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# Newsletter

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## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Dear North Beach Residents,

We will certainly remember the summer of 2012. The “derecho” of June 29th with its hurricane-force winds, the oppressive 100° plus heat wave for over a week and, worst of all, the loss of power suffered by many during this time of excessive temperature. During this period, the North Beach Town Hall, which has generator back-up, was open for heat-related emergencies, such as the need for cooling, water and for charging electronic devices. Please take note that in future instances of emergencies affecting the town, our town hall will make every effort to provide information and relief for North Beach residents.

As for what’s happening in town this summer, the most significant change is the relocation of the Calvert County Parks and Recreation programs from the North Beach Community Center to the Boys and Girls Club building at 4th Street and Dayton Avenue. The grand re-opening is scheduled for Tuesday, July 24th at 3:00. Everyone is welcome to attend! The community center building will become the new home of the Bayside History Museum. The larger accommodations will make possible an expanded number of exhibits and finally the museum will have adequate parking and accessibility for the handicapped. Be sure to visit later in the fall to take in the history of the greater North Beach area.

Look for large recycling containers to begin appearing around town this summer. These 32-gallon bins will, we hope, encourage greater recycling efforts among residents. Recycling pickup schedules will remain the same for the time-being as we assess the level of customers’ participation. The expanded recycling program is voluntary so please notify Town Hall if you would like a large container delivered to your home.

Finally, I would like to wish Jane Humphrey a Happy 100th Birthday!

Have a great and safe summer!

Sincerely,

Mark R. Frazer, Mayor



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**North Beach, Maryland**

# Upcoming EVENTS

**Through October 26**

Farmers' Market & Classic Car  
Cruise-In, Every Friday 6 to 9 pm

**Through September 28**

North Beach Art Fair, Every Friday  
6 to 9 pm

**July 20**

Campfire on the Beach, 7 pm

**July 21**

FREE Movie on the Beach: *Harry Potter  
and the Sorcerer's Stone* (at dusk)

**August 7**

National Night Out, 6 to 8 pm

**August 11**

FREE Concert on the Pavilion:  
*Justin Crenshaw Band*, 6 pm

**August 18**

FREE Movie on the Beach:  
*50 First Dates* (at dusk)

**September 15**

FREE Drive-In Movie on the visitor  
parking lot: *Sherlock Holmes* (at dusk)

**September 21**

Campfire on the Beach and Puppet  
Show, 7 pm

**September 29**

North Beach Triathlon, 8 am

**October 6**

2nd Annual Bay Harvestfest,  
12 to 6 pm

**October 27**

Boo Bash, 2 to 6 pm (rain date:  
October 28)

**October 27**

FREE Drive-In Movie on the visitor  
parking lot: *The Birds* (at dusk)

**November 30**

Light Up the Town, 7 pm

**December 1**

Holiday Parade, 12 pm

**December 1**

Santa and Christmas on the Beach,  
1 to 3 pm

**January 1, 2013**

Polar Bear Plunge, 1 pm

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Mark your calendar for the 2nd Annual Bay Harvestfest. It will be held on Saturday, October 6th from 12 to 6 pm!



## NEW TOT LOT

The old tot lot playground equipment was removed and replaced with new, modern equipment. This new playground area has gotten a lot of use over the last few months. Stop by with the kids and take a look!

## NEWS FROM THE WATERFRONT

The jellyfish nets are up, but remember that jellyfish may still be present. If you are stung by a jellyfish, use baking soda, meat tenderizer, rubbing alcohol or hand sanitizer to ease the sting. These home remedies may not work for everyone, but they will reduce the irritation.

With the warm weather here, it's time to really enjoy our beach and boardwalk area. To ensure that this area is kept family-friendly, certain kinds of conduct are prohibited, including: drinking, profanity, loud/disorderly conduct, clothing with vulgar or inappropriate text or graphics, and any use of illegal narcotics. Please be considerate to your fellow beach-goers and residents who live in the area so that everyone may enjoy the bay front.



## WETLANDS OVERLOOK PARK

The new Wetlands Overlook Park located at the north end of Dayton Avenue has been buzzing with people this spring and summer. You can find visitors relaxing in a gazebo, standing on the pier watching the wildlife or perched in the grass with their camera waiting for the perfect photo op! Recently, the Visitor Center was equipped with air conditioning so you can cool off during your visit.



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## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS (DPW) UPDATE

Well, summer season is in full swing, to say the least. With temperatures setting records this early, it could make for a long hot summer! Check page 4 for some HOT WEATHER TIPS to get you through the season.

The DPW staff has been busy in this heat. Have you noticed the new, white sand on the beach? We re-graded the north side of the beach and added 60 tons of sand. The area needed replenishment due to storms and erosion. DPW staff also painted the seawall on Atlantic Avenue and added new signs to help control traffic in the area of 9th Street and Atlantic Avenue.

On Friday, June 30th the area experienced a severe storm with high winds causing a lot of tree damage and power outages. All of the town's sewage pumping stations lost power and were running on back-up generator power for a minimum of 18 hours, some longer. The town's water system was also without power during this period. Power was restored to the well pump sites the next evening. The power outage caused damage to the control system of the wells and they had to be run in the manual mode until repairs were made on a few days later. DPW removed tree limbs and debris during the week following the storm.

Along with the routine tasks of the DPW department, they have repaired a water main break, responded to sewer blockages and jetted the line to clear it, and installed the jelly fish net.

Remember, with the summer heat also comes the threat of severe thunderstorms. Be aware of this while at the beach. If a storm approaches, please put down umbrellas and chairs and secure other items. Strong winds could turn these items into projectiles. Seek shelter immediately as lightning and water doesn't make for a safe environment. Check out your back-up generators and make sure you have batteries in case of a power outage.

## SPECIAL THANKS TO TOWN RESIDENTS

Thanks to town residents and property owners, the appearance of our town has greatly improved! Residents have responded to requests and have worked diligently to improve their properties by painting and repairing fences. More than 100 fence issues have been addressed and improved. The Town of North Beach has received positive feedback! We appreciate your hard work, time and energy! Improving the appearance of the town has always been our goal and with your cooperation, we are doing just that.



## Drinking Water REPORT

The 2012 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report is available for review on the town website at [www.northbeachmd.org](http://www.northbeachmd.org). You may also obtain a printed copy of the report at Town Hall. Please call 301.855.6681 in advance to request a copy.

## ONE WEEK TO A GREENER, HEALTHIER PLANET

Join thousands across Maryland who will take the Buy Local Challenge from



July 21-29. By taking the challenge, participants pledge to eat at least one item from a local farm every day during Buy Local Week. By doing this you will enjoy fresh, nutritious food while you support local farmers. The MD Department of Agriculture and the Southern MD Agricultural Development Commission have teamed up to offer the "Take the Buy Local Challenge with Friends" contest. Friends are encouraged to take the Challenge together in fun and creative ways and post their photos and a description of their participation to the Buy Local Challenge Facebook page. The winning group of friends will receive a prize basket valued at \$200. In addition, a donation of fresh local farm food valued at \$200 will be made in the winners' name to local families in need via the MD Food Bank and partners statewide. Full contest details can be found at the BCL website [www.buy-local-challenge.com](http://www.buy-local-challenge.com). Feel free to create your own group or, if you are interested, you can join the North Beach Sassy Seniors, call Sally Donaldson at 410286.3988.

## Summer is in FULL SWING

A Message  
from the Economic  
Development Committee

The beach is hopping, bands are rocking, and movies are reeling. It's a great time to live in North Beach.

The mission of the Economic Development Committee is to research, explore and recommend things that can "economically benefit" the Town of North Beach. The economy is getting better and now is the time to explore new options, new opportunities and new adventures.

Our goal this year is to research new initiatives such as weddings on the pier, a new boutique hotel and increasing our businesses and restaurants. We will be polling citizens and tourists alike for opinions, ideas and more on topics such as the Farmers' Market, hotel opportunities, the trolley, the beach, etc.

Our committee meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall. Feel free to stop in to offer suggestions or just listen. Our committee members have the best interest of both the town and citizens of North Beach.



## COOL DOWN AND CHARGE UP

With the recent storm, power outages and excessive heat warnings, residents were invited to stop in Town Hall to cool themselves, drink some cold water and charge electronics. While many residents got their power restored pretty quickly,

others were without power for a week. A great big THANKS to all the residents who checked on their neighbors and offered assistance during this trying time!

As temperatures soar this summer, continue take the necessary precautions to prevent heat-related illnesses and continue to check on your family, friends and neighbors who may be vulnerable to the extreme heat.

### HOT WEATHER TIPS:

- Drink plenty of fluids such as water and fruit juices to prevent dehydration .
- Wear loose-fitting, lightweight, and light-colored clothes.
- Avoid direct sunlight by staying in the shade or by wearing sunscreen, a hat and sunglasses.
- When possible, stay in air-conditioned areas. If your home is not air-conditioned, consider a visit to a shopping mall or public library.
- NEVER leave pets or young children in a car, even with the windows cracked.
- Check on elderly relatives or neighbors daily. If you are concerned about an older or vulnerable person, call 211 for assistance.
- Take it easy when outdoors. Athletes and those who work outdoors should, if possible, take short breaks when feeling fatigued. Schedule physical activity during the morning or evening when it is cooler.



## CENTENNIAL BIRTHDAY WISHES TO JANE HUMPHREY

Celebrating a birthday is an annual tradition that can be very special. What makes it even more special for Jane Humphrey this year is that it's her 100th birthday! Jane was born on August 31, 1912 at Sibley Hospital in Washington, DC. Since 2006, she has been a resident of North Beach. Jane enjoys spending time at the North Beach Senior Center where she has attended exercise and other activities. Each Sunday she attends the Sunday School and services at the North Beach Union Church. Jane also enjoys spending precious time with her sons and their wives, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren! We are so proud to have Jane in our community!



## 29TH ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



The 29th Annual National Night Out will be Tuesday, August 7th at 6 p.m. This event is a unique crime/drug prevention event that involves citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations, and local officials. It is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs; strengthen neighborhood spirit and promote police-community partnerships; and, send a message

to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. We hope you'll join us on August 7th at 5th Street and the boardwalk for this FREE community event.

## IN MY OPINION . . .

Hello again! I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer so far, and trying to keep cool!

For starters, the storm a few weeks ago proved to be more inconveniencing than, I think, anyone expected, and full power was not restored to some residents until a week later! I know that was none too soon! Hopefully, though, things are pretty much back to normal now.

I'd also like to let everyone know the Stars and Stripes Festival was a great success and I'd like to thank all who participated in the decorating contest and involvement in the ceremonies.

This summer is proving to be a very interesting one...the Farmers' Markets are, as always, a huge success and now we have the Art Fair on 7th Street which is also providing an attraction for visitors and residents alike. There are some beautiful works of art to be seen and purchased. The classic cars are back again, as well. They are an art show themselves!

Bay Wine and Spirits has a Friday night "wine tasting" which is quite intriguing! I stopped in last Friday night and was welcomed by a very friendly crowd. All



Marsha Stiner, Receptionist at Town Hall

were relaxing and obviously enjoying themselves. It's good to see people taking advantage of all we have to offer and having a good time.

For those of you who have not yet been to our new Wetlands Overlook Park at 11th and Dayton, I urge you to do so. It is one of the most beautiful and calming places in the beach. The difference will amaze you! Please take the time to check it out.

I hope everyone enjoyed the fireworks July 3rd! The event went smoothly and I think a good time was had by all. I saw people from all areas of the county and spoke to some from other counties, as well. Everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves!

In closing, I'd like to say, "Don't forget to attend all the goings-on at the beach this summer: campfires, concerts, movies, and most importantly, camaraderie. Get out, meet, mingle, get involved and get to know your neighbors!" North Beach truly is, "The Jewel of the Chesapeake Bay"!



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## Museum RELOCATION

On Monday, July 9th, board members of the Bayside History Museum, artists and exhibit planners toured the newly-leased North Beach Community Center in anticipation of THE GREAT MOVE!

Future plans include new exhibits, expansion of the current paleontology room, addition of the girl scouts setting up camp with the boy scouts at Camp Roosevelt, and a long-awaited Captain John Smith the Explorer Exhibit (did you know that Captain John Smith stopped at Randle Cliffs during his explorations?).

Come to the town council meetings on the second Thursday of every month for history presentations given by Grace Mary Brady, President of the Bayside History Museum.

Everyone is thrilled about the expansion and thankful for all the support from the citizens of North Beach, Mayor Frazer and all the Town Council Members.

## Grand RE-OPENING

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners and the Town of North Beach invite you to join us for a RIBBON CUTTING for the new North Beach Recreation Center and for the GRAND RE-OPENING of the Boys and Girls Club. 9021 Dayton Avenue is now the home of the Calvert County Parks and Recreation Division and the Boys and Girls Club of Southern Maryland. Join us for the festivities on Tuesday, July 24, 2012 at 3:00 p.m.

# Recycling Bin REQUEST

If you are interested in receiving a recycling bin, lid or container, please fill out the form to the right and drop it by Town Hall. You may also complete this form electronically from our website at [www.northbeachmd.org](http://www.northbeachmd.org), click on RECYCLE BIN REQUEST under Quick Links.

Choose One:

**Please provide the following information:**

Name:

Email Address:

Street Address:

Phone:

Enter Quantity for 18-Gallon Tote

Enter Quantity for Lid for Existing 18 Gallon Tote

Enter Quantity for 32 Gallon Recycling Container w/ Lid & Wheels (LIMIT 1)

## NEW TRASH, BULK AND RECYCLABLE POLICY

Effective September 1, 2012, the following changes will be instituted to the Town of North Beach trash, bulk and recyclable collection policy. Important changes that all residents must adhere to are the following:



### A. Household Trash and Yard Waste

1. There will be no alleyway pickups. All trash must be placed outside the property line at the curb or edge of the road surface. If you have a corner property, you can place it on either street.
2. All household trash must be bagged and secured in 35-gallon or smaller container.
3. Yard waste must be bagged and placed next to your cans for pick-up.
4. Sticks, tree limbs, and branches must be cut into three-foot lengths and bundled or secured together or placed in a trashcan.
5. Yard waste will be picked up at the curb along with household trash.

6. All containers must be removed from the curb after trash collection.

### B. Bulk Trash

1. Bulk trash will be on a once-a-month basis, by appointment only.
2. To schedule an appointment, please contact the Town Hall at 410.257.9618 or 301.855.6681. When you call, you must provide the number of items to be picked up and a brief description of each item. You also need to provide a contact name, street address and phone number.
3. We will pick up refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, mattresses, sofas, tables, chairs, appliances, etc.



### C. Unacceptable Waste

Unacceptable wastes shall include, without limitation, any regulated quantity of a Hazardous Waste or Hazardous Substance as defined by federal, state or local laws or regulations; containerized wastes, the contents of which are not able to be identified; sludges; waste from a pollution control process or cleanup of a spill of a chemical substance or commercial product; any dead animal or animal part; biohazards or regulated medical waste, friable asbestos, construction and demolition waste, soil, sod, tree stumps, paint, lead acid batteries, motor oil, or any item too large or too heavy to be loaded in collection vehicles with assistance.

### D. Recyclable Materials

1. Recyclables will be picked up every other Wednesday at the curbside.
2. Recyclables must be placed in recycle containers and can be commingled.
3. For guidance on recyclable items, please refer to the Residential Recycling Guide that is available on the town website under the Residents, Town Business tab. You may also pick up a hard copy at Town Hall.
4. To request recycle bins and lids, go to the town website at [www.northbeachmd.org](http://www.northbeachmd.org), under the Quick Links on the left side of the page, click on RECYCLE BIN REQUEST. Complete this online form and then click SEND. You may also fill out a hard copy of the request form at Town Hall.

Note: Trash must be bagged, placed in a trash can with a lid and curbside before 6 a.m. on Monday and Friday.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 : Trash Pickup : Special Events Mtg., 7 pm	3 : Environmental Committee Mtg., 7 pm : Fireworks at dusk	4 : Holiday, Town Hall Closed : No Bulk Pickup	5	6 : Trash Pickup : Farmers' Market & Classic Car Cruise-In, 6 pm	7 : FREE Concert on the Pavilion, Seldom Scene, 6 pm
8	9 : Trash Pickup	10	11 : Recycling Pickup	12 : Town Council Meeting, 7 pm	13 : Trash Pickup : Farmers' Market & Classic Car Cruise-In, 6 pm	14
15	16 : Trash Pickup : Historic Pres. Com., 7 pm : Public Safety Com., 7 pm	17	18 : Bulk Pickup	19	20 : Trash Pickup : Farmers' Market & Classic Car Cruise-In, 6 pm : Campfire on the Beach, 7 pm	21 : FREE Movie on the Beach, Harry Potter, at dusk
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## Mayor Frazer

### ON A MISSION



*Dr. Frazer discusses treatment with a patient.*

Over the weekend of June 2nd and 3rd, our Mayor joined many dentists and dental personnel at Chopticon High School in St. Mary's County to provide free dental care to needy patients from the southern Maryland area. This "Mission of Mercy" treated over 800 individuals during the 2-day volunteer event.



*Dr. Frazer and his brother, Duncan, and members of his office team.*