



OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

MAY 17, 2014 - MAY 26, 2014

Welcome to the Summer of 2014!



SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2014

Officers/Office Staff: Prep for the 2014 Season

Tides: High: 1012hrs
Low: 1614hrs

Surfing Beaches: Rotating Surfing Beaches begin May 24th

Special Events: Cruisin' Ocean City Car Show & Parade--Inlet Lot

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2014-End of Pay Period

Crew Chiefs-Pick up form for Drug Test-0900hrs

Officers/Crew Chiefs-Drug Test-1000-in and Equipment Issue-1030hrs-1330hrs

Surf Rescue Academy I: Day 1-Drug Test; Registration; Policies & Procedures;
Equipment Issue

Tides: High: 1103hrs
Low: 1709hrs

Surfing Beaches: Rotating Surfing Beaches begin May 24th

Special Events: Cruisin' Ocean City Car Show & Parade--Inlet Lot – 0900hrs – 1600hrs

MONDAY, MAY 19, 2014

Officer-in-Charge: Lt. Ward Kovacs

Surf Rescue Academy I: Day 2- Sgt. Muller- Coordinator of Surf Rescue Academy

Featured Training: Crew Organization, Rules of Conduct; Search & Recovery Victim ID;
City Ordinances

Drug Test Only: 1000hrs to 1600hrs

Tides: High: 1158hrs
Low: 1807hrs

Surfing Beaches: Rotating Surfing Beaches begin May 24th

Special Events: N/A

TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2014

Officer-in-Charge: Lt. Ward Kovacs

Surf Rescue Academy I: Day 3- Sgt. Muller - Coordinator of Surf Rescue Academy

Featured Training: Active & Passive Victims; Sand Holes

Evening: Red Cross First Aid Certification-**Sgt. Jason Konyar**

Drug Test Only: 1000hrs to 1600hrs

Tides: High: 1256hrs
Low: 1910hrs

Surfing Beaches: Rotating Surfing Beaches begin May 24th

Special Events: None

2014 Officers

Unit 2- Captain Butch Arbin
Unit 3- Lt. Mike Stone
Unit 5- 1st Lt. Skip Lee
Unit 6- Lt. Ward Kovacs
Unit 7- Sgt. Ryan Cowder
Unit 8- Sgt. Tim Uebel
Unit 10- Sgt. Rick Cawthern
Unit 11- Sgt. James McVey
Unit 12- Sgt. Brent Weingard
Unit 13- Sgt. Jamie Falcon
Unit 14- Sgt. Mark Muller
Unit 15- Sgt. Colby Phillips
Unit 17- Sgt. Jeff Brabitz
Unit 18- Sgt. Ben Davis
Unit 19- Sgt. Mat Postell
Unit 20- Sgt. Jason Konyar

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2014

Officer-in-Charge: Lt. Ward Kovacs

Surf Rescue Academy I: Day 4- Sgt. Muller- Coordinator of Surf Rescue Academy

Featured Training: Coverage scenarios- Sgt. Jeff Brabitz; Neck-Back-Rescue Procedure- Sgt. Tim Uebel

Drug Test Only: 1000hrs to 1600hrs

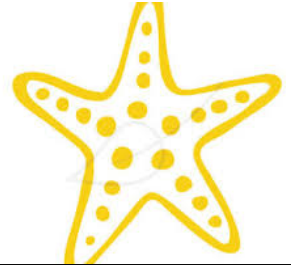
Veteran Registration & Equipment Pick-up- 1600hrs to 1830hrs

Tides: High: 1400 hrs

Low: 0755 hrs

Surfing Beaches: Rotating Surfing Beaches begin May 24th

Special Events: N/A



THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2014

Officer-in-Charge: Lt. Ward Kovacs

Surf Rescue Academy I: Day 5- Sgt. Muller- Coordinator of Surf Rescue Academy

Featured Training: Coverage Scenarios; CPR; & Outside Agencies

Drug Test Only: 1000hrs to 1600hrs

Veteran Registration & Equipment Pick-up- 1600hrs to 1830hrs

Tides: High: 1505 hrs

Low: 0852 hrs

Surfing Beaches: Rotating Surfing Beaches begin May 24th

Special Events: N/A

FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2014-Pay Day

Officer-in-Charge: Lt. Ward Kovacs

Surf Rescue Academy I: Day 6- Sgt. Muller - Coordinator of Surf Rescue Academy

Featured Training: Rips, Rocks, & Rescues Review; MARP, OCPD & Bomb Squad

Drug Test Only: 1000hrs to 1600hrs

Veteran Registration & Equipment Pick-up- 1600hrs to 2030hrs

Tides: High: 1608hrs

Low: 0948hrs

Surfing Beaches: Rotating Surfing Beaches begin May 24th

Special Events: None

2014 OCBP Crew Chiefs

Crew 1	Kevin Johnson
Crew 2	Liz Vander Clute
Crew 3	Bryan Clarke
Crew 4	Robert Fox
Crew 5	Randy Wheeler
Crew 6	Tommy Lurie
Crew 7	Travis Sevier
Crew 8	Jon Clouser
Crew 9	Jake Ritter
Crew 10	Harrison Fisher
Crew 11	Damien Sanzotti
Crew 12	Steve DeKemper
Crew 13	Dave Haight
Crew 14	Adam Atwood
Crew 15	Travis Wagner
Crew 16	Kelly McGrath
Crew 17	Charlie Swartz
Crew 19	Diana Theobald

CC & ACC Training
Saturday, May 24th
Training Room
0800hrs

SATURDAY, MAY 24, 2014-The OCBP IS ON THE BEACH FOR THE 2014 SEASON!!!

Prayer Service: 0700hrs—Boardwalk at Somerset St.

Crew Chief Meeting: 0800hrs- Training Room-(ACCs are encouraged to attend).

Veteran Registration & Equipment Pick-up- 0900hrs to 0930hrs (**Drug Test: 0800hrs to 0900hrs- Pick up form**

Friday night or 0745hrs Saturday morning)

Surf Rescue Academy I: 1000hrs- Qualifying Test: Soft Sand Sprint and Ocean Swim Test

1100hrs- Beach Patrol Policies and Paperwork - Pay Scales - OCBPSRA Certifications

1200hrs- On the Job Training (OJT)

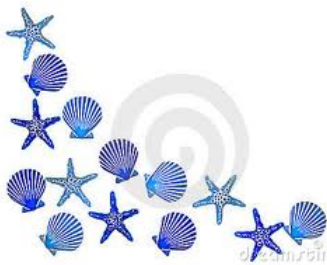
Surfing Beaches: Inlet (Conditional) / 29th St. / 99th St.

Tides: High: 1705hrs

Low: 1042hrs

Special Events: ESA MD State Championship—Surf Series-38th St.—0700hrs to Dusk





**Crew Chief & Assistant Crew Chiefs
Leadership Training**

Mandatory for all 1st & 2nd year CCs and all ACCs.
Others may attend or serve as Instructors.
HQ Training Room
1830hrs

2014 OCBP Assistant Crew Chiefs

Crew 1 - Ben Montes
Crew 2 - Will Wilkinson
Crew 3 - Seth Bergman
Crew 4 - Devin Paquette
Crew 5 - Vince Martirano
Crew 6 - Michael Legath
Crew 7 - Matt Wojciechowski
Crew 8 - Kevin Stang
Crew 9 - Andrew Douglas
Crew 10 - Andrew Padley
Crew 11 - Tucker Lurie
Crew 12 - David Krabbe
Crew 13 - Patrick Hagar
Crew 14 - Chris Smith
Crew 15 - Paul Vassalotti
Crew 16 - Karlee Zywusko
Crew 17 - Karen Hessler
Crew 19 - Kelsey Hunt

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2014

Surf Rescue Academy I: 0945hrs-OJT- Same location as previous day

Assistant Crew Chief Training: HQ Training Room—1830hrs-Mandatory for all ACCs

Crew Chief Training: HQ Training Room—1830hrs- Mandatory for all 1st & 2nd Year CCs!

Surfing Beaches: : Inlet (Conditional) / 27th St./ 95th St.

Tides: High: 1757hrs

Low: 1135hrs

Special Events: ESA MD State Championship—Surf Series-38th St.—0700hrs to Dusk

MONDAY, MAY 26, 2014- Memorial Day!

WEEKLY MEETING: CONVENTION CENTER – 40th STREET-Southwest corner on steps.

AREA MEETING WITH SERGEANTS: 800hrs

CREW CHIEF MEETING: 0815hrs

SEMAPHORE TEST: 0820hrs—REQUIRED TO PASS PROBATIONARY STAGE

CREW MEETING: 0830hrs (Turn in individual stats, get schedule and assignments, information from Crew Chief)

OFFICERS' MEETING: 0830hrs

USLA ANNOUNCEMENTS: 0845hrs

GENERAL MEETING: 0850hrs

LIEUTENANTS' MEETING: 0945hrs

Surf Rescue Academy I: Supervised Probation-Week 1-Assigned to Crews

OCBPSRA Certification: None

Work-out: Run Day

Surfing Beaches: Inlet (Conditional) / 25th St. / 93rd St.

Tides: High: 1844hrs

Low: 1224hrs



**SPECIAL NOTES ABOUT
CONVENTION CENTER MEETINGS**

1. Do not park on Convention Center Drive.
2. Do not park in the rear of Convention Center
3. Meetings begin promptly at 0830hrs
4. Clean up your trash.
5. Drive carefully to your assignment

F.Y.I.

TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2014 to FRIDAY, May 30, 2014—Officer-In-Charge – Lt. Kovacs

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2014

SRA Academy I: Supper Seminar – Headquarters –1830hrs —Attendance is MANDATORY!-Uniforms Optional

Next Meeting: SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2014

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FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2014—Pay Day!





UPCOMING 2014 BEACH PATROL EVENTS

May 31	SRA 1 Supper Seminar- Training Room-1830hrs
June 1	Weekly Meeting- Convention Center
June 2	McGruff Book Day- OC Elementary School
June 6	OCBPSRA Events Begin-Check Schedule for Specific Dates
June 6	Pay Day
June 7	OCBPSRA Pre-Employment Ocean Test
June 7	Early Veteran Requalification-Run & Swim By Appt.
June 8	Weekly Meeting- Convention Center
June 8	Captain Schoepf Relay Swim
June 15-22	Surf Rescue Academy II
June 16	Weekly Meeting Moves to Mondays- Convention Center
June 19 & 25	JBP Instructor Training- HQ-1830hrs
June 20	Pay Day
June 21	CC Requalification-0830hrs
June 23-June 28, July 1 & 2	Veteran Re-certification
June 25-29	Dew Tour-Pier- N. Division-OC, MD
June 25	Women's Dinner
June 28	SRA II Supper Seminar- Training Room--1830hrs
July 3	Rookie Graduation- 0730hrs
July 10	USLA Mid-Atlantics-Sea Girt, NJ
July 12	OCBP Group Picture Day
July 12	Captain Craig Swim
July 26	Crew Comps



Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events

Play It Safe Events	May 31-June 17	Various Times and Places	www.playitsafeoceancity.com
Baltimore Ravens Roost Parade	May 31	1000 hrs	19 th to 26 th St.
ESA Longboard Challenge	June 7-8	Dawn to Dusk	38 th St.
OC Air Show	June 12-13	1200hrs	16 th St & Boardwalk
MD Firemen's Parade	June 18	1300hrs	Inlet to 9 th St.
Dew Tour	June 25-29		Pier to N. Division St.

USLA/SCLA 2014 Competition Schedule

June 24- Ocean City (Ocean Series)
 June 30-Sea Colony (Ocean Series)
 July 9-USLA Regionals (Rehoboth)
 July 14-Dewey Beach (Ocean Series)
 July 16-USLA Regionals (Long Branch, NJ)
 July 21-Fenwick Ultimate (Ocean Series)
 July 21-USLA Regionals Jr. Lifeguard (Sea Girt, NJ)
 July 24- Rehoboth Lifeguard Olympics
 July 28- Bethany Beach (Ocean Series)
 July 30- All Women's (Sandy Hook)
 Aug. 4-Rehoboth Jr. Lifeguard
 Aug. 6-9- USLA Nationals (Virginia Beach, VA)
 Aug. 13-Middlesex (Ocean Series)

OCBPSRA Events



June 6—200M Sprint-Dorchester St.-0800hrs
 June 6—Paddleboard-Dorchester St.-0830hrs
 June 7—Quad Certification-HQ -1815hrs
 June 12— Beach Safety Presentation Training-Dorchester St.-1815hrs
 June 13— Run-Swim-Run-130th St.-1815hrs
 June 17—1 Mile Run-130th St.-1815 hrs.
 June 17—Landline-130th St.-1830 hrs.
 June 19—JBP Instructor Training-HQ-1830hrs
 June 20—1 Mile Swim-130th St.-1815hrs
 June 21—Jet Drive Certification-HQ-1815hrs
 June 22— Quad Certification-HQ -1815hrs
 June 22— Quad Re-certification-HQ -1815hrs
 June 23—2 Mile Run-130th St.-1815hrs
 June 25—JBP Instructor Training-HQ-1830hrs

Do You Remember? A Quick Refresher!

What do you do when a parent comes to you saying that his/her child is lost?

Get the child's name, age, trunk color, and tell the parent to stay with you until the child is found.

What do you put on an accident report?

Who? What? Where? When? Witness?

Do you need a leash when surfing is modified?

Yes!

Do we ever sit two guards to a stand?

Only during OJT

Do we ever use our cell phones to make or receive calls on the beach?

Never!

Do we ever use our cell phones to text on the beach?

Never!

Do we ever use our cell phones to check the time?

Never!



OCBP Question of the Week for The Worcester County Times

The Ocean City Beach Patrol is a division of the Department of Recreation and Parks in Ocean City, MD. The OCBP consists of over 200 men and women dedicated to ocean rescue and maintaining a safe and orderly environment along 10 miles of Ocean City's beautiful beaches. The Surf Rescue Technicians (SRTs) guard the beach seven days a week from 10 a.m. –5:30 p.m. While on duty they often get questions from beach goers. The following is our "Question of the Week." We hope sharing these questions and answers will help make your stay in Ocean City as safe and enjoyable as possible. Always remember, "Keep Your Feet in the Sand until the Lifeguards in the Stand." If you would like to submit a question, simply ask a lifeguard at his or her stand or email your question to ocbp@ococean.com.

When do the lifeguards (surf rescue technicians -SRTs) start guarding the beaches?

The Ocean City Beach Patrol starts guarding the 10 miles of beach the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend, May 24, 2014 and guard through Sunfest weekend, which is usually the third weekend in September.

You may see beach patrol activities around town before Memorial Day Weekend, but this is our Surf Rescue Academy where we are training our rookie personnel. Our first training academy begins Sunday, May 18, 2014 with an enrollment of 18 new employees, with a second academy beginning, Sunday, June 15, 2014 with a current enrollment of 25 and several more rookies that we will appoint following the June 7th pre-employment Physical Skills Evaluation testing.

The beach patrol is on duty every day from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. At 5:25 p.m., you will see the lifeguards signaling everyone out of the ocean. This is our way of letting the beach-goers know we are going off duty and they should cease all water-related activities until 10 a.m. the next day when lifeguards are back on duty. We continue our efforts to educate the public, warning them of the dangers of swimming on unguarded beaches, and that we do whatever it takes to make sure people leave the ocean before we make that last turn to the west, leaving our beaches for the night.

Remember our saying: "Keep Your Feet in the Sand until the Lifeguard's in the Stand." This is a reminder to never go in the ocean when the beach patrol is not on duty. Please help us have a safe 2014 season.

Meet the OCBP: Crew Chief Tom Lurie

Crew Chief Tom Lurie has been with the Beach Patrol for five years. He is in charge of Crew 6 which covers the beach from 26th Street to 34th Street. Tom is active as an instructor in the Junior Beach Patrol program and is a member of the OCBP Dive Team. He is also a United States Lifesaving Association member Tom also enjoys photography, playing lacrosse, surfing, and playing guitar. He is currently pursuing photography and film production jobs and has returned to Ocean City for another season after spending his winter in Hawaii.

CC Tom Lurie and the other lifeguards of the Ocean City Beach Patrol are glad to answer any of your beach and water safety questions.



A thank you note from Tom Shuster upon his retirement

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Dankie Gracias شكر
Спасибо Merci Takk
Köszönjük Terima kasih
Grazie Dziękujemy Děkojame
Đakujeme Vielen Dank Paldies
Kiitos Tänne teid 谢谢
Thank You Tak
感謝您 Obrigado Teşekkür Ederiz
Σας ευχαριστούμε 감사합니다
Bedankt Děkuje vám
ありがとうございます
Tack

Dear Butch and staff 9/13/2014
Thanks so much for the retirement gift of the Director Emeritus shirt and poster signed by the OCBP. I truly appreciate the honor and recognition. Thanks also for attending my retirement party. Debbie and I are so pleased you could join us for such a fun time!
See you on the Beach,
Best regards Tom



OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL MARYLAND CHAPTER OF THE UNITED STATES LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION

The United States Lifesaving Association (USLA) is America's nonprofit, professional association of beach lifeguards and open water rescuers. The USLA works to reduce the incidence of death and injury in the aquatic environment through public education, national lifeguard standards, training programs, promotion of high levels of lifeguard readiness and other means.

BENEFITS TO MEMBERS OF THE USLA INCLUDE:

- A one-year subscription to *American Lifeguard Magazine*... A \$12.00 value.
- Eligibility to compete in USLA Regional, National and World Lifeguard Competitions.
- Eligibility for USLA Regional, National, and International Lifeguard Exchange Programs.
- Membership in the only United States open water lifeguard association.
- Access to USLA regional and national programs and conferences.
- Access to USLA MD OCBP Chapter, USLA Regional and National Board of Directors meetings.
- Access to free USLA public educational materials, i.e. posters, bookmarks, stickers, etc.
- All members of the chapter can vote in annual chapter elections and professional members can run for office.
- Membership kit, including T-Shirt, Patch, and other items.
- Discounts at major USLA sponsors. See <http://www.usla.org> for a complete list.

The cost of membership is \$30.00.

Make checks payable to **OCBPMD USLA Chapter**.

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Permanent Address: _____

Male / Female

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

E-mail: _____@_____

Membership: **(circle one)** PROFESSIONAL* ALUMNI ASSOCIATE JUNIOR

(circle one) RENEWAL or INITIAL

Agency: **Ocean City Beach Patrol Maryland**

Chapter: **Ocean City Beach Patrol Maryland**

Region: **Middle Atlantic**

A PROFESSIONAL member is an employee of the Ocean City Beach Patrol and has worked a minimum of eight hours with the Ocean City Beach Patrol in the calendar year.



Payment Options

Current OC Beach Patrol employees:

_____(Initial) Yes, I would like to have \$30 deducted from my pay so that I may join the **Ocean City Beach Patrol Maryland Chapter of the United States Lifesaving Association**.

By Mail with a check to:

OCBPMDUSLA President
c/o Ocean City Beach Patrol
109 Dorchester St.
Ocean City, MD 21842

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