

# **Friends of Huntington Beach State Park Newsletter October 2018**

## **Please Welcome**

We had 5 new family memberships join our organization during the month of September! Please welcome new members Karen & Jean Delpy, Rodney & Linda Martin, Pino & Kat Marzola, Karl & Nancy Schlachter and Keith & Susan Windham. Please welcome all of them to The Friends! If you see any of them in the Park make sure you tell them of all the good works the Friends (does) for Huntington Beach State Park. We love our Park and its great Park staff members!

## **President's Corner**

Hurricane season is not over and Hurricane Florence is not over for many of our families, friends and neighbors. We all continue to support those still struggling to get back in their homes and back to normal and we will do so for months to come. According (to) the Park staff the Park faired very well during the Hurricane. Once the Governor lifted the mandatory evacuation Brenda Magers and her team went right to work to get ready for the September 28-30, 2018 Arts & Craft(s) Festival. This is the Park's biggest fund-raiser event of the year and (the) show needed to go on. While some of the vendors had to cancel out of the event the many that were able to make their way to the Park last week experienced a wonderful event! Maybe not so wonderful on Saturday when the big rainstorm happened but Sunday turned out to be a fantastic day for all. Early Sunday morning the Park staff went right to work at Atalaya to remove the standing water. The beautiful Sunday weather brought many visitors to the event. All in all the visitors purchase(d) many wonderful items and the vendors, including the Friends were able to reap the benefits of good sales.

The next event for the Park is the Atalaya Fall Festival & Haunted Castle on October 26-27, 2018 and the next fund-raiser event for The Friends' organization is the Holiday Celebration at Atalaya on December 1, 2018.

Your President,  
*Sandra Barnes*

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## Atalaya Fall Festival & Haunted Castle

The Park is still in need of help for the annual Atalaya Fall Festival & Haunted Castle event being held on October 26 -27 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Please contact Senior Ranger Austin Mitchum @ [amitchum@scprt.com](mailto:amitchum@scprt.com) or via 843-237-4440 if you can help.

## Holiday Celebration at Atalaya

This year's co-chairs Carol Dankosky and Jeri Reuss are feverishly working to make the annual one-day event at Atalaya a wonderful day for all. The event will be held on December 1, 2018 (the first Saturday). Vendors are signing up to come and **decorated** the rooms in Atalaya and sell their wares. A full day line-up of entertainment is planned and PopPop's BBQ will be returning to sell BBQ style lunches. More information on how members can help will be **send** out next month but if in the meantime you need to contact the co-chairs they can be reached via email [momdankosky@gmail.com](mailto:momdankosky@gmail.com) (Carol Dankosky) or [jeri.reuss@gmail.com](mailto:jeri.reuss@gmail.com) (Jeri Reuss).

## Save the Date

The Friends annual holiday party will be held in Atalaya on Wednesday, December 12, 2018 @ 5:00 p.m. Details to come at a later date as to how you can sign up for this fun evening.

## Things to do at Huntington Beach State Park in October

Remember there are guided tours of Atalaya Monday thru Friday @ 2:00 p.m. and on Saturday at noon. During the month of October **(there)** will not be tours of Atalaya on **October 13, 26 and 27, 2018** due to already scheduled events in the "castle". Touring Atalaya is a wonderful way to get a glimpse into the lives of Anna Hyatt Huntington and Archer Huntington. The cost of the guided tour is \$2 per person. The Park also has many other wonderful events and programs to take advantage of during the month of October and other months. Check out their website for details.

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## **Open Board Member Positions**

The Friends of Huntington Beach State Park is still seeking individuals to fill two vacancies through June 2019. A board member is required to attend monthly meetings held at 9:00 a.m. the first Wednesday of the month. Just as member(s) do, board members actively participate and support the mission and goals of the Friends of Huntington Beach State Park. If you are interested in serving please contact Sandra Barnes at 870-797-4726 or [sbarnes93@ymail.com](mailto:sbarnes93@ymail.com) or Karen Korzeniewski at 843-650-6666 or [korsz@sccoast.net](mailto:korsz@sccoast.net) for more information.

You may also contact any of our board members via the comment section of our website. We need you, our members to support the mission and goals of our organization!

## **The Friends of Huntington Beach State Park Website**

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