HARBOUR HEIGHTS BULLETIN

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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 members! Hopefully everyone is getting back to their lives, rebuilding your homes, and are able to get some needed rest after the devastating Hurricane Ian. We look forward to future events of the Holiday Party in December, our Superbowl/Food Truck

Event in February, and the Chili Cookoff in February/March. We also look forward to greater attendance at the General Meetings in order to continue with our Civic Club. Thank you for your continued support!

HOUSE COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP

We need help with replacing shingles and trim for the CIVIC CENTER. Please contact Alan Pike at 860/212-4864, if you can assist.

THANKS FOR THE HELP

Thank you to the following members who helped pick up debris, branches, garbage, raking, patching of the roof and providing snacks: Ellen Citarella, Mike & Dreama Doolittle, Jeff El-Khalidi, Helene Hart, Dot LaRue, Rosa McBride, Bob & Pam Piercy, and Alan & Karen Pike.

GENERAL MEETINGS

There will be no General Meeting in November. Our General Meeting for December will be conducted during the Holiday Party on December 10. We will need your attendance for voting in Officers for 2023.

BOARD NOMINATIONS/VOLUNTEERS

If you are interested in joining the HHCA Board or committees, please contact hhca2009@gmail.com. Volunteers are needed for the House Committee and Welcome Committee.

HOLIDAY PARTY

Our FAMILY HOLIDAY PARTY will be Saturday, December 10 for HHCA members. Save the date! Kids events from 6-8 p.m. with crafts and a visit from Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus, with an adult party following with adult beverages, appetizers and a D.J. Watch for more details in the December Bulletin.

HHCA BINGO

BINGO will be held Monday, November **14 and 28** at 7:00 p.m. at the Civic Center. Bring your bingo stamper and join us for some fun and big winnings. Come try your luck! If anyone is able to volunteer to assist with Bingo, please contact Karen at 941/623-7618.

POKER RUN

Unfortunately, Hurricane Ian forced us to cancel our Halloween Poker Run. Stay posted—we might plan one for the spring!

DONATION AND HELP

Thank you to Brenda Morris for the donation of a stove for our kitchen. We really appreciate your support. Thank you also to Madison Eiss for the transportation and installation.

FUTURE SPEAKERS/EVENTS

We are looking for speakers for 2023 General Meetings and ideas for future events or activities. Please share your ideas with us at hhca2009@gmail.com or in a General Meeting.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

Several members from the HHCA Environmental Committee started a monthly water sampling project in four different locations on canals and the Peace River in Harbour Heights. The kits were provided by Coastal and Heartland National Estuary Program and the program is sponsored by EarthEcho International, a non-profit organization led by Philippe Cousteau Jr. The characteristics of the water that will be analyzed are temperature, turbidity, dissolved oxygen and pH. The overall purpose of this is to identify potential trends and to communicate with the county should anything concerning surface. The committee is also planning a Spring event for March and its annual Earth Day Clean-up in April, a Keep Charlotte Beautiful activity. If anyone is interested in volunteering for any of the above, please contact Edie Driest at 941/623-7618 or e-mail hhcivic2009@gmail.com

YACHT CLUB THANKSGIVING DINNER

The Yacht Club is sponsoring a Thanksgiving Dinner on Tuesday, November 15 at 6 p.m. at the Civic Center. The cost is \$5 for those who wish to attend who are not Yacht Club members.

ELVIS

The Elvis Tribute was a success on Sunday, September 25. Thanks to all who attended and joined in the singing and dancing. We hope to have Elvis join us again next year. We need member support to keep these events occurring. Please share any pictures you have from the event.





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 CLASS at Second Chance Gym—Silver Sneakers. Instructor: kdpike03@gmail.com or 941/623-7618.

BYLAW CHANGES FOR YOUR REVIEW

The current bylaws are posted on our website at: https://www.hhcivic.org/documents. Unfortunately, we did not have a quorum at our last meeting to vote on them. Therefore, if you have any questions/issues, please contact hhca2009@gmail.com Otherwise, we will

assume the changes are accepted as stated. You can review our proposed changes below:

Current Bylaws with proposed changes in red:

15. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS: The board shall consist of the Officers and the Chairman of the House Committee, and five (5) Directors at Large elected from and by the membership to serve for a term of one (1) year. The Director of Communications and the Rental Administrator shall be appointed by the Board of Directors annually. The chairman of the House Committee shall be elected by the members of the House Committee. Should a member of the Board be absent for an extended period, not to exceed one year, the Board may select a temporary replacement to fill this position, however, the replacement for the House Committee Chairman shall be selected from and by the House Committee. The temporary replacement shall have all voting privileges.

a. Director of Communications: shall work closely with the Board of Directors to layout methods to communicate the HHCA's objectives, meetings and community events via social media, websites, newsletters, etc.

b. Assist the Web Administrator and Beacon Editor to ensure that HHCA objectives are met.

22. HOUSE COMMITTEE: A House Committee consisting of up to six (6) members, and the rental administrator (appointed by the Board of Directors), elected at the annual membership meeting for a term of one year, shall act as custodians of all property belonging to this HHCA. The House Committee shall elect its own chairman annually.