

North Shore on the Magothy's The Barnacle May 2006

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AACO Departmental Phone Directory Switchboard	410 222-7000
Animal Control	410 222-7045
Board of Elections	410 222-6600
Bulk Item Pickup	410 222-6108
Delegate Joan Cadden	410 841-3421
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Health Department	410 222-7364
Magothy River Water Quality Hot Line	410 222-7999
Road Repair	410 222-6120
Zoning Enforcement	410 222-7446

Community Calendar

May 1	Bill Morris has new pier keys
May 2	Board Meeting, 7pm, Jon Williams' home
May 6	Pop Trot, 9am, Downs Memorial Park
May 20	Gibson Island Country School's Chessie 5K, Downs Park

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. If you have any submissions for the Barnacle, please e-mail them to me at adbart65@comcast.net. The deadline for submissions is always the Sunday following the Board Meeting. To advertise a business in *The Barnacle*, please send your camera-ready artwork or a business card to me. The cost is \$50 per year, checks made payable to the North Shore Association. We also have rates available for one-time-only ads. Please call me for details, 410-255-0264.

--Amy Bartholomee, Editor

NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATION
BOARD MINUTES
April 4, 2006

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Nancy Bassler, Sarah Ann Parsons, Brian Siwinski, Bud Jenkins, Bill Morris, Wayne Bartholomee, John Williams, Fran Kuhne

GUESTS PRESENT: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:08PM by President John Williams at the home of Sarah Ann Parsons.

The minutes of the March Board meeting were approved as printed in the Barnacle.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Account Balances of as March 31, 2006:

NSA General Fund Checking Account: \$10,808.67

NSA Capital Improvement CD: \$26,175.09

Wayne Bartholomee
NSA Treasure

ENTERTAINMENT:

John Williams and Board Members present set out the Calendar of North Shore Community events for 2006. The Easter Bunny needs teenage helpers to hide the eggs on April 15. Please contact John Williams.

MEMBERSHIP:

Letters for payment of North Shore membership dues were sent out the week of 3/27/06. There are 24 paid members reported by Nancy Bassler.

BEACH:

Nancy Bassler reported she received the Purchase Order for the new sea nettle net. The cost is \$3,500.00 plus @\$300.00 for shipping. Half the cost will be paid when the Purchase Order is placed and the remainder paid when the materials are received by the manufacturer. This expenditure was voted on and approved at a previous Board Meeting.

PARK:

Bud Jenkins thanked Bob Douglas for the great job on Park Improvements. Bud noted the nets were missing from the basketball hoops so he will purchase new ones.

PIER:

Bill Morris reported Anne Arundel County repaired the storm drain at the pier by clearing the drain then installing about 40' of PVC pipe. They also seeded the work area. A great job and done very quickly. All pier slips are currently leased. On May 1 at the pier Bill will have the keys for the new lock. It will cost \$20.00 per key and you must be a current paid member of the North Shore Association. REMINDER: If you have guests using the pier facility you must be present when they are at the pier and you are responsible for any damages caused by the guest.

ROADS AND ZONING

Brian Siwinski reported the he will contact Kevin Dowling to have him complete the necessary forms regarding a new house on his Park Creek property.

BARNACLE:

Articles are due to Amy Bartholomee by Sunday April 9.

WELCOME:

No Report.

OLD BUSINESS:

The ongoing problems regarding encroachment on the beach property is being addressed with the aid of an attorney.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bill Morris will look into getting a proposal on repairing the bulkhead at the boat ramp.

The next meeting is Tuesday May 2 at 7:00PM at John William's home.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25PM.

Respectfully submitted by Fran Kuhne, Secretary

Entertainment

The following events were scheduled and approved by the **NORTH SHORE** board.

Easter Egg Hunt, April 15, 2006, 2:00pm, at the Beach. The program goes like this. Bring a dozen eggs per child to 437 Edgewater Rd. by 12:00pm that day. We will use these to seed the egg finding field. After egg gathering, we will have cake and drink.

Family Day, June 17, 2006, 1:00pm, at the Beach. We supply the hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, and other stuff, FREE, did I say free? Yes!!!! The Board in its wisdom allocates part of your dues money to support this endeavor. We only ask that you bring a dish to share.

4th of July Parade, Duh, the 4th of July, at 10:00am, at Waters Corner... for new people, that is the corner at Dutchship Rd. and Dutchship Ct. We should have the fire engine leading and a patrol car bringing up the rear. This parade has occurred every year since 1947 and it is our chance for our young **NORTH SHORE** patriots to show how important the red, white and blue is to them So decorate your bike, trike, wagon, motorcycle, gator, cart, car, golf cart, ATV, lawnmower, your body or your mother in law. We parade to the Beach at which time prizes are awarded and we sit down to feast on cake, drink and grog.

Crab Feast, August 26, 2006, at 1:00pm, at the Beach. This is the big one of the season, assuming no hurricanes, and due to the expense we have to charge for this one. Price will be set once we get the price of crabs. We will be serving crabs, oysters, hot dogs, hamburgers, various accoutrements, and more serious libation. It's always a great time and you'll also see some neighbors you missed all summer.

Adult Hayride, October 28, 2006, 6:00pm at the Beach. This event is chaired by Brian Siwinski. This event is not for the faint of heart, thus the title, Adult Hayride. Complete with a wagon, hay and excitement you will traverse the hills and valleys of **NORTH SHORE** to the accompaniment of Brian S. and determined libation. One year they not only did **NORTH SHORE** but decided to serenade Shady Lane as well. You just never know.

Kids Hayride, Oct 31, 2006, 6:00pm, the Beach. Using the left over hay, if any, and wagon from the Adult event we sponsor a ride for the kids. Starting at the beach for drink and cake and awards, the wagons will begin a procession.

Christmas Caroling, Tree Lighting and Party, Dec 17, 2006, 7:00pm, at the Beach. We begin with the tree lighting and then we begin caroling with Ty Hancock leading the **NORTH SHORE** Glee Club, we're not quite a tabernacle choir---yet. After caroling has been completed, parents will need to shepherd the children to a house, *very nearby, and* to await the arrival of Santa. The Barnacle will apprise the location of Santa's Wonderland and where to bring the gifts. Non-serious libation is offered as well as light snacks. We're always looking for elves.

Are we having fun yet???? Ideas and recommendations are always accepted.

Jon Williams, Entertainment

Home Grown Author

Pat Taylor, who lived at 490 Edgewater Road years ago, has written a book which is a true story about her travels in the Middle East during the 1970s and 1980s. Unveillings is an unusual mixture of geopolitics, religion, and lively personal stories. This book can be

purchased on the internet at www.booksurge.com. Purchase your own, you will be glad you did!

Shelvy J. Snead

Warning About Formosan Termites in Mulch From Chipped Trees in New Orleans-Fiction!

Summary of the eRumor:

The forwarded email warns that mulch showing up in your local home improvement store could include Formosan termites. The reason is that trees that were blown over during the hurricanes in the Gulf Coast are being turned into mulch and given to anyone who will haul it away. New Orleans is one of the places in the country for Formosan termites established a foothold--so buyers beware.

The Truth:

There is widespread and legitimate concern in Louisiana and other parts of the South about the destructive Formosan subterranean termite, but not because of mulch made from downed trees from New Orleans. The local governments are not "trying to get rid of tons and tons of this mulch to any state or company who will come and haul it away." The Louisiana Department of Agriculture has established a quarantine that prohibits taking any goods or materials damaged by the hurricanes out of the 12-province area of New Orleans. That includes all wood waste, such as fallen trees, whether the trees are intact or have been chipped into bits and pieces.

According to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), the Formosan subterranean termite is one of the most destructive termite species in the world. It takes only one king and queen to produce an enormous colony. A mature colony can include millions of termites and can produce 3,000 new termites per day. The USDA says it is believed that the pests came into the U.S. from Taiwan aboard ships during World War II. The University of Florida says that the first recorded infestation of Formosan termites was in 1957 in Charleston, South Carolina. Within a few years colonies were found in Galveston and Houston, Texas, and New Orleans, Louisiana. The USDA estimates that in New Orleans alone the Formosan termites infest 30 percent of the trees.

The Formosan termites are weak fliers so they do not naturally move long distances. They spread to other areas primarily through being transported in infected wood. In Louisiana authorities believe the prime method of spreading the termite has been through infested railroad ties such as is used for landscaping. Louisiana is also monitoring or restricting the movement of telephone poles and other large timber. Dr. Matthew Messenger of Dow Agro Sciences confirmed for TruthOrFiction.com that most of the trees in New Orleans are being run through chippers and either being burned or dumped into landfills. Also, he says that the termites are soft-bodied, including the queen, and would probably not survive the chipping process. He adds that the only case he's heard of where termites were found in mulch at a retail store was when the bags were left on the ground long enough that the termites infested them directly, not because they were from any trees that were used to make the mulch.

TruthOrFiction.com also talked with of the top experts on Formosan termites, Dr. Afhok Raina, Supervisory Research Entomologist, for the Formosan Termite Research Unit of the USDA. He said that the chances are poor of any live termites from New Orleans ending up in bags of mulch going to other parts of the country. He said that to begin with almost all of the damaged trees were underwater, which would have killed the termites. He, too, said that the termites are not likely to have survived the chipping process and adds that if any live termites did end up in a bag of commercial mulch, they would not survive the heat that results from being sealed in a plastic bag especially if exposed to sunlight. Dr. Raina said that there are concerns about termites in mulch, but that applies to mulch that already exists in a particular location and can easily become infested with local termites. He says that he does not recommend that homeowners put mulch very close to their homes. Pest control professionals will frequently establish a chemical barrier around the home to keep termites out. He says that mulch can compromise that barrier and become the bridge for termites to regain access.

One of the retail stores mentioned in the eRumor is Home Depot. TruthOrFiction.com contacted their corporate offices and was told that Home Depot does not sell mulch from any termite-infested trees and does not use any mulch suppliers from the New Orleans area. The Mulch and Soil Council (MSC) has established standards that are based on criteria for mulch and soil certification and inspection. Home Depot requires that all mulch suppliers be certified by the MSC.

Sent in by Jean Williams, Garden Club

To Our North Shore Neighbors,

North Shore, a beautiful place to live, surrounded by water and woods, where we are relatively free of crime and where our children and animals can grow up in a vacation environment.

Now that spring is upon us, we will be cleaning up and beautifying our properties, trying to get rid of the winter clutter. Now is the time to visit your neighbor's property and observe what HE has to look at on yours. Do we have building materials, trash cans, piles of leaves and branches, old boats, bikes, etc. destroying HIS view? If so, why not be a little more considerate and neighborly and clean up our properties. I am sure we can all spare five minutes a day. If not, ask your neighbor for help. Most of us would welcome the opportunity.

Sincerely,

Your North Shore Neighbor

Notes from NORTSHOREburbia

Well, we did get the snow of 06—not exactly a blizzard, however, we were able to experience 3-4 days of no power---depending on where you lived in **NORTH SHORE**,--- why is that??-the sweet hum of generators prevailed and the opportunity to take quick, short showers became a test of man, (woman) vs. nature and prevail---some neighbors had the opportunity of having the electric go on one day and off after 1 hour and wait another day for continuous power---one group of neighbors, the Kirkendalls and Jenkins met the Williams at the local MickeyD's, only thru serendipity, as the common comment was “You’re out of electric, too?”---however, we still prevail in our hamlet and don’t put up the For Sale sign--- certainly appreciation to those who had ploughs on the front of their trucks and dropped them down as they left the neighborhood and even a 6 wheel Gator was seen doing neighborly plowing..... and a neighbor from the East side had the opportunity to have dinner with Hap Todd and his beautiful wife Cathy down in N. Carolina---the name Todd should be familiar as his father Homer U. Todd was one of the original group that created the by laws and covenants that have guided this neighborhood through somewhat perilous times---Homer built the house where Bob and Elaine L now live back in the 50's, using the timber of the lot as exposed timbers in the finished house...family names like Koch, Nash, Bartholomee, Bertha, Wisthoff, Mahlstead and Rausch remember the Todds to include Hap and his sister Diane---his mother died a few years ago.....and what about the new flag on Mountain Rd--- a neighbor and veteran from the south side said they were driving by as the new flag was being installed---it’s hard to get on Mountain Rd without seeing the huge flag---*and from the back when time* , the first toilet shown of TV was on the Leave it To Beaver TV show or 100 years ago, there were 230 reported murders in the entire U.S. annually.....and on a sad note, a neighbor on the North Side read in the paper that John De Carlo, who built a house on Edgewater Rd, has passed on--- he was chief radiologist at St Joes for 26 years until retiring in 1987---we often saw John walking the neighborhood in his plaid hat..... and of course times have changed as a neighbor lamented that his daughter, still in college at 22, wished to celebrate a birthday, to wit the father said “Pizza Hut?”, and the response was “no, Ciao Bella”.....and we should have some graduations coming up soon.....and the spring and summer season is beginning but not good news on the Rockfish front as their size and development has been reported to be diminished due to a new bacteria

*The year's at the spring
And the days at the morn;
Mornings at seven;
The hillside's dew-pearled;
The lark's on the wing;
The snail's on the thorn;
God's in his heaven-
All's right in the world.*

Robert Browning

P.S. it's alright Fred B and Andy B if you get up before 7AM....

And more notes from NORTHSOREburbia

News from the stork front that former **NORTH SHORE** neighbor Bill VanWambeke's daughter, Megan, has given birth to a daughter---both mother and child are doing fine, however, Grandpa is exhausted....and another kudos for the Leigh family as son Jared completed his masters from Univ of Mich----- in only 10 months.....and Claudia W, is it true that one of your offspring is about to celebrate another milestone--- what number will be on the invite? A 3, or a 4?...apparently the new Balto paper, *The Examiner*, has decided that **NORTH SHORE** qualifies for its profile of an upbeat and successful area, with a higher than average income and will now receive the daily paper for free---one neighbor exclaimed that so far it looks more like ground cover than anything else....and a neighbor was leaving **NORTH SHORE** in the AM only to discover that a group of 4 walkers, no doubt the notorious Westside Walkers---since they all hail from that side of the neighborhood---were coming down Edgewater Rd---in tow with Obediah and the neighbor did a double take as one was using what appeared to be *ski poles*---what's next, *cats on parade*....but you never know, as recently as Apr 8, a neighbor had a fire in the fireplace to take the edge off....nice to see that the board has established the social agenda for 06---however a neighbor has heard some rumors that there may be some ad hoc events as well i.e., the *Oktoberfest* or a Luau---guess we'll wait to check the pulse....and many of our college students will be returning to **NORTH SHORE** for the staid and dull summer, *no doubt not as exciting as college*, and some are looking for internships as a primer to the real world, after graduation---one student, Juli W set up an interview with a firm whose mandate that she would have to "accept" the non paid position if offered---I guess they haven't read their constitution about *freedom of choice*...and to think it appears we will have a new sea nettle net up this year---really beneficial when the nettles come in...remember we are always looking for Easter Egg helpers and elves for the Christmas Party

*There I go to meet the springtime,
When the meadow is aglow,
Marigolds amid the marshes,
And the stream is still and slow;
There I find my fair oasis;
And with carefree feet I tread
For the pathway leads to Nowhere
And the blue is overhead*

C. Robinson

Spring is finally in the air
JW, Neighbor At Large

Neighborhood Notes

- Thank you to Bud and Sarah Jenkins for delivering the April issue of the Barnacle.