

# OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

WEEKLY BULLETIN Week of August 17, 2020 to August 24, 2020

## MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020

### WEEKLY MEETING FOR OFFICERS, CREW CHIEFS, & ACCs- Masks & Social Distancing Required

CONVENTION CENTER – 40th STREET-Southwest corner on steps- 08:00hrs Rookie Meeting & Semaphore Test -Convention Center -08:30hrs -Mandatory! \*\*\* All rookies must attend this meeting, even if they are off probation! \*\*\*

**OCBPSRA:** Turn in any outside certifications!

**Opportunity to Compete:** Next season!

Workout: Run Day -Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 16<sup>th</sup> St. / 84<sup>th</sup> St.

Tides: High: 06:37hrs Low: 12:43hrs

Special Events: Beach Bonfires -30th St., 79th St., 107th St., 112th St., 125th St., 142nd St. -18:00hrs

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2020

OCBPSRA: Complete NIMS courses (ICS 200 & ICS 800) for SRT II; e-mail certifications to Captain Arbin

**Opportunity to Compete:** Next season!

Workout: Swim Day-Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 14th St. / 82nd St.

Tides: High: 07:26hrs Low: 13:33hrs

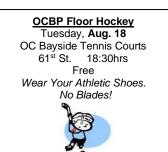
**Special Events:** Beach Safety Presentation–OC Lifesaving Museum–10:00hrs Beach Bonfires -77<sup>th</sup> St., 95<sup>th</sup> St., 133<sup>rd</sup> St., 142<sup>nd</sup> St. -18:00hrs OCBP Floor Hockey -OC Tennis Center -18:30hrs

CREW S.R.T. Name: Monday Wednesday Tuesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday 8/17/2020 8/18/2020 8/19/2020 8/20/2020 8/21/2020 8/22/2020 8/23/2020 Daily Assignment Totals Rescues Preventative Actions First Aids Smoking Enforcement



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## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020

OCBPSRA: Complete NIMS courses (ICS 200 & ICS 800) for SRT II; e-mail certifications to Captain Arbin

Opportunity to Compete: Next season!

Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 12th St. / 80th St.

Tides: High: 08:16hrs Low: 14:23hrs

**Special Events:** Movies on the Beach- *Spider Man: Far from Home -*Carousel- 20:30hrs Beach Bonfires – 83<sup>rd</sup> St., 93<sup>rd</sup> St., 126<sup>th</sup> St., 142<sup>nd</sup> St. -18:00hrs

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2020

OCBPSRA: Complete NIMS courses (ICS 200 & ICS 800) for SRT II

**Opportunity to Compete:** Next season!

Workout: Swim Day–Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 10<sup>th</sup> St. / 78<sup>th</sup> St.

Tides: High: 09:05hrs Low: 15:14hrs

**Special Events:** OC Jeep Week Parade- 30<sup>th</sup> St. to Inlet- 07:00hrs to 09:30hrs Special duty personnel report to 30<sup>th</sup> St. with quad at 07:30hrs Beach Wedding -25<sup>th</sup> St. -16:00hrs; 85<sup>th</sup> St. -17:00hrs; 28<sup>th</sup> St. -17:30hrs Beach Bonfires -35<sup>th</sup> St., 43<sup>rd</sup> St., 59<sup>th</sup> St., 85<sup>th</sup> St., 142<sup>nd</sup> St., 146<sup>th</sup> St. -18:00hrs Sunset Park Party Nights -*Full Circle* -S. Division St. Bayside -19:00hrs

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2020- O.I.C Lt. Stone (Pay Day)

OCBPSRA: Complete NIMS courses (ICS 200 & ICS 800) for SRT II; e-mail certifications to Captain Arbin

**Opportunity to Compete:** Next season!

Workout: Run Day-Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 8<sup>th</sup> St. / 76<sup>th</sup> St.

Tides: High: 09:55hrs Low: 16:06hrs

Special Events: OC Jeep Week Parade- 30<sup>th</sup> St. to Inlet- 07:00hrs to 09:30hrs

Special duty personnel report to 30<sup>th</sup> St. with quad at 07:30hrs Beach Bonfires -140<sup>th</sup> St. -18:00hrs

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2020

OCBPSRA: Complete NIMS courses (ICS 200 & ICS 800) for SRT II

Opportunity to Compete: Next season!

Workout: Swim Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet (Conditional) / 6<sup>th</sup> St. / 74<sup>th</sup> St.

Tides: High: 10:45hrs Low: 17:01hrs

**Special Events:** OC Jeep Week Parade- 30<sup>th</sup> St. to Inlet- 07:00hrs to 09:30hrs- Special duty personnel report to 30<sup>th</sup> St. with quad at 07:30hrs

Beach Bonfires -36<sup>th</sup> St.,  $62^{nd}$  St.,  $109^{th}$  St.,  $143^{rd}$  St. -18:00hrs Beach Wedding -127<sup>th</sup> St. -18:30hrs

#### Equipment Turn in Procedure for Full Time Changing to Part-Time

If you live more than 30 miles away, you are required to turn in all equipment once you end your full-time position (available 7 days a week). If you are working part-time after this time, you will pick up equipment before you are scheduled for duty.

Quad Drivers Needed for the Jeep Parade The 2020 Jeep Parade is Thursday, 8/20, Friday, 8/21, Saturday, 8/22 & Sunday, 8/23 from 07:00hrs to 09:30hrs. Drivers are needed for 12 quads. See Lt. Kovacs ASAP to sign up for this duty.



#### Extended Patrol

For those who indicated an interest and willingness to work beyond Sept. 27, Lt. Kovacs will be arranging the schedule for this time period. Schedules will be made available well before September 28, so that those working can plan accordingly.

## Travel Incentive For Returning to Work

You may be eligible to receive a \$132.00 travel reimbursement check if you return to the OCBP after Sunday, August 16 and before Sunday, October 4, after leaving our full-time employ

Eligibility requirements include: Must work at least two days Must drive your personal vehicle Must travel from at least 110 miles Must present proof of travel Must be scheduled to work

## **SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2020**

OCBPSRA: Complete NIMS courses (ICS 200 & ICS 800) for SRT II

**Opportunity to Compete:** Next season!

Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet (Conditional) / 4<sup>th</sup> St. / 72<sup>nd</sup> St.

Tides: High: 11:38hrs

Low: 17:59hrs

**Special Events:** OC Jeep Week Parade- 30<sup>th</sup> St. to Inlet–08:00hrs to 09:30hrs Special duty personnel report to 30<sup>th</sup> St. with quad at 07:30hrs

Sundaes in the Park Concert & Fireworks- Among the Stars- Northside Park- 19:00hrs Beach Bonfires -79th St. & 145th St. -18:00hrs

Beach Wedding -59th St. -18:30hrs; 54th St. -19:30hrs

Reminder If you are not returning to work after

Labor Day, all equipment must be returned after work Monday, September 2, or the value of the equipment will be deducted from your last pavcheck. If you return your equipment after the cost is deducted from your check, you will be reimbursed but please know it may take up to four weeks for you to receive your reimbursement check.

Completed stats are due today at 18:00hrs.

MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2020- O.I.C Lt. Stone WEEKLY MEETING FOR OFFICERS, CREW CHIEFS, & ACCs- Masks & Social Distancing Required

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Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 2<sup>nd</sup> St. / 70<sup>th</sup> St.

Tides: High: 12:33hrs Low: 06:17hrs

Special Events: Beach Bonfires -58th St., 98th St., 109th St., 110th St., 115th St., 131st St. -18:00hrs

## UPCOMING 2020 BEACH PATROL EVENTS

Aug. 21 - Pay Day

2021 OCBP Testing Opportunities

Pre-Employment Physical Skills Evaluation (testing) for the 2020 Season

February 2021- Salisbury, MD March 2021- York College- York, PA March 2021- University of MD- College Park April 25, 2021- OP Sports Core Pool- OP, MD June 5, 2021 (Saturday)- Ocean City, MD

#### Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events Aug. 19, 26

Movies on the Beach Sunset Park Party Nights Thursday's Downtown Beach Fireworks OC Jeep Week ESA Summer Surf Series Sundaes in the Park O'Neill East Coast Grom Tour

Aug. 20 Aug. 20 Aug. 20-23 Aug. 22 August 23 September 12

118<sup>th</sup> St. S. Division St. Talbot St. beach 37<sup>th</sup> St 40<sup>th</sup> St Northside Park 36th St.

20:00hrs 19:00hrs 22:30hrs 09:00hrs 07:00hrs 19:00hrs 08:00hrs



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<u>Stats.</u>	<u>Week 12</u> 8/3/20 to 8/9/20	Week 12 Year-To- Date 2020	<u>Week 12</u> 8/5/19 to 8/11/19	Week 12 Year-To- Date 2019	<u>Week 12</u> 8//6/18 to 8/12/18	Week 12 Year-To- Date 2018
Action						
Preventions	11800	116128	15891	113631	20905	195084
Rescues	11	2881	204	1804	15	3370
Minor First Aid	113	1374	278	1892	184	1611
Ambulance Calls	9	111	34	153	14	117
Police Calls	2	49	6	59	5	55
USCG/MDNRP	1	5	0	0	0	3
Lost/Found Persons	13	236	24	217	35	302
N. Surf Beach Population	32	1578	36	976	95	1043
S. Surf Beach Population	294	2357	325	3231	195	2128
Inlet Surf Beach Population	217	459	76	600	2	738
Beach Wheelchair Usage	16	185	38	346	37	290
Smoking Enforcements	460	8933	754	8373	938	10381
Missed Work Days Due to Injury	22	21	1	48	11	72
Missed Days-Non Job Related	2	116	1	28	3	16

#### End of Season Employment Opportunities

We have a limited number of opportunities to employ some personnel after the summer season ends on September 27.

- 1. We need interested and available SRTs to assist in removing stands from the beach after September 27. This will include power washing and painting stands in preparation for the 2021 season.
- 2. In addition, we have some equipment room duties for interested SBFs after the surf beach rotation ends on Labor Day.

Those interested personnel should include this information on your End of Season and Extended Employment Agreement form.



#### Request for Recommendations

Between seasons we are often asked to complete references and recommendations. If you need to be provided with something like this, we ask that you make the request in writing. In that request, you should give any information that will help in giving you the best possible recommendation. We will need to know to whom it goes and if there is a particular format or form that is required. It will also be helpful to remind us of some of the Beach Patrol activities that you have been involved in, such as JBP, Camps, special duties, etc. We also will need a fair amount of lead-time since personnel files are secured at HQ while we are away from Ocean City. You may send your request by e-mail or if you are required to mail to a physical address, you may use:

Captain Butch Arbin 134 West Quail Lane La Plata, Maryland 20646

#### Attaguard

From: maryleelbc38@ Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2020 7:38 PM Subject: Message from the Town website Hello, I have been living at the beach every summer for the last nine years on 94th street and every single summer I have had the best life guards you could ever imagine. They put a smile on your face while saving people in the water and patrolling the beach. This summer has been extra special because the life guards on Crew 13 have been extraordinary! Cierra Kopecky has been the best guard that I have had. I remember one day there were a lot of rips and she pulled a family of 5 out of the water that didn't speak English, she overcame the language barrier and got them out of the water safety. When talking to her she always she always makes you laugh while still scanning the water and keeping everyone safe. Over all, Crew 13 is the best!

#### Employee Evaluations: Not the Entire Picture

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Although having satisfactory evaluations is very important, they are only one aspect of each employee's summative performance rating. Employee commendations, incidents, responsibility for equipment, amount of time worked, amount of time taken off during the summer, fulfilling work agreement, and last day worked are all considered by the review panel. Only after a full and complete assessment is made will a final recommendation be made to the Captain regarding an employee's status for the next season.

#### OCBP Question-of-the-Week for The Worcester County Times

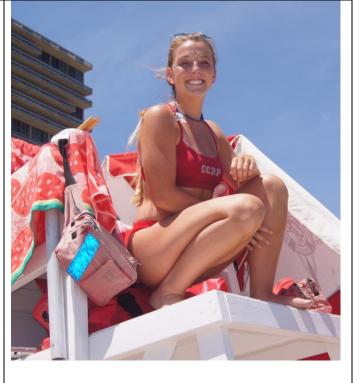
## This Week's Question: I visited Ocean City this summer and saw a horseshoe crab on the edge of the surf. People were touching it and picking it up. Can horseshoe crabs sting you?

No. Horseshoe crabs cannot sting you. That sharp tail you are thinking of is called a telson. The horseshoe crab uses it's telson to flip itself back on its feet. Horseshoe crabs are fascinating creatures that could very well save the human race. Limulus Polyphemus, as they are called in the scientific community, are actually a chelicerate arthropod which means they are much more closely related to spiders, scorpions, and ticks than they are to crabs. But that's not why they are important to humans. It's the blood of this prehistoric creature that scientists are most interested in. See, horseshoe crabs use hemocyanin to carry oxygen through their blood stream. Hemocyanin is very heavy with copper, this makes the horseshoe crabs blood blue. Their blood contains amebocytes, which play a similar role to the white blood cells of vertebrates in defending the organism against pathogens. Which means that horseshoe crabs are practically immune to all bacteria, viruses, and cancers. This is why they are so valuable to humans and their copper rich blood has been valued as high as \$15,000 per quart. Scientists use their blood to detect bacterial endotoxins in medical applications. Horseshoe crab blood is considered an irreplaceable medical marvel and it is estimated that the biomedical industry is bleeding 500,000 of these horseshoe crabs each year. The blood is used to create an indicating agent that can detect bacteria that can withstand high heat and harsh conditions under which drugs and medical devices are sterilized and tested, like Escherichia coli ("E. coli"). We humans owe a debt to this odd looking, ancient creature and its blue blood. A special compound in the crab's blood quickly clots in the presence of endotoxins, microbial byproducts that can be harmful, supplying a perfect natural test for purity. In the race to find a COVID-19 vaccine, horseshoe crab blood is very important. Horseshoe crab blood is being used to test the safety of potential COVID-19 vaccines, before any coronavirus vaccine would be FDA approved for clinical use in human beings. The horseshoe crab test is required to make sure it is safe to inject into the human body.

In the future scientists continue to try to find a cure for cancer with the beautiful blue blood of the horseshoe crab. However, there's also a growing concern among scientists who study these magnificent creatures that the bleeding of these crabs may be endangering a creature that's been around since dinosaur days. So next time you see a horseshoe crab on the beach, be nice to it because it might just save us all one day.

#### SRT of the Week: Maria Snee

This is SRT Maria Snee's first year with the Beach Patrol. She is in crew 13 in the middle north area of Ocean City which covers the beach from 92nd Street to 100<sup>th</sup> Street. Maria is a USLA member. In her free time she enjoys running and playing lacrosse. In the off season she will be in her junior year at Stetson University in Florida where she plays lacrosse. Maria Snee and the other lifeguards of the Ocean City Beach Patrol are glad to answer any of your beach and water safety questions. If you think you would like a position with the Patrol like Maria's, ask any of our guards or visit our website at www.ococean.com/ocbp. We begin testing for positions for summer 2021 this August.





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