



# A Guide to the Services of Bethany Beach

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# Welcome

**WELCOME to Bethany Beach.** The Town's services are ready and available to serve the many diverse needs of this community, and on behalf of the Town Council and staff we welcome your engagement, creativity, and involvement in making this Town better each day.

***Why a Guide?*** *As customers and consumers, we* often receive guides on how to use an appliance or how to repair a play set. In today's service economy, however, most of us face much more difficult and complex decisions in the services that we receive and the relationships that we develop. We often need a guide to explain the services that we can and should expect from our service providers, and answers on how to obtain help when we need it.

This guide outlines the services available to you and hopefully will help to answer your questions and concerns about our services. You should expect quality services at a reasonable cost, and the service that you receive should be easily available to every resident, property owner and business owner as well as visitors.

For further information, visit the Town website at [Town of Bethany Beach](#)

# Town Directory

Category	Contact	Telephone
Alderman Court	Lisa Tusick	302-539-8011
Beach Patrol	Cpt. Joe Donnelly	302-539-8114
Building Department	Susan Frederick	302-539-8780
Code Enforcement	John Morton	302-539-5484
Events / Entertainment	Julie Malewski	302-539-8725
Finance Department	Janet Connery	302-539-8729
Nature Center	Nancy Lucy	302-537-7680
Parking Department	Terry Gordon	302-539-1000
Police Department	Chief Michael Redmon	302-539-1000
Public Works Department	Brett Warner	302-539-1339
Town Clerk	Molly Daisey	302-537-3771
Town Hall	Andrea Brosius	302-539-8011
Town Manager	Cliff Graviet	302-537-3771
Assistant Town Manager	John Apple	302-539-1996
Water Department	Sean Cooper	302-537-0851

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Memorial Day 2009

# About Us



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Handicap Beach Access



# History

## Founding

Bethany was founded by members of the Christian Church (also known as the Disciples of Christ) of Washington DC area and Pennsylvania. The original idea was not to found a Town, but to find a suitable tract of land for a permanent yearly seaside assembly for the Christian churches of the country. Bethany was named by H.L. Atkinson who won a nationwide contest. He was given a lot on the beach as his prize. Bethany still reflects the character of the early settlers who were looking for a haven of rest for quiet people. "

## The First Building

The first building in Bethany was the Tabernacle, an octagonal auditorium on the assembly grounds of the Christian Missionary Society. It was dedicated July 12, 1901, though still uncompleted. It had brown shingles and was 100 feet in diameter with a cupola on top. That same day the deed to the Tabernacle and surrounding 15 acres was presented to Dr. Powers, representing the Christian Missionary Society by the Bethany Beach Improvement Company. The Tabernacle lasted 60 years until storms and termites destroyed the building.

## Obstacles Overcome

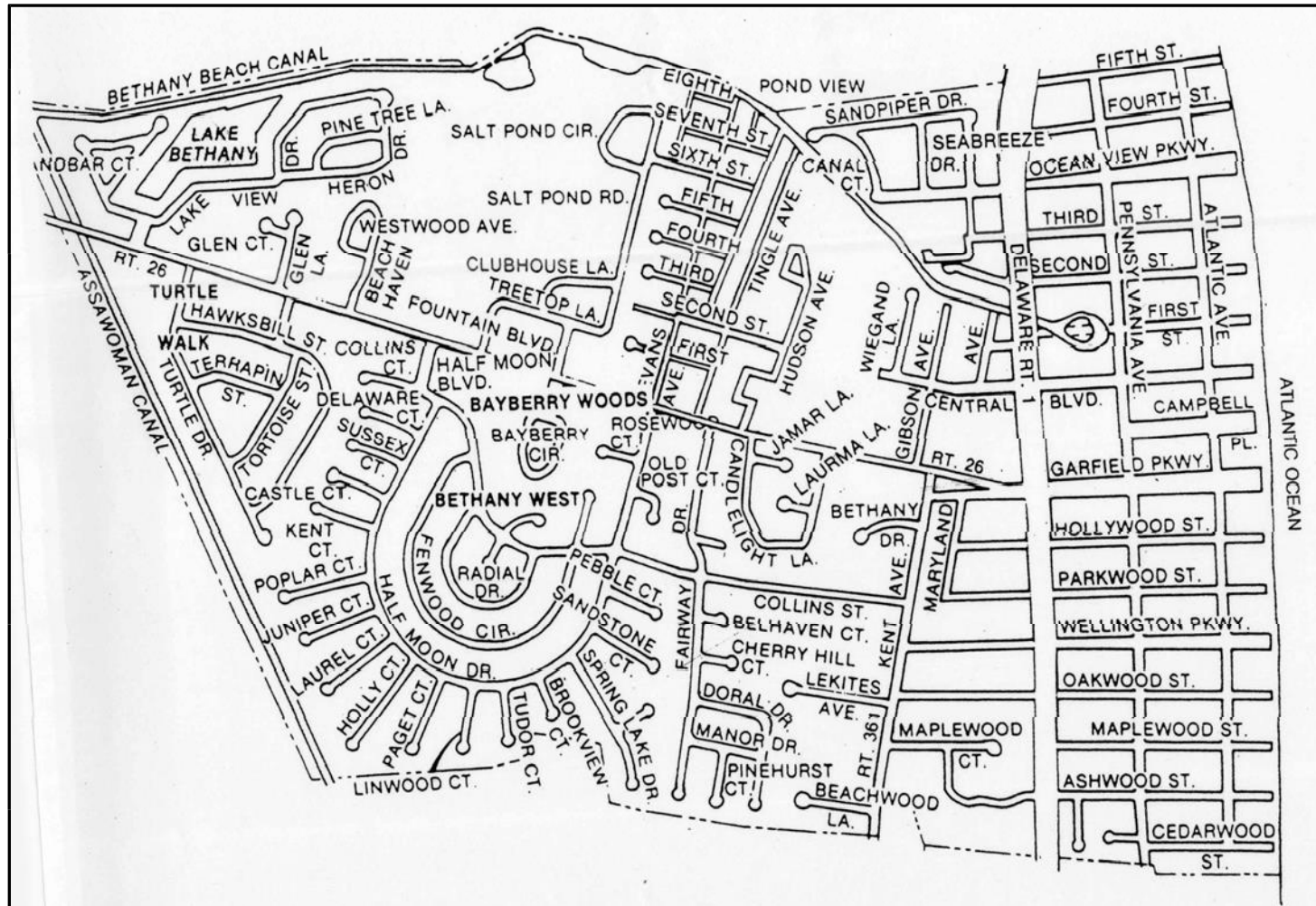
Problems soon arose. A railroad had been promised but not delivered, water was poor, and rains poured into the Auditorium. As a result, the officers of the Bethany Beach Improvement Company were fired.



Six businessmen from Pittsburgh were sent to bail them out. In the fall of 1902, they bought up the company, moved to the Beach and put their stamp on development for years to come. These men included W.R. Errett, lawyer; John M. Addy, plumber; W.S. Kidd, steel manufacturer; R.S. Latimer, tea merchant; Dr. T.E. Cramblet, president of Bethany College in WV; and W.A. Dinker, the first president of the new company.



# Bethany Beach Map



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# Totem Pole

**"Chief Little Owl"**



## **Overview**

The 24-foot statue at the downtown entrance to Bethany Beach has been a landmark since 1976. The original statue was created by sculptor Peter Wolf Toth, a humanitarian who wanted to give thanks to the United States.

The sculpture was donated to the Town as part of his "Trail of the Whispering Giants" project. He created more than 50 wooden sculptures of famous Indians and donated at least one to every state. He also has some located in Canada.

# Handicap Beach Access

## **Handicap Beach Wheelchairs**

In order to accommodate those with a handicap who desire to leave the boardwalk and enjoy the beach, the Town of Bethany Beach has specially made wheelchairs capable of maneuvering in sandy conditions.

The wheelchairs are light in weight and have large smooth tires that allow the wheelchairs to ride on the surface of sand, instead of typically miring down in sand. The wheelchairs are operated manually by the occupant and with possible assistance of a family member or friend.

## **Location of Handicap Access Ramps**

Handicap crossovers to access the beach are located on Wellington Parkway and Ocean View Parkway.



Beach Mobility Chair

# Government

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# System of Government

## Overview

The Town of Bethany Beach practices a Council / Town Manager form of government. This form of government is the most popular form of municipal government in America.

## Town Council Responsibilities

In this form of government, our elected Town Council is responsible for:

1. Making policy
2. Passing ordinances
3. Approving the budget
4. Having overall authority in Town Government

## Town Manager Responsibilities

The Town Manager takes direction from the Town Council and is responsible for supervising government operations and implementing policies adopted by the Town Council as well as the day-to-day operation of the Town.

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Town Hall, February 2010



Addy Sea House - 1993

# Open Government

## Overview

The Town of Bethany Beach embraces open government and aggressively works to ensure the transparency of all the Town's official actions and decisions.

The Town of Bethany Beach fills all requirements of Delaware's Freedom of Information Act.

## Resources

1. Bethany Beach Code
2. Delaware Code
3. Delaware's Freedom of Information Act



Bethany Beach US  
Postal Office,  
Pennsylvania  
Avenue



Flags on the Boardwalk / Bandstand, Garfield  
Parkway

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**Town Council**  
**Rosemary Hardiman, Mayor**  
**Lew Killmer, Vice Mayor**  
**Jerry Morris, Secretary / Treasurer**  
**Faith Denault**  
**R. Bruce Frye**  
**Scott Edmonston**  
**Patrick Sheplee**

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- Making policy
- Passing ordinances
- Approving the budget
- Having overall authority in Town Government

# Town Clerk

The Town Clerk's Office provides administrative support to the Town Manager and Town Council.

## Contact

Administrative Assistant/ Town Clerk

Email: [admin@townofbethanybeach.com](mailto:admin@townofbethanybeach.com)

The Office is responsible for:

1. Coordination and preparation of agendas, briefing packets, and packets for the Town Council and Town Committees
2. Records Management
3. Municipal Code Maintenance
4. Election Administration
5. Website Administration

214 Garfield Parkway  
PO Box 109  
Bethany Beach, DE 19930

Ph: (302) 537-3771

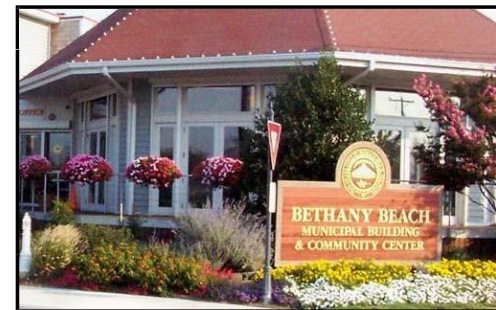
Fx: (302) 539-8149

## Hours

8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Monday - Friday

The Town does not have a separate Human Resources Department. This function is performed by the Town Clerk under the supervision of the Town Manager.



Bethany Beach Town Hall



# Town Committees

Audit Committee  
Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Committee  
Board of Adjustments  
Board of Assessments  
Budget and Finance Committee  
Charter and Ordinance Review Committee  
Cultural and Historic Affairs Committee

Design Review Committee for C-1 & C-2  
Fourth of July Parade Committee  
Non-Residential Design Review Committee  
Planning and Zoning Commission  
Stormwater and Flooding Committee  
Telecommunications Committee



Bandstand  
1984



Water  
Spout  
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# Town Manager

The Town Manager's office is the center of Bethany Beach government, overseeing every administrative department from Police to Public Works.

The Town Manager takes direction from the Town Council and is responsible for supervising government operations and implementing policies adopted by the Town Council.

He or she is responsible to the Mayor and Council for the administration of all Town affairs placed in his or her charge under the Town Charter.

## Contact

Town Manager

Email: [admin@townofbethanybeach.com](mailto:admin@townofbethanybeach.com)

214 Garfield Parkway  
PO Box 109  
Bethany Beach, DE 19930

Ph: (302) 537-3771

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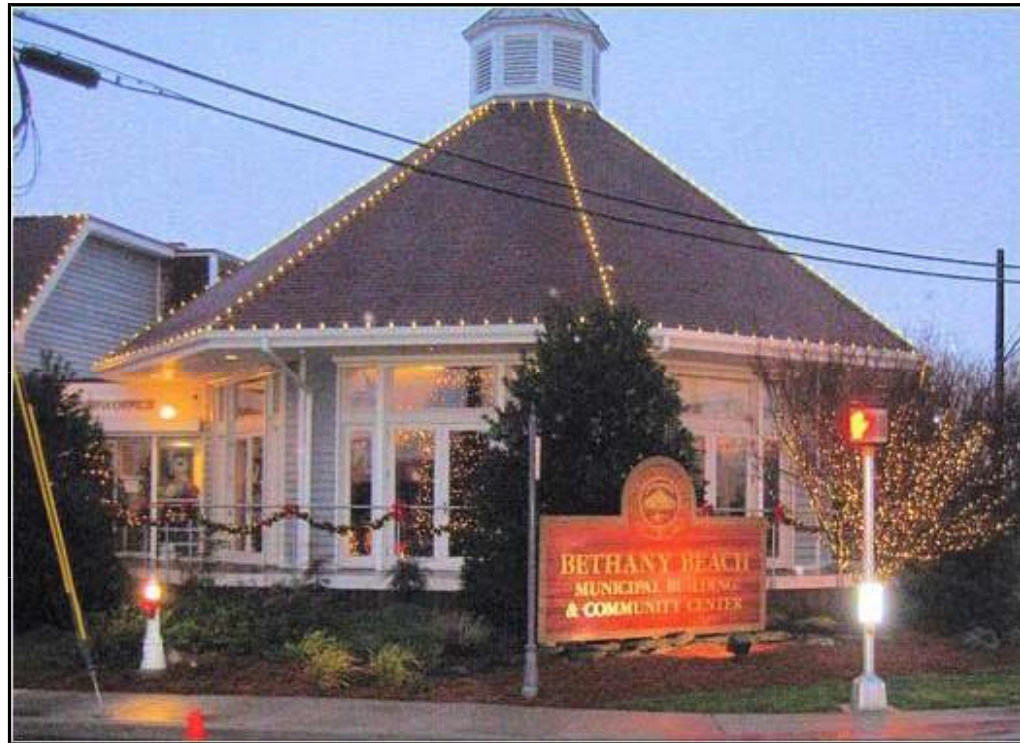
Hours  
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Monday - Friday



Bethany Beach Town Hall

# Departments and Town Related Services

1. Alderman Court
2. Beach Patrol
3. Building Department
4. Code Enforcement
5. Finance
6. Parking
7. Police Department
8. Public Works
9. Trolley
10. Code Red
11. Trash Collection
12. Water Department



Bethany Beach Town Hall

# Alderman Court

The duty of the Alderman is to enforce all laws enacted for the government of the Town and to carry into effect all orders and directions of the Town Council made pursuant to any law of this State, and to carry into effect any ordinance which the Town Council may legally make or establish.

The Alderman is nominated by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate, and is under the jurisdiction of the Chief Justice of the State of Delaware.

## Contact

Clerk of the Court  
214 Garfield Pkwy  
PO Box 109  
Bethany Beach, DE 19930

Ph: (302) 539-8011  
Fx: (302) 537-3776

## Hours

8:00 am - 4:30 pm  
Monday - Friday



Garfield Parkway 1993

# Beach Patrol

The Bethany Beach Patrol is a United States Lifesaving Association Advanced Certified Agency that serves the residents and visitors of the Town of Bethany Beach.

The 30-member beach patrol provides rescue services including ocean rescue, First Responder care, and general public service.

The beach patrol, with the assistance of the police department, enforces all Town rules and regulations regarding the beach.

Lifeguards patrol the beaches full time from Memorial Day Saturday until Labor Day Monday and weekends throughout September.

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## Contact

Beach Patrol Captain  
PO Box 109  
Bethany Beach, DE 19930

Ph: (302) 539-8114

Fx: (302) 537-3776

Attention: Beach Patrol

## Hours

Memorial Day Weekend – Labor Day

Weekend:

10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Monday - Friday

Weekends & Holidays:

9:30 am - 5:30pm

Weekends in September:

10:00 am – 5:00 pm



Lifeguard Patrol 2010

# Building Department

The Building Department is responsible for inspection of all new construction and remodeling to ensure the structures comply with local building codes and ordinances.

Some of the departments responsibilities include:

- Reviewing plans for Code compliance
- Issuing building permits
- All zoning questions and enforcement
- Review and approve new construction, remodeling, repairs, and renovation



Building Inspection Progress  
Canal Court - 1984

## Contact

Building Inspector  
[sfrederick@townofbethanybeach.com](mailto:sfrederick@townofbethanybeach.com)

214 Garfield Pkwy

PO Box 109

Bethany Beach, DE 19930

Ph: (302) 539-8780

Fax: (302) 539-8149

## Hours

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# Code Enforcement

Code Enforcement is responsible for monitoring and acting upon any municipal ordinance infraction relating to including but not limited to:

- Building
- Housing
- Sanitation
- Zoning
- Public Health

## Contact

Code Enforcement  
214 Garfield Pkwy  
PO Box 109  
Bethany Beach, DE  
19930

Ph: (302) 539-5484  
Fx: (302) 539-5053

Hours  
8:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Monday - Friday



Hurricane Josephine October 1984

# Finance

The Finance Department oversees all general financial operations of Bethany Beach by:

- Developing the financial policies of the Town
- Implementing the financial policies of the Town
- Managing the accounting records of all Town funds

**Contact**

Director of Finance  
214 Garfield Pkwy

PO Box 109

Bethany Beach, DE 19930

Ph: (302) 539-8729

Fx: (302) 537-3776

Hours

8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Monday - Friday



Flags on the Bandstand 2009



# Parking

The objective of the Bethany Beach Parking Department is to ensure safe, legal, and full utilization of all parking spaces within Town limits. Enforcement of regulations is a necessary adjunct to order within the community. All ordinances are based on Delaware Criminal and Traffic Laws.

Clear marking of spaces and adequate signage is designed to provide the public with parking directions without overburdening the area with excessive materials that detract from the beauty of the environment.

The Parking Supervisor is responsible for the parking parameters of the Town, based on direction from the Town Manager. Enforcement Parking Officers are empowered to issue summonses for all parking violations as defined by Town ordinance.

## Contact

Parking Supervisor  
214 Garfield Parkway  
PO Box 109  
Bethany Beach, DE 19930

Ph: (302) 539-1000

Ph: (302) 539-8011

Fx: (302) 539-8033

## Hours

8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Monday - Friday



Garfield Parkway

# Police Department

The Bethany Beach Police Department is a full-service Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) accredited law enforcement agency.

The Police Department's force of 11 full time employees is dedicated to serving merchants, residents and visitors by:

- Responding to calls for service
- Enforcing state and local laws
- Conducting preventive patrol activities
- Performing criminal investigations
- Promoting traffic safety
- Apprehending offenders

## Contact

Chief of Police  
214 Garfield Parkway  
PO Box 109  
Bethany Beach, DE 19930

Ph: (302) 539-1000  
Emergency: 9-1-1

Office Hours  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm Monday - Friday



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Police Car Leading July 4<sup>th</sup> 2010 Parade

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# Public Works

Public Works is responsible for maintenance of:

- Town-owned streets and alleys
- Town storm water facilities
- Beach, boardwalk, and comfort stations
- Residential and Commercial sanitation services
- Landscaping and grounds maintenance activities for Town-owned properties

## Contact

Department Director  
31022 De. Rt #1  
PO Box 109  
Bethany Beach, DE 19930

Ph: (302) 539-1339  
Fx: (302) 539-5053

Hours  
7:00 am - 3:30 pm  
Monday - Friday



View of Beach from Restaurant

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# Public Works

## **Public Works Staff**

The Town of Bethany Beach Public Works Department currently has a staff of 13 full-time employees, including the Public Works Director.

Also included in the 13 full-time employees is the Town's horticulture specialist, who oversees the Town beautification initiative, under the direction of the Town Manager and the Public Works Director.

The department grows to approximately 30 employees during the summer season.



Garfield Parkway

# Trolley Services

Trolleys run from the Friday before Memorial Day through mid September, continuously between 9:30 am to 10:00 pm. (Note: Last pick up on Atlantic and Garfield is at 9:45 pm) The trolley leaves location #1 on the half hour starting at 9:30 am. There may be little or no service daily 12:30 pm to 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm (approximate times) due to a lunch break.

You can flag down the trolley anywhere along the route for pick-up or discharge, except on Route 26 and Route 1. No pick-up or drop-off on Jefferson Bridge Road or Rt 26.

The trolley fare is 25 cents each way. The driver does not make change. For more information, please call 302-539-8011. **Please note that the trolley no longer stops at the Lake Bethany entrance or the South Coastal Library.**



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# Trolley Services Schedule

## Bethany Beach Trolley Stops

### Single Trolley Route

Two trolleys will run the same route, beginning at location #1 at 9:30 a.m. everyday.

1. Atlantic & Garfield
2. Atlantic & First St.
3. Atlantic & Ocean View
4. Armory Training Center
5. Canal Development & Ocean View
6. Town Park & Central
7. Second St. & Tingle Ave.
8. Villas at Bethany West @ Pool
9. Nature Center & Tree Top Ln.
10. Turtle Walk, Turtle Dr.
11. Turtle Walk, Leatherback Ln.
12. Bethany West, Half Moon @ Tennis Ct.
13. Bethany West, Half Moon & Tudor
14. Collins St.
15. Bethany Proper & Pool
16. Atlantic & Ashwood
17. Atlantic & Wellington



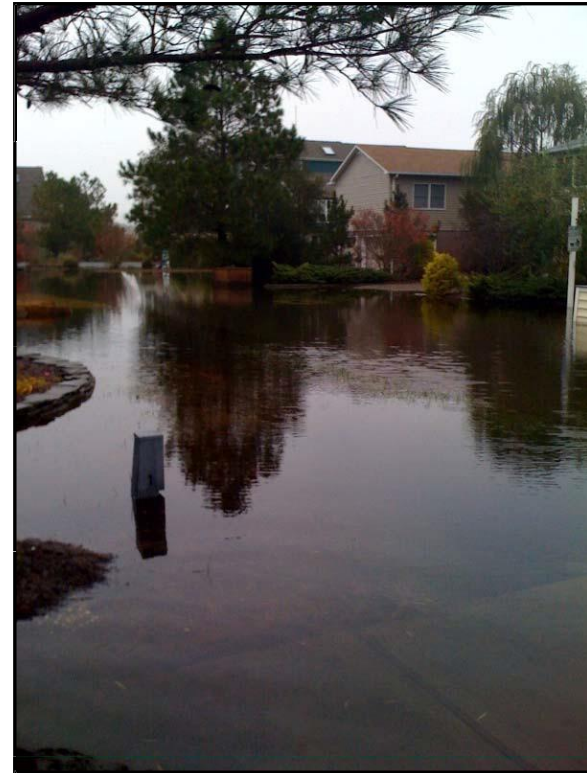
# Emergency Management Services

## Code Red



The Town of Bethany Beach has upgraded its emergency notification system. The Town is now using the CodeRED Emergency Notification System and it is an ultra high-speed telephone communication service for emergency notifications and the distribution of information considered to be important.

This system allows us to telephone all or targeted areas of the Town in case of an emergency situation that requires immediate action, such as an evacuation, contaminated water, hazardous chemical spill, etc. This system is capable of dialing the entire Town within minutes. It then delivers a pre-recorded message describing the situations to a live person or an answering machine in the affected area, possibly including instructions requiring immediate action on the part of the recipient.



The Canal

# Trash Collections

## Trash and Recycling Schedule

### Summer Residential Schedule

May 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>

- [Trash and Recycling Schedule](#)
- Zone #1: Monday and Friday  
Recycle Wednesday
- Zone #2: Tuesday and Saturday  
Recycle Thursday

### Winter Residential Schedule

October 1<sup>st</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup>

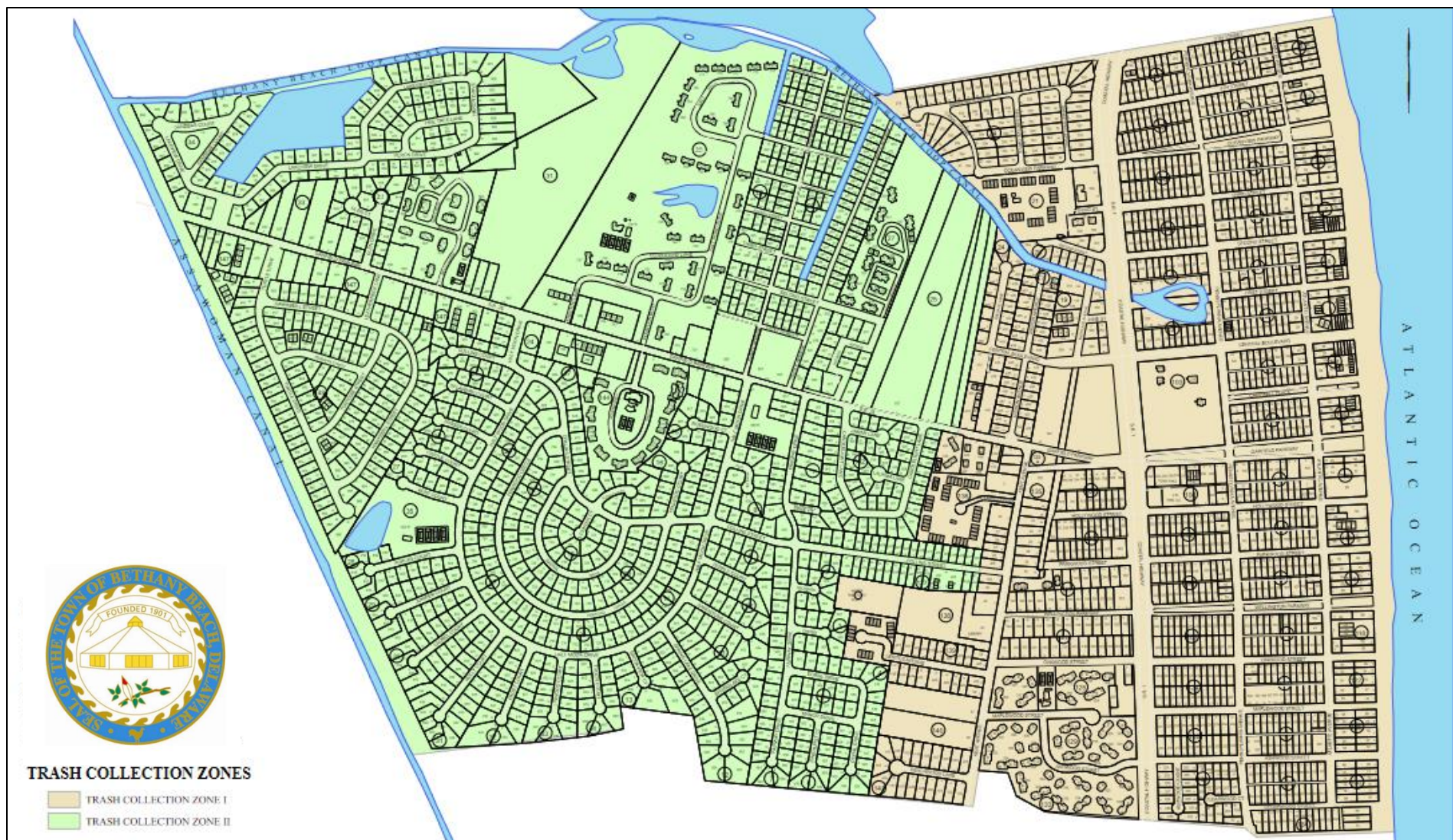
Entire Town: Monday only  
Recycle Wednesday



Bethany Beach Trash Collection Truck



# Trash Collection Zones



# Free Bulk Trash Cleanup

Free Cleanup is the last two weeks of April and October.

Bulk trash will be picked up free during these weeks. Leave it out where you normally leave your garbage, and Public Works will dispose of it at their convenience. There is no need to notify Town Hall.

This does not include construction material, hazardous materials, paints or explosives. Limbs/branches must be cut into six-foot lengths tied into bundles and the doors must be removed from major appliances.

Any other time of year there will be a fee at the discretion of the Public Works Director. Please call Town Hall, (302) 539-8011, for arrangements.

Note: It is recommended that plastic bag liners be used in all residential garbage cans to increase efficiency in collection and to reduce breeding of flies and mosquitoes.

# Water Department

The Water Department is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Town's water facilities. These facilities are staffed by State licensed operators and consist of the following:

- Water filtration plant and standpipe on Collins Street
- Six production wells
- Entire distribution system

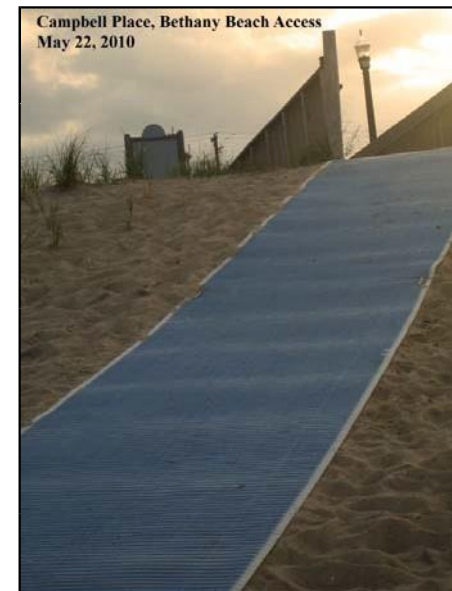
Raw water is pumped from the wells to the water treatment plant. Water passes through numerous treatment processes at the plant.

## Contact

Water Department  
Director  
214 Garfield Pkwy  
Bethany Beach, DE  
19930

Ph: (302) 537-0851  
Emergency: (302)  
539-1000

Hours  
7:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Monday - Friday



Mobi-Mats for Beach Access 2010



# New Water Service

## Guidelines for Establishing a New Water Service

• Obtain a Town water permit from Town Hall (214 Garfield Parkway, Ph: (302) 539-8011)

- All applicable fees and costs must be paid at this time

- The following is an outline of these fees:

- ☐ Impact Fee

- ☐ Tapping Fee

- ☐ Water Meter Fee

- ☐ Meter Pit Fee

- ☐ Fittings Fee

- ☐ Inspection

- The water main tap is done by Town personnel. Meter and pit installation is done by a licensed plumber, and must be inspected by the Town of Bethany Beach
- A 72-hours notice must be given to the Water Department regarding date and time of installation.
- Meter, pit and fittings are to be picked up at the Water Plant by your plumber on the day of installation. A time of inspection will be agreed upon at time of pick-up.
- All water meters and pits will be installed at or near the property line.

Enjoying afternoon on Boardwalk  
after Nor'easter November 2009

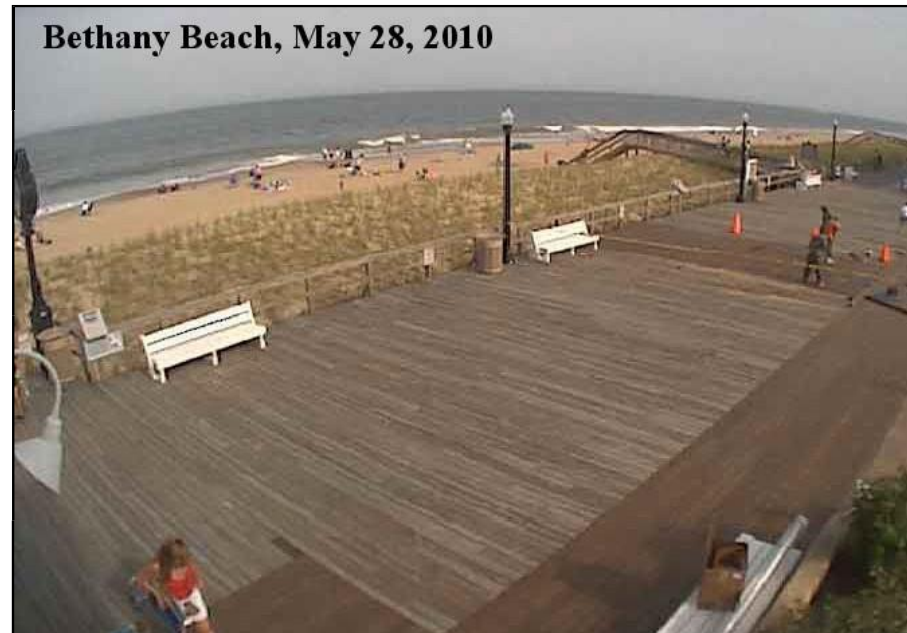


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# Non Town Related Services

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2. Power and Light
3. Cable Television
4. Satellite Television
5. Fire and Ambulance Services
6. Bethany Beach Volunteer Fire Company
7. Ambulance Services



Boardwalk Kebony Planking Replacement 2010

# Sewer - Sussex County

Responsible for processing, billing and collection of sanitary sewer and water districts.

## Contact Information

Director

Sussex County Administrative Office Building,  
3rd Floor

2 The Circle, P.O. Box 589  
Georgetown, DE 19947

Phone (302) 855-7871

Fax (302) 854-5381



Sussex County, Georgetown Government Building

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# Power and Light

## Contact Delmarva Power Outages and Emergencies

To report a power outage or other electrical emergency such as a downed wire, pole accident, or tree limb on a wire, please call:  
1-800-898-8042

DELMARVA POWER  
P.O. Box 17006  
Wilmington, DE 19886

P.O. Box 459  
Rehoboth, DE 19971

Link:

<https://www.delmarva.com/>

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## Call Before You Dig

Call 811. The law requires everyone to check with local utilities in advance of any hand digging, excavating, boring, pile-driving or blasting.

Call Miss Utility 2-10 work days before you begin. This is a free service

## Customer Service

Contact us Online or, please call:  
In Delaware and Maryland  
1-800-375-7117  
(TTY-TDD Hearing Impaired:  
1-800-822-1200)

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# Cable Television

Mediacom  
32441 Royal Blvd  
Dagsboro, DE 19939

Customer Service: 855-633-4226

Website:  
<https://www.mediacomcable.com>



Salt Pond and Sandpiper Dr, 1987





# Satellite Television

Direct TV. 1-800-531-5000. [www.directtv.com](http://www.directtv.com)

Dish TV. 1-855-939-4985. [www.dish.com](http://www.dish.com)

# Fire and Ambulance Services

1. Bethany Beach Volunteer Fire Company
2. Ambulance Services



Bethany Beach Fire Station

# Bethany Beach Volunteer Fire Company

The Bethany Beach Volunteer Fire Company is a totally volunteer organization and is not under the administration of the Town of Bethany Beach.

In case of emergency, please dial 9-1-1.



Link: <https://www.bethanybeachfire.com/>

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## Contact

Bethany Beach Volunteer  
Fire Company (BBVFC)  
215 Hollywood St  
PO Box 950  
Bethany Beach, DE 19930

Ph: (302) 539-7700

Ph: (302) 539-8100

Fax: (302) 539-6514

Emergency: 9-1-1

## Hours

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Monday - Friday



Bethany Fire Station

# Ambulance Services

The BBVFC Emergency Medical Services Division is an unprecedented collaboration between the fire company and property owners within the Towns of Bethany Beach, South Bethany, Fenwick Island and the Sea Colony Recreation Association (the sponsors). The financial commitment of these sponsors and others allowed for service to begin operation on December 31st, 2008.

The primary ambulance is staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year by a team of seven career Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technicians, Part-Time EMT's and an EMS Supervisor.



## CONTACT INFO EMERGENCY Dial

9-1-1

Station One: 302-539-7700

Station Two: 302-539-8100

Fax: 302-539-7572

Address:

215 Hollywood Street

PO Box 950

Bethany Beach, DE 19930

# Town Activities



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# Seaside Craft Show

The Bethany Beach Seaside Craft Show is held on the first Saturday of June from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. This is a juried fine crafts event. Application deadline is 1<sup>st</sup> Day of February.



Crafts on the Boardwalk

# Farmers Market

The Bethany Beach Farmers' Market brings an abundance of fresh locally grown produce from the fields of Sussex County to the shores of the Atlantic. Each Sunday morning during the summer season the historic and charming seaside Town of Bethany Beach, Delaware, is transformed into a vibrant marketplace teeming with locals and visitors alike experiencing the colors, tastes, textures and aromas unique to this coastal-agricultural community.

The market runs for an 11 week season from 8AM to 1200 Noon from June into September.





# Fourth of July

The 4th of July Parade Committee is an all-volunteer group. The Town of Bethany Beach supports the parade with a great deal of logistical help, such as Town officials, their staff and Town employees, the Police Department, Bethany Beach Volunteer Fire Company, and the Public Works Department and their crew.

Firework displays occur at a date to be determined across the holiday weekend.



Bethany July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks over the Atlantic

# Library

## South Coastal Library and Cultural Center

43 Kent Avenue  
Bethany Beach, DE 19930  
(302) 858-5518

**E-mail:** [SouthCoastal.Library@lib.de.us](mailto:SouthCoastal.Library@lib.de.us)

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# Recreation

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Bethany Family Recreation Center

# Boardwalk Events

All forms of entertainment appear on the Bandstand and Boardwalk. Please refer to the Town's website – Activities Tab to see a schedule of events.



Bethany Summer Concert on the Bandstand

Bethany End  
of Summer  
March -  
September  
2008



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# Fishing

**D**elaware now has fishing license requirements covering all of the state's waters. That means the new license covers both fresh and/or tidal water—and for the first time, it also covers both Delaware residents and non-residents who are fishing tidal waters.

The Delaware license for both fresh and tidal waters is also valid for recreational crabbing and clamming. There are new fees for charter boats and head boats, and an option for a recreational boat fishing license.

Residents age 16 to 64 inclusive, and non-residents 16 and older, need a license.

Licenses can be obtained online at:  
<https://egov.dnrec.delaware.gov/>



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# Public Golf

Club	Website	Telephone
Bayside Resort	<a href="http://www.golfbayside.com">www.golfbayside.com</a>	(866) 217-4727
Bear Trap Dunes	<a href="http://www.beartrapdunes.com">www.beartrapdunes.com</a>	(302) 537-5600
Club Baywood Greens	<a href="http://www.baywoodgreens.com">www.baywoodgreens.com</a>	(302) 947-9800
The Rookery	<a href="http://www.rookerygolf.com">www.rookerygolf.com</a>	(302) 684-3000
The Salt Pond	<a href="http://www.saltpondgolf.com">www.saltpondgolf.com</a>	(302) 539-7525

Note: Clubs listed in alphabetical order. Call for directions and fees.



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Bethany Beach Area Golf Course

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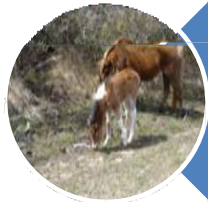
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# Town Parks

## Loop Canal Centennial Park

Located at Pennsylvania Avenue and First Street. While at the park, you can read our Town's historical marker.



## Town Hall Park

Visit the beautiful garden located by the Town Hall on Garfield Parkway. The park provides Wi-Fi services.



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## Town Parks (Cont)

### **Bethany Beach Nature Center**

Located on the north side of Route 26 next to Grotto Pizza. Some great activities at the Nature Center include: trails, an interactive center, and a kiddie park.



### **Bethany Beach Children's Park & Recreation Area**

Park located at Northwest corner of Garfield Parkway and Pennsylvania Avenue. Provides basketball courts, volleyball courts, and contains state of art playground equipment.



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# State Parks

## **Delaware Seashore State Park**

Delaware Seashore State Park is located north of Bethany Beach on Delaware Route 1. It is open from 8:00 am to sunset, year-round. This park offers six miles of ocean and bay shoreline, a campground, 295-slip marina with charter, head boat, and a boat ramp.

- Campground: (302) 539-7202
- Marina: (302) 227-3071 Park
- Office: (302) 227-2800

## **Fenwick Island State Park**

Fenwick Island State Park is located three and one-half miles south of Bethany Beach on Delaware Route 1. It offers 355 acres of ocean and bay shorelines. During the season, guarded beaches are provided with restroom facilities, a bathhouse, and food stand.

- Park Office: (302) 539-9060 and (302) 539-1055 (summer only)

## **Great Cypress Swamp**

Great Cypress Swamp is located on the border between Delaware and Maryland. It provided materials for shelter in 19th century. The swamp is home to seventy-three breeding species of birds. Located West of Selbyville, DE and Highway 54/113, covers about 50 square miles and about 20 miles SW of Bethany Beach.

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# State Parks (Cont)

## Holts Landing State Park

Holts Landing State Park is located on the south shore of the Indian River Bay and 12 miles northwest of Bethany. Take Route 26 west from Bethany Beach and turn right on County Road 346 to the park entrance.

The park is a 203-acre Delaware state park located northwest of Bethany Beach, Sussex County, Delaware. Prior to becoming a state park, the land was the Holt family farm. The Holts sold the land to the state of Delaware in 1957 and Holts Landing State Park was opened to the public in 1965. Holts Landing State Park is open for year-round recreation and features the only pier on the east coast of Delaware that was built for crabbing and the recreational harvesting of blue crabs. It has a pavilion for picnics, boat ramp, horseshoe pits, playground, and ball fields. It also offers clamming and crabbing.

The park is open from 8:00 am to sunset, year-round.

- Park Office: (302) 227-2800



Crabbing Pier

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# State Parks (Cont)

## James Farm Ecological Preserve

James Farm Ecological Preserve is located on Cedar Neck Road about five miles northwest of Bethany Beach.

The park provides guided tours, demonstrations, and various exhibits. You can walk through the woods and learn about native Delaware birds, trees, wildflowers, and shrubs. The James Farm provides three observation towers and a number of clearly marked trails on its 150 acres along Indian River Bay.

Center for the Inland Bays (CIB) operates the James Farm. Admission is free.

- Center Office: (302) 226-8105



The CIB-managed James Farm Ecological Preserve is open from sunrise to sunset, 365 days-a-year

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# National Park

## Assateague Island National Seashore

Located near Ocean City Maryland and 25 miles from Bethany Beach. Visit the Assateague Island National Seashore, a place recreated each day by ocean wind and waves. Life on Assateague Island has adapted to an existence on the move.

Assateague Island has beautiful scenery to explore, including

- Sandy beaches
- Salt marshes
- Maritime forests
- Coastal bays
- Free roaming horses

Rest, relax, recreate and enjoy some time on the edge of the continent.



Views at Assateague

[Assateague Island National Seashore](#)

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