

BBG MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Meeting Date: September 19, 2007

Location: Herrington On The Bay

President Lynda Striegel opened the meeting offering our gratitude to Susan Ward and Herrington On The Bay for hosting our meetings.

Treasurer Russ Mogel gave his report as follows:

Checking \$ 425.34

Savings \$ 10,078.91

Petty Cash \$ 41.66

New members and guests were introduced: Doreen Uhlig, new Manager of Bay Wine and Spirits spoke of the addition of gifts, rugs and furniture to their line, and Stacy Hill, Herrington On The Bay's new Sales Manager Beverly Dillon of Northern Calvert Rotary invited our members to come check out the Rotary at their Thursday morning meetings at Smokey Joe's from 7:30am-9:00am. She also spoke about the Dinner Cruise to Harrison's to take place the day following our meeting and the 5K Run coming up on Saturday, October 6 which begins at the North Beach Pavilion and goes through neighborhoods. Opportunities for sponsorship are available on signs and t-shirts for this event. For more information, contact Beverly at Chesapeake Care Drug, 301-855-7400. AnnMarie Stockmeyer from the Boys and Girls Club gave an overview of the Sparkle On The Bay event which took place earlier this month. Bob Poston of Poston's Fitness For Life shared information about an event at the Prince George's Equestrian Center on October 6 from 9-10 am. Dr. Susan Silverstein, a leading advocate and researcher on cancer awareness and health through eating whole foods will be speaking. Call Bob at 410-286-8700 for more information.

Maria Dorsett from the Small Business Development Center was our speaker. The SBDC offers free confidential counseling for businesses from start up to marketing and financial analysis. They also sponsor periodic seminars as well. For more information, please call 301-934-7583!

Kelly Slagle of the Department of Economic Development shared information and opportunities concerning the Governor's Tourism Conference which will take place from November 14-16, 2007 at the Holiday Inn Select in Solomons. For more information, you may contact Kelly at 410-535-4583.

We received a thank you and request for renewal of our Haunted Boardwalk donation from Lisa Garrett of Wild Birds (Haunted Boardwalk Committee Chair). We discussed offering \$400, an increased amount from \$250 in previous years, since 400 children showed up last year for the event. Other donations from members including Old Town Candy Company have been greatly appreciated. The motion to offer \$400 this year was seconded by Beverly Dillon, and unanimously approved by all members present. Lisa also passed a list around the room for help in the Haunted Boardwalk event.

President Lyn Striegel announced that Secretary Cathy Ropiski will be moving to Colorado and that a new BBG Secretary will be needed very soon. She went over the basic duties of the Secretary for the group and though no members hid under the tables in fear of being called upon for this duty, there were also no volunteers for the job by the close of the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Marilyn VanWagner of Bank of America Mortgage submitted her report on the Bus Committee, which was read by Secretary, Cathy Ropiski. The next Trolley Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 25, 7pm at Lyn Striegel's office. The committee is excited to have three new members joining them including Joanne Hunt, Treasurer of North Beach, Stu Cumbo, Chesapeake Beach Town Council, and Susan Ward, Herrington On The Bay Catering. Contact has been made with the Chief of Regional Planning at Maryland Transit Authority. A member of the committee attended a grantee start up meeting regarding the \$4000 grant funds we will be

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receiving to underwrite the Beaches Heritage Loop Trail Map. Guidelines from that meeting have been forwarded to Treasurer Russ Mogel.

Cathy Ropiski of Tidewater Computers gave her report on the Autumn Mixer Committee. Cathy and Hilary Dailey have set the date for the Mixer on Wednesday, October 10 at Herrington On The Bay from 6:30-9pm. More information can be found in the eNews. This will be a fun event and we encourage everyone to join us!

9. Our next meeting will be held at Herrington On The Bay on Wednesday, October 17, 2007 at 8:30AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Ropiski, Secretary