may want to replace. This is recommended, not just for your health and enjoyment, but for the wildlife too. Birds, bees, and other creatures rely on healthy habitats for their food source and shelter. Helping them to survive and be seen and heard can also provide us with great enjoyment. Who doesn't enjoy hearing birds sing in the morning or seeing a gopher tortoise meander by? We believe that planting native plants is the way to go for many reasons and below you will find the Native Plant Society's website which can help you discern what plants are best for our area.

<https://www.fnps.org/plants?searchtype=filter&zip=33983&sortview=scientific>

FYI, there are Native Plant nurseries in SW FL. A Google search will help you find them.

As for water quality in our area, our samplers are testing some of our water bodies in Harbour Heights which is being done in conjunction with EarthEcho. For more information about the health of our local water bodies, please refer to the Water Atlas provided by Coastal and Heartland National Estuary Program:

<https://chnep.wateratlas.usf.edu/waterbodies/river/181964/>

For anyone interested in joining our Environmental Committee, please call Edie at 941/623-7618

CHRISTMAS GOLF CART PARADE

FYI: The annual Harbour Heights Golf Cart Christmas Parade is Saturday, December 17.

MEMBERSHIP

We were so pleased to gain 49 new members this year for a total of 149 members. Please join us at the General Meetings and our events. Also, renew your membership for 2023 by visiting www.hhcivic.org and choosing the Documents under the Membership link.

UPDATED BYLAWS

HHCA has updated the organizational bylaws. You can view those at www.hhcivic.org and choose Documents under the Members page.

RENTAL CORNER

Rentals for CY 2023 are already booking. If you are considering hosting an event for next year, book now to get on the calendar by visiting www.hhcivic.org and viewing the calendar at the bottom of the page. It was approved at our Board Meeting that rental fees will be raised to \$400/4 hour rental, \$500/6 hours, \$600/8 hours and \$700 for all day. There is a 25% discount for residential members of Harbour Heights Civic Association and 15% for non-residents.

DON'T MISS ANY UPDATES

In addition to watching our web site at www.hhcivic.org, watch for events on Next Door and our Facebook page.

HAVE YOU MISSED ANY BULLETINS?

Check out our Bulletin page at www.hhcivic.org and choose the Members page then HHCA Bulletins.

HHCA EXERCISE CLASSES

HHCA'S "GET FIT" exercise classes are Mon, Tues, Thurs, from 9–10 a.m. and Thursday evening from 5:30–6:30 p.m. at the HH Civic Center. Classes include cardio, strength, toning, pilates and yoga using a variety of fitness equipment. No commitment. **FOR INFO: NEW CLASSES Wed & Fri. at Second Chance Gym—Silver Sneakers.** Instructor: kdpike03@gmail.com or 941/623-7618.