



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT – Linda Lewis

Well, it's that time of year againthe membership drive. Your membership application is included in this newsletter. Please update your information and send in your application with a check for \$20. We would really appreciate receiving your application and money by mail instead of waiting to pay at the Bull Roast. It makes processing easier, more accurate and certainly speeds things up at the Bull Roast.

For those potential new members, your membership includes the following:

Neighborhood Watch Program--This program was established to keep an eye on your home during the winter.

Over 60 volunteer Watch "walkers" monitor your house for frozen pipes, wind damage, "critter" invasion, and unusual activity that can be seen from the outside. They work closely with the Town of South Bethany police force to protect our neighborhood. A placard for your window or door is provided to deter unwanted visitors.

Telephone Directory--This booklet provides contact information for South Bethany property owners, both by name and by address.

Shore Lines Newsletter--Four (4) times a year, we publish a newsletter with information we believe you will find helpful, separate from information provided by the Town in the Zephyr newsletter.

SBPOA Website-- <http://sbpoa.sharepoint.com> displays information about SBPOA and our town

Email Updates--Often times, we will send emails with more time sensitive information and requests that cannot wait for the publication of the newsletter. If you wish to receive these notices, it is important that you let your email provider know that this is NOT spam or junk mail.

Annual Bull Roast--On the first Saturday of June, the SBPOA sponsors a catered buffet dinner for all SBPOA members. This is a great opportunity for you to get to know your neighbors.

Annual Neighborhood Yard Sale--On Memorial Day weekend the SBPOA sponsors a neighborhood wide yard sale.

Thanks to all the volunteers in our community who make these services available. What a bargain at only \$20/year.

Linda Lewis, President, SBPOA

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Visit our website <http://sbpoa.sharepoint.com/Pages/default.aspx>

Neighborhood Watch by Dan Cowell, 2nd VP SBPOA

The annual Spring Volunteer Appreciation Dinner buffet at Bear Trap Dunes for all of our volunteers will take place on Saturday, May 12 at 5:30 pm. We will be contacting all of the neighborhood watch walkers and other SBPOA volunteers regarding their attendance at this dinner in April.

South Bethany Historical Society

Special Program Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the '62 Storm

The South Bethany Historical Society is sponsoring a special program entitled "In the Wake of the '62 Storm" on Friday, June 8, 2012 (the night before the Bull Roast) at 6:30 pm at the South Coastal Library. The program will include guest speaker Dr. Wendy Carey from the Delaware Sea Grant Program, the film, "The Storm of '62 - Delaware's Shared Response", exhibits, and a question and answer period.

The storm of '62 destroyed all the high dunes and ocean front houses in South Bethany and caused extensive damage. The program will address how that storm still influences us today and will influence us in the future. The program is open to all residents of South Bethany and neighboring communities.

Address - South Coastal Library, 44 Kent Avenue, Bethany Beach, DE 19930

New members are always welcome to join SBHS. SBHS relies on donations and membership fees of \$15 annually to fund its preservation activities.

TREASURER’S UPDATE

		March 21, 2012		
Begin Balance		<u>Jan 1 2012</u>	\$ 22,411.10	
	Income			
		dues	\$ 40.00	
		Apparel	\$ 7.50	decals
	Total Income		\$ 47.50	
	Expenses			
		Lawyer/Accountant	\$ 1,150.00	150.00 registered agent fee/1000.00 tax prep
		Taxes	\$ 149.00	franchise/state/fed/estimated
		Misc	\$ 90.74	coffee/doughnuts/postage/name plate
		Newsletter	\$ 306.00	Constant Contact to manage member emails
	Total expenses		\$ 1,695.74	
End Balance		<u>March 21, 2012</u>	\$ 20,762.86	
Approved 2012 Budget on SBPOA web site				

INTERESTED IN BEING AN OYSTER GARDENER? This is a second notice for oyster gardeners. New culture methods will make the job easier. Anyone interested in becoming a gardener should notify Dr. Allenspach (allenspach12@mchsi.com) and/or EJ Chalabola (restoration@inlandbays.org) to be added to the list. You are also invited to the James Farm (date TBD) to construct new floats. Distribution of oyster spat will be in early summer.

SBPOA DATES

DATE	Weekday	TIME	EVENT
March 31,2012			Shorelines published – membership form included
April 28, 2012	Saturday	10:00 AM	SBPOA Membership Meeting (#4) ➤ Meet the Town Election Candidates ➤ President’s Report
April 30, 2012	Monday		Neighborhood Watch Ends
May 12, 2012	Saturday	5:30 PM	Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
May 14, 2012	Monday		Publish Shorelines
June 9, 2012	Saturday	4:00 PM	Bull Roast - Membership Meeting (#1) ➤ Nomination and Election of Officers ➤ Deadline for SBPOA membership sign-up
June 24, 2012			Publish Summer Shore Lines

INFORMATION REGARDING THE ENCLOSED MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The main reason that we ask for telephone numbers is so that we can contact you if there is a problem at your property. The only number that we publish is the “Beach phone number.” It is published in our beach telephone book. We can only accept three telephone numbers.

The two e-mail addresses are used to communicate items of interest to South Bethany to our property owners. They are also used if no one answers any of the phone numbers. We have two because some people do not want to depend on their partner to share the data. It also gives us a second avenue to get info to you in case one e-mail address changes.

The addressee printed on the application is as the owner(s) of the property is (are) listed with the Town of South Bethany at the Town Hall. If it is incorrect please notify the Town Hall as the SBPOA is a completely separate organization from the Town. We only accept one mailing address per application. Per our bylaws we only accept two members per application.

If you do not answer the neighborhood watch questions we will assume that you do not want someone watching your house. If you do not sign this section of the form which gives the watcher permission to watch we will not sign you up for neighborhood watch.

SBPOA
PO BOX 868
Bethany Beach, DE 19930

«Owner»
«Mailing_Address»
«City», «State» «ZIP_Code»

**South Bethany Property Owners Association
(SBPOA) 2012/2013 Membership Application Due by May 1, 2012**

If you desire membership in the SBPOA for the 2012/2013 year, carefully fill out **this form** and return it to **SBPOA, PO BOX 868, Bethany Beach, DE 19930** with a check made payable to SBPOA for the amount of \$20.00 membership per property. **We can accept up to two (2) member names per application as designated below by the property owner.**

Our records show that you «Current_Member» a current member for the 2011/2012 year. Whether you are a current member or not, we encourage you to become a member for the 2012/2013 year and take advantage of our Neighborhood Watch Program and other activities which include; the annual Bull Roast, the telephone directory, the “Shore Lines” news letter, e-mail updates and the SBPOA web site.

Listed below is the data we currently have for you. **Please make corrections ONLY to the items that require a change.**

Two Members per each application.

1st Member: «First_Name» «Last_Name» *Correct if necessary.* _____

2nd Member: «First_Name_2» «Last_Name_2» *Correct if necessary.* _____

Beach address: «House_No» «Beach_Address» *Correct if necessary.* _____

OWNER’S MAILING Address: «Mailing_Address», «City», «State» «ZIP_Code»

Correct **MAILING** address only if change is required _____

Home phone number: «Home_Phone» *Correct if necessary.* _____ This could be a cell number.

Beach phone number: «Beach_Phone» *Correct if necessary.* _____ This could be a cell number.
It will go in our phone book.

Cell phone number: «Cell_Phone» *Correct if necessary.* _____ This could be any other number where you can be contacted.

First E-mail address: «Email_Address» *Correct if necessary.* _____

Second E-mail address: «Second_Email_Address» *Correct if necessary.* _____

If you DO NOT want to receive E-mail from SBPOA, do not supply an E-mail address.

Do you want your house to be included in the Neighborhood Watch, at no additional cost, as part of your membership with the SBPOA?

YES _____ NO _____

If you answered “YES” above, do you want your house checked from the Street Only, or do you give permission to the “Walker” to walk around your house?

Check Only One: Street Only _____ , Walk Around _____

Please Sign: _____

By affixing his/her signature, the property owner(s) hereby convey(s) approval of the Property owner(s) for the Watch person to enter the property as necessary to perform the Watch function and further agree(s) to hold harmless the Watch person and the SBPOA for any incident stemming from the reasonable activities of the Watch person. **«ID»** _____