

Barb Cahn
HTA Trustee since 2023

Role on Current Board

The newest member of the Board of Trustees, Barbara (Barb) Cahn is Chairperson of the HTA's Membership Committee. She was elected to the position in September 2023, after serving three years on the committee as a resident volunteer.

Connection to Holgate

Barb first discovered LBI in the 1980s. She went on to rent for 10 years in Surf City, which inspired her long-held dream of someday owning a home on LBI. Finally, in December of 2009, she found herself "lucky enough to find the perfect home in Holgate, where I love the family atmosphere, the peacefulness of the beaches, and the camaraderie at restaurants and happy hours."

Professional Experience

With a career that spans responsibilities as diverse as writer, marketer, and operations manager, Barb brings a variety of communications and organizational skills to the HTA. She started off in international education, writing books for students from other countries who wanted to study in the U.S., as well as for American students intending to study abroad. She left that position to work for an insurance services business that later became Verisk Analytics, and over the course of 23 years there, honed her skills in marketing, sales and operations. When Barb retired in 2016, she was the company's Director of Sales Operations.

Personal Profile

Originally from the south shore of Long Island, Barb moved to North Bergen, New Jersey in 1979 and then down to Freehold in 1990, where she lived for 35 years. She recently relocated to Dallas, Texas, where much of her family lives, and now splits her time between the Lone Star State and Holgate. In 1992, she joined Big Brother/Big Sister of Monmouth County, and is still close with her "Little Sister" who is now 41 years old. She is a proud Great Aunt to six great nieces and nephews, and says that what she has always done best is being "Aunt Barbara" to her family and to several of her neighbors' children in Holgate.

Why I Became a Trustee

"Over the years and particularly since Super Storm Sandy, I have watched Holgate change, grow, and face a number of challenges. I had been a member of the Membership Committee for three years and was extremely pleased to watch the number of members grow to an astounding 550 homeowners. Now, as a Trustee and as Chairperson of the Membership Committee, I feel I can become even more actively involved and help grow our membership even more. I love the people here, have found a true sense of community and have made great, long-lasting friendships."