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President's Message

Our new year started in September. We are collecting dues from our current members and adding new members. We encourage you to join The HOAofBC so you can voice your opinion and be part of

a growing and educational organization.

Some members have asked why do we have to fill out the form again? Your board has discussed this and we want to make sure we are up to date on email addresses, phone numbers etc. If you are interested in serving on any committee, please fill out the form and send it in with your dues.

Please add these Association meeting dates to your calendar. All of our meetings are held at the Long Neck United Methodist Church on a Saturday morning 10:00 am.
NOVEMBER 13, 2010,
FEBRUARY 12, 2011,
MAY 14, 2011,
AUGUST 13, 2011,
NOVEMBER 12, 2011.
We will have a guest speaker at each meeting. I am including some of the educational topics and

speakers we had at past meetings:

FEBRUARY 20, 2010
Cheryl Rehrig of the Delaware Center for the Inland Bays distributed booklets on the health of the wetlands as well as copies of the Inland Bays Journal.

MAY 8, 2010
Officers from the DREC Division of Fish and Wildlife discussed responsibilities and gave out the Handbook of Delaware Boating Laws.

AUGUST 14, 2010
Officers from Troop 7 and 4 emphasized the importance of taking precautions to protect your home and car, keeping the car locked and valuables out of sight. . .not leaving change visible in the car and not having duffle bags in view. The Troopers also emphasized importance of

locking your home when you are out.

We also had Representative John Atkins at the August meeting. He discussed various bills and invited residents of Bay City to give him a call with questions.

Members of the HOA will continue to receive their news letter by mail or e-mail. Other homeowners in Bay City can review the news letter on the bulletin board located by the tennis courts. **AGAIN** we urge you to join The Home Owners Association of Bay City so we can keep you informed and up to date on all issues that affect manufactured home owners.

Well summer is gone, I see a lot of boats being pulled as the flounder and crab season comes to an end. Some of our residents are packing up and heading for Florida. Some we will see only a couple times during the winter. Please keep an eye on your neighbor's home. Don't be afraid to ask questions or report anything suspicious.

Our summer flounder tournament was a great success. Thank you to all

who entered. Our winners were:

First place Jackie Raber,
Second place was a tie between Preston Miller and Steve Hain.

We had some great hot dogs on Bay City Beach September 5th at the tournament awards presentation. We plan on having a 2011 tournament, so oil up these reels, sharpen up your hooks and get ready to land that winning flounder.

The Winter Picnic will be held on Friday, January 21, 2011 at Harbeson Church Fellowship Hall at 1:00 pm. The cost will be \$6.50 per person. Following lunch we will be playing bingo. Tickets will be available at the November meeting or any time after that from Sara Mummert.

The new chairperson of the Social Committee is Colleen Hoitela. She will be getting the committee together and planning events for this coming year. Thanks for taking on this job for us, Colleen. We will all be working with you in coming up with an interesting schedule of

activities for the upcoming year.

I'm sure most of you have seen the articles in the news paper and letters to the editor about DMHOA written by Ms. Weyl. Ms. Weyl is **not** a member of The Home Owners Association of Bay City and we do **not** support these activities.

I have attended DMHOA presidents meetings along with the regular membership meetings. Not once have I witnessed anyone being turned away or not allowed to attend a regular membership meeting. I also find all officers of DMHOA to be very open and answer any questions or will get you the answer in a timely fashion. We, The Home Owners Association of Bay City are a dues paying member of DMHOA and will continue to support this organization. A couple of lines in their Mission Statement state that they educate and inform and lobby for legislative and legal remedies for everyone who lives in manufactured housing on leased land. I have found they do an excellent job.

An individual close to us is being honored with the 2010 GOVERNOR'S OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER AWARD. Since 2002, Ed Speraw has served as President of the Delaware Manufactured Homeowners Association (DMHOA.) Ed was selected for this award for improving life for the residents of the 53,000 manufactured homes in Delaware and working with the Legislature to pass bills such as "The Right of First Offer Law." He also volunteers his time helping the elderly and disabled in the parks located in Sussex County by doing odd jobs when needed.

Also being recognized for Outstanding Service are our friends at the American Legion Auxiliary-Oak Orchard-Riverdale for Community Service.

A dinner for the award presentations will be held on October 28 2010 at Dover Downs, cost \$30.00. Registration and social hour at 5:00 pm dinner, followed by the ceremony at 6:00 pm. Please let me know if you are interested, we can send in one form and one check.

The next DMHOA meeting is on Monday evening, October 25th 6:30 at the Indian River Fire Hall on Oak Orchard Road. Plan on attending this meeting. I am sure you will find the meeting to be very informative.

The owners of Rehoboth Shores have applied to the Sussex County Planning and Zoning Commission for a conditional use to change a 260 lot section of their park into a 367 site campground RV park. We don't know at this time but I would bet it's the open field along Main St. as we enter our community. We will keep you informed as we get more information.

Remember those less fortunate. The DMHOA food Collection to benefit the Sussex County Food Drive will be starting now until November 30th. Please do your part once again by dropping off non-perishable food items at the Bay City office. Thanks from all of us in The HOAofBC.

Remember, if you know of someone who is sick, injured, or in need of a booster from a friend, let Rose Amadio know about it

so that she can get a card or note out to them from all of us. Contact her at 945-7943

Hey! Why not spend 3 or so hours a week volunteering for the Courtesy Patrol. Call Doug At 945-1156

Pay very special attention to our Advertiser's offering this time around!! It could save your life! \$20.00 for a highly visible name/address sign that will make your residence easier to find. It might make the difference between the Ambulance or Fire Truck arriving on time.