



## President's Message

The lead article in this newsletter advises members, particularly those who have not already received a complimentary copy, of the availability of BBLA's new publication of *Bethany Beach, Delaware: A Walk Through History, 1901-2014*. Information about the booklet and how to buy extra copies is provided in the article.

A list of our current Officers and Board of Directors appears below. This list reflects changes that occurred at our annual meeting on June 14. Most notably, John Himmelberg, our president for many years, decided to step down. Happily for all concerned, John has agreed to continue to serve as a Director, so we will continue to have the benefit of his knowledge, experience and good judgment.

I want to take this opportunity, on behalf of BBLA, as I did at the annual meeting, to express our gratitude for the many years of dedicated volunteer work and selfless service to BBLA and our community by John, former Recording Secretary and Board Member Laura Marriott, and former Board member and Newsletter Editor Dan Costello. Their years of exemplary service as volunteers and the valuable contributions they made for the betterment of our organization and Bethany Beach are deeply appreciated.

I also want to thank each of you, our members, for your continued support of BBLA. Currently more than 1100 households are members, a substantial increase over last year.

On a sad note, we learned that long-time BBLA Board member and friend to many, Lois Lipsett, passed away on June 14. Lois was a dedicated volunteer in many activities in the community, with BBLA, the library and Farmers' Market, to name a few. She will be sorely missed.

In other articles below, we've included some recent information about developments in the anticipated election for Town Council members in September, a reminder about recycling and yard waste requirements, and an article about the Farmers' Market and the need for volunteers for their board. We plan to provide you with more information about the election and other matters in August.

I hope all of you are having a safe and enjoyable summer.

Mike Horne, President

### **A new BBLA publication, *Bethany Beach, Delaware: A Walk Through History, 1901-2014***

All BBLA members should have received a few weeks ago a copy of this publication, compliments of the Leslie Kopp Group. If by chance you did not receive a copy (we know mailing lists are not infallible) please let us know by email or regular mail and we will send you a complimentary copy. Be sure to include your full mailing address in your email or letter.

This new publication is the fourth edition of a booklet first published by BBLA in 1976. If you are familiar with any of the previous editions you will recognize this edition represents a major improvement. Additional text, many previously unpublished pictures, color reproductions and much improved paper quality and printing are the hallmarks of this edition.

This edition reflects many long hours of hard work by two of our most dedicated Board members, Dan Costello and Margaret Young, and the help and cooperation of many members of our community. We thank them, as well as the Leslie Kopp Group and the other business sponsors listed on the back cover. We also thank the members of the family of Val Montanari, author of the first edition, whose generous gift was of great help in getting this project underway.

Many persons have expressed an interest in buying additional copies to share with family and friends. BBLA is selling copies to its members for \$4 per copy plus postage, if applicable, of \$1.50 per copy. Checks should be made payable to Bethany Beach Landowners Association and mailed to BBLA at P.O. Box 401, Bethany Beach, DE 19930. If you wish to buy ten or more copies and to avoid the postage charge, include your email address and/or phone number with your order so we can arrange for you to pick up your copies. Copies are also on sale at Bethany Beach Books, and the Farmers Market offers a copy to anyone who makes a donation to the Market of \$10 or more.

## **Officers and Board of Directors**

With the election of officers and directors at the annual meeting on June 14, 2014, and other changes, the current officers and members of the Board of Directors are as follows:

### Officers

President, Mike Horne

Vice President, Tracy Mulligan

Treasurer, Patrick McGuire

Recording Secretary, Robin Baxter

Membership Secretary, Jerry Morris

### Board of Directors\*

Jerry Hardiman      Doug Mowrey

John Himmelberg      John Schmidlein

Leo Illiadis      Steve Wode

Claire Loftus      Margaret Young

- All officers also serve as ex officio members of the Board of Directors

## **Town Council Election**

As of issuance of this newsletter, it appears that there will be an election of Council members in September. Five candidates have filed so far to fill the four Council positions up for election. In the absence of any of those candidates dropping out, an election will be required. Other possible candidates have until July 23 to file. We intend to provide members with more information about the election and the candidates in August.

## **Recycle Items and Yard Waste**

With the summer months and the influx of renters and visitors, a number of questions and problems have been reported regarding what should and should not be included in the recycle bins and how yard waste should be put out for collection. The requirements and restrictions are clearly set forth in sections 486-20 (Recycling) and 486-21 (Yard Waste) of the Town Code. For those with internet capability, it would be a good idea to download the provisions from the Town website to serve as a helpful reminder and guide.

For immediate use, here are a few reminders about requirements and exclusions that could be most helpful.

### Recycle Preparation

- Rinse and remove food and liquids from recycle items.
- Remove caps and lids from bottles and containers and discard in regular trash NOT recycle bin.
- Cut (not fold) all cardboard into 2 x 3 foot sections and put in bin.

### Recycle Exclusions

- Appliances, auto parts, batteries and electronics
- Plastic bags, packing material and plastic furniture
- Pots and pans and wire hangers
- Bottle and jar caps and lids
- Clothing and shoes
- Light bulbs and ceramics
- Styrofoam of any type (hot beverage cups, take-home food containers, egg cartons, meat trays, popcorn packing material, etc.)
- Napkins, paper plates and pizza boxes (surprisingly) and shredded paper
- Garbage (obviously)

All of these items reportedly have been thrown in recycle bins at times due to ignorance or carelessness, which adds to the time and cost of the recycle processing.

### Yard Waste Preparation

- All grass clippings and leaves must be placed in recyclable paper yard waste bags (NOT plastic trash bags), or in containers 32 gallons or less that are clearly marked as yard waste. Filled bags and containers shall not weigh more than 50 pounds.
- Brush and limbs should be no longer than five feet and bundled (tied) and separated into piles small and light enough for one individual to handle. Tree limbs and logs should be no larger than four inches in diameter.

### Yard Waste Exclusions

- Tree stumps
- Treated lumber and wood
- Dirt and rocks

Complete information is set forth in the Town Code provisions.

## **Farmers' Market Needs New Board Members**

Volunteers are needed to serve on the board of the Farmers' Market due to a number of long-time board members leaving because of retirement, health reasons and moving out of the area. The Board deals with "preseason" planning for the Market, including such areas as: market policy, advertising, budgets, outreach, website, insurance, organization of onsite contractor and/or volunteers, and liaison with Town staff. Some Board members also volunteer at the Market on Sunday mornings.

The Bethany Beach Farmers' Market, Inc. was incorporated by several Bethany Beach citizens in 2007 as a Delaware nonprofit organization. It has been supported by BBLA and the Town since its start. The market is widely regarded as a benefit to the community and has been one of the most successful "Sell-What-You-Grow" markets in Delaware. The 16 local farmer participants need citizen support and volunteers for it to continue to operate as successfully as it has. If interested in exploring participation as a board member before committing to serve, please contact Tracy Mulligan on 240-687-3841 (tmulligan@comcast.net) or Margaret Young at the market on Sundays or at 302-539-9228. The market website is [www.bethanybeachfarmersmarket.com](http://www.bethanybeachfarmersmarket.com).

As a reminder, the market is open on Sunday mornings until August 31, from 8 AM to 12 Noon, at the PNC Bank parking lot on Garfield Parkway at Pennsylvania Avenue.

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