BBLA Beach News

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Serving BB Property Owners
for Over 55 Years





2025 Membership Campaign is Nearing Its End!

Many Thanks to our Renewals & Growing Number of New Members!

RENEW NOW Before Your Membership Expires!!!

Click <u>HERE</u> to Access the Simple Renewal Process



BBLA Board COMMUNICATES -ADVOCATES -DONATES on behalf of Bethany Beach property owners

Visit our website

Around Town:





BB Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Approved on 3/21/25

<u>Public Hearing Held</u> on 3/17 - BBLA Board Members & Business Affiliates in attendance.

Click **HERE** to read the budget document.

Budget Increases are indicated in the "Schedule of Fees" section by asterick *

- parking meters \$4/hr 33% increase for "pay to park" 1,031 spaces
- water usage fees raised by 20% - (first time in 10 years)

BBLA Board Members Working for You:



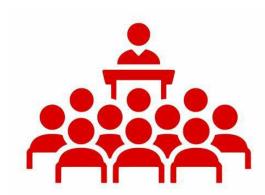


PLEASE RESPOND TO BBLA's QUICK POLL

Member Opinions Impact Our Work Click <u>**HERE**</u> to Respond to the Question About:

Opportunities to Meet Other BBLA Members

BBLA's Board Covering Meetings Around Town & Regionally







Entertainment Lineup (48 Performances) Released on 3/27

- Summer Concerts Back on the Bandstand **June 5th**
- SomeWeekend Shows starting in **July**
- Check out the entertainment schedule for the BB Seaside Concert Series - <u>Read More</u>





New Utility Poles Being

RASCL: (Delaware) Resilient and Sustainable Communities League

- BBLA works with this collaborative network of state agencies, nonprofits, and academic institutions dedicated to building a more resilient and sustainable Delaware
- Board Member Chip Smith represented BBLA at the RASCL Summit on 3/5
- Click <u>HERE</u> to view slide presentations on sea level rise - flooding - DE climate change issues - etc.



Ready or Not: Emergency Preparedness Workshop on 3/28

- Attended by Board
 Members Jenn Carter Mary Louise Embrey Lucille Kurtz Chip Smith
- Sponsored by the Towns of BB & South Bethany; Sea Colony and DE Sea Grant
- Exhibitors from State,
 County, Local Governments
 Beebe Healthcare
 Community, South Coastal
 Village Volunteers etc.

Installed on Pennsylvania Avenue

- Twelve 85 ft polls being constructed by Delmarva Power & Light - allowing for increased transmission lines
- Work will be completed before the summer

Town Hall Museum Exhibit Honoring Women's History Month

Featuring 7 "Notable Women Among Us"





by visiting Town Hall and learning interesting facts about: (1) Martha Jean Addy - (2) Carolyn Hughes - (3) Rosemary Hardiman - (4) Margaret Young - (5) Jane Fowler - (6) Marjorie Townsend Bramhall - (7) Carol Olmstead



Sussex County Established a Land Use Reform Working Group

Read about the Group's establishment in February 2025 & membership

- BBLA's Allied Partners -Sussex Preservation Coalition & The DE Center for Inland Bays bring advocacy & environmental expertise to the Group
- Read More about the Group's preliminary goals

The Delaware Center for the Inland Bays is Facing a Severe Economic Challenge

Recent White House executive orders have impacted the Delaware Center for the Inland Bays (CIB).

In 2024, nearly 60% of their funding came from Federal sources, and it is quite likely they will lose it all.

Consider providing support to <u>CIB</u> - critical projects in our community like water quality monitoring, living shorelines, oyster reefs, bay grass restoration, environmental education, habitat restoration, reforestation, and other programs are at risk

Follow Them on Instagram @deinlandbays





Nice to See the Early Spring Flowers Around Town

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

DE Office of State Planning Coordination Director David Edgell

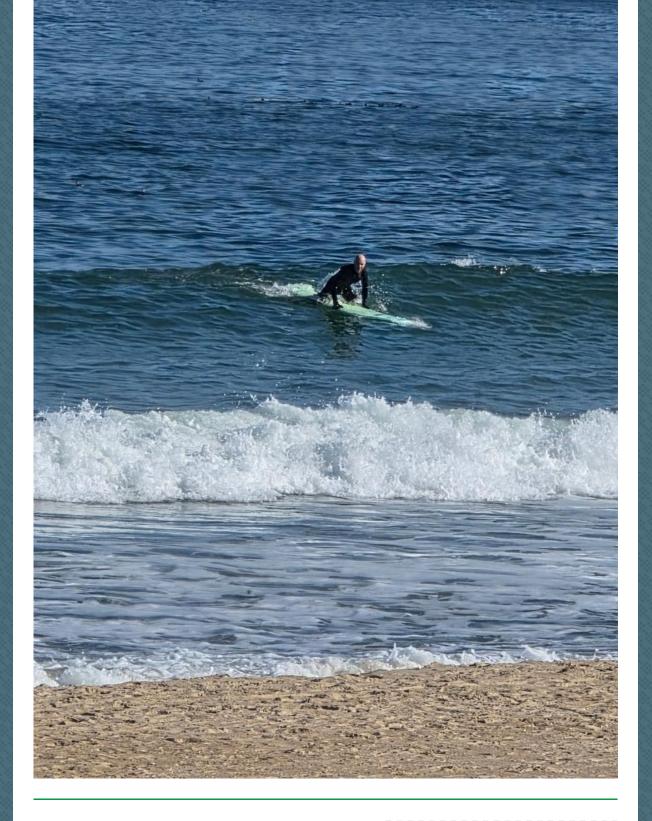
Explains Why Current Growth Rate in Sussex County is

"Unsustainable"

Read 3/3/25 **Spotlight Delaware Article**

Bright Sunny Days in Mid-March





VISIT & THANK BBLA'S

Most Recent GROUP OF
BUSINESS AFFILIATES





WHERE: 6 N Pennsylvania Ave ABOUT:

Synonymous with the imagery of comfort food—barbecue holds those southern roots that speak of connection and comfort. Blues' is devoted to their innovative spirit in and out of the kitchen visit <u>HERE</u> for more info



WHERE: STEEN'S-On the Beach

ABOUT:

Beach Umbrella & Chair rentals on the beach in Bethany Beach & Fenwick Island, DE and Ocean City, MD



WHERE:

99 Garfield Parkway

ABOUT:

Since 1980 - the premier destination for all your surfing, bodyboarding, skim-boarding, and stand-up paddle board needs while visiting Bethany Beach

visit HERE for more info

BE SURE TO SUPPORT ALL
OF
BBLA'S BUSINESS
AFFILIATES --CHECK OUT
THE COMPLETE LIST
HERE





WHERE: 99 Garfield Parkway

ABOUT:

Located in one of the oldest BB buildings - premier gift shop since 1976 - "something for everyone in every price range" visit HERE for more info





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