



OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

WEEK OF JUNE 5, 2016 to JUNE 12, 2016



SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2016

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

CC 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: Last Day of Supervised Probation Rotation 1-PSRTs assigned to crews

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: : Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet (Conditional) / 35th St. / 114th St. (High Point North)

Tides: High: 0811hrs

Low: 1418hrs

Special Events:

OC Beach Lights- Inlet- 2130hrs, 2200hrs, & 2230hrs

Play It Safe Karaoke- Dorchester St. Boardwalk- 1800hrs to 2000hrs



SPECIAL NOTES ABOUT CONVENTION CENTER MEETINGS

1. Do not park on Convention Center Drive
2. Do not park in the loading dock of the Convention Center
3. Meetings begin promptly at 0830hrs
4. Always be in uniform
5. Clean up your trash before leaving
6. Drive responsibly to your assignment

	Monday 6/5/2016	Tuesday 6/6/2016	Wednesday 6/7/2016	Thursday 6/8/2016	Friday 6/9/2016	Saturday 6/10/2016	Sunday 6/11/2016	Crew
Daily Assignment								
								Totals
Rescues								
Preventative actions								
First Aids								





MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2016

Officer in Charge- Lieutenant Kovacs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: : Swim Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 33rd St. / 111th St. (Capri)

Tides: High: 0904hrs
Low: 1509hrs

Special Events: Maryland Torch Run- 27th St. to N. Division St- 0800hrs
Play It Safe Stand-up Paddle Boarding - 48th St. Water Sports Center - 1000hrs to 1200hrs
Play It Safe Kayaking- 48th St. Water Sports Center- 1630hrs to 1800hrs
Play It Safe Moonlight Bowling- Ocean Lanes - 72nd St.- 2100hrs
Play It Safe Miniature Golf -Old Pro Golf- 68th St - 2100hrs to 2400hrs

TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 2016

Officer in Charge: Lt. Ward Kovacs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 31st St. / 102nd St. (Mid Atlantis)

Tides: High: 0956hrs
Low: 1600hrs

Special Events: *Play It Safe Miniature Golf- Jurassic Golf-146th St- 1300hrs- 1500hrs*
Play It Safe Beach Volleyball Tournament- 3rd St.- 1630hrs
Play It Safe Karaoke on the beach- 3rd St.- 1730hrs

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2016

Officer in Charge: Lt. Ward Kovacs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: Swim Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

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

Tides: High: 1047hrs
Low: 1652hrs

Special Events: *Play It Safe Miniature Golf- Maui Golf-57th St- 1200hrs- 1500hrs*
Play It Safe 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament- Northside Park- 1900hrs
Movies on the Beach- *Aladdin (Vintage movie)- Carousel Hotel- 118th St.- 2030hrs*

THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2016

Officer in Charge: Lt. Ward Kovacs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

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

Tides: High: 1139hrs
Low: 1747hrs

Special Events: *Play It Safe Splash Mountain Waterpark-Jolly Roger- 1400hrs to 1600hrs*
Play It Safe Dodgeball- Northside Park- 125th St.- 1900hrs to 2100hrs
Play It Safe Laser Tag/Mini Golf- Planet Maze- 33rd St.- 2200hrs to 2400hrs

2016 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. Travis Wagner
- Unit 12- Sgt. Brent Weingard
- Unit 13- Sgt. Jamie Falcon
- Unit 15- Sgt. Colby Phillips
- Unit 16- Sgt. Damien Sanzotti
- Unit 17- Sgt. Jeff Brabitz
- Unit 18- Sgt. Ben Davis
- Unit 19- Sgt. Mat Postell
- Unit 20- Sgt. Jason Konyar

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- Debi Tyler
- Stella Malone

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FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 2016

Officer in Charge: Lt. Ward Kovacs.

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: Swim Day— Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 25th St. / 93rd St.

Tides: High: 1231hrs

Low: 1843hrs

Special Events: *Play It Safe Tennis Tournament- OC Tennis Center- 61st St.- 1300hrs to 1500hrs*



SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 2016

Pre-Employment Physical Skills Evaluation-Dorchester St.-1000hrs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: Quad Certification & Recert- OCBP Training Room- 1830hrs

Opportunity to Compete: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 23rd St. / 91st St.

Tides: High: 1326hrs

Low: 0727hrs

Special Events: **OC Air Show- 14th St.- 1000hrs to 1600hrs**

Play It Safe Tye Dye T-Shirt Design-OC Art League- 94thSt- 1000hrs

Play It Safe Pizza Eating Contest- Pizza Tugos- 116th St.- 1400hrs- 1st 25 guys & girls

Annual Captain George A. Schoepf Memorial Relay
Sunday, June 12, 2016
Run-Swim-Run
Begins at 7th St.-1000hrs
Run South to Inlet rock pile
Swim North to 146th St.
Run South to 7th St.



SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2016- End of the Pay Period!

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

CREW CHIEF MEETING WITH AREA SERGEANTS: 800hrs

FULL CREW CHIEF MEETING: 0815hrs

SEMAPHORE TEST: 0820hrs—REQUIRED TO PASS PROBATIONARY STAGE

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Mandatory Daily Workout: Swim Day— Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Opportunity to Compete: Captain Schoepf Memorial Relay Run-Swim-Run-7th St- 1000hrs

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 21st St. / 89th St.

Tides: High: 1423hrs

Low: 0816hrs

Special Events: **OC Air Show- 14th St.- 1000hrs to 1600hrs**

Play It Safe Karaoke- Dorchester St- 1800hrs to 2000hrs

Play It Safe Trimmer’s Roller Coaster- Boardwalk- 2000hrs to 2200hrs

Beach Lights Spectacular- N. Division St.- 2130hrs, 2200hrs, & 2230hrs

Important Reminder

As representatives of the Town of Ocean City, the Ocean City Beach Patrol members are committed to upholding the highest standards of employee conduct; therefore, you are reminded that as a representative of our organization, you 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.



MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2016

Officer in Charge: Lt. Ward Kovacs.

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: Swim Day— Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Opportunity to Compete: Next Monday, June 24th

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 19th St. / 87th St.

Tides: High: 0701hrs

Low: 1310hrs

Special Events: MD State Firemen's Association Convention—0900hrs to 1600hrs

Play It Safe Stand-up Paddle Boarding- 48th St. Water Sports Center-1000hrs to 1200hrs

Play It Safe Kayak Relays- 48th St. Water Sports Center- 1600hrs

Play It Safe Moonlight Bowling- Ocean Lanes- 72nd St.- 2100hrs

Play It Safe Miniature Golf- Old Pro Golf- 68th St- 2200hrs

UPCOMING 2016 BEACH PATROL EVENTS

June 5	Weekly Meeting- Convention Center
June 11	OCBPSRA Pre-Employment Ocean Test- Dorchester St.-1000hrs
June 12	Captain Schoepf Relay Swim
June 17	Pay Day
June 19	SRA II Registration-HQ-0900hrs
June 20-25	Surf Rescue Academy II
June 20	Weekly Meeting Moves to Mondays- Convention Center
June 22	Women's Dinner
June 25	Crew Chief Recertification-0830hrs
June 28-July 2, July 5 & 9	Veteran Re-certification
June 30	Rookie Graduation- 0730hrs
July 2	SRA II Supper Seminar- Training Room--1830hrs
July 9	OCBP Group Picture Day
July 9	Captain Craig Swim
July 13	USLA Mid-Atlantics (noncrafts)-Rehoboth Beach, DE
July 20	USLA Mid-Atlantics (crafts)-Spring Lake, NJ
July 30	Crew Comps

Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events

Play It Safe Events	May 31-June 14	Various Times and Places	www.playitsafeoceancity.com
Longboard Team Challenge	June 10-12	0800hrs -1700hrs	37 th St.
Sand Duels Beach Soccer Challenge	June 11-12		
OC Air Show	June 18-19	1200hrs	16 th St & Boardwalk
MD Firemen's Parade	June 22	1300hrs	Inlet to 9 th St.
Ocean Games/Swim Ocean City	July 16	0800hrs	Caroline St.

Stats To Date Week 1	5/23/16-5/29/16	5/25/15-5/31/15	5/26/14-6/1/14
Action			
Preventions	566	2006	1242
Rescues	9	44	87
Minor First Aid	25	23	28
Ambulance Calls	0	1	0
Police Calls	0	1	5
USCG/MDNRP	0	0	5
Lost/Found Persons	0	0	1
Beach Wheelchairs	0	1	9



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Crew	2016 Crew Chiefs	2016 ACCs
1	Will Gray	Jarred Sears
2	Matt Wojciechowski	Cate Calogero
3	Josh Wilder	Alex Siegel
4	Emmanuelle Clouser	Antoine Bernier
5	Paul Vassalotti	Tucker Lurie
6	Jacob Ritter	Tyler Wocjehowski
7	Kevin Johnson	Daniel Lurie
8	Jon Clouser	Zachary Wyatt
9	Bryan Clark	Tyler Fink
10	Harrison Fisher	Chris Kopchak
11	Travis Sevier	Hailey Wolfersberger
12	Steve DeKemper	Will Wilkinson
13	Andrew Padley	Adam Payne
14	A.J. Smith	Tim Jackson
15	David Krabbe	Michael Brockmeyer
16	Kelly McGrath	Matthew Marx
17	Jake Foy	C.J. Lacasse
19	Diana Theobald	Sasha Mary Ratcliff

USLA 2016 COMPETITION SCHEDULE



Mid Atlantics (non-craft) Rehoboth, DE – July 13, 2016 @ 10:00 AM
 Mid Atlantics (crafts) Silver Lake, NJ – July 20, 2016 @ 11:00 AM
 Mid Atlantic Junior Guard – Sea Girt, NJ – July 27, 2016 @ 11:00 AM
 USLA Nationals - Hermosa Beach, CA - August 11-13, 2016
 All Women's – Sandy Point State Park, NJ – TBD)

Pick Up Softball

Games will be played every Monday right after work (1800/1830 hrs) at Northside Park. If you have your own glove, please bring it. If you have extra equipment please bring it.

Contact Travis Sevier for more info.



OCBP Surf Rescue Association – Price List

- Whistles \$6.00
- Lanyards \$6.00
- Buoy Key Chains \$4.00
- Car window sticker Ocean City Beach Patrol—\$2.00
- OCBP Stickers—Small--\$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00
- Large—\$3.00 or 2 for \$5.00
- Grey or white Short-sleeve T-Shirt—\$10.00
- Grey Long-sleeve T-shirts—\$15.00
- Grey Sweatshirts—\$25.00
- Grey Sweatpants—\$20.00
- Tie-Dyed T-shirts- \$15.00
- Swim Caps -\$5.00
- OCBP Big White Towels -\$11.00/2 for \$20.00
- OCBP Socks- \$11.00/2 for \$20.00



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OCBP Question of the Week for The Worcester County Times

The Ocean City Beach Patrol is a division of the Emergency Services Department 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@oceancitymd.gov.

Last Week's Question of the Week: I heard a lifeguard telling a friend that the OCBP was having another test for lifeguards for this summer on Saturday, June 4, 2016. What does testing mean and what can I expect if I pass the test?

Because of the unique demands of the job, the Beach Patrol does not require or recognize certification or past experience with other agencies. All individuals seeking employment with the Ocean City Beach Patrol must successfully complete all aspects of a 10 phase pre-employment physical skills evaluation. Testing for the OCBP is offered in Ocean City and occasionally at select off-site locations if needed. Once a candidate passes the physical skills test and a personal interview, he/she is appointed to a paid (\$13.29 per hour) Surf Rescue Academy. The academy is 68 hours of training including physical skills, classroom instruction and on the job training with a supervisor. Training consists of all aspects of surf rescue and first responder skills. After passing a mandatory drug test and successfully completing Surf Rescue Academy, rookie Surf Rescue Technicians are assigned 3 weeks of supervised probation (with a written review each week) where additional training will take place.

The next on-site test in Ocean City will be June 4th. If interested please register on-line and check-in beginning at 10 A.M. at Dorchester Street on the Boardwalk. We began testing for this season last August and held two tests in Ocean City before Labor day and additionally held three off-site tests (away from Ocean City including one in York, PA). Successful candidates had a choice of two Surf Rescue Training Academies with the first taking place prior to Memorial Day. It is important that anyone hoping to secure a position for 2016, try-out this Saturday June 4th. Although we may schedule another test in June, recent experience has shown that we might not need to hold any further tests for this summer season.

With a national lifeguard shortage, we work year round to assure that we have 100% of our positions filled each year. Many other local governments and beach patrols have to close pools, close beaches or reduce coverage during transition times both in opening up the season and closing down the season. This is due to the fact that most of the lifeguards are still in school or have jobs in a school system. Therefore, we will be targeting employees who have late August and September availability.

We encourage anyone interested in becoming a Surf Rescue Technician (lifeguard) to speak to the lifeguard on your beach, go to our website or contact Beach Patrol Head Quarters (410- 289-7556) and register for a specific testing opportunity. For specifics on requirements, test locations, dates, and times, please refer to our website www.ococean.com/ocbp and click on the "Employment" button or email ocbp@ococean.com.

This Week's Question Week 3: What are the different whistle blasts used for?

While vacationing on the beaches in Ocean City you may notice a surf rescue technician (SRT) blowing his or her whistle. The sound produced by a SRT's whistle tells the surrounding guards as well as beach patrons what is going on. One whistle blast means the lifeguard wants your attention. If you hear the lifeguard blow his whistle you should look at him to see if he is attempting to tell you something whether you are in the water or on the beach. Even if you are "sure" that they are not talking to you, they may see or know something that you do not. He may be indicating that you need to move out of potential danger, such as rip currents, dangerous shorebreak or even marine life that we often see in the summer such as whale sightings and dolphin pods. The guard could also be letting you know that you are breaking a rule. Two whistle blasts indicate that the lifeguard has made the decision that he needs to leave the stand to intervene in a beach emergency or a water rescue. These two whistle blasts will also initiate the back-up coverage system and will involve SRTs from several surrounding locations. In a severe emergency a lifeguard will blow three whistles and this is an indication that there is a life and death situation and that they need immediate back up and assistance. Although by today's technology standards, the whistle may seem prehistoric, the response it initiates brings the most up to date communication and life-saving equipment to the scene. Because this signaling device is so critical to our rescue and response system it is the only piece of required uniform other than the SRT's bathing suit. It is worn at all times and ready to be used both on the beach and in the ocean.

Meet the lifeguard: Crew Chief Jonathan Clouser

The lifeguard's of the Ocean City Beach Patrol are glad to answer any of your beach and water safety questions.

Jon Clouser has worked for the beach Patrol for 13 years. He is the Crew Chief of crew 8 and sits the stand on 48th Street.. His area of responsibility is 45th Street through 52nd Street. He participates in Junior Beach Patrol, softball and hockey.

Jon enjoys a very physical outdoor lifestyle which includes surfing, bicycle riding, Ultimate Frisbee, snowboarding, getting caught in the rain and long walks on the beach.

In the off season he lives in Pennsylvania with his wife (who is also a Beach Patrol Crew Chief). He teaches swimming, weight training, health and physical education in a large urban high school. He also coaches wrestling and volleyball for the school.





Annual Captain George A. Schoepf Memorial Relay
Sunday, June 12, 2016

Run-Swim-Run Begins at 7th St. 1000hrs
Run South to Inlet Rockpile Swim North to 146th St. Run South to 7th St.

Captain Schoepf served as Captain of the Ocean City Beach Patrol from 1987-1996; although his leadership role on the beach patrol was quite extensive, beginning with his appointment as "Assistant" to Captain Craig in the late 1960s. Every year in June, in honor of his many years of service to the OCBP a relay is held where a classic steel rescue buoy is passed along by alumni guards and current lifeguards. The relay begins at 7th street, Captain Schoepf's old stand and Street, with a run to the end of Ocean City followed by a swim the entire length of Ocean City where it is swam back into the beach and run back to the starting point at 7th street. The direction of the relay is contingent on the direction of the ocean current on the morning of the relay. Sergeants and crew chiefs on quads cover each stand as each SRT takes a turn running or swimming the buoy along the beach toward the inlet or the Delaware line (depending on the current that day). This honorary relay begins with a prayer and has been led off by various people that have been influenced by Captain Schoepf such as his daughter, his wife, as well as former beach patrol members that served under him. This relay is open to the Ocean City Beach Patrol as well as anyone that has worked for the beach patrol in the past or has a personal connection to Captain Schoepf. The relay takes place during the regular workday beginning at 10:00 am. Visitors to Ocean City have enjoyed watching this relay as the vintage buoy travels up the beach and then back down in the ocean with the many exchanges along the way. It usually takes approximately 5 hours for the buoy to make the full circle from 7th Street and back.

Background Information on Captain Schoepf:

In 1950 George Schoepf applied for a job and was tested thoroughly by Captain Craig. After serving admirably for a couple of years, he was advanced to Sergeant, 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 miles. Obviously, the Patrol had to be increased 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" It was his idea to divide the Patrol into crews. The idea of an annual crew competition was also Captain Schoepf's. The competition was good public relations with the visitors who had a chance to see the various abilities of the guards in running and swimming. In 1980 the Ocean City Beach Patrol formed a local chapter of the United States Life Saving Association. Three years later under the direction of chapter president George Schoepf, the Ocean City chapter began hosting regional life guarding competitions. Captain Schoepf was given the complete responsibility for setting up and running the USLA Mid-Atlantic Championships and he did the job extremely well. When Craig retired in 1987, Schoepf was appointed Captain by the Mayor and City Council. He served the Town of Ocean City well for over 40 years.

<i>Location</i>	<i>Phone</i>	<i>Insurance</i>	<i>X-Ray</i>	<i>Hours</i>
West OC Injury & Illness Center	410-213-0119	Yes	Yes	Mon-Fri 8am – 6pm Sat-Sun 8am – 6pm
Your Doc's In	410-210-2598	Yes	Yes	Mon-Fri 8am – 8pm Sat-Sun 8am – 6 pm
10 th Street (Townsend) Medical Center	410-289-0065	Major Insurance	Yes	8am – 6pm every day
75 th Street Medical Center	410-524-0075	No	Yes	8am – Midnight every day



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Please fill out the form below if you are interested in ordering a Beach Patrol jacket. These forms **MUST** be turned into me **NO LATER THAN Monday, June 6th**. 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 _____ 2X (\$2.00 more) _____

Cost of the jacket is \$100.00. Checks can be made out to OCBPSRA.

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

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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

Thank you!