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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT – Kathy Jankowski

I hope everyone is enjoying this wonderful summer weather!!! We had the most beautiful Memorial Day weekend for the election and the community yard sale. Thank you again, Mike Matera, for planning and advertising the yard sale!

I'm sure you have all heard the results of the Town election by now. Jay Headman is our new mayor; and Sue Callaway and George Junkin left the SBPOA to join the Town Council. We are looking forward to them using their great skills to continue to serve our community. Mary Suazo also left the SBPOA as her term had expired. However, she is providing a service much needed by South Bethany as one of the leaders of the Historic Society.

I was getting really nervous with losing three of our leaders; so, I was very excited when Sandi Roberts, Linda Lewis, and Dan Cowell all expressed an interest in working with the SBPOA. They were all voted in at our annual Bull Roast membership meeting held on Saturday, June 5. Please visit our website http://sbpoa.web.officelive.com/aboutus.aspx to learn about our new Executive Board members.

Over 240 of our property owners and their guests attended the Bull Roast catered by Bethany Blues. President Lucas Powell and Chief Brian Martin (pictured at the right) from the Bethany Beach Volunteer Fire Company were in attendance to receive our donation of \$500. An added benefit to the Fire Company was the two volunteers from our community who signed up that day.

The new Executive Board got busy and met on June 15 to discuss "what should we keep" and "what do we need to do differently" for the Bull Roast next year. I am actively looking for a shaded and more spacious area for next year. Stay tuned



for more information on that subject. We are still looking for a Chairperson for the Bull Roast for 2011. Walt Laderer is retiring from that position after serving us for several years. We are trying to make it easy for the new Chairperson by putting together a checklist and leveraging from Walt's experience. If you are interested in serving as the Chairperson for the Bull Roast next year, please let me know!!!!

As you might know, SBPOA has resurrected our Beautification Committee to work with the Town. Diann Nazarian didn't waste any time in getting perennials and annuals planted at the front of Richard Hall Memorial Park making it appealing as people drive through that area and to the Town Hall and Police Station.

The other Committee Chairpersons were decided as follows:

- Neighborhood Watch Committee—Dan Cowell, 2nd VP SBPOA
- "Shore Lines" Newsletter—Linda Lewis, 1st VP SBPOA
- Membership Manager—Sandi Roberts, Secretary
- Socials & Program Committee—Dan Cowell, 2nd VP SBPOA

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- Beautification Committee—Diann Nazarian and Ann Shanks, Treasurer
- Telephone Directory—Need a chairperson!!!

I am concerned that we do not have a Chairperson for the telephone directory because many people rely on this directory. Therefore, I will meet with John and Celeste Speer and Ed Nazarian to see if there is something we can do to get this moving. If you are interested in leading this effort or in helping in some way, please let me know.

You might be asking yourself how Sandi Roberts is going to do all this work in addition to the merchandise. Sue Allenspach has graciously volunteered to take over managing the South Bethany merchandise. So, if you have any new ideas for South Bethany merchandise, please contact Sue at 539-7135.

Our next membership meeting will be held on Saturday, August 28, at 10 am at the Town Hall. As usual, the main focus of this meeting is to distribute the Neighborhood Watch information to captains/walkers. Visit our website http://sbpoa.web.officelive.com/minutes.aspx for minutes of previous meetings.

Have a wonderful summer!!

Kathy Jankowski, 310 W. 4th Street

Some Pictures From The SBPOA 2010 Bull Roast –



Over 240 attended



Walt Laderer receives Certificate from Kathy



Kathy Presents \$500 to President Lucas Powell from the Bethany Fire Company



Kathy Connor & Linda Lewis sign people in.



Ann Shanks and George Junkin sign up new members.



Sandi Roberts, Linda Lewis & Ann Shanks at the member meeting.

Visit our website http://sbpoa.web.officelive.com for more pictures of the Bull Roast.

Membership in SBPOA — Membership in SBPOA has been about 770 over the last three years. Currently, as of June 12, 2010, we have 781 who have signed up for '10/'11. E-mail addresses have been supplied by 645 members who will receive the newsletter and special notices by e-mail. A total of 883 e-mails will be sent, since some people have supplied a second email address. Those without e-mail and those who have e-mail and request a hard copy will still receive the newsletter and meeting announcements by US Mail. Special notices are usually not sent by US Mail. Currently we plan to send out 229 hard copies of the news letter by US Mail. Those with email addresses who would prefer a hard copy of the newsletter by US Mail should send their request to gjunk2aol.com.

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Town of South Bethany Beautification Committee – Submitted by Sue Callaway

The Town's Beautification Committee is currently comprised of the following members: Sue Callaway, Chair; Kathy Jankowski, SBPOA President; Diann Nazarian; Dennis Roberts; Ann Shanks; John Speer; and Don Chrobot, South Bethany Maintenance Supervisor.

At the Town Council Meeting on June 11, 2010, the South Bethany Mayor and Town Council thanked the South Bethany Property Owners Association for their generous contribution for the landscaping of the entrance to the Richard Hall Memorial Park. Under the leadership of Kathy Jankowski and Diann Nazarian, who worked with Vines Creek Nursery to select and secure a good price for an assortment of perennials and annual plants, mulch and the labor involved, we are all now able to enjoy a beautiful entrance to the Park and to the Town Hall. Thanks were also extended to Don Chrobot and his assistant, Ron for their diligence in caring for the plants and making sure they continue to thrive. All efforts are greatly appreciated. REMINDER: The landscaper has noted that there appears to be some plant damage from dog droppings – we ask all pet owners in the community to be more vigilant when walking their dogs in the Richard Hall Memorial Park area as well as other areas.









Last year, with significant cuts in the town's beautification budget, a decision was made by the Beautification Committee to plant wildflower seeds along the Route 1 walkways and median. This approach was seen as an economical and maintenance-free way to provide additional beauty to our community during the summer months. The wildflowers are just beginning to bloom and we look forward to a successful growing period.

The Town's Beautification Committee has scheduled its first meeting to be held at the Town Hall on Thursday, June 24th at 9:00 am. The Committee looks forward to developing a plan that focuses on the multiple landscaped areas found in South Bethany. The Committee welcomes attendance at the meeting and any ideas and comments from all property owners.

Town of South Bethany Budget and Finance Committee - Submitted by Tim Saxton

The Budget and Finance Committee is looking for volunteers to work on the committee for FY 2011. It will be comprised of two Town Council Members and up to 3 property owners in South Bethany. The committee will be chaired by the Town Council Treasurer, Tim Saxton.

Objective: Work with Town Manager and Finance Administrator on:

- Review/evaluate current expenses/revenue
- Review/evaluate FY 2012 proposed budget
- Review schedule of fees/fines
- Ongoing review of budget versus expenses
- Make recommendations regarding budget
- Make final review and recommendation for approval to the Mayor and Town Council
- Continued evaluation of the long term planning process

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We are looking for up to 2 volunteers that have a finance background in either the private or public sector. A finance degree is not required, but experience in budgeting and planning is a plus for the committee needs. Please describe your experience in the areas of finance, budgeting and planning when submitting your interest in participating on the committee.

The positions will last through May 27, 2011. Persons selected will be recommended by the Treasurer and appointed by the Mayor.

The committee will meet monthly from July 2010 through May 2011 in the Town Hall.

If you have an interest in participating on the committee please submit an e-mail to Tim Saxton with your financial/planning experience at saxtontd@hotmail.com by June 30, 2010.

Letter To SBPOA President, Kathy Jankowski, Re. Flood Insurance Discounts

Kathy,

For every year since South Bethany qualified for the Federal Flood Insurance discount I've attempted to get it.

Nationwide Insurance, the policy issuer, would tell me to send the documents and they would look into it. Nothing ever came of it. This year I complained enough and someone did look into it and found that the zip code on the application address automatically identifies my 148 Anchorage Drive as in Bethany Beach according to the Federal Insurance database. Because of this I didn't qualify. The Federal Flood Insurance office requested that the Nationwide office correct the city on the application to reflect South Bethany AND MOST IMPORTANTLY put a note on the corrected application to say zip code is not for South Bethany. This will trigger the Federal Flood Agency to add a code for South Bethany when entering our address into the database and the Flood Insurance discount will automatically be applied.

Please pass this info along because I'm sure there are other frustrated South Bethany Property owners.

Thanks.... Frank and Pat Weisgerber

<u>Treasurer's Report - Ann Shanks</u>				
Balance	6/1/2009	\$ 37,158		
INCOME				
Bull Roast tickets		260		
Interest		78		
Membership Dues		15,872		
South Bethany Apparel		2,684		
Christmas Lights		1,310		
TOTAL INCOME		20,204		
EXPENSES				
Lifeguard of the year		200		
Bull Roast		5,750		
Inland Bays		500		
South Coastal Library		500		
Newsletter		3,012		
Oyster Farming		749		
SB Apparel		821		
Supplies		175		
Water Quality		202		
40th Anniversary		500		
Beach Wheelchair		2,500		
PO Box Rental		56		
Neighborhood Watch Dinner		3,337		
Frankford Dictionaries		196		
Volunteer Luncheon		1,102		
Tax Preparation		250		
4th July Parade		300		
Town Hall Garden		1,000		
TOTAL EXPENSES		21,150		
BALANCE	5/31/2010	\$ 36,212		

What Do I Do With My Household Hazardous Waste?? Do NOT Put Hazardous Waste In The Regular Trash Bins Or Your Recycle Bins!! What Is Hazardous Waste? Full aerosol cans, bleach, chemistry kits, nail polish, polish removers, perfumes, disinfectants, drain cleaners, floor wax, mercury thermometers, moth balls, oven cleaner, spot remover, toilet cleaner, fluorescent light bulbs, Ammunition, firecrackers, gunpowder, Corrosives, paints (other than latex), small compressed-gas cylinders, solvents, stains, strippers, thinners, varnish, wood preservatives, Fungicides, herbicides, pesticides, pool chemicals, Antifreeze, auto batteries, degreasers, waste fuels - gasoline, kerosene, used motor oil mixed with other fuels. LATEX PAINT is water-soluble and is not hazardous. It can be taken to a landfill. Please solidify with kitty litter or sand.

DSWA will accept Hazardous Waste at their Jones Crossroads Landfill located at 28560 Landfill Lane, Georgetown, DE on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>August 07, 2010</u>. They only accept Hazardous Waste twice a year in Sussex County. The last time was in May, 2010. Here is a link to their schedule. http://www.dswa.com/programs_haz_Schedule.asp

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Helpful Tips When Bringing Hazardous Waste To The Land Fill:

- 1. Bring materials in original, sealed containers.
- 2. Do not mix products in one container.
- 3. To prevent leakage or breakage, pack separately in absorbent material or triple bag.
- 4. Bring rags to clean up any spills, and dispose of rags at the collection site.

Canal Water Quality Topics – Edited by George Junkin

1. Rain Gardens Offer An Attractive Alternative To Yard Puddles -

Article by Kevin Roberts. Pictures are from the beautiful rain garden created by Sandi Roberts.

In the last 30 years or so, the population of Delaware's coastal area has exploded. Much of what used to be wetlands have been paved over, making room for housing developments and condos. As the natural landscape is altered, rain water must find new ways to reach the water table and drain out to the ocean and bays.

Oftentimes, rain travels along roads and rooftops, collecting pollutants such as oil and heavy metals and, without proper drainage, these pollutants find their way into the ocean, bays and canals, threatening the ecosystem. Many homeowners also experience flooding problems in their yards, as much of Delaware is close to sea level.

There is a simple and attractive means to deal with both of these problems however. The addition of a rain garden to a landscape can help filter and drain water both quickly and efficiently. Installing a rain garden is a simple process and the work can be completed in just a few days.

Rain gardens are an excellent way to turn an unattractive spot in a yard into a beautiful place. If you use native plants, they also help attract birds and insects that may otherwise be driven out by development. Once the plants are in the ground, they will build up a good root system, and take care of themselves while helping to re-create a habitat that people may have removed. A rain garden will filter out pollutants and sediment, which can block sunlight and oxygen from entering water. According to the Center for the Inland Bays, a rain garden can absorb 30 percent more water than a similarly sized area of lawn.

To make a rain garden, first find a location between a rainwater source,

such as a downspout or run off from a house, and its destination. Any low area in a yard where puddles occur naturally will work well. Excavate the area about 18 inches deep. To allow water to percolate freely, fill in the excavated area with a soil mixture that is 50% sand, with 20 to 30 percent of both topsoil and compost added, leaving a depression of a few inches so water will collect temporarily when it rains. Excess soil may be used to create a berm, particularly if the garden rests on a slope.

The most difficult decision property owners installing a rain garden may have to make is what kind of plants to add to their new garden. Many of the landscapers around town can help with choosing plants that will be both attractive and well-suited for a rain garden. A good rule of thumb is to estimate one plant per square foot of garden space. As with most new plantings, a rain garden may require extra attention at first, but once the plants have established themselves, they require minimal water and no fertilizer at all.

For additional information on rain gardens, the Center for the Inland Bays recommends the following publications: 1000 Rain Gardens For The Inland Bays, and How And Why To Create A Rain Garden available at http://www.inlandbays.org/cib_pm/outreach.php.





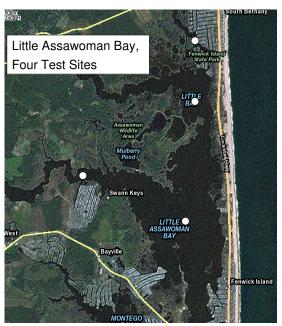


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2. South Bethany Participates In Little Assawoman Bay Water Monitoring Program by Jay Headman. On Thursday morning, May 27, 2010, a group of "South Bethians" participated in a water quality monitoring program sponsored by the University of Delaware (UD) and the Center for the Inland Bays (CIB). The purpose of the program was to take water samples in the early morning hours (6 - 9 a.m.) in four areas of the Little Assawoman Bay. Since there was very little data on dissolved oxygen (DO), and the need for that information and also for other indicators such as temperature, salinity, and levels of algae, UD and the CIB needed volunteers to help collect this data. Although DO is the primary indicator of whether a water body supports aquatic life, it is very difficult for DNREC scientists to go out that early to do the testing. George Junkin (volunteered his boat), Sue Callaway, Frank McNeice, Jay Headman, and Ron Wuslich did the sampling on the test day, and they have volunteered to do it twice a month throughout the summer. A second sample was taken at the four sites on June 14, 2010 by George Junkin, Frank McNeice, Jay Headman and Dave Wilson.

4. Water Quality Monitoring Program Led By Dave

Wilson. Water quality monitoring in South Bethany is done at ten sites once a week from May through September and once a month in the off season. Six volunteers (Bryant Hopkins, Dick Oliver, Sue Callaway, Glenn Dallas, Gary Stoll and Dave Wilson) are divided into three two man teams. Each team visits all ten sites on their assigned Tuesday between 7 and 9am. Dissolved oxygen and salinity, as well as air and water temperature are measured with a handheld meter. Water clarity is measured with a disc with a paint pattern (Secchi disc). Water samples are collected at 5 sites twice a month to determine the presence of bacteria,

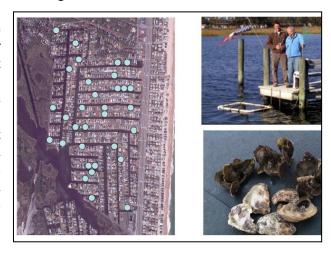




nutrients, and harmful algae blooms. Analysis is provided by the University of Delaware at Lewes.

3. Oyster Gardening Program. Dr. Allan Allenspach, 302-539-7135. Al leads our Oyster Gardening Project at over 32 sites within South Bethany and reports, "This is the second year of a cycle for the oysters, the major growing season. Spat from last year grew enough to survive well over the winter season,

despite the cold weather. This summer the staff from CIB are busy diluting the oysters from last year; they will be distributing them into Taylor floats. Some new oyster gardeners will be added to the program and they will get their own float and baskets of oysters from last years crop. It appears that the oysters have adapted well to the baskets/floats and have grown very nicely. Some of the excess may even be set out on rip-rap. Next year will start another cycle whereby spat will be purchased and cultured into another crop of young oysters. In the meantime, the CIB staff will be busy repairing floats and baskets and building new sets, using funds provided by the SBPOA. Thanks be to that organization!!!"



The Beach Is Back And Ready For You To Visit

The ocean gave back a lot of the sand which allowed Tony Pratt and his **DNREC** crews, with their heavy sand moving equipment, to move the sand up to the dunes





to repair the dunes and the beach access ways. More beach grass was planted on the dunes in the spring by your friends and neighbors from South Bethany. Pictures of the grass planting are available on the SBPOA web site. http://sbpoa.web.officelive.com/GrassPlanting2010.aspx. The Town's maintenance mechanic, Don Chrobot, and his crews have all the life guard stands and the blue waste containers for trash and recycling in place on the beach. In the pictures you can see the rolls of sand fences that will be installed by the DNREC crews within the next week or so.

SBPOA DATES FOR 2010 - 2011 (Fiscal Year 6-1-10 to 5-31-11)				
DATE	Weekday	TIME	EVENT	
June 25, 2010	Friday		Publish Summer Shore Lines	
August 28, 2010	Saturday	10:00 AM	Neighborhood Watch Kickoff Meeting	
			SBPOA Membership Meeting (#2)	
September 4, 5, and 6	Sat. Sun. Mon	Labor Day weekend	Distribute Watch material	
September 17, 2010	Friday		Publish Fall <i>Shore Lines</i>	
December 8, 2009	Wednesday	Noon	Appreciation Luncheon	
December 17, 2010	Friday		Publish Winter Shore Lines	
February 12, 2011	Saturday	10:00 AM	SBPOA Membership Meeting (#3)	
			□ Establish the dues for the following year.	
February 18, 2011	Friday		Publish Spring Shore Lines	
May 7, 2011	Saturday	10:00 AM	SBPOA Membership Meeting (#4)	
			□ President's Report & Adopt Annual Budget	
May 11, 2011	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Appreciation Dinner	
May 28 & 29, 2011	Sat. & Sun.	All Day	SBPOA Yard Sale	
May 28, 2011	Saturday	9 am to 3 pm	Town Election	
June 4, 2011	Saturday		Bulk Trash Pick-Up	
June 4, 2011	Saturday	4:00 PM	Bull Roast	
			Membership Meeting (#1)	
			□ Deadline for SBPOA membership sign-up	
June 24, 2011	Friday		Publish Summer Shore Lines	

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The Coastal Point has many good articles of interest to South Bethany. Follow the links

South Bethany Gets New Mayor, Two New Council Members

http://bethanybeachnews.com/content/south_bethany_gets_new_mayor_two_new_council_members

Cestone Returns To South Bethany Council

http://bethanybeachnews.com/content/cestone_returns_south_bethany_council

South Bethany Approves 2011 Budget

http://bethanybeachnews.com/content/south_bethany_approves_2011_budget

The Wave Also Has Many Good Articles. Follow the links

Assawoman Canal dredging project nears completion

http://www.delmarvanow.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=20106150303

Whale spotted off Fenwick, Bethany

http://www.delmarvanow.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=20106220301

THEY'RE BACK!!!!!!

Are you driving around with a car decal that incorrectly identifies our town as SBB? Worse yet, is the SB decal missing from your vehicle's bumper or rear window?? Then you'll be happy to know that SB decals are back!! Call Sandi Roberts at 537-5371 to get yours. The cost per decal is \$2.50 (cash only, please).



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Shore Lines