

THE BARNACLE

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The Barnacle is a monthly publication pertaining to the community of North Shore. Please feel free to send birth announcements, death notices, recipes, items for sale, workers for hire, thank you notes to neighbors for being especially neighborly, North Shore history, and upcoming events.

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Amy Bartholomee, Editor



Community Calendar

Garden Club Meeting
 Tuesday, November 18
 home of Rae Regula
 7:00 pm

NSA Board Meeting
 Tuesday, December 2
 home of Cyndi Gottschalk
 7:00 pm

Christmas Open House
 Friday, December 12

Caroling & Santa's Visit
 Sunday, December 14
 6:00 pm

Annual Meeting
 Tuesday, February 3
 Mountain Road Library

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Minutes from the Meeting of the North Shore Board of Governors October 7, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the North Shore Board of Governors was held on October 7, 2014, hosted by Lana Matovcik. In attendance were Rae Regula, Lana Matovcik, Sarah Ann Parsons, Bonnie Howatt, Rick Scruggs, Jeff Schell, Ted Tepper and Cyndi Gottschalk.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by Rae.

The minutes from the prior meeting were approved as submitted.

Membership

We have 142 paid memberships thus far for 2014, for total revenue of \$12,250.00. We are optimistic that a few more will join before year end. Jeanne Brush has volunteered to assume the duties of Membership chairperson for the remainder of Robin's term.

Treasurer's Report

The General Fund opening balance in September was just over \$20,000. After revenues of \$6000.00, and Expenses of \$4000, the closing balance at the end of September was approximately \$22,000.

The reserve Fund CD balance is just under \$28,000.00

Beach

Ted has completed the work to realign the parking area with new posts and cable. The new arrangement will provide much more efficient use of parking space and will help alleviate problems caused by on-street parking during events. Ted will finish the work by painting the poles to make them reflective/visible at night. One issue with the new cable is that it has blocked access to the kayak launch area. Ted will address this in the spring. Ted also completed the stone wall extension which has dramatically improved the appearance of the pavilion area backstop. Thanks to the Sayers for donating the stone!

The total cost for the beach repairs/renovation was \$1241.00. The board unanimously ratified the expenditure.

Beach / pavilion rentals have generated \$800.00 in 2014.

Rae also suggested that the nettle net wire should have reflective tape of some kind on it. Ted will look into this.

Thanks to Charlie Parsons for installing the new plaque at the pavilion

The newest structure at the beach area is a GaGa Ball Pit, constructed for a party by John Stopowski. He has offered to donate it to the community and move it to the playground area. The board discussed the issue, but did not vote on the matter. Some wondered whether it would be used more at the beach because the beach is the site of larger organized gatherings. Rae suggested that we add a picnic table to the park area, which would make the area more useful for families and for adults to gather.

Entertainment

Jennifer Harris was not present at the meeting, but submitted the following report:

The crab feast was another tremendous success!! Over 125 people attended. We raised \$2975.94. Special thanks to our small but mighty planning committee Carl Kuhne, Denny Debus, Tracy Poyneer, Rae Regula and Sarah Ann Parsons. Thanks to all that helped with set up, clean up and games including Wayne Bartholomee, Jeff Schell, Jim Logan, and Cyndi Gotschalk.

Look for details regarding the adult hayride and kids Halloween party on the community sign.

Garden Club

The September meeting of the Garden Club was cancelled. The next meeting is scheduled for October 21 at Sarah Anne's house. Plans for the annual Holiday Open House will be on the agenda. Anyone willing to open their doors for this grand North Shore tradition should get in touch with Sarah Anne.

Park

Rick expressed concern about the grass not being cut regularly. Jeff agreed that it has been an issue, but said Cody wants to continue this job next year, if the board is willing. Rick is going to discuss the issue with Cody and hopes to forge an agreement with a defined schedule for 2015.

Pier/Marina

Jeff is planning a work day at the marina on October 25 at 8:00 am. They will be

working on numerous projects, including finger piers and replacing rotten planks, etc. They will also discuss plans for the new shed.

Roads and Zoning

Ted submitted plans and paperwork for proposed construction of a garage at 377 Edgewater Road. The board approved the plans, pending issuance of all required county permits.

Cyndi is going to check with Mike Davis to see if he has the drawings of the community drainage systems. We need to follow up with the county to ensure these are functioning as well as can be expected.

Old Business

1. Rae has scheduled Jim Schroll from the County Department of Transportation to speak to the Board at the November meeting.
2. Lana received a proposal from Absolute Signs for the new signs at the beach and playground and will follow up based upon the comments of the board.

New Business

1. The members agreed that the website needs to be updated, and we also need to update and modify the membership form to keep phone records up to date and add emails. The current electronic Porthole includes many non-working phone numbers.
2. Residents are asked to please be mindful when parking on the street that there must always be room for emergency vehicles to get through.

3. The next meeting will be held on November 4, hosted by Rae Regula. Sarah Anne will host the December meeting, and Jeff Schell will host in January.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Lana Matovcik

Minutes from the Meeting
of the
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Governors
November 4, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the North Shore Board of Governors was held on November 4, 2014, hosted by Rae Regula. In attendance were Rae Regula, Lana Matovcik, Sarah Ann Parsons, Bonnie Howatt, Rick Scruggs, Jeff Schell, Ted Tepper, Cyndi Gottschalk and Wayne Bartholomee.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Wayne.

Before the Board's normal business was conducted, Jim Schroll, a traffic engineer from Anne Arundel County, gave a presentation to the Board regarding the procedures followed when communities request the Traffic Engineering Division to address excessive speeding and other traffic issues in their neighborhood. The presentation was very informative, and the Board will put the matter on the agenda for discussion next month after members have an opportunity to review the written materials provided by Mr. Schroll.

The regular meeting commenced at 7:50 pm.

In the interest of time, the members waived the reading of the minutes from the October meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The General Fund opening balance in October was \$22,100. After revenues of \$112.00, and Expenses of \$1700, the closing balance at the end of October was \$20,500.

The reserve Fund CD balance is just under \$28,000.00

Wayne pointed out that we have accomplished many improvements this year, yet the community is in sound financial shape. A number of capital improvements/repairs are planned for the pier, and Wayne has encouraged those on the pier committee to finalize plans for the new shed .

Beach

Nothing to report.



Entertainment

Jennifer Harris was not in attendance, but submitted the following report:

The Fall Happy Hour was a lot of fun. Lots of neighbors came out to enjoy each others company, sharing drinks, food and laughs. Special thanks to Rae Regula, Tracy Poyneer, Sarah Ann Parsons, and Ted Tepper for a great fire.

The kids Halloween party was a tremendous success. We celebrated this ghoulish holiday with pizza, cookies, and a hayride. Thanks to Rae, Tracy, and Sarah Ann for help with the plans. Special thanks to Lana Matovcik for getting the hay, Ty

Hancock facilitating the hayride and Sean Harris for picking up the pizzas.

Caroling and visit from Santa is scheduled for December 14, 6pm.

Garden Club

The October meeting was held last week at Sarah Anne's house. They discussed plans for the holiday Open House, which will be held on December 12th this year. We still need a volunteer to participate as the first open house, so please contact Sarah Ann if you are willing to host the event.

The Garden Club has decided to change its normal meeting date to the third Monday of each month. Newcomers are always welcome! The next meeting will be at Rae's house on November 18.

Sarah Ann also stressed that they seriously need some new blood to help with garden maintenance. There have been the same few people maintaining these gardens for many years. Please volunteer to help if you have any interest.

Membership

Bonnie reported that this year, we have a total of 154 homes that have paid their annual dues, and a few have paid for 2015 in advance. Total revenue from membership dues is \$12,310.

Park

Rick would like to have the grass at the park cut once more this season. He also noted that there has been a few incidents of vandalism. The Board voted to authorize Rick to spend up to \$200 to purchase a new baby swing and steel nets for the basketball hoops. Rick is going to check into the

possibility of purchasing a picnic table for the park area.

There is also some debris remaining from the clean up day. Members didn't feel it justified the expense of a whole dumpster and Rick and Wayne will try coordinate some volunteer efforts to haul some of it away, with the rest waiting for the Spring clean up.

Pier/Marina

The first annual fall marina/pier cleanup and repair day was a great success. Our hard working volunteers replaced over 150' of bulked cap, installed new stringers and re-decked 4 finger piers, installed weed barrier, stone and backfilled several areas along the bulkhead and, those areas were seeded and covered with straw. The tree line along the driveway got a much needed pruning. Last but not least the entire driveway was repaired and resurfaced with 22 ton of stone.

The following people deserve all the credit and my thanks: Charlie Parsons, Richard Regula, Rich Fenton, Rick Scruggs, Ed Melotti, Bill Paul, Shep Drain, Phil Gerber. In addition I along with board would like to extend a special thanks to Jim Logan who not only saved us well over \$100.00 on the stone but donated the use of a loader and his "skills" to the driveway resurfacing.

There are many more projects to tackle at the marina but with the dedication and hard work of its users I'm confident we can continue to improve it for everyone's enjoyment.



Roads and Zoning

Paperwork for improvements at 1134 Valley Drive have been submitted as requested. The Board took the unusual step of approving this work via email vote because the needed foundation repairs could not wait for the monthly meeting. We appreciate the timely follow-up submission.

Old Business

1. Lana will follow up with Absolute Signs on the proposed new signage at the beach and playground.
2. We need to update the website. Wayne will ask Amy if she would be willing to assist our webmaster with this task.
3. Community drains – nothing to report. Still trying to locate the drawings.

New Business

1. The Jenkins have mentioned that there are some dead trees next to the marina. Jeff will look into this.
2. Members noted there is a new picket fence on North Shore Road. Cyndi will follow up. Members thought it might be part of a temporary holiday decoration.
3. Street Lights - Ted is going to get the numbers of the lights that are out and give them to Wayne.
4. Rae mentioned that she received information alerting that strangers wearing hard hats have been associated with vandalism.
5. Since the October Barnacle was delayed, the Board decided to combine the two issues.

6. John Stopowski offered to donate the GaGa Pit to the community. After some discussion regarding potential liability, mowing issues, and other concerns, the board voted to decline. They will ask John whether they could use the wood for future pier repairs.

7. Port a Potties will be picked up this week and returned in April.

8. Ted will take care of installing a light in the beach shed.

9. At the end of this year, there will be three members whose terms have expired, and four new members are needed. We have a few community members who have expressed an interest in serving on the Board. If anyone else is interested, please let Wayne know.

10. The Annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at the Mountain Road Library.

11. The next meeting will be held on December 2 at the home of Cyndi Gottschalk.

12. The Board agreed that families moving into the community will receive complimentary membership for the remainder of their first partial-year residency. We will prepare a handout detailing the benefits of membership to be included in their welcome package.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Lana Matovcik

Neighborhood Notes

- Thank you to Ted & Jackie Tepper for delivering the September issue of The Barnacle.
- Anyone looking for odd jobs (maybe responsible teenagers) and wanting to make a few dollars? We have some folks who need some help with painting, spring cleaning, yard work, etc. and it would be nice if we could use community assets! Please contact Sarah Ann Parsons at 410-437-6992.
- Looking for neighbors to deliver the Barnacle. Kids! This is a great way to contribute community service to your community! Please contact Amy Bartholomee at adbart65@me.com
- North Shore Cottage for Rent. Quiet, secluded two-bedroom home. Water view and Pier privileges. Call 410-255-4747 if seriously interested.
- Did anyone pick up a silver metal serving spoon after the Crab Feast? It was a gift from my mom and I would love to relocate it, as it is very nice: shallow scoop but broad and contemporary in design (ie: clean line, no fussy details) Please call Roberta Watts if you know the whereabouts of this lovely spoon 443-255-6412
- There have been instances of trash being placed out for collection well ahead of pick up and left out after collection. This has resulted in animals getting into the trash and making a mess. County code states trash may be placed at curbside after 5 PM the day before the trash is collected and removed by midnight the day of collection.

Welcome Committee

I was able to extend a welcome to Mark and Celeste Slifer, who bought the Saylor's house at 345 Edgewater Rd. They have an 11 year old daughter, Lindsey, who plays a lot of soccer and lacrosse. The Slifer's moved here from Millersville. Mark works for Verizon and Celeste works for Allegis Group (Aerotek). Unfortunately, she can't get us free Ravens tickets from the boss, but they do follow the team! They already joined the community association, so please say hi when you see them around at community events.

We have two new residents on Dutchship Court.

Bryan and Kristin Burkhardt moved into #384 in October. They have a 1 ½ year old son named Owen, and a Boxer. Bryan is a police officer with Anne Arundel County and Kristin is a nurse practitioner. They moved from Linthicum and are happy being in such a quiet neighborhood.

George and Priscilla Jackson now live next door at #379. They moved from Brooklyn Park with their two adult daughters, Caitlyn and Kelli. They both love to travel, and George is an avid hunter as well. Priscilla is an Administrative Assistant and George is a supervisor for AA County.

Perhaps George and Bryan will have enough influence to get the county to plough the court this winter!

James and Nichole Bower moved to 334 Edgewater Road in September. James works for the Navy as a firefighter, and Nicole is a dental hygienist for Doctors Kahn and Garrett. Their daughter Navie attends CBMS. She got to help haunt the

Haunted Hill (next door at the Pearsons) on Halloween!

We have had quite a few homes sell this year. Please make an effort to say hello to any new neighbors you may not have met before. Please take a moment to drop by and welcome our new neighbors when you can.

Rumor has it that a few more houses are under contract. Please notify me if you have a new neighbor.

Rick Watts, Welcome

Garden Club

We changed the date of the Christmas Open House from December 5 to December 12. We are still looking for homes and have some possibilities. Cris, Charlene and Jennifer made some preliminary contacts and we are still waiting to hear. Let us know if you have any suggestions.

We are contacting BWMC and/or AAMC to see if their children's unit could benefit from our Christmas donations.

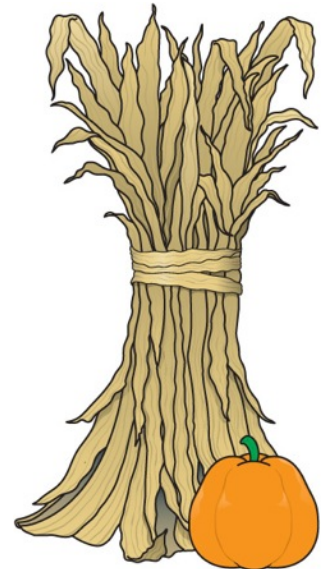
We have asked Jon Bailey to put the change of date on the website as well as to put a plea to the community for help with the gardens when the Spring gets here.

We also discussed changing the day of the regular meeting from Tuesday, as many folks have conflicts, to possibly Monday.

We also discussed field trips and sharing of garden trip experiences of the members.

We will have another meeting on November 18, at Rae Regula's place. This is to finalize plans for the Open House.

*Sarah Ann Parsons,
Garden Club*



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