

HARBOUR HEIGHTS BULLETIN

2530 Harbour Dr., Punta Gorda, FL 33982

www.hhcivic.org

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September 2023

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 survived Hurricane Idalia without too much damage and stress. Our next General Meeting is this month on Tuesday, Sept. 12, a Meet & Greet for new members! Our big event of the year is the BBQ on Saturday, Sept. 16 @ noon. See details in next column. Then, in

October, the fun Poker Run/Dress-up Golf Cart event, the SIP & PAINT in Nov., and our Holiday Party in Dec. Please join us for these events, your support is needed!

Karen Pike, HHCA President

SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING

Please join us at the General Meeting on Tuesday, September 12 at 7 p.m. There will be a short General Meeting and then a Meet & Greet for new members who have joined in the last year.

POKER RUN/GOLF CART DRESS-UP

Mark your calendars! Our Halloween Poker Run will be **October 22**. More details soon. Create your costume now and plan your decorations for your golf cart. We need volunteers for chip stops, so please call now. Last year we were not able to provide the event because of the damage from Hurricane Ian, so let's make this run a great one this year!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 3rd Annual BBQ Family Event

Tickets include grilled and smoked meats, sides, and a live band, Jumpin Fences, featuring our own Kevin Farnsworth!

HHCA 3rd Annual BBQ Family Event

*Saturday Sept 16th 12 pm-4 pm
@ HH Civic Center*

2530 Harbour Dr, Punta Gorda FL 33983

*Live Band (Jumpin Fences)
Cornhole Tournament, 50/50
Raffle*

**Tickets: \$10 for HHCA members
\$15 for non-members
\$5 for kids under 12**

This is not a competition this year, just a fun event to come out, eat great food, and listen to some music!

Tickets include grilled and smoked meats, sides, and drinks. Desserts will be available for purchase.



SIP & PAINT EVENT #2

We will be hosting the 2nd Sip & Paint Party on **Saturday, November 18** with instructor Robyn Strobel. Details to follow.

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Sue & Glenn Vanvolkom, Deep Creek

FAMILY HOLIDAY PARTY

Save Saturday, **December 9** on your calendar for the membership HHCA Holiday Party.

HHCA BINGO

Join us for BINGO on Monday, **September 11 and 25** at 7:00 p.m. Bring your bingo stamper and join us for some fun and big winnings. We need volunteers to help with these events. Please call the HHCA phone to offer assistance. Profits from Bingo helps sponsor our events.

WEB SITE

Do you have web page development experience? We are seeking someone to maintain the web site: www.hhcivic.org. If interested, contact us @ hhcivic2009@gmail.com.

HHCA EXERCISE

HHCA'S "GET FIT" exercise classes are Tues & Thurs from 9–10 a.m. and Thursday evening from 5:30–6:30 p.m. at the HH Civic Center. Instructors: Karen Pike & Alex Meador who will have a **New YOGA Class Mondays at 9:00 a.m. beginning Sept 25**. Contact Karen @ kdpike03@gmail.com or 941/623-7618 for more information.

RENTAL CORNER

If you are interested in renting the building, see www.hhcivic.org and view the calendar at the bottom of the page. There is a 25% discount for residential members of Harbour Heights Civic Association and 15% for non-resident members.

CALL TO ACTION by Alex Meador

Harbour Heights residents, I think it's safe to say we all have one thing in common, we love our community. Whether you have lived here 25 years or 2 months, the friendliness, tranquility, and natural beauty of the area is hard to deny. One of these, if not all three, might be why you chose to live here full-time or make this your getaway. As a community, we must be aware of the growth that is happening that may alter our quality of life. The areas between Solstone and Broadpoint and Sunnybrook and Adams are zoned for commercial use. Recently one of the companies was requesting a special exception. This company was going to have trucks and rigs, sometimes up to 60 trips Monday through Saturday 6am-6pm, up and down Broadpoint. It is up to us to share any information we may receive to allow us to voice our opinions regarding the growth of our community. In person or emails, your voice counts. Luckily, this company was denied due to proximity to residential structures and industrial intense use. Let's keep our eyes open and our voices heard.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

You and your friends are invited to enjoy the first annual Harbour Heights "Music in the Park" fundraiser to benefit the Environmental Conservancy's Harbour Heights Neighborhood Land Conservation Mission. (See document attached to email with the Bulletin.)

This event, open to the general public, is set for November 5, 2023 from 11 am to 4 pm at the Harbour Heights Park, 27420 Voyageur Drive, Punta Gorda.

Why? Conserving natural land in our neighborhoods allows for the preservation/protection of, education about, and co-existence with, our local native flora and fauna, especially threatened species such as the Gopher Tortoise and Florida Scrub-jay, both of whom live in our community. The Conservancy has permanently protected 6 Scrub-jay zone, land parcels that house 3 Gopher Tortoise burrows in Harbour Heights to date. To continue its Harbour Heights mission, the Conservancy is in need of local citizen support! We hope you'll join us for a variety of music played by local musicians, old-fashioned yard games, access to food trucks, and local environmental learning!

Price is \$10 per person; children 12 and under free. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit: <https://ecnorthport.com/events%2F sponsors>