

SOUNDS BEACH

SOUNDS from the BEACH
The Quarterly S.B.P.O.A. Newsletter

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Winter teased us this year. Hinted at mildness and then blew occasional gusts of cold Canadian air just to remind us of its power. El Nino wreaked havoc with our internal calendars. February flew, March is blowing in and out of town as I type. Anyone who hasn't felt some strong twinges of Spring Fever, just isn't paying attention. Spring in Sound Beach is an exquisite time... The moist earth luring us to our gardening knees with its fertile and rich aroma. The flowers beginning their splendid seasonal parade of colors and smells, and the gentle and steady progress of warmer, sunnier days, longer and softer evenings until we reach the luxuriousness of Summer. We'll be preparing the beaches for those days of rest and relaxation. Come by the ramps any weekend, to volunteer, chat, or ask questions about our plans for Summer 98'!

Association News

As always, the S.B.P.O.A. Board of Directors has been meeting monthly to discuss and make decisions about issues that affect the community throughout the year. This includes ongoing fundraising, special events, planning, and of course the unexpected problems, big and small, which affect our day to day operations. This Winter, Clubhouse renovation has been a priority, and willing volunteers were there to meet this challenge. Paul Picciotti has done the Association a huge service by making extensive and necessary repairs to the roof. He cannot be thanked enough! Another crew, including Bruce Walsh, Vic Scalone, Tom Hetherington & Andy Petrilak have installed new lights and a floor in the kitchen. Charlie DeMarco, our caretaker has been sprucing up the outside. This work has been invaluable to us and will make the Clubhouse, already the place for many a memorable party, a more attractive rental. So check it out! and if you are planning a birthday, christening, communion, anniversary or reunion, call 744-5450 anfter 5 pm. The space is beautiful, the kitchen and bar are large and fully equipped and the rates are very reasonable.

We also are planning a big push for new memberships! Those of you who know how nice a Summer on our beaches can be, talk us up! If you're new to us and want membership information, call 744-6487. We'll be happy to answer any questions you may have! We're planning a free beach weekend in June, to show off our beach and we invite you to test the waters (literally!). We think you'll be back for more.

The Environment

Although this Winter was mild, it was certainly not harmless. We had a series of Nor'easters which have taken away sand and lowered the level of the beach. This has resulted in waves pounding the bulkheads for one third of the tide cycle. We hope that this Spring, favorable West winds will return much of the sand and reshape the beach so that we will be able to enjoy it next summer. A small area of the older West bulkhead has been damaged. At the unprotected East beach there has been serious erosion. Board members have taken up the lower sections of the stairs so they can be reinstalled this summer and once again, volunteer crews will have to work throughout the Spring to make repairs. Again, we ask you to help this hardworking core group of heroes. Call Marty Fullam to find out about dates and times.

THE HALLOWEEN PARTY

was chaired by Linda Cuomo and everyone had a good time. The food and the music were great and the costumes amazing! This year's winners were Snow White (Dorothy Villaren) & the 7 Dwarfs (John & Audrey Moerlins, Rose Taranto, Mickey Loicano, Rudy & Gloria Yorio & Ed Cantwell.) Witch Eileen Cantwell & Prince Kitty McKinley completed the fairy tale. Second place was a Wild West Show, (Dan & Nancy Winiarski, Nancy Paul, Sissy & Andy Lane.) Richie Morea took third place all by himself, as, well, you had to be there! So be there next year!

Crafts Fair

Volunteers came, vendors came, Drew Streeff arrived with sample soup and cheesecakes from Hartlins. Even Santa was waiting and ready to serve the customers ... and then The Rains came. Floods of water! And the customers couldn't get there. The fair became a friendly party. Wait till next year! Thanks so much to Gloria & Committee. We know you tried!

New Years Eve

An enthusiastic group welcomed in 1998 with champagne, balloons, music and dancing! Who needs to freeze far away in Times Square when you can enjoy yourself right in your own hometown? It's an annual event run by Nancy Paul and her friends. Thanks guys! So keep it in mind for next year. As for the turn of the century, Disneyland is already sold out, so make your reservations early for New Year's Eve 1999! Check it out next year... (Bring your own crowd, reserve a table or two!) if you need convincing.

SUPERBOWL SUNDAY

Scott Connor again chaired the big party at the clubhouse. Lots of food and drink, good camaraderie and a big screen to watch the Broncos beat the Packers. Scott works hard to make sure everyone has a good time and we thank him. The only thing he can't do is insure that everyone is happy with the winning team.

Fund Raising Update

BULKHEAD FUND

This is the final year of our Bulkhead Drive! The last 3rd of the payment is due, and we don't have it yet. The Bulkhead was a necessary expenditure. We would not have been able to enjoy last summer on the West Beach at all without it. And if you plan to swim out to the end of the ropes this year or sit and watch the light change on the water, you realize how important this drive has been. Many people have donated, and worked hard organizing special fundraising events and We thank them from the bottom of our beach loving hearts! IF YOU HAVE NOT CONTRIBUTED YET, please make a sacrifice and share the burden. Please send your contribution to S.B.P.O.A. PO BOX 213, Sound Beach, New York and mark it: ATT: BULKHEAD FUND.

Penny Drive

What's happened? Have you forgotten about us? This has been a steady fund-raiser, netting over a thousand dollars in the first 2 years, but it seems to have dropped off. Keep a change jar in your home, marked "Pennies for the Beach". The whole family can get involved, empty your pockets at the end of the day, check behind the sofa cushions, and on the floor of the car. You'll be amazed at how quickly they add up. Bring them to any event or meeting or call Eileen Cantwell at 744-6487 to arrange a pickup. Don't underestimate Penny Power.

Can and Bottle Drive

Marty Fullam will start accepting cans and bottles again in April. Drink more (beer, soda, seltzer, we don't care) and drop off your empties at 15 Riverhead Drive. The money that this brings in goes directly into the Bulkhead Fund.

While we appreciate all the dedication and hard work of the volunteers who run events, chair fundraisers, beg and borrow to help make the ends meet the fact is that MEMBERSHIPS ARE OUR LIFE'S BLOOD. Without a strong base of loyal members we will not be able to get through this, our 69th year. The bulkhead has been an expensive(but necessary) project and there are new repairs to be done each year. We NEED the money from dues to pay for basic necessities, insurance, taxes, maintenance, lifeguards. We receive no government funding. Every cent is used and accounted for. PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE renew your membership this year! And make the extra effort to introduce someone new to the organization! We welcome new memberships and if we work together we can keep the beach beautiful and make our community better and better.

What's Coming Up? Mark your Calendars!

Trash & Treasure Sale

May 30th & 31st

Don't want it but just can't throw it away? Clean out your Closets and donate to this great annual fundraiser. Call Eileen Cantwell (744-6487) or Audrey Moerlins to arrange pickup or delivery of your old stuff. Then come and browse through the items that others have decided to "recycle". Its a great sale!

General Meeting

June 13th

Come to the Clubhouse between 10am and 4pm and see all the work that our volunteers have done over the Winter. Catch up on Association news and greet old friends. Non members warmly welcomed. We'll be happy to answer questions and tell you about our organization and our plans for the summer!

Clam - B - Que July 18th

Make sure you'll be in town for this great family party at the Clubhouse. Now in its 7th year, this event just keeps on getting better! Great food, music, dancing! Folks come back year after year for this event so you're bound to run into someone you've been wondering about.

Field Day August 1st

Games, races, raffles and refreshments on the Beach. A Sound Beach tradition that goes back as far as we can remember! Fun for all ages!

Annual Meeting August 15th

Come to the Clubhouse and let your voice be heard! Reports from auditing and nominating committees will be given and next year's budget will be presented for approval. Please attend!



Open Beach! Free Weekend!

June 27 & 28

Here's a chance to convince your neighbors about what a great thing we've got going. Two lovely days are planned to show off our beach and kick off the season. Sound Beach families interested in the S.B.P.O.A. are invited to enjoy the beaches for free on what we hope will be a glorious weekend in early summer. We think that once they've experienced it, they'll want more! Spread the word!

Oldies Dance (50's 60's 70's)

August 8th

How long has it been since you heard all those songs? We bet you remember every single word. If you're not sure, let it all come back to you at this neat, far out, groovy (take your pick) party being planned by the folks at 6 Valley Drive. Come as you were, Wild Thing! Poodle Skirts, Beehives, Love beads, Go Go boots, Blue suede Shoes! Lightnin could strike again in the still of the night. Be there or be Square!

Did you know ...

that there are two private beaches staffed with security guards and lifeguards available for use by Sound beach residents and their guests?

that we welcome new members to our organization

that we are working hard to foster good feelings within the community and to support local businesses

that our annual dues are low in comparison with other local beach clubs

It's that time again - the time to become a 1998 member of the Sound Beach Property Owners Association. We're ready when you are! Our dues are \$125 for senior and \$150 for family membership. You still have the option to pay your dues in \$25 or more increments, as long as you are paid up by the time the beach opens in late May. Come on and join the fun, sun and good fellowship! Call me at 744-6487 for information or just fill out the application form below. Ruth and Denise of the Sound Beach Barbershop will also have memberships for sale. So join and get a great new haircut at the same time. Your beach passes and membership card will be delivered to you as soon as receive your membership dues.

Eileen Cantwell, Membership Chair

What do I get if I Join?

The SBPOA, a 69 year old community organization, entrusted with the care and maintenance of the beach access along the cliffs in Sound Beach is open to new (and renewing) members. With your membership you will get:

*Beach rights for your family and any out of town visitors

*Discounted rental rate of our clubhouse facilities for your private parties

*A voice in making decisions which will affect your community

*Opportunity to serve on the Board of Directors

*A chance to be a part of a vital, warm community organization with a friendly and eclectic membership

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE WHAT KEEPS US GOING YEAR AFTER YEAR. WE HAVE TAX BILLS, INSURANCE BILLS AND MONTHLY OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE CLUBHOUSE. THEN THERE ARE SUBSTANTIAL SEASONAL EXPENSES FOR THE BEACHES - PERMITS, MAINTENANCE, SECURITY AND LIFEGUARDS. PLEASE HELP US PROTECT AND PRESERVE THE SPECIAL MAGIC OF SOUND BEACH!

APPLICATION FOR 1998 S.B.P.O.A. MEMBERSHIP

Please Fill Out and Send Check Payable to SBPOA to:
P.O. Box 213, Sound Beach, New York 11789, ATT: Membership

Please Circle One

Name _____

Membership \$150

Address _____

Senior \$125

Telephone _____

Partial \$ _____
(MUST BE PAYED IN FULL BY

BEACH OPENING)

Contribution to the Bulkhead Fund - THANK YOU!

\$ _____

BUSINESS NEWS

Welcome to KORNER BARGAINS, a discount store at the corner of Echo and New York Avenues, next to near Gene's Kitchen. Owner Carol Nesta tells us it is family owned and operated. It opened in November, and is presently on Winter hours (noon to 6 p.m.) 6 days a week (closed on Wednesdays). but will add more hours as Spring arrives. The store is colorful, neat, with everything nicely displayed. We mean everything - household goods, hardware, Arts and Crafts, novelties, party supplies and more, more, more, all at great prices! They also have a fax service (744-5888) Stop in and browse, you'll find things you didn't know you needed.

Welcome to the the VILLAGE BAGEL DELI CATERING CO., in the Square (across from Rubino's) Hours are 6am to 3pm, 7 days a week. Call 821-3492 or fax 821-3492 if you want to order ahead. You can also sit and enjoy your food at the small tables set up inside. There are specials every day, great sandwiches and soups. They also do catering and have extensive experience serving studio and stage productions on location! They use mobile kitchens and qualified chefs and can provide meals for 500 to 1000 people, even crews working 10-18 hours a day! Stop in and introduce yourself to Dave, the friendly owner.

And don't forget The (wonderful) Hartlin Inn
Linda, Richie, Chef/Owner Drew Streef and our wonderful staff welcome you to The Hartlin Inn, a hometown neighborhood pub with fresh daily specials served in our dining room, at the bar, or to take out. A different one is prepared each night by chef/owner Drew Streef. Wednesday night there's live piano music from 6 to 9pm to enjoy while you eat. (2 dinners @ \$19.95 soup and salad included.) Other samples of Drew's good hometown cooking and friendly prices are Tuesday - Prime Rib dinner - Succulent and complete @\$10.00 and Thursday Real roasted turkey with homemade stuffing, mashed potato, fresh vegetable and desert! And weekends will always be special at The Hartlin Inn. And you're bound to run into someone you know. It's a real hometown place. Watch our sign for upcoming events and talk to Richie when you see him around town. Telephone #744-9234

Shop locally! Get your hair cut by Ruth and Denise, go next door for cards and a lotto ticket. Get a bite at Rubino's, The Bagel Deli, Richies, or Gene's Kitchen. There's a new sign outside advertising his specials! See our Bob Bedrossian for your real estate needs. Rent a video from Mr C'S and visit the stores at the top of the hill. Save Saturday afternoons from 3to-6pm for wine tasting at North Country Liquors. Do you really need to go out of town?

**AND MORE NEWS FROM HARTLIN'S!!!
CONGRATULATIONS
TO RICHIE HARTIG,
COMMODORE
OF THE MOUNT SINAI YACHT CLUB!
CONGRATULATIONS TO LINDA AND
STEVE SARICH ON THE BIRTH OF
THEIR FIRST CHILD
KATELIN JEAN
BORN JANUARY 30,1998**

OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT HELD THEIR ANNUAL INSPECTION INSTALLATION DINNER AT MAJESTIC GARDENS IN ROCKY POINT. VINNIE BATILLO WAS HONORED FOR SERVING 22 YEARS AS COMMISSIONER. HE RECEIVED A BEAUTIFUL WATCH AND OTHER LOVELY GIFTS. VINNIE'S WIFE, MARGIE, RECEIVED A BEAUTIFUL BASKET. VINNIE IS STARTING HIS 44TH YEAR AS A VOLUNTEER FIREMAN! ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY, WE THANK VINNIE FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE!

*A Special Sound Beach Welcome to
PAUL JOHN PICCIOTTI
son of Kim & Paul Picciotti born Jan. 26, 1998*

Alice Frankel Young called from Port St. Lucie, Fla. She and her family came to S.B. in 1928, lived in a tent on Valley Drive until her father, Walter built their home, Viking Cottage, on Averno Rd. She'd like to hear from anyone who remembers her. Most of all she would be thrilled if anyone saved a copy of the '34 L.I. Press which had a feature on Sound Beach. In it, Alice was called SIREN of the BEACH. Others featured were Edith Keese, Jimmy and Margaret Doyle Call Eileen. Cantwell for her address.

WELCOME WELCOME WELCOME
*Thomas Joseph
John Morgan
Christopher James*
sons of Lorelee and Joseph Raffa
Congratulations also to
Grandmother Greta Healey & Great-
Grandmother, Margaret Kuntner

Helenann Dean, a Traditional Reiki Master, holds a healing circle, a guided meditation, and a mini Reiki treatment at the Mod Recreation Center, (1st & 3rd Thurs, 7-9 pm). Reiki, an ancient Tibetan Healing Art helps to bring about inner peace, balance and harmony. Call 744-3416 . Ellen and Bruce Kretschmer have seen lots of Sound Beachers in Marco Island - Robin & Steve Redman, Jane & Bob Thorn, John & Pat O'Neil & daughter, Jennifer, Colleen Termine with the boys Sylvio, Danny and Joey, So what are you waiting for? Go on down!

ANNE HETHERINGTON TRAVELED TO TUSCON ARIZONA TO BE AN HONORED GUEST AT A CEREMONY FOR BONNIE PRUDDEN, AN EXPERT AND PIONEER IN THE FIELD OF PHYSICAL FITNESS AND PAIN MANAGEMENT

Last Fall, voters of Shoreham, Wading River and Rocky Point school districts approved an act of the NY legislature to create a new library district to form the North Shore Library. This assures us of full, permanent and less expensive library services without the annual contracts, the costs of which were increasing year by year in our property taxes. Residents of the R.P. School District will be able to run for seats on the library governing board when the next vacancies occur. The library has been expanded with a new wing and is now a bold and attractive building on the grounds of Shoreham-Wading River H.S. All libraries in Suffolk County are working on faster and expanded internet services for their patrons on the Suffolk Net.

The S.B.P.O.A. and friends of Judy Spara send their deepest sympathy to Craig Spara on the loss of his mother. Judy, a longtime member, passed away on March 1st, after a battle with Cancer. Her sweet disposition and quick smile will be sorely missed. Judy loved spending hours on the beach, soaking up the sun, socializing with friends and sitting at the top of the stairs in the evening watching the sunset. We all mourn her passing.

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Do you remember a more utterly splendid July? The weather has been dazzling and the water so clear and clean that even at low tide, you can see what color toenail polish you're wearing. Leaving the breathtaking beauty of the late afternoon beach is so difficult for some of us that dinner hour has become indefinitely delayed. Can you believe how blessed we are having this splendor to enjoy day after glorious day? This is balm for the soul and nourishment for all of our senses... this gift of loveliness. This is a place where friendships that have endured (and grown) through generations flourish alongside the magic and thrill of new romance. Where we know what we love about each other, but are always finding out more. This is a place that we can leave, and return to, and despite the changes and transformations that our lives away put us through, it will always welcome us back and love us for our true selves.

Association News

When the going gets tough... defeatists are defeated, complainers complain, and people of spirit and action...act! And that's what has happened again this summer. Despite the best efforts of the board and sadly dwindling group of volunteers, at the beginning of the Summer it looked like we would only be able to open the West Beach. Those steps had suffered only minor damage during the winter. However, the East Beach cliff and three sections of the stairs had been wiped out by winter storms and severe late spring erosion. Last year, when the town repaired the drainpipe there, they were supposed to plant the slope to prevent erosion. They did not. So the unsung volunteers who, like the shoemakers elves, magically ensure that there is access to the beaches every year were left with too little time and TOO FEW hands to fix the damage. As an immediate and manageable solution, we arranged access through Pickwick, which also included use of their parking and bathroom facilities, and had our beach guards and lifeguards in place at our beach.

The tough get going.... As the problem became clear to many members who enjoy the East beach, they moved into action. The board had been trying to prod the town into replenishing the soil on the slope, and providing some erosion control. Many residents began to pepper the town with phone calls and letters, and guess what? They began to respond! They dumped sand and bales of hay on the cliff to create a more secure base on which to build. Then Andre & Adrian Brochatelli gathered a group of friends to join a work crew including Andrew Petrilak, Bruce Walsh, Luke and Bill Tursellino, Michelle Pachillo, Chris Gobler, Keith Culley, Willie Smith, and Eric and Tom Hetherington and little by little they have been rebuilding the steps. Soon, perhaps by the time you read this, we will have our private full access to the East Beach back again!

Clubhouse Renovation Project

Have you seen the S.B.P.O.A. Clubhouse this summer? It looks Great! There is a beautiful new floor in the kitchen. and the walls have been painted. The roof has been repaired and now, more than ever, it is a perfect place for a party. Those who have celebrated weddings, birthdays, christenings and engagements can attest to the fact that a party in the Clubhouse is a party to remember..and often, in fact, turns into a tradition Thanks to all, Bruce, Vic, Eric, Tom, Paul and the beach guards, who worked so hard to spruce up the place! Interested in renting it at our low low rate for your party? (rate for paid up members is even lower,) call 744 5450 after 5 to reserve a date and make arrangements.

Membership Report

Here's the bad news. Membership is way down this year-167. This will place the burden heavily on the shoulders of those of us who continue to join and makes our job of maintaining the beach very difficult. Thank you to all who have renewed your memberships! You are our life's blood and no matter how many fundraisers we struggle to put together through out the year, it is YOU who have made it possible for us to enjoy another summer here. Thank You Thank You Thank You!

and...to whom it may concern:

IF YOU USE THE BEACH AT ALL (Yes, even during the evening hours, for fishing, or during the off season) You are trespassing and, more than that, **FREELOADING**. You have a **RESPONSIBILITY** to share some of the expenses. Yes, Yes, Yes, the beach should belong to everyone, but it **DOESNT**. It is paid for, (and the costs are considerable: taxes, insurance, maintenance, salaries for the security and guards) by the hard work and sacrifices of a few of us! We receive no government funds and there are people literally rolling pennies to pay for the new bulkhead. We **WELCOME** you to join us, and hope that you have grown to love this special spot as much as we do. Please help us to preserve this treasure! If we can't keep the beach access open, you will lose too! *(If the shoe doesn't fit, toss it back. If it fits....join us)*

Fund Raising Update

Bulkhead fund.

We have paid off the New Bulkhead!!!!!!

Thanks to people who have donated money to this special project, those who have organized events over the last few years (1/2 of the proceeds go automatically into the bulkhead fund, 1/2 to the general fund) And special thanks to two members, who prefer to remain anonymous, for making sizable donations to help us meet our deadline. If you have never contributed to this fund, feel free to do so now; the account will remain active and the money will be used for future beach and clubhouse repair projects. Hopefully a bulkhead on the East Beach will be a part of the picture!

Pennies for the beach

Yes... literally rolling pennies! This fundraiser has netted \$1,485.45 since the beginning, but it is slowing down... Many members keep a change jar in their home and family members and sometimes guests, too, toss pennies, nickles and dimes in throughout the year. Try it! Then bring it to any event, board meeting or call 744-6487 to arrange for a pick up! You'll be surprised at how quickly it all adds up!

Can and Bottle Drive

Now we **KNOW** you've been drinking.... soda , water, beer... to beat the heat this summer. Drop off your redeemable cans and bottles at 15 Riverhead Road. Marty Fullam will return them and deposit the proceeds into the Bulkhead Fund. This has brought \$231 this year so far. And Sound Beach is cleaner too!

FOR OLD TIME'S SAKE

If you have memories of special Summers here, but your life has taken you somewhere that makes it impossible for you to be with us... Be here in spirit! We will gratefully accept donations from former Sound Beachers and friends and add your name to our mailing list. One old friend wrote with a donation of \$20, "I spent 20 blissful summers on this beach, at \$1 a year, it was a great bargain!"

*Make sure you **CALL** come home again.*

Trash and Treasure Sale

This year was our biggest ever! We made over \$1300 for beach and clubhouse repairs, but money isn't everything! *Spirit is!* It seemed like a big party with everyone friendly and eager for us to do well. Our helpers were fantastic! From setting up on Friday to packing up on Sunday evening (and every kind of job in between), they never faltered. Plus... we had a lot of laughs! What a team! Shirley Strittmater, her daughters Anne and Peggy, her granddaughters, Chrissie and Cassie.. even the younger children lent a hand! And what would we have done without Mary Ellen and Marty Fullam, Margaret von Aanken, Dorothy Villaren, Marilyn Weber, Linda Cuomo, Linda Morea, June Moscicki, Edward Cantwell and Gloria Yorio. Thanks to all of you and to all who donated, came and bought and who, we hope, had as good a time as we did.

Special thanks to Dave, owner of Village Bagel and Deli. Without even being asked, he donated bottled water, a case of soda, bagels and cream cheese. He even came and bought some treasures.

People ask what happens to the leftovers. This year we donated items to the Mod, playpens, highchairs, baby clothes to Birthright. Adult clothes, books, bric-a-brak and small appliances went to Churches and to Mather Thriftshop. Some things were discarded, some saved till next year. Thanks again to everyone! Come back in 1999!

Beach Opening

Our Beach Commissioner, Nancy Paul and her crew had ropes, lifeguards and security staff in place for the official beach opening on June 27th, and the weather and water cooperated in making the introductory free day that we offered to interested potential members an an attractive enticement. It was nice to see familiar faces on the top of the steps, and on the beach.

Welcome back to the Security Staff: Virginia Paul, Lauren de Dominic, Melissa Lane, Matthew Lane & Robert Burtis. Shalyn & Tara Gordon (subs)

Please show your pass to them or be ready with your number so that they can check it against their membership list! And please back them up! Although most people are polite, some do give the staff a hard time for doing their job. If you see this happening, please help them out by explaining about our organization (and see if you can reel in an new member!)

This year's lifeguards are Paul Davis, Christine Davis and Katie Finn.

Beach Cleanup Crew : Nick Scalone, Joe and Danny Termini

Softball Game

The sky behind the Sylvan Avenue Softball Field, turned from clear blue to deep purple, to black, with a gorgeous array of deepening colors in between. Its splendor was lost on the spectators and players at the first S.B.P.O.A. softball game of the summer, intent as they were on the close game between The Board and the Members! The Board, made up of Board Members and Staff, eeked out a one point victory over the Members, (otherwise known as Friends and Family of Board Members and Staff.), with great batting and fielding on both sides. , The next game will be August 15th, and is open to players 16 yrs and over. Thanks to Viginia Paul for putting it all in motion!

Clam-b-Que '98

It's hard to say what's most fun about the Clam -b- Que. Setting up with the crew of spirited volunteers, who know their jobs so well after 8 years of making this event happen, that its like, as they say, a well-oiled machine. Many hands - shucking corn and clams, cutting bread, decorating tables raising tents, chopping vegetables, rolling silverware - making not light, but enjoyable work. All with the smell of garlic and the sound of laughter in the air.

Or is it the Clam-b-que itself, where you are bound to either meet an old friend or make a new one, as you enjoy the delicious food, cold beer, music from summers past and present. Whether you are in the thick of the action on the dance floor, still doing the macarena long after the song has ended, or off to the side, smoking a cigar, watching Clam B Que personalities emerge from otherwise mild mannered friends and neighbors, you're glad you came and will probably plan your next years summer calendar with this event in mind.

Or it could even be talking about it the next day? Someone is bound to remind you of a moment even more hilarious in retrospect, an unlikely combination on the dance floor, or a sidesplitting story told at a table.

And of course there is the traditional After-Clam B Que celebration at Hartlin's where those with more party left inside can let it all out. (and do!) Thanks Hartlins for the hospitality!

We thank organizers Ellen Kretschmer and Carol Hetherington, and Chef Bruce Kretschmer for doing it again. This year they raised \$2,200! Three cheers for the Hearty Helpers, the tireless volunteers! And Special thanks to Matt's One stop for the donation of propane, to Dave from the Villag deli and Bagel for his donation of Soda, and to Hartlin's Andrew Streeff for shucking 600 clams!

New in Town? Interested? Here's Who We Are:

The Sound Beach Property Owner's Association was founded in 1929 by a group of new landowners. At the time, Sound Beach was predominantly a summer community, and families were building their vacation bungalows and cottages themselves, by the light of gas lanterns, and using water drawn from centrally located pumps in the woods. The S.B.P.O.A. was formed and the beaches and cliff property were deeded to the membership. This meant that the S.B.P.O.A. would assume responsibility, for taxes, maintenance and insurance, if steps were to be built to provide access to the beach. The membership voted to collect dues for that purpose, because having a beautiful beach for families to enjoy seemed a priority and a privilege worth struggling for. We are still passionately committed to maintaining the beaches and the two cliff access points. We also have a beautiful clubhouse on Malba Drive, which we use for parties, events and meetings; We also rent it out to community members for their special celebrations. And as Sound Beach has changed from a summer community to what it is today, so have we broadened our goals and concerns to include issues of public safety, community development, recreation and activities for families, seniors and teens. The all volunteer board meets every month to the Clubhouse. Meetings are open to all interested members, or of those who want to bring issues to our attention. Call President Tom Hetherington at 744-7044 for dates.

What 's Coming Up?

In the morning...

Field Day Aug 1st

West Beach 11 am to 6pm

One of the most loved Sound Beach traditions, (Does any one know when the first one was held?) Field Day will be on Aug 1st on the West Beach. Games, Races, Raffles, Refreshments for all ages! From the opening event, (cornshucking for ages 2 to 6) through the crawling, running, swimming and potato sack races to the ferocious watermelon wrestle and heart wrenching egg toss, this is a day of fun for the whole family. Nancy Paul and her Crew will again be running the games. Colleen Termini and Pat O'Neill have collected over 60 prizes from local merchants to be to be raffled off! Come on down and show your stuff!

in the evening...

50's Dance Aug 8th

Clubhouse Malba Drive 8 PM

Get out your poodle skirts, or skin tight pedal pushers (depending on just what kind of girl you want to be) Practice making that ducktail and pompadour. Or get a flat top if you like! Tease tease tease that Beehive, put on the white lipstick and liner, practice the stroll, locomotion, and mashed potato. But COME to the Oldies Dance at the Clubhouse on August 8th! Whether you've been there and want to go back, or you're just wishin and hopin you had been a part of the real thing, be there or be square! Dig? It promises to be a Neat, Cool, Boss-A, event. Call Norina at 744-8930 for ticket info!

Ain't we got fun?

Mark your calendar!

Got no money....

Annual Meeting Aug 15

Clubhouse, Malba Drive 10 AM

Please come to the Annual Meeting of the S.B.P.O.A. and let your voice be heard! The auditing committee will present its report and next year's budget will be submitted to the attending membership for approval. Elections will be held to fill openings on the board and plans for the year to come will be discussed. We welcome your questions and ideas, and we need chairpeople and volunteers for special events and projects. THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT MEETING! PLEASE MAKE THE TIME TO ATTEND! If you are interested in serving as a Board Member, please call Vic at 744-5678. Come and show your support!

Oh but honey...

Softball Game Aug 15th

Sylvan Avenue Field 6pm -

Take your self out to the Ball Game! Oil up your gloves and practice your swing (or *wAve*). Players (ages 16 and up) are invited to participate in the second Softball Game of the summer. Sign up with Virginia Paul, 744-8676 or any of the beach guards, or just show up! Or come and be a part of the crowd! The cheering section has as much fun as the players! It's always a great evening and a friendly game! And you'll be surprised at the amazing talent that we have right under our noses! Next year we'd like to start challenging other North Shore beach clubs. MPSC are you ready for us?

Ain't we got fun?

COMMUNITY and BUSINESS NEWS

Shop Locally!

Support our Business Friends

There used to be a sign greeting visitors to Sound Beach which read "Keep Sound Beach Green, Spend lots of Money Here." Well this is a variation on that theme.

Local Businesses have been very supportive of us! From selling memberships, to taking ads in the newsletter, to donating merchandise and services for our raffles and events, they have been invaluable friends!

Please patronize our local businesses and thank them for their support!

Dine at the wonderful Hartlin's Inn and savor Chef Drew Streeff's scrumptious specialties! Don't forget that Wednesday Night there is live piano music to enjoy while you eat! Enjoy the great Italian dishes at Rubino's and be sure to stop in at the Chinese Restaurant (opening soon where the Hardware Store used to be.) Order sandwiches from the Sound Beach Deli, Gene's Kitchen and Handy Pantry. Get Just about anything you'd need from Korner Bargains! Don't forget Bob Bedrossian (in the big red building) for your Real Estate needs, Mr. C.'s for Videos, North Country Wines and Spirits... stop in at their Saturday afternoon Wine tastings...to help you choose the perfect complement to your meal. There's the Washing Well Laundramat, with that amazing mural! (does anyone know who the artist is) Prime Butcher, Buddy's Bakery and Jason's! Don't forget the Village Barber Shop - say a special thank you to Ruth and Denise for their help selling memberships , and of course our very loyal Matt's One Stop!

KORNER BARGAINS

CAROL NESTA, Pres. Phone/fax 516 744 5888

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Field Day Raffle Prizes were donated by local Businesses! Sound Beach

Genes Kitchen, Sound Beach Deli, Hartlin's, Rubino's, Handy Pantry, Mr C.'s Video , Buddy's Bakery, Matt's One Stop, Prime Butcher, Village Barber Shop, Marine Midland Bank, North Country Wines, Korner Bargains, Washing Well

Miller Place

Sonny's Cards and Things, Miller Place Bagels Deli Cafe, C.P.Lamanno's, Little Kenny's Pizzeria, The Place, Dee-Jo's More Than Pets, McNulty's, Miller Place Bicycle, Silato's Liquors, La Casa Pizza, True Value Hardware, Tricia's Step n Style, Friendly's, Anthony Josephs, Valley Farms, EAB bank, Jina's Cuts, North Country Getty, Chase Bank, Glen's Place

Rocky Point

McDonalds, Hallmark Cards n Things, Deks, Kirin Chinese/Japanese Restaurant, Elaine and Richies Balloon Boutique, Grand Central Bagels, Pompei Restaurant and Pizzeria, Carvel, S&S Books, Rolling Oaks Country Club, Royal Liquors, Brian's Aquarium

Mount Sinai,

Savino's Hideaway, Jesse's Nails, Handlebars.

Many thanks to all

A special thank you to Dan Curtin for donating a beautiful handmade wood trellis and table!

**Rent our Clubhouse
for your private parties! Call
744-5450 after 5 for details**

BEACH PARTY

This will be held on Sunday, August 16, in the afternoon at the West Beach. This event was established to thank the volunteers who work so hard every year to make sure that the beach is there for us to enjoy . Its a pot luck party - bring your specialty! See Jan Whiten for details, or watch for a sign!

Celebrations all around!

Jean and Bill Tursellino celebrated their 50th Anniversary with a party for family and friends at the Harbor Hills Country Club on June 13th. Everything...from the moving and funny slide show to the perfect favors,(individualized painted rocks from our very own beach) reminded us how special and dear this remarkable couple and their wonderful family are to all of us.

Our local dentist, Dr. Laurence Fuchs and his wife, Maryann, celebrated their 25th anniversary. Congratulations to them and their daughter, Anne, who graduated from college this year.

Another 50th Anniversary...Lee and Bill Winniarski! Congratulations! It seems like yesterday that many of us danced at their 25th! We are happy for all the good years and good times we've had with this terrific couple! Vinnie and Marge Battillo had a big party at the clubhouse to celebrate the christening of their grandson, Kevin Thomas Sullivan and the First Communion of their grandson Vincent Edward Sullivan.

Margaret Eastburn celebrated her 90th birthday this year - that's 90 years young for Marge, who dances up a storm at senior citizen parties. And birthday wishes to May Garbarino, who turned 94!

In the Spotlight

Jessica Kearnes has been singing and dancing all over the place this year (including the Clamb Que). First, she appeared in the Gelinas Jr High School production of Fiddler on the Roof. Next, she had a solo in the schools Spring Concert, singing Salve Regina Whoopie Goldberg in Sister Act II and finished up the year, dancing ballet with the Stroud School of Dancing at the Staller Center.

Dan McCabe had a lead role in an independant film, Gumdrop Junkies, presented at the Columbia University's New Filmmakers Festival Cassidhe Streeff was featured in the Miller Place School News for her work in a Science Show, creating a mini-generator with other students in her 5th grade class at the Sound Beach Elementary School. Her class was worked on project with Susan Sear, science museum educator, from Brookhaven Labs.

Hank and Mary Sien welcomed their first grandchild, Zachary John, born to John and Jean Sien on May 21st.

Scott and Catherine Conner doubled their pleasure with twins Scott Edward and Nicholas Chance, born April 14.

On and Off the Sand

When a jet ski tipped over far from shore, and the three people on it seemed to be struggling, Bruce Kretschmer and his mom, Ellen, didn't hesitate. They jumped into Bruces kayak and paddled quickly out to assist the trio, brought two of the passengers safely on shore and then went back to tow the jet ski back to the beach!

It was great to see old friends back on the beach and at parties this summer. Dorothy Boerste (currently living and working as a therapist in San Francisco) came East with her daughter Molly, and settled right in to a Sound Beach State of Mind. Betty Mayer made a Clamb Que appearance. (We're counting, Betty!) Nancy Streeff and husband Greg, Michelle, Carol and Joanne (nee) Winiarski, Carol and Mike McDonald and family, Jerry and Leslie Rossi and daughter, Christina, and the summer's not over yet... don't be strangers!

And did you know....

That Virginia Paul pitches and plays center field for the Long Island Red Sox. she is the only woman on the Long Island Adult Men's Baseball League. She's super talented. come on out and see her show her stuff!

And ...

Bruce Kretschmer won Player of the Day and took first place in the Home Run Derby at the 1998 U.S.B. Seawolves Baseball Camp.

Peter Joseph Garone, grandson of Ruth at Village Barber Shop, was diagnosed at 8 mos. old with myleocytic leukemia. He is in need of a bone marrow transplant. A fund has been established. The address is P.J. Fund, Box 238, Eastport, New York 11941-0238

