



Longview Beach Club Newsletter

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Scenes From St. Mary's County

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President's Corner

Greetings HOA Members,

It's been a long cold and chilly winter. Spring is already here and summer is fast approaching. We now look forward to warm weather, our beach, boating, tennis, basketball, walking, jogging, riding our golf carts, bicycling and whatever makes us Happy!

As I mentioned in our last newsletter, your Board of Directors started a new campaign for Longview and that was our "War on Roads". Yes, it was and still is a part of our "To Do List". This campaign became a reality May 2014, when more than three or four trucks filled with asphalt lined Longview Boulevard to begin their task of road restoration. We have a long ways to go, but as promised, every summer we intend to continue our road project, with your financial help.

This summer, with more of our HOA members paying their assessment dues, we are able to continue this project and even start additional projects. Our "To Do List" is never ending, but we continue striving "Step By Step" to create a better future for Longview.

One of our goals this year is to promote more family oriented activities for our parents and kids. Let's think about it and please support us in our efforts. Plans are still in progress.....

As I continue to ride throughout the community, as I do quite often, I see new members of the community. I talk with our new residents and share some of Longview particulars and as always I enjoy talking with our established homeowners. This is where I get a feel of the needs of Longview and the appreciativeness of our progress. As one of our long time owners put it, "I can see the light" and "Just look around, you can see the improvements". I just love it! They are my strength and my encouragement.

Homeowners, I can see you are taking more pride in the curb appeal of your property. Yes, that's a good thing and it should make you feel good! It's noticeable and thank you for helping with the beautification of Longview. Everyone can play part in the curb appeal effort – just keep your grass cut, trimmed and maintained. Remove all trash and clutter from your property. That's all we ask of you – keep your property neat and clean. A manicured and clutter free yard means a HAPPY LONGVIEW!

Lastly, I respectfully ask all owners (and their invited guests) to adhere to the rules and regulations around Longview Beach. They are approved by your Board of Directors and are for the protection and enjoyment of our owners and guests.

The Board has received several complaints about speeders. Those of you who are guilty of this act, the Board have approved Speed Bumps to be placed at Longview this summer. Please, help us out STOP THE SPEEDING! Think of the children and residents of our community. We do not want any accidents or fatalities. This is the Boards Pro-Active step towards speeding at Longview.

January 2015, the Board banned all ATV's and Dirt Bikes. Thanks for your cooperation.

Enjoy the spring and summer months and most of all stay safe. Thanks for your continued support, encouragement and certainly your cooperation. You're Awesome!!

I look forward to seeing you around the community. Keep your faith and trust in your Board. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the BOD office, at 301.769.2241 and leave a message.

See you at the Community meeting, June 13, 2015, at 1:00pm.

"Moving Forward Step By Step" is our Motto –

"Keep Your Eyes On The Sparrow" - is our Inspiration.



Message From Our Board of Directors

We're looking forward to our Community Meeting, Saturday, June 13, 2015, at 1:00pm. All members are Welcomed! Your attendance is important to us and it gives us the opportunity to come together and learn what's going on in our community, share ideas, plan for the future of Longview and enjoy a light lunch.

Meet and Greet ~~~~~ Chat and Chew

Special Attention: Please, pay attention to Longview's By-Laws, Stop the Speeding, Maintain your Grass and Property and Remember, we are all part of Longview's Neighborhood Watch.

Together, we can keep Longview Safe, Secure and Beautiful !!!!



Announcing Our New Board Member

Saturday, April 11, 2015, Kedija Duncan was sworn in as a member of Longview's Board of Directors, by the Board President Nellie L. Cureton. Kedija currently works as a Respiratory Therapist at St. Mary's Hospital in Medstar. She's originally from Ethiopia and now resides in Longview with her husband and family. Kedija joined the Board with a main goal to both increase her knowledge of the inner workings of a Board and to help support her Longview community, as well as, the Board of Directors. We congratulate and welcome Kedija Duncan as a member of the Board and look forward to working with her towards the future growth of Longview.

Building and Grounds

Our winter wasn't as bad as some winters and not the mildest of some winters. The team kept up with snow removal throughout the community. As mentioned in our last newsletter, "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." They did their job and they were ready. Together, we conquered those cold and snowy months. Now, the warmer weather has arrived!!

A spring road inspection took place to determine if any resurfacing or patching would be required. Of course, there were pot holes large and small, but our reliable grounds team are working endlessly to fill the holes for the safe travel of our residents.

Longview's Building and Grounds team maintain approximately 4.3 miles of private roads, as well as the private beach, children's playground, common grounds, clubhouse, tennis and basketball courts, the marina that includes the fishing pier and our boat launch ramp. We can't forget the maintenance of all equipment used daily. For more detailed maintenance, some equipment is sent to the shop.

The team has done so much since the last newsletter, but rest assure everything – every job Mr. James and Mr. Rick performed was for the upkeep and beautification of Longview. They are two hardworking, relentless and dedicated men. We Thank them - We Praise them for all their efforts.

With this seasons "To Do List", the team will spearhead most of these projects, with the support and approval of the Board.





Dear Members:

Remember to add the **\$15.00 late fee**, if you have not already paid your Longview HOA dues. You were advised of our late fee charge in a special notice enclosed with your January 2015 statement/invoices. For those members who have promptly paid their dues, we thank you.

Your Longview HOA dues are needed in order to maintain the maintenance of our community. Please, do not disregard our notices. Please 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 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



Vivian T. Washington – Jan. 21, 2015 – Wife of James A. Washington

Juanita Green – February 9, 2015

Bernice Johnson - Apr. 17, 2015 - Mother & Mother - In Law of Sandra & Carroll Boswell

Joyce Young -May 2015-Sister & Sister –In-Law of Hazel & Harold Bowman

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

Bernard Lucas

Rhonda Poteat

Diane Tucker

Ernest Armstrong – Former LVB Employee

LeVert Queen – LVB Bd. of Director's Soc. & Rec. Chair



“Savoring Spring and Summer”

THE LONGVIEW BEACH RECREATION COMMITTEE (LBRC)

On behalf of the LBRC we wish to offer our sincere apology regarding an incident that occurred at the Clubhouse on March 21, 2015. A private party was being held, but through mis-communication it wasn't realized that the event was private. As a result some persons were unceremoniously asked to leave with no explanation. We want to apologize for any embarrassment or inconvenience experienced as a result of this faux pas, and assure you we'll take measures so that incidents of this kind won't be repeated.

The New Year's Eve celebration netted a profit of \$1,842.91, and although inclement weather during Lent put a damper on dinner sales, LVB netted a profit of \$781.00 for dinners sold. Thanks to all who contributed to these efforts. Metal nets have been purchased for the basketball court and 4 poles for the tennis court will be purchased. We're also investigating the cost of placing Crepe Myrtle trees around the lagoon, and a Maple tree at the entrance of the Clubhouse. In addition, work is in progress to spruce up the appearance of the cabana to include painting and replacing the windows.

As you can see, small steps are being made to move us forward in our goal to promote community pride. However we still need suggestions from you of activities you will support. Contact the LBRC chairperson LeVert Queen through the LVB message line (301-769-2241). We want to help make your LVB experience both pleasurable and memorable. All suggestions are worth consideration.

Let's move forward together in peace and harmony.

LeVert Queen
Chairperson, Recreation Committee

CLUBHOUSE CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2015




MAY

- 9th  Board Meeting 10:30 – 12:30
- 10th Mother's Day 
- 16th  Seniors Diamond Celebration Luncheon 2:00 – 5:00 pm
- 25th Memorial Day 
- 25th  Beach Opens




JUNE

- 13th Community Meeting  1:00 pm
- 21st  Father's Day
- 21st 1st Day of Summer 

JULY

- 4th  Independence Day
- 11th Board Meeting  10:30-12:30 pm
- 11th Kids Game Day 1:00-3:00 pm
- TBA Family Day at the Beach  TBA

AUGUST

- 8th  Board Meeting 10:30-12:30 pm
- 8th Clothing Drive for the Homeless 
- 8th Kids Game Day  10:00-2:00 pm
1:00-3:00 pm



A Gala Affair The Crowning of Ms. Senior Longview Beach



COMMISSIONER
JAMES "RANDY" GUY



Longview Beach
2015 Diamond Celebration
Luncheon

MRS. LORI JENNINGS-HARRIS,
DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF AGING &
HUMAN SERVICES



May 18, 2013, the Board of Directors held its first Senior Diamond Celebration. Today, we are proud to have honored our seniors at their 3rd Annual Diamond Celebration Luncheon. This celebration honored seniors ages 80 yrs. to 98 years old. The BOD's decided this year's celebration will honor and crown Ms. Senior Longview Beach 2015. The Ms. America's Pageant and State Pageants have nothing over Longview Beach. We now have our own Ms. Longview Beach. Not one - but two! It was an eloquent affair. While playing the song, "Isn't She Lovely", Ms. Longview Beach recipients were crowned with their tiaras, given their LVB Sash and presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

We present to our community, Mrs. Vernell Catlett, 94 yrs. and Mrs. LeVert Queen, 93 yrs. as our Ms. Seniors Longview Beach 2015. Congratulations!!!



WE are A COMMUNITY



Spring Community Meeting

Spring Community Meeting Notice

Saturday, June 13, 2015

1:00pm



**Neighborhood Watch
Everyone's A Team Member
At Longview**

**Longview's Neighborhood Watch operates
January through December, 24 – 7.**

Neighborhood Watch keeps us connected to our community. We know it can increase safety and security at Longview. We know Neighborhood Watch is a group of people living in the same area who want to make their neighborhood safer by working together and in conjunction with the police to reduce crime and improve their quality of life. We know this! We know it reduces opportunities for crime to occur.

Longview, make sure your house is secure, be vigilant, be alert, watch out for each other in the neighborhood and report crime and suspicious activities to the police.

**Thanks for being a member of Longview's
Neighborhood Watch Team!**





Our "War on Roads" Project is Still Alive!!
 We're trying to negotiate and get the best price.
 More new roads are in our summer goals.
 Step By Step we'll get there!!



Lots For Sale
 Block 61 Lots 16,17,18,19
 On Oakley Drive
 Call: Joseph Blackwell at 410.917.9280



*Thank You,
 For Your
 Cooperation.*



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.

For reservations and availability, call (301) 769-2241.



Our Clubhouse Lounge Gets A New Look

April 3rd, Griffin's Flooring America, installed wood grain tile throughout the lounge area. The removal of the carpet, which was long over due, gives our lounge a brand new appearance.



**All Longview Beach Golf Cart owners must display, on the vehicle, their assigned license plate. There is a one time fee of \$10.00 for tags. See LV Security for Registration Form or call
 Board of Director's Office – 301/769.2241**

MOSQUITO SEASON INFO

Prevent stagnant water from forming.



STOP puddles from forming near faucets, gutters and drains



CHANGE water in birdbaths and kiddie pools every 5-7 days

COVER trash containers and recycling bins



EMPTY planters' drip trays



FILL IN tree holes and stumps with sand

Mosquitoes – Tips to help control them !

TERMINIX

It's that time of the year and mosquitoes are out! Recently, in the news you have heard or read about the West Nile Virus and how it has been a real problem in several areas-even as close as our neighbors of Virginia. Below are a few tips to help reduce the community (and especially in your yard) of mosquito breeding sites. Plus tips for avoiding mosquito bites!

- Clean rain gutters to allow water to flow freely.
- Store plastic wading pools inside or turn them upside down when not in use.
- Turn over or remove clay pots and plastic containers.
- Dispose of all empty beverage containers, plastic wrappers, discarded toys, etc.
- Check for trapped water in plastic or canvas tarps.
- Replace water in bird baths at least twice a week.
- Remove pet food and water dishes that are not being used.
- Don't leave garbage can lids lying upside down. Be sure water does not collect in the bottom of your trash cans.
- Flush water in the bottom of plant holders twice a week.
- Fix dripping outside water faucets.
- Empty all containers and turn them upside down when stored outside.

Tips for Avoiding Mosquito Bites

- Avoid areas of high mosquito infestation.
- Avoid unnecessary outdoor activities at dawn and dusk when mosquitoes are most active.
- Wear long pants, long-sleeve shirt and hat when outdoors.
- Use mosquito repellents containing DEET. Consult a physician before applying DEET to children.
- Restrict the outdoor play if mosquitoes are present.
- Drain all water-holding outdoor containers around the home.
- The very young, the elderly and persons with depressed immune systems are at most risk for acquiring disease from mosquito bites.

For more information call the Md. Dept. of Agriculture: (410)841-5870

www.mda.state.md.us/plants-pests/mosquito_control/index.php



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
Poison Control
 1-800-222-1222

**FOR ALL EMERGENCIES
 CALL 911**



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	10.00
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. Truly, it affords us to continue to maintain our community. Reminder notices are being mailed out in the next two weeks to the residents who have not met their assessment fee obligation. Please, make your payment, as soon as possible, so you too can help with the upkeep of Longview. We know times are hard, but please do your very best.

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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's E-mail Address:
longview@md.metrocast.net

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