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Dear Silver Beach Members,

We hope you all have been able to avoid this terrible virus and are maintaining your sanity. We trust you are ready to enjoy the spring and summer at Silver Beach.

Beach & Bay Beach Updates:

At the time of this writing, the North Beaches in Toms River are still open; however, the Township is monitoring the beaches and may close them if social distancing is not maintained. If the beaches are closed for any reason, we will notify Members via email and post signs to that effect.

If the State delays or does not allow the opening of our beach, we will notify our Members via email. We will adjust our budget to reflect actual expenses and modify the 2021 Membership Dues, accordingly. Our first priority is to ensure we have lifeguards for the season and we will be working closely with Cap to make sure this happens.

That being said, the state of New Jersey has mandated that playgrounds and tennis courts be closed. Signs have been posted to that effect. We are unsure, at this time, when we will be able to open our facilities.

Ocean Beach Structure:

In December 2019, we engaged Najarian Associates of Lavallette, at a cost of \$1,700, for Phase 2 of their work, which is basically to prepare a Narrative and Drawings to assist us in our discussions with the NJ DEP. On January 21, 2020 Najarian submitted a request to NJ DEP outlining our needs/desires. (Copy attached)

There have been repeated follow-ups with the NJ DEP and they have finally begun work on this request. The DEP feels a site visit will be necessary to see the property. Since the DEP is currently consumed with managing the impact of COVID 19, we have requested a meeting placeholder for early in May. If we can get a meeting and some direction from the DEP, we hope be able to update the Membership further at the June meeting. Once we have the DEP's blessing, we will present all options to our Membership. The Membership will then be given the opportunity to vote on their option of choice.

Below is our body of our normal Spring Letter with the original plan regarding dues payments and beach openings. The Association plans to hold the Spring Meeting and collect all dues for the 2020 season, as usual. If we are unable to hold the Spring Meeting because of State restrictions, we will notify our Members via email.

You will receive your invoice via email in May.

These are very trying times. Please bear with us as we do our best from afar under extraordinary circumstances.

2020 MEMBERSHIP DUES:

As mentioned in the Fall 2019 Membership Letter, and approved at our 2019 Fall Membership Meeting, our 2020 Dues will remain at \$450.

Additional Members Badges may be purchased with your Dues at a rate of \$25 each until June 13th. Thereafter, Additional Members Badges may be purchased at the rate of \$50 per badge.

Our **Tennis Club** is now the **Silver Beach Tennis/Pickleball Club**. As proposed and approved at the Fall Meeting, the court has been relined to accommodate both tennis and pickleball. If you wish to play, the annual Tennis/Pickleball Dues will remain at \$75.

The <u>Due Date for the payment of 2020 Membership Dues</u> is <u>June 13, 2020</u>, the date of the Spring Membership Meeting. Any payments received after that date will be subject to a <u>\$50 late fee</u>, without exception.

Please Note:

In order to keep our records in order, we ask that EVERYONE return the original 2020 Dues Form with their Dues payment. This will facilitate our bookkeeping as well as any updates that need to be made to the Membership List.

o If you are using electronic banking, please send one check per property and put the <u>Member's name</u>, <u>Silver Beach street address and invoice number in the notes</u> so we can determine where to apply the payment. This is particularly important if you are paying with a business account that we may not be able to associate to your Membership. We also ask that you send in the <u>original 2020 Dues Form</u>, with a note reflecting the date the payment was made and the banking institution that made the payment. This will enable us to ensure that the payment is distributed appropriately, between dues, tennis, extra badges and donations.

BEACH BADGES

This season, on weekends, we will have 2 new badge checkers on duty. As a result, it will be <u>imperative</u> that <u>ALL Members</u> bring their <u>beach badges</u> with them <u>to the beach</u>. Gabby will be training the new badge checkers; however, they will not be anywhere near as familiar with all of us as she is. You don't want to have to run home to get your badges, so put them in your beach bag and you won't have a problem. If you have teenage children that come to the beach by themselves, make sure they have their badges also.

OCEAN BEACH

Ocean Beach Opening

As discussed and approved at the 2019 Fall Membership Meeting, in 2020 our lifeguards will be on duty at the ocean beach:

Daily from 10am to 5:30pm

This is to stay in synch with the surrounding beaches to avoid incurring additional liability when their guards go off duty.

We hope to open the ocean beach for the weekend of June 20-21st, and then daily commencing on Friday, June 26th, through Labor Day.

Since we have been unable to move forward on out ultimate beach solution, we will again need to ask for a Member or Members on the east side of Rt 35 to offer parking for the gator/mule. If you have space available, please send an email to silverbeachnj@aol.com.

BEACH BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

The Beach Beautification Committee has been in contact with several SBA Members who expressed interest to donate a bench in memory of a loved one. These benches will be placed in the dune bump outs. The cost is approximately \$700. If there are other interested donors, please contact Patsy Robinson at <a href="mailto:members-

BAY BEACH

Bay Beach Closed for Swimming

As proposed and approved at the 2016 Fall Membership Meeting, due to lack of use, there will be <u>no lifeguard</u> on duty. Signs have been posted to swim at your own risk.

Bay Beach Restoration Project

Phase IV (equipment for the northwest corner of the bay beach area) has been placed on hold, pending the needs of the ocean beach after the beach replenishment project.

TENNIS/PICKLEBALL CLUB

The court is in great shape for the 2020 season. Its maintenance and upkeep are funded entirely through Tennis/Pickleball Membership dues. For 2020, Tennis/Pickleball Membership dues will again remain at \$75.

If you have any questions, please contact Patsy Robinson, Tennis Trustee, at 973-495-1229.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION:

Our Vice President, **John Sands**, and Trustee, **Gabby Dudas**, have decided to step down from the EC. We thank them both for their many years of dedicated service.

Brian Kirkpatrick (Finance Trustee) has been appointed to replace John Sands as Vice President; he will continue to maintain his Finance Trustee responsibilities until we can appoint a replacement.

Janet Doremus (Secretary) will assume Gabby's responsibilities for Membership. However, we also need someone replace Gabby in her role as assistant to Fred Manuel on the Bay Beach. We are asking for volunteers to fill these positions. If you would like to get involved, please send an email to **silverbeachnj.org**, stating your interest.

This year, the Executive Committee would like to present 2 Officers and 3 Trustees for election:

Officers

- President Pete Detmering
- Vice President Brian Kirkpatrick

Trustees

- Jeff Bailey
- o Patsy Robinson

Additional candidates may be proposed by any Member through submission of a letter to the Secretary prior to July 15, 2020.

LIFEGUARD PARKING:

Once again, we are seeking parking for our lifeguards. In recent years, several people have offered their property, as their houses were not in use. Since that time, several of those have been rebuilt and others have been sold, so we must once again ask for your help. If you have room on a regular basis, please send an email to silverbeachnj@aol.com so we can pass the information to Cap. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

SPRING MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

The Spring Membership Meeting will be held on:

Saturday, June 13, 2020
10 am (PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE)
Dover Brick First Aid Squad
2nd Avenue and Rt. 35 South, Normandy Beach

We encourage everyone to attend the Spring Meeting. Your input is vital to keeping the Association on track.

FAMILY DAY CELEBRATION - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

As announced last Fall, we would again like to hold Family Day on the Saturday of Labor Day Weekend (Saturday, September 5th, with a rain date of Sunday, September 6th).

We are seeking volunteers to help with Family Day as the season progresses.

Anyone who would like to volunteer should contact us at silverbeachni@aol.com

TRASH AND RECYCLING REMINDER:

Trash Schedule

- During the off-season, trash is picked up on Mondays, except on holidays, when it is picked up on Tuesday
- During the prime season, the week before Memorial Day to Labor Day, trash is picked up on Mondays and Thursdays, except on holidays, when trash will be picked up the following day for the remainder of the week.

Recycling Schedule

During the off-season, recycling is picked up on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.

 During the prime season, the week before Memorial Day to Labor Day, recyclables will be picked up every week on FRIDAYS.

See the Toms River Website for a detailed calendar and list of holidays: www.tomsrivertownship.com

Reminder: Paper and cardboard may be co-mingled with all other recyclable material in a <u>separate container</u> with a <u>detachable lid</u>. The container must be no larger than 30 gallons and must not exceed 40 pounds when full.

If you will not be around on pick-up day, please do not put your trash out in plastic bags...the seagulls look at this as a buffet breakfast and leave a big mess in their wake. Please ask one of your neighbors to take in your cans. They'd rather do this than clean up the mess...believe me!

We also ask Members who rent their home to pass this information on to their renters and provide them with proper containers.

THE FOLLOWING WERE DISTRIBUTED VIA EMAIL IN SEPTEMBER AND ARE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE:

• Minutes from the 2019 Fall Membership Meeting

ATTACHED TO THIS LETTER YOU WILL FIND:

- 2020 Executive Committee Contact List
- 2020 Silver Beach Rules and Regulations
- Silver Beach 2020 Calendar of Events
- 2020 Dues Form (will be sent via separate e-mail in May)

We hope to see all of you at our semi-annual Membership Meetings and our Family Day Celebration. We need your participation and input to keep the Silver Beach Association moving forward in the future. Anyone who would like to become more involved in the Association is urged to contact one of our Officers or Trustees.

Thank you,

Silver Beach Association Officers and Trustees