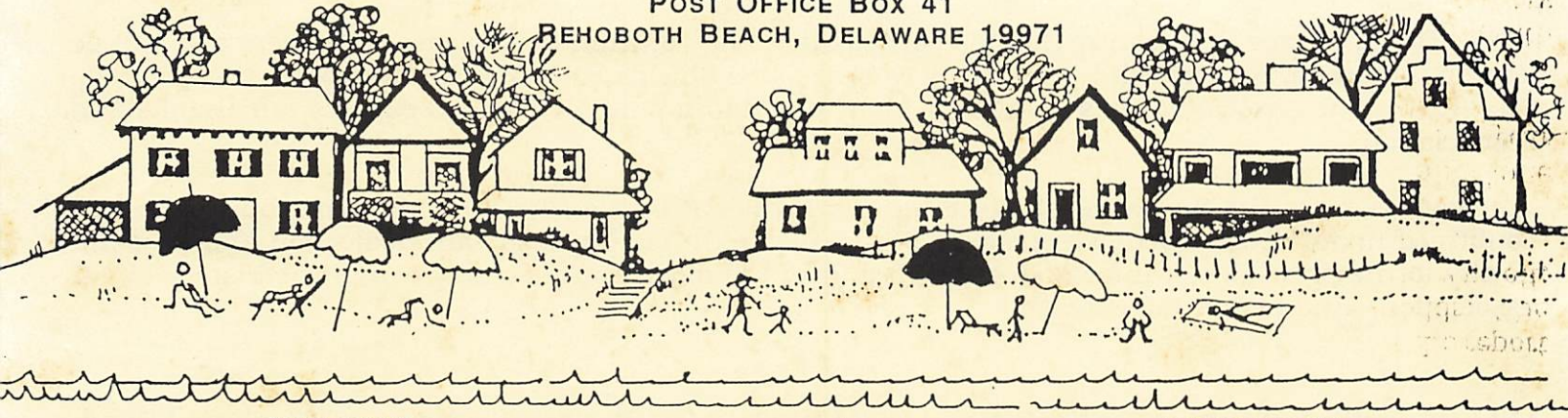


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ANNUAL MEETING
SATURDAY MORNING - OCTOBER 20, 1990 - 10:00 A.M.
COFFEE & DONUTS - 9:30 A.M.
ALL SAINTS' PARISH HOUSE
18 OLIVE AVENUE
-- SPEAKER --
CHIEF HARRY MAICHL
REHOBOTH BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

IMPORTANT BUSINESS MEETING - ELECTION OF OFFICERS
REMEMBER TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW. WE NEED YOU!

AUGUST ANNUAL CITY ELECTION . . . The diligent work of so many people, dedicated to the preservation of Rehoboth Beach as the special place it is, paid off at the polls on August 11. The candidates who were supported by the RBHA won by a very convincing majority of votes. So it is with great pleasure that we offer ***Congratulations to our new Mayor, Sam Cooper, and to our re-elected Commissioners, Jack Hyde and Jack Salin.*** The oath of office was administered to each by our Alderman, Mike DeFiore, at the regular September City Meeting. As one of his first acts as Mayor, Mr. Cooper appointed Mrs. Jan Konesey of Dover as Commissioner to complete his one year unexpired term. Commissioner Konesey will be serving as a non-resident Commissioner with a residence in Rehoboth. We offer Commissioner Konesey our best wishes and congratulations!!

This was an especially hard fought election campaign and now is the time to pay tribute and say "sincere thanks" to all those who supported our candidates with their vote and their participation in the campaign in all its facets. It was an effort that merits a "Well Done"!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING . . . was held September 21. The main item of business was the report of the nominating committee which was composed of Mary Campbell, Bob Salin and Joe Shields. The following names were submitted by the committee to fill the officer spots: President - Greg McDermott; Vice President - Howard Benjamin; Secretary - Priscilla Smith; Treasurer - Fern Hayes.

For the Board of Directors the following names were submitted: Roger Pool, Frank Hubbell and Anne Stellmann - for three-year terms; Carol Hehir for a two-year term; and Evelyn Thoroughgood for a one-year term.

The members present voted to submit the above names to the membership at the Annual Meeting with a recommendation that they be accepted. The nominating committee was cited for having achieved a very fine slate of officers and board members.

RBHA
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**WE URGE YOUR ATTENDANCE ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20
FOR OUR ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING.
THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AND TALK WITH CHIEF MAICHEL.**

FROM THE PRESIDENT . . . Four years have passed since the present RBHA officers were installed. Many issues have been raised, and most of them resolved. We still, however, have parking and traffic problems and the Surfside Diner is still trying to get a liquor license for their upstairs nightclub. But thanks to the membership of the RBHA those problems are still uppermost in the minds of most Rehoboth citizens and the City Commissioners. Hopefully, these ongoing problems will shortly come to a favorable conclusion. My work with the RBHA has been a rewarding experience and I thank all members for their past support and interest. I know that your new officers and board can count on your continued participation and concern.

If you are unable to be present, we urge you to write to the Delaware Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission stating your objection. You may write your own letter or use the enclosed format. Return either to Mr. Jay Smith, RBHA, Box 41, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971 so that all letters can be presented to the ABCC in volume. A large number of letters will reinforce our position. Please make a special effort to keep informed on this issue. The impact of such a venture on the future of Rehoboth Beach would be detrimental in keeping Rehoboth a family town.

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission has rescheduled (from last October) a hearing on this matter on **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1990** to be held in the Commissioner's Room at Convention Hall. It is of the utmost importance that we have as many people as possible present at the hearing to reinforce our strong objection to the extension of this license. If you can be in Rehoboth on November 16th, please plan to attend the hearing. You will have an opportunity to speak to the issue which is of vital importance in our unceasing efforts to maintain the traditional life style of Rehoboth.

!!! FOR YOUR SPECIAL ATTENTION AND IMMEDIATE ACTION !!! The owners of The Strand Dance Hall at 137 Rehoboth Avenue are again seeking an extension of the liquor license held by their existing restaurant, The Surfside Diner, so as to accommodate the service and sale of alcoholic beverages in the upstairs dance hall -- the same dance hall that was the scene of a highly publicized drug bust in September of 1989. The citizens of Rehoboth Beach affirmed their objection to liquor licenses of this type by a sizeable majority when they approved the City Ordinance amending Chapter 19 of the City Code, the so-called Bar Ban, by a referendum vote in the 1989 City Election. Since the Bar Ban Ordinance is now in effect, it appears that The Strand owners have applied for an "extension" of their legal liquor license in order to circumvent the ordinance. Unconfirmed reports indicate that the promoters of this dance hall bar are planning to add an open air second floor area to provide space for the throngs of supporters of this type of late night entertainment. Both residents and business people in the second block of Maryland Avenue have voiced strong objection to the extension of the license.

The Board wishes to recognize the fine participation and contributions of those members who will be leaving the Board, namely Bill Hiller, Kathy Knowles, Joe Shields, and Greg McDermott -- the incoming President. Our Association has benefitted from their efforts and we want to express our thanks and appreciation. Recognition for the fine work of Jay Smith as President of the RBHA for the past four years was confirmed unanimously by those present. President Smith has presided with dedication and constant loyalty to the principles of the RBHA through four of the most troublesome years in the history of our association. And he has done it well!!!