

## <u> ETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT</u> – Linda Lewis

Spring is finally here!!! Yeah. Summer can't be far away. Although our first day of Spring came with snow here in South Bethany. Of course, with spring, comes the SBPOA membership drive for the membership year June 1, 2013 to May 31, 2014. And this is it.

This may be the strangest membership appeal you have every received. We do not know if the SBPOA will exist for the 2013-2014 membership year. For the last 5 months, I have been asking and searching for volunteers to fill the President, VP, and treasurer positions. Linda Paul is willing to continue as treasurer (thank you Linda) and Sandi Roberts has 1 more year on her term as secretary AND WE NEED a president and VP. You do NOT need to be a full time resident to fill these positions. I am not yet a full time resident and have had no trouble filling the president position. Without volunteers, we will need to dissolve the SBPOA, fill the appropriate state papers and taxes and close down. If you are interested in one of these positions, please contact me at LINDA.E.LEWIS@GMAIL.COM or on my cell 302-397-1290.

Our last known events are the Neighborhood Watch appreciation luncheon on May 11 and the Bull Roast on June 1.

Here is the wrinkle in our unknown status....YOU MUST BE A 2013-2014 MEMBER TO ATTEND THE BULL ROAST ON JUNE 1, 2013. SO if you want to attend the bull roast, please fill in the 2013-2014 membership form AND THE BULL ROAST RESERVATION FORM and return them before May 10th (our deadline for the caterer). If you are not attending the bull roast, you may want to wait to file this application form until after June 1st to see if the SBPOA still is up and running. We will NOT be able to process refunds on 2013-2014 membership fees even if the SBPOA dissolves.

As a reminder, 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. Please see note about directory below.

Shore Lines Newsletter--Three (3) 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-- <a href="http://sbpoa.sharepoint.com">http://sbpoa.sharepoint.com</a> 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. You can choose to unsubscribe. If you do this, we remove your email from our records.

Annual Bull Roast-- The SBPOA sponsors a catered buffet dinner for all SBPOA members to kick off the new membership year. PLEASE READ THE BULL ROAST INFORMATION BELOW – WE HAVE CHANGED THE PROCESS.

Thanks to the other executive officers, Dan Cowell, Chris Keefe, Linda Paul, and Sandi Roberts. It has been a pleasure working with energetic, competent people and the best thing about being president was getting to know you a little better.

Thanks to all the volunteers in our community who make these services available.

Linda Lewis, President, SBPOA

Linda.E.Lewis@gmail.com cell phone: 302-397-1290 Visit our website <a href="http://sbpoa.sharepoint.com/Pages/default.aspx">http://sbpoa.sharepoint.com/Pages/default.aspx</a>

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: April  $6^{th}$ , 10 am, at Town Hall Our next general meeting will be April  $6^{th}$ . At this meeting we will have our normal committee reports: treasurer's report, Neighborhood Watch, Directory, Bull Roast, and discuss possible SBPOA dissolution.

SBPOA TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF 3/21/2013			
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
<u>Fund Balance:</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>To Date</u>	
Bank Account Balance	n/a	\$20,248.95	
CD's & Money Market	<u>n/a</u>	\$0.00	
Fund Balance Total	<u>n/a</u>	\$20,248.95	
Income:			
Dues (\$20x850)	\$16,000.00	\$20.00	
Directory/Buyers Guide	\$13,000.00	\$0.00	
Misc income	<u>\$300.00</u>	\$60.00	
SB Apparel	N/A	N/A	
Interest	N/A	N/A	
Bull Roast Tickets	N/A	N/A	
<u>Total</u>	\$29,300.00	\$80.0	
Bull Roast	\$6,200.00	\$0.00	
Volunteer Luncheon	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	
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Neighborhood Watch	\$300.00	\$0.00	
Lawyer	\$150.00	\$150.00	
Accountant	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.0	
Newsletter	\$2,500.00	\$306.00	
Web Site	\$75.00	\$0.00	
PO Box Rental	\$90.00	\$0.0	
Insurance	\$2,500.00	\$0.0	
Miscellaneous Other	\$150.00	\$39.9	
Fire Department	\$500.00	\$0.0	
Historical Society	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.0	
Franchise Tax	\$50.00	\$25.0	
Income Tax	\$200.00	\$188.00	
Directory/Buyers Guide	\$5,000.00	\$0.0	
Water Quality	N/A	N/A	
Beautification	N/A	N/A	
Center for Inland Bays	N/A	N//	
Cheer/Parade	N/A	N/A	
Misc. Donations	N/A	N//	
SB Apparel	N/A	N//	
Refreshments	N/A	N/#	
Postage	N/A	N/A	
<u>Total</u>	\$22,515.00	\$2,708.9	

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH UPDATE

We have been very fortunate this past winter. Our community has had no burglaries for the past 5 months. Our police department deserves a lot of credit for this streak as they have increased their vigilance in the community. However, the SBPD also credits our Neighborhood Watch for this successful streak. Forty-five very diligent residents who walk our streets and report any disturbances. In addition, the SBPD indicated Hurricane Sandy also helped keep our community safer since many homeowners that would not typically be in town in the winter months, came to secure/fix their homes.

We can do without any more hurricanes, but we certainly cannot do without our walkers! If you want more information about the Watch, please contact Dan Cowell.

## **BULL ROAST**

The Bull Roast will begin with a general meeting to elect officers (or dissolve the SBPOA) at 5 pm. Food service will begin at 5:30 and end at 7:15. If you want to come, please complete the membership form and return the form with your \$20 membership fee by MAY  $10^{TH}$ . The first 270 member reservations will be accepted. If we exceed 270 member RSVP's we will notify you that we are unable to accept your reservation. At a previous general meeting the membership agreed to the following for membership tickets: Since the SBPOA Annual Bull Roast is a community event for those households that belong to the SBPOA and the SBPOA provides 2 FREE tickets per member household, these tickets are intended to be used by the SBPOA members. If the second member is unable to attend (or there is no second member), the second ticket can be used for one member's guest as long as the member is attending.

There is no limit on extra paid tickets – cost for additional adult tickets are \$25 and children 12 and under are \$12. This is the cost for the caterer. If you would like additional tickets, please fill in the form below and return it with A SEPARATE, ADDITIONAL CHECK TO COVER THE ADDITIONAL TICKETS by May 10<sup>th</sup>.

## 2013 DIRECTORY

Thanks to Don Beck we will be publishing a 2013 Directory listing ALL property owners in South Bethany by your South Bethany address. We will also include phone numbers IF YOU FILL IN AND RETURN THE DIRECTORY FORM BELOW WITH PHONE NUMBERS. If we do not receive this form, the phone number will be blank in the directory. Previously we have received complaints about listing phone numbers for members and non-members and this is our attempt to address that concern. So whether you plan to join the SBPOA OR NOT – PLEASE RETURN THE FORM IF YOU WANT YOUR NEIGHBORS TO KNOW YOUR PHONE NUMBER.

DIRECTORY INPUT FORM: IF THIS FORM IS NOT RETURNED A PHONE NUMBER WILL NOT BE LISTED.

Beach Address:

Resident Name:

Resident Phone number to be listed in Directory:

Second Resident Name:

Return this form to: SBPOA, PO BOX 868, Bethany Beach, DE 19930

Second Resident phone number to be listed in Directory:\_

BULL ROAST RESERVATION FOR	RM			
Beach Address:				
SBPOA Member Name:				
Number of member tickets needed:	(0, 1 or 2):			
Additional Adult Tickets Needed (@	\$25 each):			
Children tickets needed (12 and unde	er @\$12 each):			
Separate check included for addition	al tickets in the amount of:			
Return this form to: SBPOA, PO BOX 868, Bethany Beach, DE 19930				
Please include the membership form	and membership dues in a separate che	ership form with the \$20 membership fee. ck. ************************************		
The main reason that we ask for telephor accept three telephone numbers. Phone directory form. The addressee printed of Bethany at the Town Hall. If it is incorrectory. We only accept one mailing addressee the neighborhood watch questions.	e numbers will NOT be published in director on the application is as the owner(s) of the p ect please notify the Town Hall as the SBPC ress per application. Per our bylaws we only	there is a problem at your property. We can only by without you specifying the numbers on the roperty is (are) listed with the Town of South DA is a completely separate organization from the y accept two members per application. If you do someone watching your house. If you do not sign		
South Bethany Property Owners Association (SBPOA) 2012/2013 Membership Application Due by May 10, 2013				
Bethany Beach, DE 19930 with a check		his form and return it to SBPOA, PO BOX 868, f \$20.00 membership per property. We can accept ty owner.		
Listed below is the data we currently have	ve for you. Please make corrections ONL	$\underline{\mathbf{Y}}$ to the items that require a change.		
Two Members per each applica	tion.			
1st Member	Correct if necessary.			
2 <sup>nd</sup> Member:	Correct if necessary.			
Beach address:	Correct if necessary.			
OWNER'S MAILING Address:				
Correct <b>MAILING</b> address only	if change is required			
Home phone number:	Correct if necessary.	This could be a cell number.		
Beach phone number:	Correct if necessary.	This could be a cell number.		
Cell phone number:	Correct if necessary.	This could be any other number.		
First E-mail address: Correct	ct if necessary.			
Second E-mail address: Corre	ect if necessary.			
If you DO NOT want to receive	E-mail from SBPOA, do not supp	ly an E-mail address.		
Do you want your house to be in membership with the SBPOA? YES NO	icluded in the Neighborhood Watc	ch, at no additional cost, as part of your		
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				
Watch person to enter the property as ne	ty owner(s) hereby convey(s) approval of the cessary to perform the Watch function and fing from the reasonable activities of the Wat	further agree(s) to hold harmless the Watch person		



TO: NAME ADDRESS CITY, STATE ZIP

> FROM: SBPOA PO BOX 868 BETHANY BEACH, DE 19930