



# NSBPOA *News*

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June 2013

## General Meetings

### Clubhouse 10:30 AM

June 23, 2013  
July 21, 2013  
August 25, 2013 (Annual)  
October 20, 2013

## Officers

President: Des Butler  
VP: Michael Armando  
Secretary: Gina Stacknick  
Treasurer: Corin Michaud

## Directors

Ed Connolly  
Bob Conroy  
Keith Martone  
Craig Larsen  
Bob Leonard  
Anita LoPiccolo  
James Metzack  
Brian Shuker

## GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

What a pleasure to welcome the return of summer. As all know we in NSBPOA had a very difficult winter, but I am pleased to report the new Board is functioning harmoniously in cooperative efforts to prepare for the coming season. We are overwhelmed by the response to our fund raising efforts. By the end of May over 40 steps were claimed in the "adopt a step" program conceived by Bob Leonard. Many contributed substantially more than the requested \$75.00. As of 5/31/13 more than \$6,500 has been contributed to defray the expected cost of more than \$20,000 to ensure safe access to our beaches.

While the bulk of our expenses are for materials most of the actual work is being done by volunteers. Vinnie LaBate offered to prepare the required engineering plans. Anthony Grisafi examined the plans and affixed his architectural seal. Councilwoman Jane Bonner arranged and participated in meetings with NSBPOA and various Brookhaven officials outlining the process of navigating legal hurdles to approval for the needed stairs. Along the way we also got Town support to urge the Bank of America to step up to their responsibility for the 347 Soundview Drive situation.

I wish to acknowledge the role of Doug Morrow in securing the wide print and TV coverage that assisted the resolution to this long, 'barely standing', problem. VP Mike Armando, assisted by Anita LoPiccolo, navigated the process of getting the proper documents and seals to see that our paperwork sped through the permit process.

Actual labor has been under the direction of Mike Armando, assisted by Al Sambola at the Beech site. Keith Martone is directing the work at Friendship. Directors Conroy, Connolly, Leonard, Metzack, and Shuker have been seen working beside many 'regular' members. Director Craig Larsen, a beach construction specialist, has provided guidance and will aid us with equipment needed to complete these projects.

Others are helping out in numerous ways. New member Kimberly Dick is offering Clubhouse Yoga instruction weekly; donations go to our building fund. The Neubauer family is sponsoring a 'Social' every Friday evening our Clubhouse is not rented. Children, teen agers, young adults, seniors all welcome. Volunteers coordinated by Maureen O'Keefe are at our Sunday Farmers' Market booth. There is a lot going on and the more you participate the more you will enjoy your membership.



*Des Butler, NSBPOA President*

## A WORD FROM YOUR VICE PRESIDENT

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I want to thank everyone that is helping, who has helped and contributed to the rebuilding process of our beach steps.

Beech Road is 90% complete and Friendship Beach is under construction. Beech Road, Broadway, and Friendship each have approved building permits in place. Super Storm Sandy has done tremendous damage to our beach and beach steps. Super Storm Sandy was no match for our spirit as an Association to come together and get the job done. This says one thing about NSBPOA members—**they care and they give their all**. I salute you and thank you all for all that you have done to support this organization. We are still in the process of rebuilding and well on our way to a better, transparent organization which you deserve.

Thanks again!

*Mike Armando, NSBPOA Vice President*



Several members reported special entertainment skills: Magic and musical groups of friends/relatives to me. I carefully noted the names and contact information which I have in a place **so safe** I cannot find it. Please resubmit by e-mail to [presdes2013@gmail.com](mailto:presdes2013@gmail.com) OR call 631-821-0783.

In addition, we need some volunteers to paint the Beech Road upper staircase railings and someone to power wash the deck and stairs. Please contact Michael Armando. [innoprepress@optonline.net](mailto:innoprepress@optonline.net), if you can help!

## MEMBERSHIP UPDATE FROM ANITA LOPICCOLO

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Welcome to the many new members—members who are returning after years of lapsed membership and, of course, the majority of members who have supported NSBPOA through thick and thin. I am so pleased with the response to this membership season given the late start we had and all the obstacles we had to overcome.

Our increased communication includes utilizing the [northshorebeach.com](http://northshorebeach.com) website so that the majority of our members can easily access applications and have the latest information at the touch of a button that is so critical to our mission. Our member count is now really catching up to where it should be at this time of year, and I applaud all members for having faith in our ability to deliver on having our beach ready for Opening Day at the end of June. We have only just begun!

Keep informed and be involved as members of this wonderful place. Remember, this is a member-run, not-for-profit organization with lots of normal expenses. What other community do you know has a 5,000+ acre passive recreation park and a mile+ of private beach?

Without your personal/financial contributions and input, our “solutions” to the challenges we face become burdensome. Members are realizing that getting involved in this rebuilding process builds relationships with neighbors they never knew and strengthens our future together as a community. So many people realize that pitching in saves money for much needed improvements which then increases the value of our neighborhood. Thanks to the many members who understand and support the values and the quality of life issues that we are trying to improve for all to enjoy. Keep those memberships coming!! **See you on the beach. Stay tuned...**



## CLUBHOUSE REPORT BY BOB LEONARD

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The NSBPOA clubhouse has many functions. It serves as a rental facility as well as a gathering place. The clubhouse is open every Friday night for neighbors to gather in a relaxing environment. Come and unwind amongst neighbors! During the past few months our clubhouse has held a number of events and we have several more events scheduled for the future.



A 32-inch, flat screen TV was recently donated to serve as an informational bulletin board for future events and will also include a slide show recapping recent events. All members are welcome to stop by.

## ADOPT-A-STEP BY MAUREEN O'KEEFE

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The Adopt-A-Step Program was the brainchild of Board Member Bob Leonard. He had no idea it would be embraced so well by our members. Since its announcement at the May 19th meeting, this NSBPOA Fundraiser has raised \$7575. Members are taking advantage of this opportunity to remember parents and grandparents, inscribing their grandchildren's names and even pets have been mentioned. If you have not already done so, now would be the time to join in this wonderful event to raise money for our beaches. To date, Friendship leads the pack with \$6675 (this more than covers the cost to fix the steps at that beach), Broadway has raised \$600 and Beech has raised \$300.

Forms can be printed from the website and mailed to PO Box 601 or picked up at the Clubhouse most Friday nights from 7 PM to 9PM or at the Farmers Market between 10 AM and 1 PM on Sunday mornings.

As JFK said "Ask what you can do for your country" not "what your country can do for you."



Help us beat Sandy's destruction. **Volunteer.** E-mail your skills and/or available time to [northshorebeachinfo@gmail.com](mailto:northshorebeachinfo@gmail.com) and we will match you with a person who can use your help. Our presence at the clubhouse and the Farmers Market has been a very positive experience.

Volunteers, doing the steps, going to town hall, meeting weekly to organize have all been making a difference. Be part of the solution.

Visit us on the web to download the application at [www.northshorebeach.com](http://www.northshorebeach.com). Thank you!

*"Want to stay in contact with NSBPOA? Have a question for us? Feel free to email us at [northshorebeachinfo@gmail.com](mailto:northshorebeachinfo@gmail.com) and "like" our Facebook page North Shore Beach (community organization). "*

*Thanks!*

# NSBPOA & AUXILIARY EVENTS

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## **July 3—Open House**

7:30 PM at the Clubhouse

Rory Rubino 744-3695

## **July 18—Chinese Auction/Game Night**

7:30 PM at the Clubhouse

Gaynor O'Brien

## **July 25—Auxiliary Business Meeting**

7:30 PM at the Clubhouse

## **July 27—Dolly & Me**

11:30 AM- 1:30 PM at the Clubhouse

Maureen O'Keefe 849-3841

## **August 3—Field Day**

1 PM: at Friendship Beach

Kathy and Joe Neubauer 744-3573

## **August 24—Summer Dance**

7:30 PM at the Clubhouse

Rory Rubino 744-3695

## **Date to be Announced— Comedy Night**

7:30 PM at the Clubhouse

Des and Val Butler

## **Date to be Announced— Golf Outing**

Keith Martone

## **Every Saturday in July/August**

### **Kids Klub**

Mary Clarke Higgins and Gosia Alba

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Please join us for our Auxiliary Summer Opening Party at the Clubhouse on July 3rd at 7:30. We will gather to kick off the summer season and discuss our plans. We'd love to hear any ideas you have for fundraisers or improvements to our community. Beverages and snacks will be served. This is a FREE event, bring a friend, neighbor. Children are welcome.



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