



OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

WEEKLY BULLETIN
WEEK OF JUNE 12, 2016 to JUNE 20, 2016

SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2016- End of the Pay Period!- 1st Lt. Skip Lee's Birthday!

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

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

OFFICERS' MEETING: 0830hrs

USLA ANNOUNCEMENTS: 0845hrs

GENERAL MEETING: 0850hrs

LIEUTENANTS' MEETING: Cancelled

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

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 (Conditionally Open) / 21st St. / 89th St.

Tides: High: 1423hrs

Low: 0816hrs

Special Events: Play It Safe Karaoke- Dorchester St- 1800hrs to 2000hrs

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

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.



Next week, the OCBP weekly morning meeting will move to Monday.



**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. Always be in uniform
5. Clean up your trash before leaving
6. Drive carefully to your assignment

	Monday 6/13/2016	Tuesday 6/14/2016	Wednesday 6/15/2016	Thursday 6/16/2016	Friday 6/17/2016	Saturday 6/18/2016	Sunday 6/19/2016	Crew
Daily Assignment								
								Totals
Rescues								
Preventative actions								
First Aids								



MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2016- OIC: Lt. Ward Kovacs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

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

Opportunity to Compete: None

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

Tides: High: 1520hrs

Low: 0903hrs

Special Events: None



TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2016- OIC: Lt. Ward Kovacs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

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

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 17th St. / 85th St.

Tides: High: 1612hrs

Low: 0949hrs

Special Events: OCPD & International Students Outreach- All Day Use of the OCBP Training Room- BSP by the OCBP
Play It Safe Beach Volleyball & Karaoke- 3rd St.- 1600hrs

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2016- OIC: Lt. Ward Kovacs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

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

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 15th St. / 83rd St.

Tides: High: 1700hrs

Low: 1034hrs

Special Events: Ambridge HS Steel Drum Band- 1900hrs to 2000hrs- Somerset St.
Movies on the Beach- *Pixels*- Carousel Hotel- 2030hrs

THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2016- OIC: Lt. Ward Kovacs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

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

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 13th St. / 81st St.

Tides: High: 1744hrs

Low: 1119hrs

Special Events: OC Share a Coke & Song- 10th St.
Play It Safe Basketball- Northside Park- 1900hrs

FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 2016- PAY DAY! - OIC: Lt. Ward Kovacs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

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

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 11th St. / 79th St

Tides: High: 1826hrs

Low: 1203hrs

Special Events: Beach 5 Sand Soccer- Dorchester St.- 0800hrs to 1900hrs
OC Air Show Practice Day- 14th St.- 1000hrs to 1600hrs



SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2016

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Veteran Recertification- Starts next Saturday!

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

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet (Conditional) / 9th St. / 77th St.

Tides: High: 0642hrs

Low: 1245hrs

Special Events: Beach 5 Sand Soccer- Dorchester St.- 0800hrs to 1900hrs

Junior Atlantic Beach Volleyball Tournament- 117th St. to 121st St.

The River Beach Bash w/Beach Safety Presentation- 1000hrs

OC Air Show- 14th St.- 1000hrs to 1600hrs

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

SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2016- Father's Day!

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

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Veteran Recertification- Starts next Saturday!

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

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet (Conditional) / 7th St. / 75th St.

Tides: High: 0725hrs

Low: 1327hrs

Special Events: **ESA Endless Summer Surf Series- 37th St.- Dusk to Dawn**

Beach 5 Sand Soccer- Dorchester St.- 0800hrs to 1900hrs

Junior Atlantic Beach Volleyball Tournament- 117th St. to 121st St.

OC Air Show- 14th St.- 1000hrs to 1600hrs

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

MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2016- 1st Day of Summer!

WEEKLY MEETING: Due to the Firemen's Convention, the Monday meeting will be moved- TBA.

OFFICERS' MEETING: 0730hrs

CREW CHIEF MEETING WITH AREA SERGEANTS: 800hrs

FULL CREW CHIEF MEETING: 0815hrs

SEMAPHORE TEST: 0820hrs—REQUIRED TO PASS PROBATIONARY STAGE

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

USLA ANNOUNCEMENTS: 0845hrs

GENERAL MEETING: 0850hrs

LIEUTENANTS' MEETING: 0945hrs

Surf Rescue Academy II: Day 2- Dan Pogonowski- Coordinator of Surf Rescue Academy

Featured Training: Crew Organization, Rules of Conduct; Scan, Victim ID, Distressed Victim, & City Ordinances

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

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

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 5th / 73rd St

Tides: High: 0809hrs

Low: 1409hrs

Special Events: DPC Emergency Equipment Hospitality Event- 37th St.-

1500hrs to 2000hrs

Movies on the Beach- *Tomorrowland*—27th St.- 2030hrs

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Discover an ocean of Fun!

UPCOMING 2016 BEACH PATROL EVENTS

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 27	OCBPSRA Quad Certification & Recert- HQ- 1830hrs
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
OC Air Show	June 18-19	1200hrs	16 th St & Boardwalk
MD Firemen's Parade	June 22	1300hrs	Inlet to 9 th St.
ESA Summer Surf Series-	June 25-26	0730hrs	30 th St.
Ocean Games/Swim Ocean City	July 16	0800hrs	Caroline St.

<u>Stats.</u>	<u>Week 2</u> 5/30/16 to 6/5/16	<u>Week 2</u> 6/2/14 to 6/8/14	<u>Week 2</u> 6/3/13 to 6/9/13
Action	2016	2015	2014
Preventions	1646	1355	2534
Rescues	36	33	165
Minor First Aid	50	9	53
Ambulance Calls	NA	2	3
Police Calls	NA	3	6
USCG/MDNRP	NA	0	2
Lost/Found Persons	NA	2	6
Beach Wheelchairs	NA	3	13
North Surf Beach	11	2	10
South Surf Beach	116	6	37
Inlet Surf Beach	9	3	0

USLA / SCLA 2016 COMPETITION SCHEDULE

JULY

- 6 – SEA COLONY
- 13 - USLA REGIONALS (REHOBOTH)
- 18 – DEWEY BEACH (OCEAN SERIES)
- 20 – USLA REGIONALS (LONG BRANCH, N.J.)
- 21 – FENWICK ULTIMATE (OCEAN SERIES)
- 25 – BETHANY BEACH (OCEAN SERIES)
- 27 – ALL WOMEN'S (SANDY HOOK, N.J.)
- 28 – REHOBOTH LIFEGUARD OLYMPICS

AUGUST

- 3 – MIDDLESEX (OCEAN SERIES)
- 8 – REHOBOTH JUNIOR LIFEGUARD
- 11 – 13 – USLA NATIONALS (HERMOSA BEACH, CA)



Keep your feet in the sand,
until the lifeguard's in the stand!





OCBP Question of the Week for The Worcester County Times

Last Week’s Question of the Week: 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.

If you are interested in the “lifeguard flag language”(semaphore), you can learn about it by visiting our website at www.ococean.com/ocbp and click on the semaphore link on the left side. To get current information about the beach patrol as well as daily stats and current beach conditions, you can follow the beach patrol on Twitter or “like us” on the Official OCBP Facebook page. We can’t wait to be a part of your wonderful experiences in Ocean City, because we are glad you are here, and always remember to “Keep your feet in the sand until the lifeguard’s in the stand!”

Meet the lifeguard: Crew Chief Steve DeKemper

Crew Chief Steve DeKemper has been with the Beach Patrol for 13 years. He is in charge of Crew 12, which covers the beach from 83rd Street to 94th Street. Steve is a United States Lifesaving Association member and enjoys participating in competitions as well as a key Junior Beach Patrol Instructor. He looks forward to crew dinners and creating unique workouts. Steve is an active member of the OCBP Dive Team. In his free time, he likes to dive, work out and prepare for competitions. He currently teaches in a school system in Indiana. Steve is taking his passion for helping others to new areas as a Volunteer Firefighter in his home town in Indiana where he has participated in several advanced training courses. But like so many, it all began here in Ocean City with the Beach Patrol experience. Steve like many other Beach Patrol members returned to school to become an educator after realizing his passion for both lifeguarding and working with our youth.

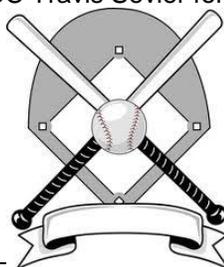
CC Steve DeKemper and the other lifeguards of the Ocean City Beach Patrol are glad to answer any of your beach and water safety questions.



Pick Up Softball

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

Contact CC Travis Sevier for more info.



A Special Note about Parking in the OCBP Parking Lot

Seven spaces are designated to a specific position such as "Duty Officer", "South Supervisor," etc. and should not be used by anyone else.

Five spaces are marked reserved for others who are assigned to work out of Headquarters such as "boat duty" or as overflow for the designated spaces if we have more than one person in that position.

DO NOT double park

Do not park along the east retaining wall (next to Tarry-A-While) since maneuvering in and out of our lot is tight already.

Do not block the fuel depot or the garage doors.

All Beach Patrol vehicles MUST be backed in at all times. Backing in when time is not critical makes leaving faster during an emergency.

I have sent an E-Mail to both the Police and Fire Chiefs asking that they notify their personnel that with such limited parking, we need all of the spaces for our operations, and they should not be parking there.

Tarry-A-While residents may apply for a parking permit but it is only for overnight parking and all cars must be removed by 8:00 AM (your vehicle must be removed during the day).

If you are assigned to work out of HQ for the day, you need to get a special one day parking pass from the duty officer.

Captain Butch Arbin

A Guide for Recognizing and Accommodating Service Animals

What is a service animal?

A service animal is any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. Other species of animals, whether wild or domestic, trained or untrained, are not considered service animals.

How can I tell if it is a service animal?

When educating beach patrons of the dog ordinance, a person may tell you their animal is a service animal. The verbal assurance given by the owner is sufficient to establish the animal as a service animal. Let your crew chief know that you have spoken with the person, and they have told you it is a service animal. There is no legally recognized certification or paperwork. The animal may be wearing a marked leash or vest, but this also is not required.

Where are service animals permitted or not permitted to go?

Individuals with disabilities can bring their service animals in all areas of public facilities and private businesses where members of the public are allowed.

Does a service animal need to be leashed?

No. Although generally they will be, a service animal may not be leashed if it would interfere with the task the animal has been trained to perform. The animal must be under the control of its owner at all times.

What are the expectations of a service animal?

A service animal is expected to accompany its owner, and not disturb others. Fear of dogs is not a sufficient disturbance, nor is fear of animal dander. The service animal should not be playing, growling at others, or barking continuously.

What should I do if there is a problem with a service animal?

If a service animal is acting in a disruptive manner, notify an area supervisor right away. Do not approach the person yourself. The law is very complicated in this area, and strongly favors the person with a disability.

References:

<https://adata.org/factsheet/service-animals>



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

<p><u>Current OC Beach Patrol employees:</u></p> <p>_____ (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.</p>	<p><u>By Mail with a check to:</u></p> <p>OCBPMDUSLA President c/o Ocean City Beach Patrol 109 Dorchester St. Ocean City, MD 21842</p>	<p>Office Use</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Paid</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Entered</p>
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