



# Longview Beach Club Newsletter

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## Happy New Year 2015

### Board of Directors 2015

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## Message From Our Board of Directors

During times of change and transformation, it is important to remain focused on our core values and mission. This is what the board continues to do each day, serving the community, while developing new and innovative ways to meet Longview's needs. Since May 2012, we have been focused and "Moving Forward Step By Step".

The Board has been working very closely with the community and we thank you for your patience and support. We heard you loud and clear and we hear you loud and clear. Since 2012, you have been concerned and complaining about the ATV's and dirt bikes. You've complained at the HOA meetings of the noise, the speeding, the dust and the disrespect of riding on others property, among other reasons. For years, members wanted the ATV's and dirt bikes stopped. The 2012 Board, before doing anything drastic, wanted to try all possible strategies before stopping the children/adults from the use of these recreational off road vehicles. Mr. Boswell, Board Security and Mike Herbert, Head of LV Security, have worked together with the parents and children of these vehicles and had made some progress. However, our riders are still not adhering to the laws of Longview. The Board and LV's Security are still receiving complaint after complaint. It's been over 2 years and it has become more of a challenge for LV's Security to keep up with the enforcement of these vehicles. The Board has tried every avenue to try to keep these recreational vehicles at LV, however it's time and the Board has made a decision to **BAN ALL ATV'S AND DIRT BIKES** off the roads of Longview Beach. This is effective January 15, 2015. This does not apply to seniors 60 yrs. and up. Budd's Creek Raceway on route 234, welcomes our youth. So, take time and make it a family get away in a safe environment. Parents, thanks for your full cooperation and children thanks for trying. St. Mary's County Sheriff's Department and Longview's Security will work together to enforce Longview's Ban of all ATV's and dirt bikes.

Thanks to all who attended the October 11, 2014, Fall Community Meeting. Our next Annual Meeting is June 13, 2015, at 1:00 pm. Hope to see you there!

The Board of Directors extends our services 24-7, to the Longview community, with your phone requests. Every 2nd Saturday walk-ins are welcomed from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.



In our continued effort to improve customer service, we will try our best to respond within 48 hours. Call: (301) 769-2241



## President's Corner

### Season's Greetings and Happy New Year!

As we end our 2014 year of operation, I'd like to start by saying that I am extremely pleased at our progress and accomplishments, thus far. The Board, in conjunction with the staff has been working tirelessly to insure a pleasant, safe and clean community for our Longview homeowners. Your

Board is constantly thinking towards the future and how we can help changes in the next year.

Since 2012, we have had the mindset to march to the drummer of our motto: "Moving Forward Step By Step". This motto has brought us this far and we will continue to proceed, as our budget allows, towards a community of the future: that special place to be on the Wicomico River.

The change in season is quite evident by the air turning cold and crisp, fallen leaves, snowflakes and the celebration of the many holidays. As this change in season surrounds us, it is the perfect time to reflect and review the status of the association.

This past October, we held the Community Meeting and a special closed meeting for our HOA members. This meeting was an important meeting as many issues were presented to the members who attended. The closed homeowners meeting was to review, revise and vote on our amended By-Laws. Such changes as an additional vacant lot increase from \$10.00 to \$20.00, the annual assessments payments that are now due on or before the last day of February each year, a \$15.00 late fee charge on assessments paid on or after March 15th each year and a charge of \$35.00 on returned checks marked insufficient funds. Our By-Laws are in the process of being printed and will be available soon for all HOA members. We welcome our members, to the Annual Meeting June 13th and the Fall Community Meeting October 10th. This is a great time to hear from the members regarding different concerns and suggestions.

Our success is not only the responsibility of the Board of Directors, but with you as well, the general community member. The association operates solely based upon its members, membership (HOA) dues and volunteers that get involved in varied ways.

As I write this, we have several members who are not keeping up with their yearly dues and this is a direct impact on the association moving forward. Reminder letters were mailed; some members have paid in full or made arrangements for LV's payment plan option. Thanks much for those who responded! However, we're looking forward to hearing from our other overdue members, soon.

Remember, Longview's largest project is our "War On Roads". Our plan each summer is the Asphalt Paving of various streets within the LV community. The streets that were started on Hilltop Street and Upland Drive are just beautiful and our intentions are to move forward with this project and hopefully, with your help. Please, continue to support us with our fundraisers and our Clubhouse rentals. A special thanks and Kudos to those who have made donations toward the road project.

Now, whatever activity you enjoy at Longview: reading, swimming, biking, walking, running, boating, fishing, riding your golf cart, drawing/painting, just resting on your property, etc., with friends, family or solitude, the opportunity is here. Longview, this is the atmosphere the Board wants to provide for its members. This is what we mean in "Moving Forward Step By Step" – Getting to that point where everyone can relax, have fun and enjoy LIFE...

As always, thank you for reading this newsletter. Those who take additional time to respond with a question or comment, I always appreciate hearing from you. Whether you are encouraging the Board to stay the course or challenging us to rethink our approach to another, I've found those exchanges to be engaging and thoughtful. Please don't hesitate to reach out and call the Board of Directors Office at (301) 769-2241.

Best Wishes for a Wonderful and Very Happy New Year!

Nellie L. Cureton  
Board President

## Building and Grounds

The cold blistering winds and snowflakes are rapidly approaching. Don't you worry; our maintenance team is on top of Mr. Winter. They're ready and equipped with their salt and snow removal equipment. There's even an emergency team of Longview volunteers in place. Our maintenance team has a plan of action for this 2015 winter.

As the board has mentioned in previous newsletters, our Building and Grounds team is awesome and capable of anything.

This summer, Rick Herbert, was hired as a part of our Building and Grounds team. Welcome Rick, some people call him Ricky, and thanks for all you've done in keeping up the improvements of Longview. Both James and Rick work well together. The Board calls them our dynamic duo. They are part of the answers to keeping Longview in the condition it is in today and certainly the answer for our tomorrow's. Thanks you guys – we appreciate you – we celebrate you! Keep up the good work and making Longview look attractive.

As I reflect upon the summer, I can envision the improvements, such as the following: resurfacing the court area, the colorful yellow and blue accent painting of the basketball and tennis courts, new chain basketball nets, replacement of old street signs, new reflectors attached to some street post, installed new street signs and posts, trimmed and burned trees and branches, cleaned ditches, maintained cutting of grass, two large trees cut down by Jeff's Tree Service, restored the damaged side door of the Clubhouse, interior painting and a new front door lock replaced at Clubhouse, mini blinds installed in dining area of Clubhouse, replacement of damaged door in bathroom at beach house, patching and filling in the sides of roads with dirt, placed a heavy chain across the driveway of house beside beach to keep out intruders, etc., etc., etc. This is just giving you an idea of the ongoing involvement of maintenance at Longview. Rest assured there's more.....

Other issues to be addressed and improvements that will be underway are: tennis court net posts, surveillance cameras at front entrance and in two other areas, a much needed fresh coat of paint on our Clubhouse, continuation of our asphalt paving of roads, fencing behind the house next to beach to prevent intruders on the beach damaging our bath house, flowering trees to place around our lagoon area and of course, the ongoing continuance of building and ground maintenance. Our "To Do List" seems to be never ending, but we just keep taking Step By Step to get the job done.

## TREASURER'S COVE

MONEY  
MATTERS

Dear Members:

We need your homeowner association payments. As have been stated many times, Longview is a private community. We receive no assistance from Federal, State, or County Governments. Our dues are mandatory to maintain the common areas of our community.

So, when you receive your 2015 statement/invoice, please do not disregard it. If you cannot send full payment, send a reasonable amount with a note of your intentions. Just letting us know your financial intentions is not only appreciated, but saves on the cost of postage.

Also, several of you asked to have the name of a deceased individual removed from your account. Longview account names must agree with State records. Therefore, if you want the deceased name removed, you must change or update your deed. (St. Mary's Court House/Land Records Division)

**Urgent !** Let us know, as soon as possible, if you are selling or have sold your property.

We are trying to work with you. But, you too must be willing to work with us.

**MOST IMPORTANT** – Please, give us your updated Home or Cell Phone Number  
Please, give us your E-Mail Address (if applicable)  
You never know when there's an emergency.

Cherry Daniels  
Treasurer

## In Remembrance



James Greenhow	Sept.10, 2014 – Husband of Rose & Father of Terrence Greenhow
Palestine Jenkins	Sept. 10, 2014 - Sister of Pamela Smith
Mack Frye	Sept 15, 2014 – Husband of Elizabeth (Sue) Frye
Harold Redmond	October 29, 2014
Louise Borden	November 2014 – Sister of Ellsworth Mouton
Mildred L. Mayes	Dec 20, 2014 – Daughter of Isabella Johnson & Zonnie Watkins

## Sick, Shut-In, Under The Weather

Please keep the following LVBC Members and Families in your daily prayers.

William (Billy) Bevans – Son of Mrs. Mary Bevans, in rehabilitation

Juanita Green

Rhonda Poteat

Bernard Lucas

Diane Tucker

Ernest Armstrong

LeVert Queen –Board Member

*Thank  
You!*

*From the Longview Beach  
Recreation Committee (LBRC)*

Again the LBRC wishes to thank the Longview Beach community and friends for the support of our 2014 fundraising events. Our new mantra dedicating our projects to make "War on Roads" seems to have evoked a renewed enthusiasm of participation and our dinners have sold well. Thank you. There will be more dinners in 2015.

A standing ovation goes to Mornic and her 'all star' crew. They spearheaded a wonderful New Year's Eve celebration. If you missed it, you missed a true gala event. We brought the new year in right with good music, food, and fun for all. Kudos Mornic! We nominate you to work with us on more events. The support from you, your family and friends was applaudable.

We want to have more activities you prefer. Please leave a message at 301-769-2241. All ideas are welcome.

Happy New Year. Let's move forward for a better community.

LeVert Queen, Chairperson  
Social/Recreation Committee

**NEW YEAR'S TOAST**

**Here's to the new year...  
May it bring more joy and success  
And less grief and regret.**

**To our dreams...  
May we never stop believing in them  
And taking the actions that will make them a reality.**

**To our friends, loved ones, associates (or colleagues)...  
May we take the time to let them know  
How much it means to us  
To have them in our lives.**

**Let us encourage more and criticize less,  
Give more and need less.  
And whenever we can,  
Let us create harmony and peace.**

**To new beginnings...  
Let us start fresh, right now,  
To make this the very best year ever.**

**A very Happy New Year to all of us!**

# CLUBHOUSE CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2015

**"If you can't fly then run,  
If you can't run then walk,  
if you can't walk then crawl,  
but whatever you do,  
you have to keep moving  
forward."**

*~ Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.*

## JANUARY

- |      |                              |         |
|------|------------------------------|---------|
| 10th | Board Meeting                | 10:30am |
| 19th | Martin L. King, Jr. Day      |         |
| 24th | Clubhouse Rental             | TBA     |
| 31st | Delta Sigma Theta Art Social | TBA     |



## FEBRUARY

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|------|-----------------|----------|
| 14th | Board Meeting   | 10:30 am |
| 14th | Valentine's Day |          |
| 16th | President's Day |          |



## MARCH

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|------|-------------------|--------------|
| 14th | Board Meeting     | 10:30 am     |
| 17th | St. Patrick's Day |              |
| 27th | Dinners - \$10.00 | 11:30-3:00pm |
| 29th | Palm Sunday       |              |



## APRIL

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|------|------------------------------------|----------|
| 5th  | Easter Sunday                      |          |
| 11th | Board Meeting                      | 10:30 am |
| 24th | Arbor Day:<br>Lagoon Tree Planting |          |



## MAY

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|------|--------------------------|---------------|
| 9th  | Board Meeting            | 10:30 am      |
| 10th | Mother's Day             |               |
| 16th | Diamond Club Celebration | 2:00 – 4:00pm |
| 25th | Memorial Day             |               |
| 25th | Beach Opens              |               |





# Annual Meeting Notice

**Saturday, June 13, 2015**

**1:00pm**

If you have questions that you want the board to answer, write your question and mail it to the attention of the Board of Directors or put it in our mailbox, at the Clubhouse. The question should be submitted at least 3 weeks before the meeting.

Board of Directors,  
P.O. Box 359, Chaptico, Md. 20621

## LOT FOR SALE

Block 54/Lot 5  
Between Upland & Longview Boulevard  
On Owens Drive (closer to LVB)  
Marva & Brittney Russell  
[marvaruss@comcast.net](mailto:marvaruss@comcast.net)



## Longview's New Year Celebration

Were You There? If not, you really missed a celebration of bringing in the New Year 2015. The Clubhouse rocked from 9:00pm to after 3:30am. The DJ was electrifying keeping the party goers on the floor all night long. After the countdown 9,8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1 there was a loud, joyous and melodious yell of HAPPY NEW YEAR, popping of the corks and a toast to bring in 2015. The party goers hugged, kissed, blew horns and wishes of Happy New Year spread throughout the Clubhouse. A delicious meal topped off with black eye peas was a true highlight of the evening. What a memorable celebration!!!!

*The Board of Directors gives Kudos to Mornic Toye for spearheading this marvelous and eloquent affair. Thanks to her assistants, too!*



This year's Halloween Party, which was held Sat., October 25, 2014, was a thrilling success. Thanks to the volunteers, parents, donations and the support of those in the community who attended. As the children entered through the Clubhouse doors, in their Halloween costumes, they were intrigued with the games, music, contest, prizes, goodies, lunch and their very own Trick or Treat bag!



# Gallery

TRICK  
OR  
TREAT?





## THE CLUBHOUSE!

We are fortunate to have a clubhouse to use for meetings, fundraisers and events. The clubhouse is also available to rent to host your own function. You do not have to be a HOA member to rent the clubhouse. However, members do receive a discounted rate. The fee to rent the clubhouse for members is \$325.00 and for non-members is \$425.00. At the time of filling out the application, a \$25.00 non-refundable application fee is required. A \$100.00 refundable security deposit is also required. The first floor of the clubhouse can accommodate up to 125 guests. The clubhouse features a kitchen, spacious bathrooms, dance floors, dining area, a smaller social area and a cozy traditionally styled bar. The clubhouse also, features a second floor, which accommodates over 125 guests. Yes, you can rent both floors at the cost of \$650.00 members/\$850.00 non—members. Rental rates will be for a six-hour block of time that includes set-up and clean-up. Tables and chairs are available for use.

By Helping Our “War On Roads” Project, You Can Rent Out The Clubhouse for a Family or Friends Affair. Think About It! Spread the Word! We Need Your Support!  
For reservations and availability, call (301) 769-2241.



## ATV'S AND DIRT BIKES

ATV's and Dirt Bikes are banned from Longview Beach, effective January 15, 2015. Seniors 60+ are exempt. St. Mary's Sheriff's Department and Longview Beach Security will work together to enforce the ban from ATV'S and Dirt Bikes at Longview. Budd's Creek Raceway will Welcome our Youth. Take the kids to Budd's Raceway and make it a family affair!

## GOLF CARTS



Slow speed golf carts with a maximum of six seats may be used at Longview, if the Longview Beach Homeowner is in good standing. Please, register your golf cart with the Board of Directors or Longview's Security. Call (301) 769-2241. Remember, the vehicle must have no more passengers than the vehicle has seats. Ask about our Longview Tags!



# NUMBERS TO KNOW

**SMECO**  
1-877-747-6326  
1-877-74 SMECO

**Sheriff's Department**  
(301) 475-4040

**Marine Police**  
(301) 645-0067

**Community Services**  
(301) 475-4200 Ext. 1846

**Office of Aging**  
(301) 475-4200 Ext. 1050

**Board of Education**  
(301) 475-4230

**FOR ALL EMERGENCIES  
CALL 911**



**Poison Control**  
1-800-222-1222

**Health Department**  
(301) 475-4330

**Animal Control** (301) 475-8018

*Use the list of numbers to get help quickly. We are our brothers' keeper and we need to watch over and care for one another. Fires, suspected criminal activity, unsupervised domestic animals, wild animals*  
**-MAKE THAT CALL-** it will protect us all. Remember, our objective is to make Longview safe for everyone.  
**Know your neighbors and keep watch around you and our beach, at all times. Be Alert -- Stay Alert.**

### Amenities

- |                              |                     |
|------------------------------|---------------------|
| Beach and Playground         | Fishing Pier        |
| Tennis and Basketball Courts | Picnic Areas        |
| Non-Fee Events at Clubhouse  | Rental of Clubhouse |

### Annual Assessments

Improved Property (Lot w/structure)	\$135.00
Unimproved Lot (Vacant lot)	85.00
Each Additional Lot	20.00
Road Fee	80.00

If you are **not current** with your assessments, the amenities of Longview Beach are **not** available to you and your guest. Entering these areas would be considered trespassing.

**Special Thanks to all residents who have paid their assessments.** Kudo, Kudo, Kudos!

There is a \$15.00 late fee charge on assessments paid on or after March 15th of each year and a \$35.00 charge on returned checks marked insufficient funds. The annual assessments payments are now due on or before the last day of February. There is an additional vacant lot increase from \$10.00 to \$20.00.

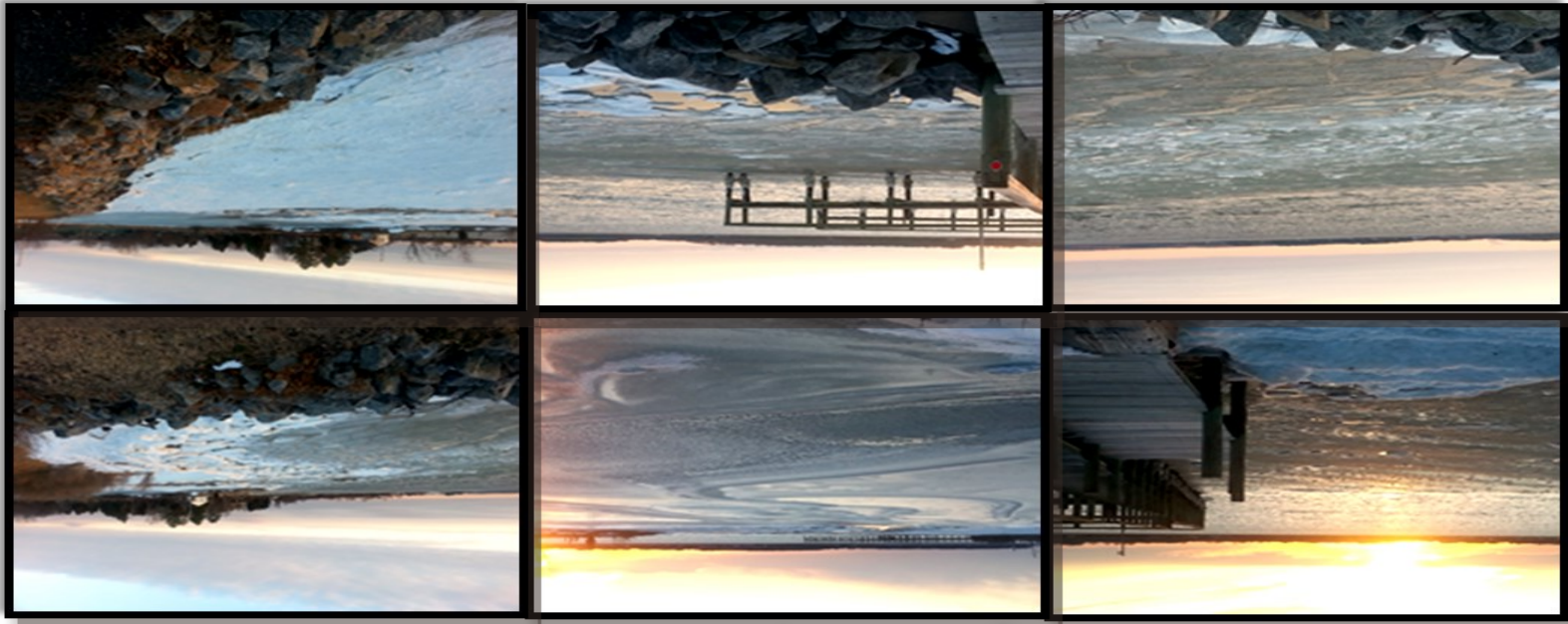
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### Clubhouse Rental Fees

Rental of the clubhouse is for both members of Longview and outside residents. Rental rates will be for a six-hour block of time. That includes set-up and clean up. There is a \$25.00 non-refundable application fee and a \$100.00 Security Deposit fee due upon the completion of the application. No overnight use is permitted.

	<u>Non-Member Price</u>	<u>Member Price</u>
1st. Floor Rental:	\$425.00	\$325.00
2nd. Floor :	\$425.00	\$325.00
Both Floors:	\$850.00	\$650.00

**Clubhouse: (301) 769-2241**



Longview Beach, MD: Winter 2014

# “The Ice Man Cometh!”



**Longview Beach Club**  
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**Chaptico, Maryland 20621**