

HTA June 2021 Newsletter

Last HTA event of the Spring for you to come out and support Holgate:

June 12th -- **Spring Clean-up** (morning). So much trash blows every winter. Please consider getting your exercise for a couple of hours while picking up Holgate's litter. Special prize to the person who finds the most unusual piece of garbage.

- Volunteers for Areas 3 and 4 will meet in the south parking lot by the bathhouse at 8:15 AM.

- Volunteers for Areas 1 and 2 will meet at the parking lot on the Holgate/Beach Haven border at 8:45 AM.

- Area 1 – Osborn to Abbott (Paper Street) Beach Accesses and Clam Cove
- Area 2 – Rosemma to Scott Beach Accesses and Wetlands Beach
- Area 3 – Holgate to Pershing Beach Accesses, Bay Beach, Playground, Basketball and Tennis Courts and Township Properties at the Bay End of Janet and Pershing
- Area 4 – Wildlife Refuge to Roosevelt Beach Access

Volunteers will be provided gloves (if you are not able to bring your own), a pail or a bag for debris and trash collection and a bottle of water. Meet your area captain who will direct you to your assigned area and assist you during the clean-up. Arrangements have been made with the Township to pick up the collected debris at specific points designated on the volunteer sheets. It is strongly recommended that long sleeves and long pants be worn, and that clothing be washed as soon as possible after the clean-up to protect against poison ivy.

Please e-mail Dan Macone at dkmacone74@gmail.com ASAP with your preferred work area.

Monthly Updates

Thank you to everyone who has submitted their membership forms. We are ahead

of last year's record pace with big plans for 2021. Membership Form

Link: <http://bit.ly/HTA2021Membership>

1. Beaches: The Township responded quickly after the last storm to plow sand back up to the dunes and create accesses down to the beach. Situation remains tenuous as the rain is continuing.
2. Spring Meeting: A good turnout of 53 people enjoyed coffee and crumb cake while having the opportunity to ask extended questions of LBT Commissioner Ralph Bayard. It was really great to see everyone in person.
3. Spring Dune Planting: With Covid supplies still short, we bought every bayberry, rugosa rose, blue dune grass and juniper that Reynolds had available. Volunteers planted on 10 entrances and dunes. While the rainy weather has been helpful, WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS TO WATER especially when we get multiple sunny days.
4. Trash: The Township is strictly enforcing garbage regulations and giving out tickets – no warnings; be sure all garbage cans are sealed shut. If you rent, advise your tenants.
5. Marine Field Station: The new educational facility on 127 W. Osborn will hold an open house on Friday, June 18th from 1:00 – 4:00pm.
6. Offshore Wind Farms: NJ Spotlight News and Orsted are sponsoring an online Roundtable on June 16th at 3 and 4pm. Participants must register in advance. <http://bit.ly/EventBrightOrstedForum>

Opening remarks:

David Hardy, Chief Executive Officer, Ørsted Offshore North America

Panelists:

Governor James J. Florio, Founding Partner, Florio Perrucci Steinhardt Cappelli Tipton & Taylor, Senior Fellow, Public Policy and Administration, Edward J. Bloustein Graduate School of Public Policy, Rutgers University

Dr. Josh Kohut, Professor, Center for Ocean Observing Leadership, Rutgers University

Kris Ohleth, Executive Director, Special Initiative on Offshore Wind

Doug O'Malley, State Director, Environment New Jersey

7. In-depth information on the plans by Atlantic Shores for the farm opposite LBI exists on the HTA website. <http://bit.ly/JCTAWindQandA>
8. Coyotes: We are aware of 3 reports of coyote presence in LBT. Please continue to report any sightings.
9. Fire Inspection: A reminder to schedule your Ocean County Fire Inspection. This has to be done annually before you rent out your home. <http://bit.ly/OceanCountyFireInspection>
10. Compassion Café: Please support this new service which is staffed by people with intellectual and developmental challenges at Barry's Do Me a Flavor in Beach Haven. Hours are Mondays-Thursdays from 7:00am - 11:00am. <http://bit.ly/CompassionCafeBarrys>
11. Bond's Park Recreation Area: Equipment renovation should be complete. However, the wooden walkway is considered a safety hazard and will be removed before the Summer. Replacement expected in the Fall. Since the Township does not have a master plan for this recreational area, the HTA will issue a survey to better determine what everyone would like to see for this area.
12. Trustees: We are looking for new trustees to join our team. Please consider joining one of our committees to get more involved and learn about the HTA. If interested, reply to this email.

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