



Fall 2021 Issue



Shorelines

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Message From the President

Alex Borg

Well, summer is officially over and we begin a new season at the beach. With the excitement of school starting and the air turning crisp, we are looking forward to what the Fall brings.

This Fall we welcome several new families into the HBCA community. I had the chance to meet several new neighbors at the HBCA Oktoberfest held on September 25th at the beach. With games, authentic Bavarian music, bratwurst, and - of course - beer, it was an outstanding event.

We are looking forward to another new event on October 16th - The HBCA Fall Craft Fair. This is a great way to meet new faces and support local vendors. Come join us at the beach and pick up some seasonal crafts, locally grown produce, and other fun fall activities.

Halloween is always a rip in the neighborhood. I encourage all of you to help keep our neighborhood safe by driving with extreme

caution Halloween weekend. Please also report mischief and vandalism. It's all in an effort to keep our neighborhood safe for our youngsters enjoying an exciting evening outside.

Reflecting back on this past summer, it was definitely one for the record books. Given all of the hurdles we had to overcome, HBCA Summer Rec was a HUGE success, Lobsterfest was a blow out, and Family Day was as it always should be - a day you never want to leave the beach.

I especially want to thank Hildi Stanford and her team - Kristen and Justin - for the creating a safe and fun camp for our kiddos.

Lobsterfest was an outstanding success with over 500 friends and neighbors present. Tommy Spero's "Sons of Sanford" band rocked out the beach all night. I especially want to

thank the committee, Tracey Spero, Stacey Lauridia, Cindy & Chris Forstbauer, Jolene Fischer, Ryan Schlotter, Ani O'Brien and the volunteers who helped set up, breakdown, and manage the event.

Family Day is always a highlight of the summer thanks to The Hahn Family and the Kinney Family. This HBCA tradition is the quintessential essences of HBCA. I know I was blown away by the impressive Island Swim win by Patrick O'Brien, and a repeat victory from Katy Hahn as the "Beach Mom" champion. Next year we have to bring back the greased watermelon. Who's up for the challenge...and maybe a black eye, scraped knees, and a bloody nose. If you don't know about Family Day's greased watermelon challenge, ask one of your seasoned neighbors. I am sure they'll tell you all about the war stories.

It been a goal of my presidency to engage the community, revitalize the sense of community - post covid, and augment the value the beach offers our members. I can say with confidence, together with the dedicated directors, officers, and volunteers, that we are on our way toward that goal! Membership is at a 5 year high, our events sell out, and the neighborhood feels closer than ever. Nevertheless, we can achieve so much more!

You don't have to be on the board to get involved. Volunteering for a committee or event is equally as needed. We welcome your involvement. We have much more coming and you can get a taste of the inner workings of HBCA. From the Fall Festival this month, to the Ornament Exchange, Cocoa Crawl, Pancakes with Santa, and the Polar Plunge this winter, we're not done yet. We look forward to seeing you at the beach!



HBCA Board of Directors Nominees for 2022

The HBCA Nominating Committee is nominating the following members to serve for 2022. Any active member in good standing as defined in Article III, Section 2 of the HBCA Bylaws, may nominate himself or herself or any other active member in good standing for any office or directorship. Nominations must include the written consent of the proposed nominee and must be received at the HBCA PO Box 474, Centerport, NY 11721 no later than the second Friday in October, at which time the nominations will be closed.

Voting will be held at the HBCA General Meeting on **Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 7:30pm.**

2022 Board Officers

President	Alex Borg	Security	Evan Gates
1st Vice President	Colin Walsh	Buildings & Grounds	Jeff Robinson
2nd Vice President	Chris Forstbauer	Summer Recreation	Hildi Stanford
Treasurer	Rick Puccinelli	Boating	Rich Wrede
Recording Secretary	Alexandra Martinez	Water Safety	Jim Cox
Director at Large	Brian Puccinelli	Financial Secretary	Vacant*

If interested contact Alex Borg at alexb@borgborg.com

2022 District Directors

District #1	Janet Gritzka	District #6	Barbara Lau
District #2	Ryan Schlotter	District #7	Bob Caffine
District #3	Alexa Sakal	District #8	Cindy Forstbauer
District #4	John O'Brien	District #9	Janette Newell
District #5	Bob Wieser	District #10	Matt Gai
		District #11	Rhett Rockefeller

PRESIDENT Every organization needs a “commander in chief” to ensure that everything is running smoothly according to the bylaws and steps in to support the directors to carry out their respective functions. The President drives all the initiatives by ensuring annual events are scheduled and planned. That includes overseeing maintenance, construction, and safety on HBCA grounds and district boundaries. These topics are discussed during the monthly chapter meetings which are led and hosted by the President.

1ST VICE PRESIDENT With

the mountain of tasks needed to keep the beach clean, safe, and fun, the 1st Vice President will step in and support the President and directors when needed to keep things in check. The 1st VP also assists in promoting fundraising campaigns.

TREASURER Wondering if a swimming pool or tennis court can be a great addition to the beach? The Treasurer would be one of the first ones to know. Financial forecasting and budgeting are the main responsibility of the Treasurer. The Treasurer works with each execu-

tive board member to forecast the expenses for the coming year. As the year progresses, a report is provided during the monthly board meeting highlighting the year-to-date status of all expenses. The treasurer also generates payments to vendors or contractors on behalf of the board.

RECORDING SECRETARY No details are lost without the Recording Secretary. The Recording Secretary takes the meeting minutes and is the keeper of all the documentation, votes, approvals, and actions taken at each monthly meeting.

The secretary also circulates and requests approval of all prior meeting minutes from the board.

SECURITY The Security Director is the muscle that promotes general public safety on HBCA grounds and safeguards all HBCA assets. The Security Director is one who is knowledgeable about public safety protocols and can implement preventative measures to maintain year-round security. During the busy season, the director will work with key board members to secure front gate entry, such as hiring

gate guards. This person is most likely the first responder to any issues on HBCA grounds or coordinates a plan of action if not immediately available.

BUILDING & GROUNDS is the gate-keeper to the beach (literally!). The director also promotes general improvements and safety of the HBCA beach grounds and casino. This person typically has a keen eye for areas that is in need of “TLC”. The Director is skilled in handling repairs, coordinating construction, hiring local contractors, and facilitating capital improvement projects with the executive board. The director is available to manage the front entry gate at the beginning/and close of day. Best of all, this person has the important role coordinating a team to launch and winterize the swim float!

SUMMER REC Do you have a knack for planning summer activities for kids? During the summer months, HBCA offers a day “camp” for school-aged children. The Summer Rec Director plans

and organizes all day-time activities and coordinates:

- hiring onsite vendors, CITs, counselors and adult volunteers to assist with programs

- securing equipment, apparel, and materials necessary to carry out activities
- working with the Treasurer to manage registration, payroll, and budgets.

WATER SAFETY The reason why we enjoy such a safe and clean beach is because of the Water Safety Director. The Water Safety Director is at the helm of promoting water safety and medical preparedness at the beach and during Summer Rec. The director is the coordinator of hiring lifeguards for the summer ensuring that they are properly trained in water safety, CPR, and medical equipment. The director keeps a schedule of daily tasks for the team such as raking up the sea grass and keeping the restrooms/common areas tidy on a daily basis.

BOATING Monitoring the docks and waterways is the expertise of the Boating Director. The director not only has the knowledge of boating and related assets, but ensures that the dock, pier, boat ramp, and dinghies are in tip-top shape all year round. This includes overseeing any needed repairs and improvements. The director is the central contact for boating operations, memberships and commercial boating members.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY When you think of renting the casino or participating in any of the fun annual events, you need to get past the Financial Secretary first. The secretary monitors HBCA memberships and the income generated throughout the year. The secretary works with other key board members to ensure that event participants are members in good standing. Membership and income are reported at monthly board meetings.

DISTRICT DIRECTOR If you think you’re being watched it’s probably your District Director. With a total of 11 districts within the HBCA boundary, each district director is your friendly, vigilant, neighborhood representative reporting on any news and points of interest during the monthly board meeting. They can offer assistance and contribute ideas to HBCA events throughout the year and have voting rights on any subject matters brought to the board’s attention. Starting in 2021, Assistant District Directors can be appointed for additional support. Assistant directors will attend monthly meetings when the Director is not able to attend. It’s simply a great way to be involved, learn about the community, and work with a fun group of talented leaders!

FAMILY DAY 2021

THANK YOU to Pete Hahn who organized this event and his crew for making this day a great success!

Master Of Ceremonies: Gene Kinney

Race Starter: Katy Hahn Schomburg

Judges: Brian Puccinelli, Paul Heglund, P.J, Hahn and Jim Cox

Island Swim Boat: Bobby Hahn

Lifeguards: Emma Green, Dennis Smith, and Lucas Lauridia

Jimmy’s Pizza for Egg Toss Gift Cards.

Jeff Robinson and the Pavilion Crew

Swimming Races

GIRLS 4&5	BOYS 4&5	GIRLS 6&7	BOYS 6&7
Jillian Bemiss	Taylor Johnides	Julia Hessel	Beckham Stanford
Katherine Keenan	Calvin Schlotter	Amelia Vandergoot	Preston Beshears
Stella Sakal	Jackson Borg	Scarlet Heglund	Kurt Reilly
GIRLS 8&9	BOYS 8&9	GIRLS 10&11	BOYS 10&11
Samantha Kelly	Parker Gai	Callie Schomburg	Cameron Gai
Morgan Seilheimer	Lukas Hessel	Avery Pellicone	Jacob Fleisher
Emma Bemiss	Dylan Lakhani	Greenley Stanford	Leyton Schomburg
GIRLS 12-14	BOYS 12-14	Blue Rock Hunt	
Lilly Fleisher	Patrick O'Brien	Brodie Borg (31)	
	Clark Sauls	Lyle Robinson (30)	
	Dallas Calderone	Madelyn Vandergoot (24)	



Adult Island Swim

Island Swim

WOMEN	MEN	GIRLS	BOYS
Meghan O'Brien	Matt Capowski	Callie Schomburg	Patrick O'Brien
Katherine Capowski	Jeremy Seilheimer	Samantha Kelly	Cameron Gai
Lori Kuhmann	Tom Capowski	Avery Pellicone	Leyton Schomburg



Running Races

GIRLS 4 & UNDER	BOYS 4 & UNDER	GIRLS 5&6	BOYS 5&6
Cora Capowski	Sean Seilheimer	Julia Hessel	Bode Schlotter
Ariana Level	Calvin Schlotter	Katherine Keenan	Marco Level
Millie Stevenson	Brodie Borg	Jillian Bemis	Max Pirro
GIRLS 7&8	BOYS 7&8	GIRLS 9&10	BOYS 9&10
Jade Calderone	Leon Rosenbloom	Morgan Seilheimer	Leyton Schomburg
Amelia Vanderoot	Beckham Stanford	Greenly Stanford	Jaxon Zethner
Sydney Kelly	Parker Gai	Cassidy Reilly	Will Sember

Running Races cont.

GIRLS 11&12

Maddie Michalopoulos

Callie Schomburg

Avery Pellicone

BOYS 11&12

Sean Considine

Mateo Jimenez

Jacob Fleisher

MEN 17 & OLDER

Andes Jimenez

Travis Johnides

Brook Behmke



3 Legged Race

MOTHER/DAUGHTER

Katy & Callie Schomburg

Stacy & Morgan Seilheimer

Selam & Beyan Behmke

FATHER/SON

Matt & Leyton Schomburg

Paul & Will Sember

Preston & Keith Beshears



Wheel Barrow Race

GIRLS

Callie Schomburg

Avery Pellicone

Lilly Fleischer

Abigail Sauls

Maddie Michalopoulos

Charlotte Mongillo

BOYS

Leyton Schomburg

Eamon Hughes

Mateo Jimenez

Alex Jimenez

Patrick O'Brien

Liam Terry

Sack Race

GIRLS 5&6

Mia Jimenez

Julia Hessel

Augustina Tosi

BOYS 5&6

Max Pirro

Bode Schlotter

Kurt Reilly

GIRLS 7&8

Jade Calderone

Camille Tosi

Emma Bemiss

BOYS 7&8

Alex Jimenez

Leon Rosenbloom

Theo Yako

GIRLS 9&10

Morgan Seilheimer

Charlotte Mongillo

Cassidy Reilly

BOYS 9&10

Leyton Schomburg

Dylan Lakhani

GIRLS 11-14

Avery Pellicone

Callie Schomburg

Maddie Michalopolous

BOYS 11-14

Mateo Jimenez

Dallas Calderone

Jacob Fleischer

Best Beach Mom

Katy Schomburg: 14.97 Seconds



Egg Throw

Katy Schomburg

Matt Schomburg



More on FAMILY DAY

Submission by Jeff Robinson, Director Building & Grounds

This year's Family Day was one of the best attended in many years. It was great to see so many of the old regulars as well as new residents with the next wave of children. Once again, we shared the privilege of seeing and hearing our announcer and emcee for Family Day, Gene Kinney, provide medals, jokes and direction for all the events. Gene has volunteered for this role for at least 30 or 35 years, since my own kids were little, and maybe longer. Only twice can I remember when Gene could not be there. This year, Gene celebrated his birthday on Family Day. We hope he enjoyed the Family Day celebration as much as we all enjoyed the day spent with him. Thank you, Gene!



Water Safety Director

Jim Cox



As the summer drew to a close, you could tell by the crowds on the beach that our members and guests certainly appreciated the return to some degree of normal. Our fine group of lifeguards provided us with their protective skills that kept us all safe in the water. In addition, they conducted organized swim lessons for our campers and with attention and care used their first aid skills to apply over 175 Band-Aids to hangnails and bruised toes. Water quality this season was one of its best with a very limited number of poor water quality advisories issued, and those few occurred only after heavy rainfall. Another factor which helped to keep our water clean and inviting was the close attention our lifeguards paid to raking the tideline. In addition to their efforts, you may have noticed that longtime resident and member, Paul Heglund, took rake in hand day after day throughout the summer to remove tidal grass and seaweed from a large area of the beach. To mark this effort, his friends on the sand ceremoniously presented and awarded Paul the 2021 "Order of the Silver Rake". In addition, our beach would not be what it is without our lined swim area and float. It takes a great deal of muscle and engineering to launch and retrieve something that weighs a number of tons, especially without injury. Thanks to that able bodied crew and especially to Pete Lauda who maintained and reset our swim lines when they were set adrift by stormy weather.



Casino Rentals

Please contact Ryan Schlotter for all Casino rentals. For information on open dates please send him an e-mail at: casino@hbca.org. Or check website for available dates at hbca.org.

Only full paid members for the current year can rent the Casino.



Shop Amazon on the HBCA website. A portion of the proceeds go back to the HBCA!

Go to **HBCA.org** under the **Store** menu.

Purchases not limited to items listed in the virtual shop. *Must* access through the website to count toward the HBCA.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

← HAPPENINGS →

Family Day 2021

Thank you Pete Hahn & Gene Kinny for taking the lead on Family Day and making it a great event for all! Last year was the first time the event has ever been cancelled. It used to be called "Games Day." The winners' medals are actually dated up until 1982. There is a medal from 1934!



Family Day Spectators



WheelBarrow Race



3-Legged Race



Pie Eating Contest



Katy Hahn, winner of the "Best Mom Race," with her children. She recently ran Cow Harbor.



Patrick O'Brien, winner of the Island Swim



The smiling faces of winners!



Medals upon medals!



Red, white, and blue galore!



Getting ready for a swim!



All smiles from this girl gang :)



Thanks for posing!

Summer Rec 2021

Summer camp... what many children and parents alike look forward to in the summer! And we all know how special it is to have our own summer recreation right here in Huntington Beach! A huge shout out to Hildi Stanford and her amazing crew of Counselors and Lifeguards who made this return season extra special!



From camp outs to car washes, from color wars to water races, from inflatables to performances, it was a great 2021 Summer Rec season!

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

← ANNOUNCEMENTS →

Happy Anniversary to Richie and Norma Calderone of Hayes Place! Their **70th** wedding anniversary was on September 30, 2021. Richie and Norma are the parents of Nancy Millback of Taft Crescent. We wish Norma and Richie many more years of love and happiness together!



TEENS FOR HIRE

Maggie Deegan, 13, available for babysitting and pet sitting, (631)912-5265

Meghan Dyer, 15, baby/dog sitting, mother's helper (631)223-6368

Emily Happel, 17, baby/pet sitting, vaccinated by camp time (631)972-7734

Megan Happel, 14 (soon 15), baby/pet sitting, vaccinated by camp time (631)972-4081

Zach Happel, 22, odd jobs, website design, computer help, small repairs (631)245-5991

Torin Lau, 11, weeding, yard work, walking small dogs (631) 424-0536

Rebecca Lubnick, 20, available for summer math & reading tutoring, house sitting and babysitting (631)601-5153

Daniel Perz, 13, is available for dog and pet sitting and Fall yard clean up, (631)327-9143

Hartley Semmes, HF freshman, currently in marching and jazz band, available for trumpet lessons (631)223-9779

Rachel Wieser, 18, pet/babysitting, walking, camp after-care, daily/weekly, (631)601-5153

Finn MacDevitt, 21, house/pet sitting (631)388-1644

Declan MacDevitt, 20, house/pet/babysitting (631)987-0479

Sadie MacDevitt, 16, baby/pet sitting (631)388-1063

Padraig MacDevitt, 15, baby/pet sitting (631)388-2219

Eliza Michalopoulos, 14, baby/pet sitting (516)318-4226

Julia Somers, 15, available for babysitting and as a mother's helper, (631)425-9821 or (631)530.6841

BLACKOUT! How to Help Your Neighbors!

Submitted by Claudia Steinhaus

It is important to report any power outage immediately to PSEG. If you don't report outages PSEG will not be aware that the HBCA community is impacted. Can that be true?

Yes, PSEG customer services says indeed it is true.

If an outage does not impact a larger substation or transformer they do not have a technology solution for sending a "message" to PSEG for service. In other words, if the pole or box on your block is damaged and more than one house is impacted PSEG remains "in the dark" about the problem. That means you are not being counted as a home without service; you are not showing up in their app indicating a problem; you are not in the count broadcast on the news; AND they have NO IDEA how the neighborhood is affected.

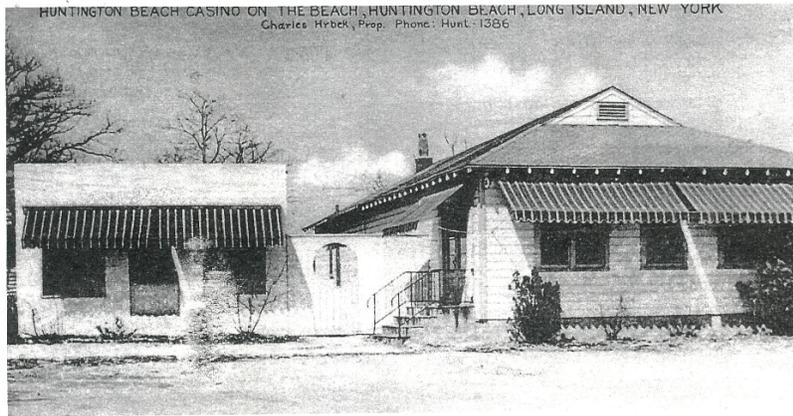
How do we get priority service? EVERYONE should immediately report any disruption in service. Simply call the emergency number 1-800-490-0075 or use the app on your mobile device. This is one time it pays to ask for help.

[PSEG Long Island Outage Map \(psegliny.com\)](https://www.psegliny.com) Take a look.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

← HISTORY →

The Old "Casino"



HBCA's old casino building, a piece of our history.

"The Original Casino" c/o Greg Sullivan

The building we call the "Casino" was originally a general store and a gas station owned by Mr. Pakorney. A large wood building next to the gas station and on the beach, was the original "Casino". The building was constructed around 1930 by the owner of the general store and catered to the summer population. The large building had several steps leading to the main entrance... as you entered the building you would see a very long bar on the wall to your left. The wall directly in front of you was occupied by tables and booths looking out to the dock and harbor. To your left was the kitchen and bathrooms.

On weekends, the casino was always crowded and in the late afternoon and evening, a large talented woman, Mrs. McLean would play the piano.

In the early 1940's (the war years), the clientele became too wild to several HBCA members. To improve the situation, these members formed a corporation and purchased the Casino. Names I can remember are Jack Sullivan, George Gage, Frank Hale, and Bill Babor. The officers of the corporation hired a manager, Austin Jordan. He only lasted one summer. New managers were hired and full meals were available. After the war, the customers again became wild. At one time, a number of this crowd coined the name "HBGA" (Huntington Beach Guzzlers Association). They all wore green sweaters with white trim and large "HBGA" letters on the back.

The final manager was Charlie Herbeck and he bought the building. The "Casino" operated for several years and finally burnt to the ground in 1952 or 1953.

This was written by Greg Sullivan who lived on McKinley Terrace. It was printed in the November 2002 Shorelines issue. In the picture, the old Casino is to the right and burned down in the early 1950s. The original Casino had four steps to get to the main floor as it was very close to the water. The current Casino is to the left, but was renovated in the 1980s & early 2000s which is what we have today.

Submitted by Jeff Robinson

A Poem from July 1932 By C. June Hale of Huntington Beach

FROM JULY 1932!!!
BY JUNE HALE

Happy are the people
Under hickories & oaks
Never wanting pleasures
That are sought by
 other folks
In gardens you will
 find them
Neath, the sun's most
 helpful rays
Gathering in the
 flowers
Through delightful
 summer days
On the sand or in the
 water, within
 everyone's reach
Never a place quite
 like Huntington Beach
Better, better, each
 season grows
Everyone friendly, no
 bitter foes
And -
Calm are the breezes
 and soothing the
 air
Huntington Beach, our
 homeland
The best anywhere
C. June Hale 1932

Submitted by Jeff Robinson

Beautification Committee Updates



Submitted by Janette Newell, Janet Gritzka, & Loy Norris

The Beautification Committee was busy this spring. We hope you enjoyed the plantings around the traffic circle, the casino, and the large pots on the property. The Memorial Park was also raked and planted in preparation for the Memorial Day Parade. We believe our work greatly enhances the appearance and value of our HBCA property in addition to reflecting the members' feelings about the specialness of this place. We have several projects in mind for next year and we will need your help and support. Get your gardening gloves ready and watch for our email blast in the spring.



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