



BBG Meeting Highlights February 20, 2008 Herrington on the Bay

President Lynda Striegel opened the meeting with gratitude to Herrington on the Bay for hosting our meetings.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS AND GUESTS

Sonia Hinds - Barstow Acres Counseling and Children's Center, Prince Frederick

Kitty Wable Lusby - Discount Realty Services of Southern Maryland in North Beach

Mimi Quade - Frans Nu Image of Waldorf (mastectomy products and garment fittings)

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM PRESIDENT LYN STRIEGEL

- *Miss the Mixer? Peter Hooper's insight on the economy was excellent; we're planning a "Main Street Talks to Wall Street" fundraiser in the summer. Thanks again to Susan Ward and Herrington for a fabulous meal and a wonderful evening!*
- *Advertising opportunities: Rotary Golf Tourny; North Beach House & Garden Tour*

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MEMBERS

- *Hilary Dailey: Welcome Back to the Beach event May 3 in North Beach. The BBG pledged \$350 to get kites and other supplies for this event, including bringing in a professional sandcastle builder from Delaware, which will bring traffic to businesses in the beaches.*

TREASURER'S REPORT – Russ Mogel

Checking	\$ 480.21
Savings	\$ 8,458.75
Petty cash	\$ 41.66

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Guest Speaker: NORTH BEACH MAYOR MICHAEL BOJOKLES**

The mayor outlined the state of North Beach, which is much improved from the previous year, and since he has taken office. Among the highlights:

- The town budget is now in the black because of frugal financial management, following years of budget deficits.
- The re-building of North Beach town hall is underway. The previous building, which was condemned because of mold, has been razed and design plans for the new building are currently being developed. Meantime, town hall operations have moved from the small gray trailer at the waterfront to the yellow Van Metre building next door to it on Bay Avenue, which looks so much better for our town, is much larger, has separate offices, and is handicapped accessible.
- A lawsuit over the lack of progress on the Boys & Girls Club has been settled and construction on the building is underway. It should be completed and open to serve beach area youngsters this fall.
- Following the most successful year of special events in recent memory, plans are currently underway for an even more extensive calendar of events for 2008. Events will include a weekly Farmers' Market in North Beach. (Contact Diane Burr for more information).

- Upcoming Calvert Economic Development business counseling sessions

- *Kelly Slagle and Erica Stone of the Calvert County Economic Development told us about free confidential counseling sessions for businesses experiencing issues due to the economy. Please contact them for more information or to schedule a session.*

Our next BBG meeting will be Wednesday, March 19, 2008 at Herrington on the Bay from 8:30a to 10:00a.

Respectfully submitted, Diane Burr, BBG Secretary