

North Shore on the Magothy's The Barnacle December 2007

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Useful Numbers

Animal Control	410 222-7045
AAC Constituent Line	410 222 2222
AAC Departmental Phone Directory Switchboard	410 222-7000
Board of Elections	410 222-6600
Bulk Item Pickup	410 222-6108
County Councilman Ron Dillon (Chairman)	410 222-1401
County Executive John R. Leopold	410 222 1821
Delegate Don Dwyer	410-419-3870
Delegate Nic Kipke	410 841-3421
Delegate Steven R. Schuh	410 841-3206
Health Department	410 222-7364
Magothy River Water Quality Hot Line	410 222-7999
Maryland State Senator Brian Simonaire	410 841-3658
Road Repair	410 222-6120
Zoning Enforcement	410 222-7446

Community Calendar

Monday, Nov. 26	Garden Club, 7:30pm, at Charlene Wroten's to prepare for the decorating of holiday houses
Sat. & Sun., Dec. 1 & 2	Garden Club to decorate the two open houses.
Tuesday, Dec. 4	Board Meeting, 7pm, Denise Larbig's home
Friday, Dec. 7	Garden Club Holiday Tour: Appetizers at Krycia's, 1208 Villa Isle Court, Dessert at Brush's, 470 Edgewater Road
Wednesday, Dec. 12	Garden Club, 7:30pm, ornament exchange- bring a new wrapped ornament of no more than \$10 value for fun exchange
Sunday, Dec 16	Caroling and Santa's visit, 6pm, Community Beach

North Shore Board Meeting Notes November 6, 2007

Board Members Present: Bill Morris, Sarah Ann Parsons, Rick Scruggs, Bud Jenkins, Lisa Schell, Fran Kuhne

Guests Present: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:15PM at the home of Bill Morris.

Pier: The gabion cage repair to the boat ramp is to be installed on 11/7/07. When using the boat ramp, **powering** onto a boat trailer is at the boaters own risk, because of possible damage to the boat. Bill will be installing signs at the ramp with this warning. Bill will be announcing a Pier cleanup day which will be a Sunday in the next few weeks.

Treasurer's Report: Bonnie Howatt and her committee now have the data needed to audit the North Shore financial records. They will be completing this in the next few weeks.

The Long Range Planning Committee has data from the Treasurer and will meet in November or beginning of December.

NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATION, INC
TREASURER'S REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD FEBRUARY 1 - OCTOBER 31,
2007

General Fund Cash Balance, February 28, 2007	\$9,350
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Receipts

2007 NSA Dues	13,600
2007 Slip Rentals	8,735
Spring Fling Dance	2,713

Crab Feast	2,390
Beach Rentals	400
Barnacle Ads	260
Laser Clinic	150
Interest Earned	68
Pier Keys	20
Garden Club	20
	<u>0</u>
Total Receipts	28,356

Disbursements

Annual general liability renewal	4,611
Marina paving	3,000
Beach gravel	2,705
Spring dance	2,491
Crab Feast	1,061
BGE - Marina service	909
Barnacle expenses	928
Beach fence posts	673
Park mowing	665
Port-a-pots	1,033
Beach materials	288
FY 2008 Real estate taxes	424
Marina mowing	600
Donations	350
Beach mowing	473
Family Day	288
July 4th expenses	239
Luau supplies	200
BGE - Beach service	224
Legal expenses	1,375
Marina supplies	160
Donations	100
Garden Club	193
Easter expenses	90
Membership expenses	83
Board expenses	47
GBC dues	25
Rounding	<u>(3)</u>
Total Disbursements	23,230

Increase in Cash 5,126

General Fund Cash Balance, October 31, 2007 \$14,476

Capital Fund Cash Balance, January 31, 2007 \$27,037

Interest Earned	<u>970</u>
Capital Fund Cash Balance, October 31, 2007	<u><u>\$28,006</u></u>

Membership: There are no new members. If a resident paid their dues and was not on the list published in the Barnacle, let Jon Williams know.

Park: Bud is pricing playground mulch to put around the playground equipment in the spring. Bill Morris and Bud will remove the damaged jungle gym. Bud is researching replacement for the jungle gym.

Entertainment: The Oktoberfest was a success. About 40 residents drank German beer and ate German Wursts. The event cost \$363. \$147 was collected, cost to NSA \$216. Christmas Caroling and Santa's visit are scheduled for December 16.

Beach: North Shore Beach Report 11-06-07 by Rick Scruggs

Old Business:

We conducted a couple of work parties this month to remove, dry and store the nettle nets.

Thanks go out to Mario Anello for bringing the boat, (otherwise the project would have been impossible) Charlie Parsons and his tow cart, Brian Siwinski, Bill Murdock, Russell Kirk, Brian Nolan, Marty Gavin, Denise Larbig and Brenda DeRemer. Thanks again to each of you.

Jon Williams found the beach survey which shows the tennis court dimensions. We have enough space at the park to accommodate a new tennis court. Additionally the green space is grandfathered in.

Beach Rules update:

Study/ Discussion on launch criteria verbiage in updated Porthole.

I talked with Mike and Claudia Warner about the potential for moving the Dave Warner memorial to the street side in the garden for higher visibility. As I reported earlier nobody ever sees the memorial on the back side of the evergreen tree. The Warner's were okay with the proposal.

I propose that we move the Warner Memorial into the street side garden in front of the evergreen tree.

Beach Expenses:

One grass cutting @ \$ 65.00 Overdue \$ 65.00 Total Due \$130.00

New Business:

I have met with Jim Logan, whom has agreed to ask a certified landscape architect from his firm to help us develop a long term landscape plan for the beach. The architect will use the beach survey as the basis for design. The fee will be from \$300-400 dollars, which is very reasonable for the plan. I am currently taking suggestions on design criteria for the space. Community members are encouraged to call or email me with their suggestions.

I would like to propose that we authorize the landscape architect to move forward with the plan.

Motion made to allocate \$400 for a landscape plan for the Beach. Motion seconded and all were in favor.

New Business / Long Range Planning:

I have met with and received a price from Manuel Hicks (the marina paving contractor) to demo the basketball court and build a new tennis court on the site of the current basketball court at the park. A cheaper option would be to leave the court in place and orient a new court in the center of the park. As reported earlier we have the green space grandfathered in the plan. The price with demo from the basketball court was \$49,500. The price for leaving the Basketball court in place would be \$46,200.

There was a separate price to provide walkways to the court from the marina blacktop, and a driveway for the slips on the far side of the marina for 12,279.00.

I would like to propose that we have a vote at the general meeting and authorize a budget and plans to move forward with the tennis court replacement.

Tonight the board discussed this proposal and asked Rick to get estimates on expanding the current basketball court to be an all purpose court for both tennis and basketball and using a less expensive surface material. It was felt that the expense for a regulation tennis court is not warranted. Rick will investigate this other option.

Roads and Zoning: Mr. Gonzalez on Dutchship Road applied to cut down a tree leaning towards his home and to trim several others.

Motion to approve, seconded and carried.

Fran Kuhne applied to remove a dead tree that is broken and leaning against another tree.

Motion to approve, seconded and carried.

Garden Club: The Christmas Open House is scheduled for December 7.

Welcome: No Report

Greater Pasadena Council: No Report

New Business: Sarah Ann had a complaint about dogs running loose and knocking over trash cans. Dog owners please be considerate of your neighbors.

Sarah Ann reported that Amy had received unsigned letters regarding the community. The board agreed that unsigned letters will not be published.

Sarah Ann is working on publishing a new Porthole. The Beach, Park and Pier rules are being reviewed and updated. Also the Application for Improvement is being updated as well as current resident information. Brenda Mariner is helping with this effort.

The Fire Department requested an up to date street map of North Shore with house numbers. Sarah Ann will contact someone to help with this.

Richard Ravenscroft wants to have the county create a walking path along North Shore Road. The board feels this is a good idea due to the danger of walking and riding bicycles along the road.

Many thanks to Jon Bailey for his continued support of the North Shore WEB SITE. Take a look it has a lot of good information about North Shore. www.northshoreaa.com

Next NSA Board Meeting is December 4 at Denise Larbig's home.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10PM.

Respectfully submitted Fran Kuhne Secretary

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is hard to believe that Thanksgiving is only a week and a half away as I write this article and Christmas is not far behind. Then it will be the new year of 2008. Time seems to fly as we get older (at least it does for me!). I wish everyone in our community a wonderful holiday season and a spectacular new year. I know I will say this again but I just wanted to be the first to say it here right now.

A couple of weeks ago I met with our attorney who had been reviewing some questions from the Board on which we needed explanations or clarifications. He has been extremely helpful and given us some guidelines for the future. He has reviewed the original Certificate of Incorporation of the North Shore Association, Inc., the Restrictive Covenants, the By-Laws of the Association and the Application for Improvement and gone over his findings with us. We know the information will be helpful as we go forward.

One of the items we asked him to address was the clarification of Restrictive Covenant #14. It reads as follows:

FOURTEENTH: That the provisions herein contained shall run with and bind the land and shall insure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Company, or the owner of any land included in said tract, their respective personal representatives, heirs, successors and assigns, and failure by the Company or any landowner to enforce any restriction, condition, covenant or agreement herein contained shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter to one occurring prior or subsequent thereto.

The explanation for this is simple, according to our attorney. If, in the past, there has ever been a failure to enforce a particular covenant for any reason, this is not deemed a waiver to enforce it in the future. However, it has been emphasized to the Board that when interpreting the Restrictive Covenants we must always remain consistent as we carry out this task.

A couple of quick notes from around the neighborhood—I had a call from a resident who said that there was a dog that kept turning over her garbage cans and tearing open the plastic bags. Please be aware of your animals and keep them under control. She did tell me that the dog was a very nice dog but that cleaning up the garbage was getting old.

We also had a situation where there was some mailbox vandalism and some vandalism at the beach. Please keep you eyes and ears open so that we can stop this type of behavior. I feel sure it is coming from people outside our community and we would like for it not to continue.

Another complaint was received regarding the upkeep of some of our neighbors' yards. The complaint centered on a myriad of issues and I can only ask once again that you look at your property as your neighbors do and do your best to keep it in tiptop shape. We want North Shore to remain the desirable community it always has been and we must all take an interest in keeping it our little piece of heaven.

Once again, let me be the first to wish you a wonderful upcoming holiday season. And don't forget the many activities we share as Christmas arrives—the open houses, the caroling and the visit of Santa Claus. I hope to see everyone there.

Sarah Ann Parsons, NSA President

OKTOBERFEST

About 40 plus North Shore residents came out to enjoy good food, good beer, and GREAT company! After 3 days of rain and the cancellation of the Adult hay ride, the sun came out that day and we had a beautiful crisp fall evening to enjoy this event. The general consensus was to have OKTOBERFEST again next year! I want to thank John S. for the ice, Brian S. for the use of his fire pit...it was a hit, Bob L. for getting us some DRY firewood so we good enjoy the fire (sorry Brian...your wet wood wasn't cutting it no matter how much lighter fluid you added to it!), and to Denny D. for driving to Baltimore to get the wonderful German meats. Thanks also to the wonderful cooks of North Shore that provided the

German potato salad, bourbon beans and sauerkraut. When we do it again next year, it will be even better and we hope that more of you will come out and enjoy this event with us!

SANTA IS COMING!

On Sunday, December 16th at 6:00, we will once again join around the North Shore Christmas Tree for singing carols, and then we will take a short walk up the road and await the much anticipated arrival of Santa. North Shore children are very fortunate to have Santa come and visit them! We will have light refreshments and hot chocolate to warm your chilly bones. If your child would like to sit on Santa's lap and receive a present, please provide a wrapped present (no more than \$15) and drop it off to 424 Park Creek Court (the Schell's house) by 4pm on the 16th. Hope to see you all there!

Neighborly Notes

- Thank you to Ted & Jackie Tepper for delivering the Barnacle.
- Chesapeake High School (CHS) is proud to announce the formation of the CHS Robotics Team. The team will participate in the Chesapeake Regional 2008 FIRST Robotics Competition. The FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology, www.usfirst.org) organization is internationally known and offers students of all ages opportunity to use science and technology for fun applications. The team, working with mentors from local high-tech companies, will be building a robot to compete in local (US Naval Academy) and national competitions held this spring. The team is accepting business and individual sponsorships and donations (tax-deductible) to assist with tools, parts, competition fees, travel, and team support. Help prepare our young people for the future! Students - join our Team! For further information please contact Kathy Dougan at 410-353-5727 or Michele Devine 410-255-9600 x226 at CHS.

North Shore Youngsters Working for Spending Money

If you would like to be added to this list, please e-mail me at adbart65@comcast.net. We will run this list in each issue.

Childcare

Austin Murdock 410-360-8668

Sara King 410-437-9993

Megan Hammer 410-437-1485

Kate Morris (certified babysitter) h 410-360-9704 or c 410-868-6073

Pet Sitting

Kendall Parrott 410-255-5211

James Dougan 410-255-2040

Sara King 410-437-9993

Megan and Kaitlyn Hammer 410-437-1485

Yard Work

James Dougan 410-255-2040

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