

Longview Beach Club Newsletter Volume 10 January 2016

Happy 2016

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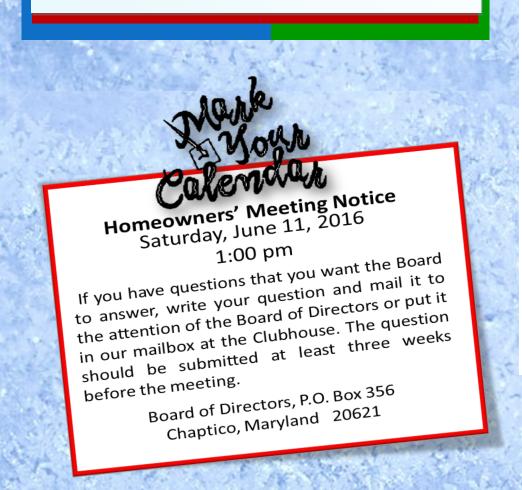
# **Message From The Board**

#### **Giving Thanks**

This year we are grateful to have championed the accomplishments of the past four years. It wasn't easy, but with our well thought out plans and the careful execution of those plans, we were able to be where we are today.

Our talented teams, Board of Directors and Building & Grounds, will make sure that progress continues and will work tirelessly to help Longview reach its full potential. This is a team that gets things done!

We ask you to continue to pay close attention to Longview's By-Laws, Stop the Speeding (speeding has slowed down, but we are striving for it to Stop), maintain the beautification of your property, pick-up unwanted trash on or off your property and remember, let's keep Longview clean, together. Our Neighborhood Watch is doing a Yeoman's job – remember, we all are members of Neighborhood Watch. We need each other and we need to continue to CARE about our community.



# TREASURER'S COVE MONEY MATTERS

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 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

# **President's Corner**

As we begin a New Year, I am honored to be President of Longview's Board of Directors and excited by our Board to help LV reach its potential.

As we reflect on the holiday season, many of us think of the family gatherings, giving thanks with our love ones and rejoicing the great times you had together. Our Board, driven by the belief in LV, is doing everything we can to support the community and make LV safe, beautiful, clean and a place where we think of you as part of the LV community.

A top priority at Longview is to STAY FOCUSED. Do you remember Longview in 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015? Well, we kept our eyes on the sparrow and we "Moved Forward Step By Step". With your financial support of paying your HOA fees and our Clubhouse Rentals, it has allowed Longview to grow. Now, it's about maintaining – maintaining the infrastructure of Longview.

For those of you who have not visited Longview in a while, we can tell you our progress, but it's even better if you see the incredible progress yourself. That's why the Board invites you to visit and drive around the community to see the changes; the upgrades; the improvements. We would love to hear your comments and suggestions.

Since June 2012, it has been our destiny to improve the infrastructure of LV and the quality of life for the members of our community. I am in and throughout the community to make sure that your priorities are the Boards priorities. We have heard over and over again that your goal is to have improved roads. As you are aware, this is a very expensive project. However, the summer of 2014, the "War On Roads" project was established. Followed by the 2015 summer, where 3.9 miles of our roads were restored with a tar and chip surface along Pleasant Lane and Longview Boulevard. What an accomplishment? That's why the Board is counting on YOU to continue to pay your Homeowner's Assoc. fees or to pay your outstanding HOA fees. In order to maintain our community, at the level that we want, we need your financial support. Everyone can contribute to the growth of LV and the beautification of LV by making sure your HOA fees are paid up for 2015. Why don't you pledge to make paying your HOA dues your NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION? Sounds good to the Board and we applaud you for stepping up to your responsibility.

For those of you who have reached a certain financial level and are not paying your HOA dues or have outstanding bills, your names will be turned over, in March, to the Collection Agency. Please, call our office, at (301) 769-2241 and leave a message to set up a payment plan with our Treasurer, Mrs. Daniels.

#### We are beginning a NEW YEAR – Why not starts a NEW YOU!!

Remember, the Board of Directors is working on your behalf. We are proud to announce that Longview is going in the right direction. We will grow together; we can do this --- TOGETHER.

I would like to wish you and your loved ones a wonderful and prosperous 2016!

Sincerely, Nellie L. Cureton Board President



As we celebrate Longview's mission and values, it's important to recognize the ways in which our "Grounds Team" has transformed LV in the past (4) four years. We celebrate them as we go into this New Year.

The focus of our grounds team has been on the diverse range of services performed through the years. If the Board had to grade our team – it would be an "A" for excellence. We're so proud to have James Curtis and Rick Herbert on our side. We celebrate them today, yesterday and tomorrow. And we recognize them for their service, which certainly has driven results within the Longview community.

The winter season is here, not as cold as it usually is during this time, however the team continues to improve our surroundings. Their attention, at this time is the cutting of trees/branches/brush, clearing and digging ditches, repairs around the beach from the Clubhouse to the beach house, filling pot holes, other road repairs, keeping the grounds free from litter, building fences, burning debris, repairing our equipment as needed and other duties as assigned. Guess what –the team is ready and prepared for "Mr. Winter or Mr. Jack Frost".

As you remember, during the summer, August 2015, our ditches were restored, by Mona Contracting Company. They performed a superb job and the plans are to continue our ditch restoration job this spring or summer. We have a little more attention to put towards our ditches. Looking towards the future, the Board is optimistic about Longview. We are keeping the same basic principles, to plan, to communicate and to get the job done.

We continue to emphasize the importance of volunteering and how important it is to pay your HOA dues. With the needed funds, we can maintain and develop Longview to be that special community on the Wicomico River.

#### TO DO LIST

Continue "War On Roads" Continue Drain & Ditch Restoration Install Speed Bumps Add another Security Camera Exterior Painting of the Clubhouse Purchase Cabana for the Beach Secure and Paint Beach House Continue Ground Maintenance Repair the Pier Extend two jetties at the beach Repair gates at the beach entrance and the court area



#### NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Everyone's A Team Member At Longview

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

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



What would you do if a fire started in your home? In an event of a fire you should review your fire safety facts, so you and your family will become prepared in the event of a fire emergency. So, Longview community, please keep these tips in mind:

- Look around your house for electrical problems. Studies have shown several fires have started due to improper installation of electrical devices. Be careful of do-it-yourself projects.
- Using portable heaters contributes to a number of residential fires especially during December through February. Read your directions before using your heater make sure you know how to use it safely. Never place it near a bed, especially a child's bed.
- Be careful in the kitchen. This area is full of ways for a fire to start: unsupervised stove/oven/microwave; grease spills; a dish towel too close to the burner; coffee pot left on, etc. Don't forget to turn pot handles in, to prevent being knocked over.
- Fireplaces should be cleaned and covered by a screen to keep sparks from jumping out. Remember, only wood should be burned in the fireplace. Never leave a fire burning unattended. Always make sure the fire is completely extinguished before leaving the house or going to bed. IMPORTANT: have the chimney cleaned professionally once a year.
- Charcoal grills are used on the outside **only**. Please, do not use these grills inside your house under any circumstances. They give off carbon monoxide poisoning. A Killer!
- Cigarettes are the No. 1 cause of fire deaths in the United States. Approximately 1,000 people are killed a year due to cigarette negligence. Most fires start when ashes or butts fall into couches and/or chairs. Never smoke in bed and be sure the cigarette is completely out before you throw it in the trash.
- Matches is still the leading cause of fire related deaths and injuries in children under five years old. Always keep matches and lighters out of the reach of children.
- Smoke alarms are so important. It cuts the risk of dying in a fire in half. Nearly, 60% of all residential fires happen in homes that do not have smoke alarms. Make sure you install a smoke alarm on every level of your house. Check/test your smoke alarm monthly. Replace the batteries every year.
- Carbon Monoxide poisoning is another inside danger. It's colorless, odorless, tasteless gas produced by wood or gas fueled appliances that don't burn properly. Install CO alarms detectors. If they go off, get out of the house immediately and call 911.
- Do not heat your home with the range or oven. You may be exposed to carbon monoxide poisoning.
  Symptoms: feeling tired, headaches and nausea or dizziness. You should be suspicious if other people in the house are experiencing the same symptoms at the same time. Leave the house and call 911.
- Teaching children the basic facts about fire may save their lives. Make a fire drill escape plan and practice fire drills at home, regularly.



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2016

JANUARY 1st 18th	New Year's ML King Day	
FEBRUARY 13th 14th 15th	Board Meeting Valentine's Day President's Day	10:30am
MARCH 12 <sup>th</sup> 17th 20th 27th	Board Meeting St. Patrick's Day Palm Sunday Easter	10:30am
APRIL 9th 29th	Board Meeting Arbor Day	10:30am 2:00-4:00 pm
MAY 8 <sup>th</sup> 14 <sup>th</sup> 21 <sup>st</sup> 30 <sup>th</sup> 30th	Mother's Day Board Meeting Diamond Club Celebration Memorial Day Beach Opens	



All Longview Beach golf cart owners must display an assigned license plate on their vehicle. There is an onetime fee of \$10.00 for tags. Please see Longview Security for a registration form or call the Board of Directors' office at (301) 769-2241.



Joseph Nabinett 2 Lots: Block 54/Lot 15 & Block 56/Lot 16 House: 3 bdrms/3 bath -- Block 56/Lot 32 (202) 309-2693

John & Jeanne Saunders Block 1/Lots 71 & 72 Pleasant Lane (410) 536-8155 Julia W. Brown c/o John Gatton Block 31/Lot 7 (301) 904-6939

Latrey & Jeanne Washington Block 52/Lot 14 Overland Drive Dues paid for the Year

Marva & Brittney Russell marvaruss@comcast.net Block54/Lot5 Owens Dr. near LV Blvd





# **Clubhouse Rental**



The Longview Beach Clubhouse

Clubhouse rented for a Casino Night

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.

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











Cofield Richardson – October 2015 Brother of Larry Richardson, Otis Spriggs and Ronald Washington Rodney Maddox – December 5, 2015 Former LVBC Property Maintenance

#### Sick, Shut-In, Under The Weather

#### Please keep the following LVBC Members and Families in your daily

<u>prayers:</u> Ernest Armstrong William (Billy) Bevans Vernell L. Catlett John Chesley- Mr. Abe Francis Countiss Elizabeth Sue Frye Bernard Lucas

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## 2016-2017 LONGVIEW BEACH WINTER SNOW & ICE PLAN Effective 2/1/16

A massive snowstorm, paralyzing even our community, slammed most of the east coast over the weekend of Jan. 22, 2016.

As in other jurisdictions, safety determines the priority for snow removal at Longview.

Clearing and salting focus first priority for snow removal on our main roads, Longview Blvd. and Pleasant Lane. Our second focus is on our side roads.

Streets that are steep, Hilltop Dr. and Upland Dr., will receive special attention, as to those who are elderly and/or disabled. Firemen, Policemen and Emergency Personnel are given special attention, as well. (Proper ID is required) Residents, when we have snow storms of this magnitude we ask that you stay off the roads, so our team can do their job. **Do not** leave or park cars in the middle of the road and **do** park in your respective driveways.

The snow team is committed to faster completion of plowing and salting along our roads, if you just obey and follow our given request. Again, we know some of you get "Cabin Fever", well help us out and **STAY OFF THE ROADS –Let us get our job done**. Residents are reminded to please be patient and allow sufficient time for our snow operation to be implemented. If your road has not been treated or plowed in a reasonable amount of time you should call the Board of Directors office at (301) 769-2241.

### THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS REMINDS RESIDENTS TO:

- Stay focused while driving
- Remember that driving on ice is different than driving on snow
- Maintain safe speeds 10-15mph or less
- Driving a 4-wheel SUV does not perform well in ice and additional precautions should be followed
- Do not park in the middle of the road Emergency equipment need to get through at all times (fire trucks, ambulance, etc.)
- Give the snow removal drivers plenty of room to safely do their job
- Remember, ATV's are banned from Longview





#### 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 you neighbors and keep watch around you and our community, at all times. Be Alert—Stay Alert..

#### Amenities

Beach and Playground Tennis and Basketball Courts Fishing Pier Picnic Areas

Rental of Clubhouse

Non-Fee Events at Clubhouse

#### Annual Assessments

Improved Property	\$135.00
(Lot w/structure)	
Unimproved Lot	85.00
(Vacant lot) Each Additional Lot	00.00
Road Fee	20.00 80.00
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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 assessment 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.



### **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.

Member Price	Non-Member Price	
First Floor Rental:		
\$325.00	\$425.00	
Second Floor :		
\$325.00	\$425.00	
Both Floors:		
\$650.00	\$850.00	
Clubhouse: (301) 769-2241		
E-Mail: longview@md.metrocast.net		
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