



NEWSLETTER

of the Holgate Taxpayers Association

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Spring Meeting

This year our general meeting will take place on **Saturday, June 1 at 10:00AM** in the Long beach Township Municipal Building, Brant Beach, NJ

All Holgate homeowners are invited. Discuss the issues affecting Holgate with the Commissioners.

Mayor Mancini and Commissioners Ralph Bayard and Joe Lattanzi are scheduled to speak and answer questions

Coffee and cake are served. Come and get involved!

Message from Our new President

Hello, my name is Dan Macone. I became president of the Holgate Taxpayers Association (HTA) in January, 2013. One of the goals of the HTA is to make your membership in the Association rewarding to you. Initially, this effort was to continuously update the membership on the current events in the community following the devastation inflicted on Holgate by Super storm Sandy. Any relevant information we were receiving from attending the Township meetings, from news publications or from members, we passed along to everyone. Recently, many Holgate homeowners attended a Township meeting in a show of solidarity. One issue raised by one of the residents had to do with the numerous sightseers flocking to Holgate and the chaos they were causing the residents. The next day the Township replaced the electronic sign (Indicating Holgate Closed except to Residents and Contractors) that was removed and placed elsewhere. Another goal we have is to significantly increase the membership of the Association. Frankly, the larger the membership the more influence and treasure that we will have to address the issues in our community. We hope that you will join us at this critical period in our history and get involved and be active in the collective effort to return Holgate to those "Glory Days".

\$15.00

A small expense to support a non-profit Association that has done so much over the years to preserve, protect and improve Holgate. We promote and encourage the civic, social and environmental interests of Holgate and Beach Haven Inlet.

Most of the homeowners of Holgate are seasonal and are not registered to vote locally. HTA was formed in 1959 as a non-profit "watchdog" to identify issues and monitor the local governing body.

There is strength in numbers... please become a member. Dues are \$15 and a membership form is included with this mailing. Additional membership forms may be printed from our website.

Officers and Trustees

President - Daniel Macone
1st Vice President - Tom Beaty
2nd Vice President - Ted Stiles
Treasurer - Bill Cannon
Corresponding Secretary- Bill Paul
Recording Secretary - Eileen Bowker

Trustees... Bill Hutson, Marianne Hurley, Marc Slovak, Tony Rocca, Al Vallese, Lucille Benedetti

Volunteers Needed

We want your help because we can always use new talent, energy and ideas. Help prepare our newsletter, organize projects or lend your insights on how to improve Holgate/Beach Haven Inlet. A great way to start is to introduce yourself at our spring meeting and ask to attend the trustees meeting in August. Or come to the fall BBQ held at the tennis court and meet us in a more casual atmosphere.

From HTA's By-Laws:

"To promote a working relationship with the government of Long Beach Township"

Fall Barbeque

Please join us for our Annual Barbeque

Date: Sat. Sept. 7, 2013

Time 4:00pm

Bonds Bay Park

(By tennis courts)

Bring a covered dish to share, Drinks, Hot dogs/ hamburgers on us.

Don't forget a chair!

Neighborhood Watch

Super Storm Sandy definitely highlighted the need for our neighborhood watch group.

We urge all residents to purchase an inexpensive timer and have at least one light on when you are not home. Marianne Hurley heads this important community protection. Volunteers must be able to patrol a few streets near their homes and communicate by email when there is a police alert.

Please contact Marianne at 609-492-2266 or email her at hurleysinn@comcast.net. We need year round resident volunteers to make this effective.

Greenhead Box Traps Status

The Holgate Taxpayers had about 38 green head traps placed in the marsh south of McKinley Ave. and the beach area south of the parking lot. These were effective since they capture the flies as they hatch from the marsh before they fly north.

SUPER STORM SANDY TOTALLY DESTROYED ALL OUR TRAPS.

We have contracted and have completed 27 new traps to place in the marsh.

The township will re-deploy the existing 60 traps they have by June 15, 2012.

We urge all members to buy their own traps and place on your property. Every properly baited trap helps cut down the green head population. Traps may be purchased by contacting a local resident Cliff Denker @ 609 296 6087

Current costs are \$135 ea.

Complete plans are also available at our website www.holgatetaxpayers.org
Please see reverse side for more details