



BAY WINDS

The Red, White and Blue!!



Selby 4th of July Kids!

It has been a steamy summer, but we are now looking at going back to school! Thrilled parents cheer and tired, sunburned kids are crying all over Selby. We had fun though! We had a good turnout for the 4th of July pParade and Selby folks enjoyed their beach time on Independence Day. We were able to see fireworks all around us! With summer behind us, we now look forward to the holiday season. Keep an eye on Facebook and the Selby website for information about upcoming Selby events.



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EBOLA

The Ebola virus has been in the news a lot recently and schools have even sent out information to parents to quell their concerns about outbreaks reaching schools. They say knowledge is power so here are the facts.

The Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) was formerly known as Ebola Hemorrhagic Fever and was discovered in 1976. The first cases were found in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo along the Ebola River where the disease gets its name. It is one in five Ebola viruses which include three others that cause illness in humans and animals and one, Reston virus, which only causes illness to animals and not humans. The Ebola virus originates from an animal host. The most likely cause are fruit bats, but chimpanzees, gorillas, monkeys, forest antelopes and porcupines can also be culprits. Contact with these animal's bodily fluid whether the animal is ill or dead can spread the virus to humans. Human-to-human spread can be caused through direct contact with bodily fluids, secretions or organs. The Ebola virus is not an airborne virus and can not be caught through breathing

the same air as a victim. The spread of the virus is through contact with bodily fluids particularly on broken skin, i.e. hangnails or mucous membranes, i.e. the nose. The virus can also be spread through contact with contaminated surfaces and materials such as bedding or clothing. Healthcare workers and those dealing with burials are at a high risk and must adhere to infection control precautions. The Ebola virus is very powerful and a small dose of the virus is enough to infect someone and make them ill. The incubation period for the Ebola virus is two to 21 days, but the average is about eight to ten days. Victims are not contagious until they start showing symptoms and after they recover. Symptoms include - sudden fever, fatigue, rash, symptoms of kidney and liver distress and occasionally there can be external and internal hemorrhaging. Sometimes the Ebola virus is mistaken for malaria, typhoid fever or meningitis. There is no cure for the Ebola virus and the average fatality rate is 50% and can be as high as 90%. Once victims are symptomatic, they are kept hydrated and symptoms treated as they appear to keep the body strong to fight the virus. After

victims recover, they can carry the virus in their systems for as long as 7 weeks.

The current outbreak of EVD began with the first cases in March 2014. It is the largest outbreak of Ebola with the most cases and fatalities. There is currently no vaccine for Ebola, but there are two that are currently being evaluated.



NEW MARYLAND LAWS

Here are a few new MD laws that went into effect 1 October 2014.

- There are watermelons crying all over Maryland now that alcohol over the proof of 190 is banned.
- The vaportini - inhaling alcohol through a glass straw - is also now banned in Maryland.
- It is now law that when your car's windshield wipers are on, then so must your lights.
- Seatbelts are now required for ALL passengers in a moving vehicle. Backseat seatbelts are a secondary offense.
- Texting in an vehicle is totally banned in Maryland even if you are sitting at a red light.
- "Jake's Law" took effect 1 October. The law is named after 5-year old Jake Owen who lost his young life in 2011 on the Baltimore Beltway after the car he was driving in was hit from behind by someone who was texting while driving. Jake's Law imposes a 1 year jail term for anyone who is talking or texting on a handheld cell phone and causes an accident that results in injuring or killing anyone.

- You are now required to move over or slow down to a precautionary speed as you would do for police officers and ambulances when passing a tow truck offering roadside assistance.



SELBY 4TH OF JULY FUN!



We did much better with our parade route this year! We even had some folks come out to watch! Congrats to our first Selby 4th of July King (Landon Witles) and Queen (Melody Newman). Thank you to Bill Harding for leading our parade. The tractor looked sharp!

SELBY ONLINE RESOURCES

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Community Blog

selbyonthebay.blogspot.com

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selby-on-the-bay.nextdoor.com

* Direct links can be found on the community website

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