



OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

WEEKLY BULLETIN
WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2009 to JUNE 21, 2009

SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2009—Flag Day

WEEKLY MEETING:

- CREW CHIEF MEETING:** 0800hrs—SRA I-Week 3 Probationary Evaluations Due at 1600hrs
- 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:** 0850hrs
- GENERAL MEETING:** 0855hrs
- LIEUTENANTS' MEETING:** 0945hrs

Surf Rescue Academy III- Day 1: Drug test, paperwork, equipment issue, ID photo

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: Soon

Workout: Veteran Recertification starts Monday, June 22nd

Surfing Beaches: 55th St/135th St.

Tides: High: 2453hrs and 1322hrs
 Low: 0701hrs and 1912hrs

Special Events: Ocean City Air Show—16th St. Beach—1130hrs to 1530hrs

US Marine Corps Pull-Up Challenge- Dorchester St.—1100hrs to 1800hrs

OC Cruisers—Somerset Plaza—1500hrs to 1900hrs

Play It Safe Karaoke Competition—Dorchester St.—1800hrs

End of Day Procedure

All stands are required to be pulled back far enough so that at a high tide they will not be in the water and that it will be difficult for vandals to push the stands into the ocean. Once pulled back **ALL** stands must be laid down (not pushed over) on their side.

Workouts

All workouts taking place between 10:00 and 5:30 must remain in the area of the crew. At no time during any type of workout should you leave the area of your crew's coverage. Any workouts involving equipment must only occur with the permission of the Crew Chief and area supervisor. Any SRT using a paddleboard must be a second year SRT or have attended the "Paddle Board certification" (taking place in the near future).

	Monday 6/15/2009	Tuesday 6/16/2009	Wednesday 6/17/2009	Thursday 6/18/2009	Friday 6/19/2009	Saturday 6/20/2009	Sunday 6/21/2009	Crew
Daily Assignment								
								Totals
Rescues								
Preventative actions								
First Aids								

Extra Hours Available

Staff is needed for Camp Horizon, Scamper Camp, and Junior Beach Patrol. See the last page for more sign-up information.

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2009

Surf Rescue Academy III- Day 2: Sgt. Uebel--Coordinator of Training

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: Events start tomorrow!

Workout: Run

Surfing Beaches: Inlet/53rd St./133rd St.

Tides: High: 0138hrs and 1413hrs
Low: 0744hrs and 2007hrs

Special Events: *Play It Safe* Windsurfing—48th St. Water Sports Center—1000hrs
Play It Safe Kayak Relays—48th St. Water Sports Center—1600hrs
Ocean Series Paddleboard Event—N. Bethany Beach—1800hrs
Play It Safe Moonlight Bowling—Ocean Lanes—72nd St.—2100hrs
Play It Safe Miniature Golf—Old Pro Golf—68th St.—2130hrs

Sgt. Tim Uebel: Hometown Hero

With over 27 years of experience of saving countless lives in Ocean City with the Ocean City Beach Patrol, Sgt. Tim Uebel was chosen as our hometown hero to accompany the Thunderbirds in a flyover formation over the coast of Ocean City. This once in a lifetime experience took place on Thursday, June 12, 2009.

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2009

Surf Rescue Academy III: Day 3— Sgt. Uebel--Coordinator of Training

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: 800M Paddleboard—130th St.—0830hrs—Must be a second year or more veteran
Jet Drive Re-certification—Headquarters—1830hrs

Workout: Run

Surfing Beaches: Inlet /51st St. St./131st St.

Tides: High: 0228hrs and 1507hrs
Low: 0829hrs and 2104hrs

Special Events: *Play It Safe* Beach Volleyball Tournament—Talbot St.—1630hrs
Play It Safe Karaoke on the beach—Dorchester St.—1700hrs
Free Lifeguard Dinner—OC Baptist Church—1900hrs—First one this year!
Play It Safe Pancake Eating Contest—Happy Jack Pancake House—26th St.—2200hrs

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2009

Surf Rescue Academy III: Day 4— Sgt. Uebel--Coordinator of Training

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: 1Mile Run (8:00 Limit)—Dorchester St.—0830hrs

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet/49th St./129th St.

Tides: High: 0322hrs and 1603hrs
Low: 0916 and 2204hrs

Special Events: MD State Firemen's Assoc. 117th Convention and Parade—Inlet to 9th St./Balto. Ave—1300hrs
Play It Safe Miniature Golf—Maui Golf—57th St—1200hrs—1500hrs
Play It Safe 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament—OC Rec. & Parks—1900hrs
"Xstream Generation" Outreach—Talbot St. Beach—1900hrs to 2200hrs
Play It Safe Buccaneer's Booty Miniature Golf—146th St.—2100hrs—2300hrs

Important Reminder!

As representatives of the Town of Ocean City, the Ocean City Beach Patrol is committed to upholding the highest standards of employee conduct. Therefore, you are reminded that you are a representative of this organization and must conduct yourself as a model citizen at all times. This includes, but is not limited to, following all ordinances and laws at all times and not taking advantage of your position as a civil servant.

THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2009

Surf Rescue Academy III: Day 5— Sgt. Uebel--Coordinator of Training

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: Two-Person Rescue—27th St.—0830hrs
JBP Instructor Training—Headquarters—1830hrs

Workout: Swim

Surfing Beaches: Inlet/47th St./127th St.

Tides: High: 0418hrs and 1658hrs
Low: 1007hrs and 2304hrs

Special Events: *Play It Safe Slide 'n Ride & Miniature Golf*—65th St.—1600hrs—1800hrs

"Xstream Generation" Outreach—Talbot St. Beach—1900hrs to 2200hrs

Play It Safe Various Activities at the O.C. Health & Racquetball Club—61st St.—2100hrs to 2300hrs

Play It Safe Laser Tag/Mini Golf/Rock Climbing—Planet Maze—33rd St.—2300hrs to 0100hrs

Beachfest—A City-Wide Event

Lifeguard Paddleboard Competition

When: June 20th 1800hrs

Where: 40th Street and the beach.--after the surfing and bodyboarding comp.

Contact Rick Cawthern for more details
Prizes and certificates for competitors
and winners!

<http://www.oceancitybeachfest.com>

FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2009

Surf Rescue Academy III: Day 6— Sgt. Uebel--Coordinator of Training

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: 2 Mile Run—Carousel—0830hrs

Workout: Run

Surfing Beaches: Inlet/45th St./125th St.

Tides: High: 0515hrs and 1752hrs
Low: 1101hrs

Special Events: **Beachfest—Convention Center and Various Citywide locations**

US Marine Corps Pull-Up Challenge- Dorchester St.—1100hrs to 1800hrs

Play It Safe Tennis Tournament—OC Tennis Center—61st St.—1300hrs to 1500hrs

"Xstream Generation" Outreach—Talbot St. Beach—1900hrs to 2200hrs

Play It Safe Paintball and Tugos Pizza Eating Contest—Rte. 50--2100hrs

Annual Captain George A. Schoepf Memorial
Relay

Sunday, June 21, 2009
1000hrs

Run-Swim-Run Begins at 7th St.

Run South to Rockpile

Swim North to 146th St.

Run South to 7th St.

SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2009

Crew Chief Re-Qualification: Run & Swim—Inlet—0830hrs --(If unavailable, will test on veteran re-cert day).

Surf Rescue Academy III: 10:00 hrs: Qualifying Test: Ocean Test and Soft Sand Sprint

First Aid Certification—Beach Patrol Policies and Paperwork - Pay Scales – OCBPSRA Certifications

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Workout: Swim

Surfing Beaches: 43rd St. /123rd St.

Tides: High: 0610hrs and 1845hrs
Low: 2404hrs and 1156hrs

Special Events: **Beachfest—Convention Center and Various Citywide locations—OCBP Paddleboard—40th St—1800hrs**

ESA Surf Event—37th St.

Pro Beach East Volleyball Tour—Dorchester St.—0800hrs to 2000hrs

Arts Alive—Northside Park—0900hrs to 1800hrs

US Marine Corps Pull-Up Challenge- Dorchester St.—1100hrs to 1800hrs

SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2009— *Father's Day & the 1st Day of Summer & End of the Pay Period!*

Surf Rescue Academy III: On-the-Job-Training

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Opportunity to Compete: Captain Schoepf Memorial Relay—7th St.—1000hrs—All SRTs Participate!

Workout: Run

Surfing Beaches: 41st/121st St.

Tides: High: 0705hrs and 1939hrs
Low: 0101hrs and 1251hrs

Special Events: **Beachfest—Convention Center and Various Citywide locations—ESA Surf Event—37th St.**

Pro Beach East Volleyball Tour—Dorchester St.—0800hrs to 2000hrs

Arts Alive—Northside Park—0900hrs to 1700hrs

US Marine Corps Pull-Up Challenge- Dorchester St.—1100hrs to 1800hrs

MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2009

WEEKLY MEETING

CREW CHIEF MEETING: 0800hrs

SEMAPHORE TEST: 0820hrs

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

OFFICER MEETING: 0830hrs

GENERAL MEETING: 0850hrs

LIEUTENANTS' MEETING: 0945hrs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Veteran Recertification: Session I—Inlet—1000hrs with buoy and first aid kit. Syllabus includes run, swim, CPR/AED update, first aid/spinal cord management, physical skill reviews and special topics.

Note: Do not park at OCBP headquarters. Car-pool or ride the bus. Leave plenty of time to locate parking or drive to the Inlet. **A one-day parking permit will be issued to park in the Inlet lot. If you do not have the permit, you will be required to pay.** See the officer conducting the recert on your scheduled day for the permit. The training room will be open from 9:30 to 9:45 to secure your belongings.

Workout: Swim

Surfing Beaches: Inlet/39th St./119th St.

Tides: High: 0759hrs and 2034hrs

Low: 0155hrs and 1345hrs

TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2009

Veteran Re-certification: Session II— Inlet—1000hrs with buoy and first aid kit. Syllabus includes run, swim, CPR/AED update, first aid/spinal cord management, physical skill reviews, and special topics.

Note: No arrangements have been made for parking. Do not park at OCBP headquarters. Car-pool or ride the bus. Leave plenty of time to locate parking or drive to the Inlet and be prepared to pay. The training room will be open at 9:30 to 9:45 to secure your belongings.

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: Mile Swim (40:00 Limit)—0800hrs

Workout: Run

Surfing Beaches: Inlet/37th St./Fountainhead/High Point North

Tides: High: 0854hrs and 2128hrs

Low: 0247hrs and 1439hrs

OCBPSRA Events for Next Week	
June 24—Run-Swim-Run—0830hrs	
June 25—200M Soft Sand Sprint—0830hrs	
Quad Re-certification—1830hrs	

UPCOMING BEACH PATROL EVENTS

June 14-21	Surf Rescue Academy 2
June 16	OCBPSRA Paddleboard—130 th St.—0830hrs-(Veterans Only)
	OCBPSRA Jet Drive Re-certification-1830hrs
June 17	OCBPSRA Mile Run—Dorchester St.—0830hrs
June 18	OCBPSRA 2 Person Rescue—27 th St.—0830hrs
June 19	OCBPSRA 2 Mile Run—Carousel—0830hrs
June 18	JBP Instructor Training
June 20	CC Requalification
June 21	Captain Schoepf Relay Swim
June 22	Weekly Meeting Moves to Mondays--Convention Center
June 23	OCBPSRA Mile Swim—0800hrs
June 24	OCBPSRA Run-Swim-Run—0830hrs
June 25	OCBPSRA 200M Soft Sand Sprint—0830hrs
	OCBPSRA Quad Re-certification—1830hrs
June 22-27	Veteran Re-certification
June 26	Pay Day
June 30	Beach Safety Presentation—Children's Book Garden—West OC
July 1	14 th Annual OCBP Women's Dinner—Blue Ox
July 1&11&25	Veteran Re-certification
July 2	Rookie Graduation
July 6, 13, 20, 27	Beach Safety Seminars at OC Life-Saving Museum
July 8	Family Beach Olympics
July 12	Captain Craig Swim
July 18	Ironguard Relay
July 26	Mitch Maiorana Run Swim Run
August 3, 10, 17, 24	Beach Safety Seminars at OC Life-Saving Museum

2009 OCBP OFFICERS

Unit 2-Captain Butch Arbin
Unit 3-Lt. Mike Stone
Unit 4-Lt. Wes Smith
Unit 5-1st Lt. Skip Lee
Unit 6-Lt. Ward Kovacs
Unit 7-Sgt. Ryan Cowder
Unit 8-Sgt. Tim Uebel
Unit 9-Sgt. Ed Fisher
Unit 10-Sgt. Rick Cawthern
Unit 11-Sgt. Brent Weingard
Unit 13-Sgt. Jamie Falcon
Unit 15-Sgt. Colby Kauffman
Unit 16-Sgt. Josh Wasilewski
Unit 17-Sgt. Jeff Brabitz
Unit 18-Sgt. Nick Thompson
Unit 19-Sgt. Mat Postell

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Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events

MD Firemen's Parade	June 17	0700hrs to 1700hrs	Inlet to 9 th St.
Beachfest	June 19-21	Various times	Convention Center/Citywide
Pro Beach East Volleyball Tour	June 20-21	Dorchester St.	0800hrs to 2000hrs
Arts Alive	June 20-21	Northside Park	0900hrs to 1800hrs
Skateboard Competition	June 23	Ocean Bowl Skate Park	1500hrs to 1800hrs
Movies on the Beach	June 29	27 th St. Beach	1930hrs to 2230hrs
Family Bach Olympics	June 30	27 th St. Beach	1830hrs to 2030hrs
4th of July Fireworks	July 4	N. Division St./Northside Park	

Wounded Warriors

The Beach Patrol had a great time with the wounded warriors on June 10th. Aimee Bachman and Don Wann volunteered their time, Jessica and Misty helped as SBFs, and Paul Mullan came to take pictures. I worked with a Green Beret who was the first American soldier in Afghanistan. His doctors told him "no more!" after the third time he got "blown up" in combat. He stood up on a wave on one of our paddleboards and had a great time. Aimee taught his kids how to body board and surf. CC Stokes had his crew help out as their work out breaks.

Lt Kovacs

Stats To Date		Week 2	5/25/09-5/31/09
Action	2009	2008	2007
Preventions	1049	365	889
Rescues	11	12	9
Minor First Aid	18	6	17
Ambulance Calls	2	0	2
Police Calls	3	3	1
USCG/MDNRP	1	0	0
Lost/Found Persons	2	4	7

Crew	2009 Crew Chiefs	Assistant Crew Chiefs
1	Ben Davis	Kevin Johnson
2	Steve Fowler	Liz Vander Clute
3	Randy Wheeler	Dana Zuiderhof
4	Billy Spencer	Jeff Fellman
5	Alex Desy	Kalani Linnell
6	Jason Konyar	Jess Crone
7	Tommy Spencer	Nick McClaeb
8	Dustin Stokes	Tom Everett
9	James McVey	Jud Fox Jr.
10	Erin Sammon	Damien Sanzotti
11	Mark Muller	Charlie Swartz
12	Steve DeKemper	Tommy Hammond
13	Dave Haight	Brian Cardile
14	Adam Atwood	Jonathan Clouser
15	Travis Wagner	Dan Pogonowski
16	Garrett Lee	Shane Neumann
17	Jake Foy	Jason Lippman
18	Aly Hammond	

Tides for Ocean City Inlet-June 15, 2009 to June 22, 2009

Day	High Low	Tide Time	Height Feet	Sunrise Sunset	Moon Time Rise Set	% Moon Visible
M 15	High	1:38 AM	2.1	5:36 AM	Rise 12:35 AM	60
15	Low	7:44 AM	0.5	8:26 PM	Set 12:49 PM	
15	High	2:13 PM	2.1			
15	Low	8:07 PM	0.6			
Tu 16	High	2:28 AM	2.1	5:36 AM	Rise 12:58 AM	50
16	Low	8:29 AM	0.4	8:26 PM	Set 1:51 PM	
16	High	3:07 PM	2.2			
16	Low	9:04 PM	0.5			
W 17	High	3:22 AM	2.0	5:36 AM	Rise 1:24 AM	40
17	Low	9:16 AM	0.3	8:26 PM	Set 2:56 PM	
17	High	4:03 PM	2.4			
17	Low	10:04 PM	0.5			
Th 18	High	4:18 AM	1.9	5:36 AM	Rise 1:52 AM	30
18	Low	10:07 AM	0.2	8:27 PM	Set 4:05 PM	
18	High	4:58 PM	2.6			
18	Low	11:04 PM	0.4			
F 19	High	5:15 AM	2.0	5:37 AM	Rise 2:26 AM	20
19	Low	11:01 AM	0.1	8:27 PM	Set 5:17 PM	
19	High	5:52 PM	2.8			
Sa 20	Low	12:04 AM	0.1	5:37 AM	Rise 3:08 AM	12
20	High	6:10 AM	2.0	8:27 PM	Set 6:31 PM	
20	Low	11:56 AM	-0.1			
20	High	6:45 PM	3.0			
Su 21	Low	1:01 AM	0.0	5:37 AM	Rise 4:00 AM	5
21	High	7:05 AM	2.1	8:27 PM	Set 7:41 PM	
21	Low	12:51 PM	-0.2			
21	High	7:39 PM	3.1			
M 22	Low	1:55 AM	-0.1	5:37 AM	Rise 5:04 AM	1
22	High	7:59 AM	2.1	8:28 PM	Set 8:44 PM	
22	Low	1:45 PM	-0.4			
22	High	8:34 PM	3.2			

A Reminder Regarding the Stand After Hours Procedure

Butch, will you please ask your guards to pull the lifeguard stands back on the beach more. We are getting several calls from the Police that they are in the water. We get these early in the morning and late at night. I know the kids may have something to do with this but some of the calls happen before the kids got in town. Thanks Have a safe summer.

Bruce Gibbs, Superintendent
Public Works Maintenance

Division Reminder: One of the responsibilities of all Sergeants and Crew Chiefs is to make sure that all stands have been pulled back before leaving the beach.. Sergeants should remain on the beach till 5:35--Crew Chiefs: Until all stands in your crew have been pulled back.

THIS IS NOT A CHANGE

Swim Coach Position

Anyone interested in coaching swimming at Sea Colony this summer? The hours are mornings from 7-9 A. M. and one night per week for meets.
Contact Jen Neal @ Sea Colony Fitness or Kim Allison at 302 542-4382



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 who are dedicated to ocean rescue and to maintaining a safe and orderly environment along the 10.5 miles of Ocean City's beautiful beaches. The Surf Rescue Technicians (SRTs) guard the beach seven days a week from 10:00 a.m. –5:30 p.m. While on duty, they often get questions from beach patrons. 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 Lifeguard's 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.

Last Week's Question : Why do the lifeguards make people leave the beach when it is just thundering or a little bit of lightning?

The Ocean City Beach Patrol is in constant contact with the weather service and is aware of the current weather situation at all times. Many times the weather condition varies from one end of Ocean City to the other. It can be sunny and mild in the south by the boardwalk and lightening and showers just 9 miles north. In fact there are many documented cases throughout the country of people being hit by lightning while the sun is shining (called a bolt from the blue). The Beach Patrol is not only in constant contact with the weather service but they have constant communication with each other up and down the beach as well. The Beach Patrol, like other modern emergency services relies on two-way radio systems. However they still use 2 systems that do not rely on any technology: whistle blasts and semaphore. The Beach Patrol's primary concern is your safety and will clear the beaches if they are not safe. There have been at least ten documented cases of people who have been struck by lightning while on the beach (not in the water) and several have been killed in the past 35 years on an Ocean City beach. While vacationing on the beaches in OC you may or may not notice the lifeguards communicating with each other but please heed their warnings and leave the beach if asked to do so even if you do not see lightening. Due to constant monitoring of the weather and their communication systems, they are aware of dangers that you might not be able to see. A beach is listed as one of the most vulnerable places to be during an electrical storm according to weather researchers.

This Week's Question : I heard a lifeguard blowing his whistle and, when I looked toward him, he seemed to be waving flags at me, but I didn't understand what he was doing. There were people out in the water a lot farther than I was. Why would he want me to come in?

The members of the Ocean City Beach Patrol are trained to spot rip currents and many other hazards in the ocean that may cause a threat to the safety of swimmers. They are organized into crews of SRTs, with each crew responsible for guarding a particular section of beach. These crews do not rotate or change areas. While the same guard may not be on the same stand every day, a guard who knows that area will be on the stand. One of the primary tasks of an SRT is to try to move swimmers away from dangerous areas before they become panicked or tired. Guards blow their whistles in the direction of the swimmers at risk and, after getting their attention, they try to direct the swimmers to a safe area. In this way, the SRTs are just like police officers directing traffic. They use one arm to point swimmers in a direction, and the other is used in some form of circular motion to encourage them to keep moving. Guards will continue the rotation motion until everyone is out of the hazardous area. Many times we need to move people just a few feet but other times we have to move them 5-15 yards. Sometimes swimmers think that we are trying to talk to them in our flag language (semaphore). We know most people can't read semaphore, just as we understand that most swimmers cannot identify a rip current when they are in one. It only follows naturally then that most will not be able to tell when they are out of danger. It is important that swimmers continue moving in the direction that the guard is pointing until the guard stops motioning with the flags. If they stop before they are out of the rip current, they will be pulled farther from shore, quickly tire, and be in need of rescue. Our first priority is to keep all beach patrons safe, but we cannot control the ocean. When hazards exist where people are swimming, it is our job to guide them out of harm's way or, when necessary, to swim out and assist them back to safety. Our job is made easier when we have their patience, understanding and assistance. Remember, if you hear a whistle, take the time to stop what you are doing and look toward the SRT who is attempting to get someone's attention: It may be you! If you need help, wave your arms over your head, indicating to the SRT (lifeguard) that you need his or her assistance.

OCBP Surf Rescue Association – Price List

Please bring the exact amount of money
Water Bottles \$10.00
Travel Coffee Mugs \$10.0
Whistles \$5.00
Lanyards \$6.00
Buoy Key Chains \$4.0
Car window sticker Ocean City Beach Patrol \$2.00
Beach Patrol Logo Tattoos \$.25
Grey or White Ringer T-Shirts \$10.00
Sweatshirts adult \$30.00
Child \$25.00
Captain Craig T-Shirts \$10.00
Iron Guard T-shirts from 2003 and 2004 \$5.00
Hats – 1 for \$6.00 or 2 for \$10.00
Swim Cap 1for \$8.00/ 2 for \$15.00

14th Annual OCBP Women's Dinner

Who: All OCBP SRTs, SBFs, & Secretaries
When: Wednesday, July 1,2009 at 1830hrs
Where: The Blue Ox Restaurant-126th St.
What: Buffet Dinner
Cost: \$20.00 includes gratuity and soft drinks
(Pay at the restaurant that night)
RSVP: Fill out this form and return to Colby by the Monday morning meeting on6/29

Reservation for the 14th Annual Women's Dinner

Name: _____ will attend the dinner at the The Blue Ox on 7/1/09 at 6:30 PM.

The Captain Schoepf Relay
Sunday June 21, 2009 10:00 A.M.

Captain Schoepf served as Captain of the Ocean City Beach Patrol from 1986-1997. In 1950, George Schoepf applied for a position on the OCBP and was thoroughly tested by Captain Craig. After serving admirably for a couple of years, Schoepf was advanced to Sergeant and then to Lieutenant. Ocean City had grown by expanding the city limits from 15th Street to 24th Street, then to 41st Street, and finally to the Delaware State line--a distance of ten and a half miles. Obviously, the Patrol had to be increased in order to cover the additional distances and greater influx of visitors. Additional supervision was also needed. With the approval of the Mayor and City Council, a new position was created to be designated "Assistant to the Captain." George Schoepf was appointed to this new position. When Craig retired, the Mayor and City Council then appointed Schoepf as Captain of the OCBP. It was his idea to divide the Patrol into crews. The idea of an annual crew competition was also Captain Schoepf's. The competition created public relations with the visitors who had a chance to see the various running and swimming abilities of the guards. In 1964, a professional organization was formed dedicated to lifesaving. Captain Schoepf was given the complete responsibility for setting up and running the OCBP USLA chapter championships, and he did the job extremely well.

Every year, in honor of his many years of service to the OCBP, a relay is held in which a classic aluminum rescue buoy is passed along the beach. The direction of the relay is directly reliant on the prevailing ocean current on the morning of the relay. Sergeants and Crew Chiefs cover each stand as each SRT takes a turn running the buoy toward the inlet where the SRT enters the water with the buoy at the South Rocks. The Sergeants and Crew Chiefs again cover each stand as the buoy makes its way north in the Atlantic Ocean. Each SRT swims out to meet the buoy in the water and an in-water exchange is made. The SRT then swims his/her block(s) in the Ocean before again passing the buoy in the water. This continues for the entire 10.5 miles coastline of Ocean City, MD. Once the buoy reaches the north boundary line of Ocean City at 146th Street, it is swum out of the water and onto the beach to travel south along the beach again. Each SRT runs the buoy through his/her area until it reaches its starting point back at Captain Schoepf's old stand on 7th Street. This honorary relay is held annually in June. It is only open to the Ocean City Beach Patrol as well as anyone who has worked for the Beach Patrol in the past. This event takes place during the regular workday, and visitors to Ocean City enjoy watching this relay as it travels up the beach.



From: Jill Collins
Sent: Fri 6/12/2009 11:04 AM
To: ocbp@ococean.com
Cc: ward.collins@cj.state.de.us
Subject: Compliment

Good morning,
I would like to compliment your lifeguards who were on duty on 67th street yesterday. We were there for an end of the year party for Most Blessed Sacrament School. There were approximately 40-50 children in our group. Your guards took the time twice to educate our children on the dangers of the rip currents. They pulled them into a group and spoke in kid-friendly language and in a non-threatening tone. I know that this was going beyond their "normal" duties and I wanted them to be commended for going above and beyond. If you would please forward this message to those young men I would appreciate it. I hope they continue to educate visitors and encourage swimmers to respect the ocean.
Thank you for your time.



Ocean City Beach Patrol

Ocean City, Maryland

Order Your Ocean City Beach Patrol Jacket Today!!

Please fill out the form below if you are interested in ordering a Beach Patrol jacket. These forms **MUST** be turned into me by Sunday, June 14th as I will be placing the order on Monday, June 15th. The jackets usually take 4-5 weeks. If you are unsure of what size you want, check with a veteran guard and see if you can try one on. They tend to run a little smaller in the arms.

Name: _____ Crew # _____

If you would like your name on the jacket, please specify what name:

Color: Red (SRT) _____ Yellow (SBF) _____

Size: Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ XL _____ 2XL _____

Cost of the jacket is \$95. Checks can be made out to OCBPSRA.

Please check here if you would like to have this item pay roll deducted from your paycheck: _____

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

If you have any questions please contact Sergeant Kauffman, Unit 15

Thank you!



Ocean City Beach Patrol

Request for Special Duties: Junior Beach Patrol, Scamper Camp, Camp Horizon 2009

Name:(First) _____ (Last) _____

Crew _____ Assignment _____

Junior Beach Patrol is a four-day program that runs from Tuesday to Friday; in addition, a one-day clinic is offered on Thursday afternoons during each week of the program. Participants for all sections are 10-17 years old.

Are you willing to work your day off for Junior Beach Patrol? YES ___ NO ___
Are you willing to work JBP on a day that you are already scheduled to sit a stand? YES ___ NO ___
Are you willing to work all four days of the Junior Beach Patrol? YES ___ NO ___
Are you willing to work the one-day seminar on Thursday afternoons? YES ___ NO ___

Circle each four-day academy session that you are willing to work. Thursday's duties include the afternoon clinic session, which is run from 1500hrs to 1700hrs. Check the days of the week that you prefer to work. No day is guaranteed but efforts will be made to accommodate all requests. Actual work hours extend past the camp and clinic hours to allow for clean up.

JBP Four Day Academy 0800hrs- 1100hrs

Academy (A) July 7-10 Tues.____ Wed.____ Thurs. (2 sessions)____ Fri.____
Academy (B) July 14-17 Tues.____ Wed.____ Thurs. (2 sessions)____ Fri.____
Academy (C) July 21-24 Tues.____ Wed.____ Thurs. (2 sessions)____ Fri.____
Academy (D) July 28-July 31 Tues.____ Wed.____ Thurs. (2 sessions)____ Fri.____
Academy (E) Aug. 4-7 Tues.____ Wed.____ Thurs. (2 sessions)____ Fri.____
Academy (F) Aug. 11-14 Tues.____ Wed.____ Thurs. (2 sessions)____ Fri.____

Scamper Camp and Camp Horizon are beach days for members of the Ocean City Recreation and Parks camp program. Participants are 3-12 years old. Scamper Camp is the morning session for the younger campers, and Camp Horizon is the afternoon session for the older members. Each camp will include an emphasis on beach safety. The last session of the summer will be an all day beach day for Camp Horizon on Wednesday, August 5.

Are you willing to work your day off for Camp Horizon/Scamper Camp? YES ___ NO ___

Camp Horizon 1145hrs to 1515hrs

Scamper Camp—0945hrs to 1145hrs

Check each day that you are willing to work.

Thurs. June 24w/B.S.S.____
Wed. July 1____
Thurs. July 8____
Wed. July 15____
Wed. July 16____
Wed. July 22____
Wed. July 29____
Wed. Aug 5____ *All Day*

Thurs. July 1w/B.S.S.____
Wed. July 15____
Wed. July 29____

Requested By _____ Date _____

Reviewed By Crew Chief _____ Date _____

Reviewed By Sergeant _____ Date _____