



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT – Kathy Jankowski

This is the membership edition of our newsletter. Please take the time to fill out the membership form and return it with your membership fee (\$20) by March 31st. The updated information you return will appear in our new directory due out May 31, 2011. I thought this would be a good time to review what our association does for its members.

Not many people know that the South Bethany Property Owners Association existed before the Town of South Bethany. While the Association provided many of the needs of our property owners, the Town was incorporated so that South Bethany could qualify for governmental funding. Therefore, many of the needs that were provided by the Association are now provided by the Town. However, the objectives and actions taken by your Association continue to be based on your needs and wants and, hopefully, complement what is provided by the Town.

Neighborhood Watch Program--This program was established to watch over your home when you are not here. Over 60 Watch "walkers" monitor your house for frozen pipes, wind damage, "critter" invasion, and unusual activity. 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. This volunteer effort is much appreciated by everyone in our community.

Telephone and Buyers Guide Directory--This booklet provides contact information for South Bethany property owners, both by name and by address. It also provides a list of services and restaurants--information helpful to residents and our visitors. More than 100 advertisers help fund the printing of this booklet, so we hope you will show your appreciation by using their services or frequenting their establishments.

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--www.SBPOA.web.officelive.com displays information about SBPOA--our purpose, bylaws, calendar, application form, board meeting agendas and notes, membership meeting agendas and notes, financials, the Neighborhood Watch program, pictures of the Bull Roast, charitable contributions, merchandise for sale, and a way to contact us. One of our proudest offerings is the up-to-date real estate activity provided by Rose Walker--one of our residents in the real estate field. The website also has information and links to the Town website, the absentee ballot for voting for Town Council positions, Police Department reports, oyster gardening, the Assawoman Canal, and the tide chart. We are always open to have additional information added.

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 where SBPOA members can advertise their address as one of the locations participating in the event.

Welcome Bags--A new service we are providing is to welcome new property owners with a copy of the telephone and buyers guide directory, a copy of the *Shore Lines* newsletter, the Town's *Zephyr* newsletter, and other helpful items.

South Bethany Merchandise--SBPOA has a variety of items with the South Bethany logo printed on them. There are T-shirts, sweatshirts, visors, hats, tote bags, etc. Currently, these items are on sale at McCabe's Market, here in South Bethany. Please stop by and take a look! You can also contact one of the SBPOA Executive Board members to make a purchase.

Charitable Contributions--There are many organizations in the area in need of our help; e.g., Bethany Beach Volunteer Fire Company, South Coastal Library, Bethany Beach parade committee, etc.

Awards--Annually, SBPOA acknowledges the contributions of the South Bethany Beach Patrol by making a cash award to the "lifeguard of the year."

The Executive Board members continue to listen to your input for making improvements in our community. We often take your concerns to the South Bethany Town Council and provide answers via email. Serving our neighbors has been an honor and a privilege. Let's us continue to work for a better future for South Bethany!

Sincerely,

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Visit our website <http://sbpoa.web.officelive.com>

South Bethany Property Owners Directory

The SBPOA will be publishing the bi-annual South Bethany Telephone Directory and Buyers Guide for distribution during Memorial Day weekend. To provide the most up-to-date information for each resident, REMEMBER TO FILL OUT THE FORM INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER AND RETURN IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE – DEADLINE: MARCH 31ST to meet our publication deadline. If no form is received by March 31st, information on file will be used for the directory. This year we have had strong support from our local small business people in South Bethany and the surrounding area. The revenues generated from the ads that they place in the Buyers Guide section of the Directory make the publication possible. We appreciate their support of our community and encourage all of our residents and their guests to consider these merchants and trades people when selecting goods and services locally. Remember to thank them for advertising in our directory.

SBPOA Officers Needed

Three officer positions will become vacant on June 4th, 2010. These positions are: President, 2nd Vice-President and Treasurer. Descriptions of this position are available in our by-laws, Article VII, found on our website at www.sbpoa.web.officelive.com/bylaws. The person filling the treasurer's position should have a working knowledge of Excel and QuickBooks or Quicken. Contact Linda Lewis at linda.e.lewis@comcast.net if you are interested in filling one of these positions.

Bull Roast Update

Our annual bull roast is scheduled to start at 4 pm on June 4th with our SBPOA membership meeting, and dinner begins at 4:30 pm. This year we will have live music beginning at 4:30 pm. Two caterers are being considered: Charlie K's BBQ and Olde South.

Treasurer's Report 12/7/2010 to 2/8/2011

Balance	12/7/2010	43571
Income		
Directory		3190
Interest		24
Total Income		3214
Expenses		
Volunteer luncheon		1198
Newsletter		261
Neighborhood Watch		242
Phone Directory		6000
Total Expenses		7701
Balance	2/8/2011	39084
844 Members		

Information on Bulk Trash and yard waste pickup

As of January 1, 2011 the State of Delaware mandated that landfills will no longer accept yard waste co mingled with trash. Please do not place yard waste in your existing trash cans. The town-wide curbside service for yard waste starts March 8th and will continue once a month on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Information about this program can be found on the South Bethany website: www.southbethany.org.

SBPOA DATES

DATE	Weekday	TIME	EVENT
February 12, 2011	Saturday	10:00 AM	SBPOA Membership Meeting (#3) ➤ Establish the dues for the following year. ➤ Appoint Nominating Committee
February 18, 2011	Friday		Publish Spring Shore Lines
March 8, 2011	Tuesday		Town-wide yard waste curbside pickup begins
March 31, 2011			DEADLINE FOR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS FOR INCLUSION IN DIRECTORY
May 7, 2011	Saturday	10:00 AM	SBPOA Membership Meeting (#4) ➤ Meet the Town Election Candidates ➤ 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) ➤ Nomination and Election of Officers ➤ Deadline for SBPOA membership sign-up
June 24, 2011	Friday		Publish Summer Shore Lines

Note from the editor: If you have any feedback or suggestions for the newsletter, please send them to me at my email:

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