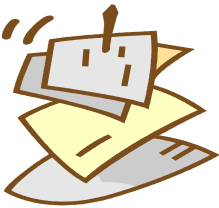




MANTOLOKING SHORES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
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Message from your President

It's spring again at the shore and I bet you're glad that winter is over. This past weekend was beautiful. It is good to see old friends returning home to the beach from their winter homes.

ANNUAL MEETING REMINDER:

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at our annual meeting scheduled for Sunday, June 27 at the Dover Brick First Aid Building at 9:30am. Coffee and donuts will be served earlier.

Streets & Walkways

The common areas are being cleaned and shrubs trimmed. For those who live along Route 35 South, if your shrubs extend over your fencing onto the State Property, it is your responsibility to trim the trees and shrubs back. We have been informed by Brick Township that these areas must be kept trimmed back in order to see oncoming bikers, people walking, jogging or families with strollers.

Homeowners within our association should know where their property boundaries begin. You all must know that you do not own to the curbing or beginning of the road. Yet, people have landscaped and planted shrubs which are now overgrown. This is causing safety problems especially on the corners. The homeowner is responsible for this as well. There is an ordinance within Brick Twp regarding shrubs and trees. The Township has been in the area and contacting homeowners who do not comply with this Ordinance.

Summer Concerts

Although Brick Twp initially eliminated concerts from the Bay Beach Gazebo, we were successful in getting back 3 events this summer:

July 7 th :	Jennifer Mylod and the Boys of County Ocean
July 26 th (rain date will be July 27 th)	Undercover Blues Band
August 17 th (rain date will be August 18th):	Van Engel Band

These concerts will now be held at the Pavilion area of Brick Beach III and NOT at the Gazebo. Bring your chairs and have a great evening.

Repairs, Construction & Brick Township Permits

The Code Enforcement officials are out in full swing. In fact they park for a good portion of the day on and off season in the middle of the highway. Please remember to obtain the proper permits for work on your home. This includes siding, and pools.

Annual Social

Notices are on the website and in the mail for the June 25th Annual Social. It will be from 6:30pm – 9:00pm. This is an excellent to meet up with your friends, and raise a glass to the new season. Thank you to Marilyn Vanvarick for your help in coordinating the event with the other committee members.

Neighborly Neighbors

If there is something troubling you concerning a neighbor, please, reach out to them and strive to resolve it yourself without having to complain to others. Our culture in part is based upon mutual respect.

With record snow this winter, the Township hired subcontractors to keep our streets clear. The State Highway is responsible for the highway plowing, not Brick. We contact the appropriate people if something is wrong on the streets or with downed lines. However, as neighbors, we have the same responsibility to make those calls too.

Board Contacts this Year

Your Board has been extremely proactive when people contacted us with a problem. We have tried to be as responsive as possible. We thought you should know some of the issues associated with the calls we received:

We have had complaints about:

- not using enclosed garbage cans to store household waste
- keeping garbage out all week in front of their homes, instead of their driveways,
- illegal fireworks
- Leaving numerous black bags of garbage or landscape debris on the curb area that the garbage men will not pick up because it is not in the appropriate container from Brick Twp.
- snow not being plowed fast enough,
- noise before or after Township Ordinance hours
- construction work continuing to be done during the summer season; after Memorial Day and before Labor Day. Please be respectful of your neighbors who use MSPOA as their summer homes.
- boats on lawns or driveways all year long.

During this winter, the First Aid had been called to several homes.

Home Safety

Years ago, we can remember our families leaving the house unlocked and going up the beach for a nice day in the sun. Well, that's changed too. For example, there have been strangers selling books door to door in nearby areas. A woman gave a name and said her family rented in the area. Checking the name and address, it was discovered that this was a scam. Please be careful how you secure your homes when up the beach. Obvious places for stowing your keys are obvious to strangers or intruders too.

Emergency Management

Brick Twp Police – Office of Emergency Management uses a reverse 911 system to notify residents of problems or potential problems. If your phone number is unlisted, or if you are not using Verizon for your phone service, please contact Brick Police at 732-262-1100. They can fax or mail you the form to complete, so you can receive these important phone notifications. This number can also be a cell phone or your primary home number. If you are homebound or would need assistance in the event of an evacuation, please advise them of your situation.

Pets

We have a number of pet owners, including myself in our Community. Most of us respect the Law and other people's property. They don't let their pets deposit their waste, whether solid or liquid in other unit owner's area or on plantings. Solid waste that is not picked up and put into containers usually ends up being stepped on attracts flies or children could potentially play in that area. This includes the street ends which most are common areas.

Website

Yes, most of us use email and some of us don't. We'd like to ensure that our address and email list is updated. Feel free to contact any Board member to make any corrections or note it on your dues notices. If you don't use email, we would still send you the information in the traditional manner.

Change in Can Pickup within MSPOA

A portion of your dues goes to have someone bring in your cans when you have gone home for the week. For the past several years, Rick Orlando has been paid to bring in your cans on Wednesday afternoons. We have now asked him to bring in both cans on Tuesday afternoons so as not to give the impression that no one is home. As a reminder, garbage men will not take anything on the curb that is not in your designated can. We have received complaints about people placing numerous black bags in front of their homes that sometimes stay there for several weeks. Please contact the Twp. for a scheduled pickup of your debris. It is not fair to have our paid landscaper's pickup personal garbage. It is also unsightly especially on the highway side to see these bags lying around for several weeks. The Twp. has already begun their Saturday pickup at the substation; please drive your excess garbage there. They take just about anything.

Dues

Nearly all of us have within our deed restrictions the obligation to pay their annual dues. This is quite a nominal fee considering the expenses we have for upkeep and maintenance of our entranceways. The Board has agreed to follow up with unpaid members. As homes are sold, we have found that title companies are not going back far enough to catch this piece of information, and at the time of closing, it becomes a surprise to new homeowners when the attorney's inform them that there is an association here. Thank you for paying your obligation.

Nominations:

Vince Brennan was kind enough to chair the Nominating Committee this year with the committee comprised of Vincent F. Brennan as the Chairman, Patrick Tuohy , and Sheila Whiting.

As always, please feel free to call me or any other member of the Board if you have any questions or concerns. Our responsibility is to keep everyone informed, and to make this a better place for all of us to be proud to be a part of.

Have a great summer..... and thank you for your support!

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