# SOUNDS FROM THE BEACH

Sound Beach Property Owners Association P.O. Box 213 Sound Beach, N.Y. 11789

### Dates to Remember:

- Sept. 15th—Annual Beach Clean Up Day
- Oct 27 Halloween Party Advanced Ticket Sales Only!
- Dec. 9-Children's Party
- Jan I— membership dues due

# **Halloween Party**

On October 27th the Ghosts and Goblins will come out for our Halloween Party at the Clubhouse. This is a fun party which has been held for many years. There is food, music, a costume parade and prizes! It is Spooktacular!



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This year there will be advanced ticket sales only. Adults—\$20.00, Teens \$15.00 and Children \$6.00. Watch the sign in the square for more details.

# Kayak Rack

Labor Day Weekend volunteers will level off a part of the cliff and begin construction of a rack (similar to the one in the picture) for the numerous kayaks that have proliferated on the bulkhead over the past two summers. It would be especially appreciated if you are around to unlock and

move your kayak if necessary.

Construction of the rack should make the storage of the boats more secure as well as



clean up the appearance of our beach. Remember the only cost to the SBPOA is materials. We rely on volunteer labor, so any assistance you can give is welcomed with open arms. Please contact Marty Fullam at 744-9390 or

mcmert@worldnet.att.net if you
are able to help. Thanks!!

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### Summer Work and Fun 2007

How can we thank all the VOLUNTEERS who made summer so wonderful for our members?! Before the season officially started men and women put in the ropes and the raft, cleared weed from the cliff, planted raked, and repaired steps and railings. Security guards and lifeguards were hired, trained and scheduled, (and if you are a beach person you know what a great job these young people did.) We are also grateful to the Chair people and their helpers who ran the fundraisers which were really FUN!

The first one of the season was the annual TRASH AND TREASURE SALE where you could buy anything

from a can opener to a weightlifting machine, and many "What is this?"

Then in July we enjoyed the annual CLAM B QUE, where southerners and northerners worked side by side to set up tents and tables, cook mounds of delicious food, made sure we danced the night away, sold raffles, and provided everyone with a wonderful night to remember. All while raising a considerable amount of money for the preservation and maintenance materials of our beach and clubhouse.

The next event was the spectacular SUNSET BEACH PARTY. It had been a gray day, but by evening the skies

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cleared and we all enjoyed a relaxing time of camaraderie. There was a delicious assortment of food, as everyone brought a dish to share. Beer and soda were provided. The sunset was lovely and we all hated for the night to end.

Aug 4<sup>th</sup> was FIELD DAY and what a great day it was! The races and events were so well organized that even the youngest of children could participate with their age group. As for the oldest ones, no one will forget the Greased Watermelon Race which kept going on and on and ON almost to East Beach. It ended up with the bruised and battered watermelon being pulled

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apart into many pieces

and all who had a piece declared themselves a winner. Volunteers cooked food, sold raffles, handed out prizes, and helped wherever they were needed. Beach guards, lifeguards and other friends arrived at 9 am that morning and worked the entire day, carrying things up and down stairs, setting up and running games, and generally pitching in, all with a great attitude! These are admirable

hardworking young people and we are lucky to have them as part of our beach!

You can still volunteer! Labor Day weekend help will be needed constructing the new KAYAK RACK. Then on Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, at 10 AM (low tide) we join groups all over the country for the WORLDWIDE BEACH CLEAN UP DAY. Debris is picked up, classified and bagged. The purpose (as well as cleaning

up the beach) is to study what kind of litter is destroying our beaches and what we can do about it. Registration will be at West beach, although clean up will be the entire length of our one mile shoreline, east to west. Brook Bonami a teacher at Rocky Point High School, brings the RPHS Be a Better Neighbor Club every year for this event. They do a fantastic job and are yet another positive example of

# **News About You**

Graduations plus...

Danny Petrone, grandson of Marty and Mary Ellen Fullam graduated from H.S. in June and has been accepted into the NY Maritime College at Ft. Schuyler NY.

Megan Wilkers graduated from Mt. Sinai High School and will be the University of Massachusetts this fall. Brother Joe celebrated a milestone, his 21<sup>st</sup> birthday

Katie Smith graduated from Rocky Point High School and will be attending the Fashion Institute of Technology. She is enrolled in the Art program.

Corey Streef graduated from Miller Place High School and will be attending Hofstra University.

Andrea Cuomo graduated form New York Military Academy at Cornwall on the Hudson. She will be attending Manhattan College.

Joshua landanza graduated from University of Rhode Island with a bachelor's degree in business.

Erin Metcalf, one of our devoted lifeguards, has a year to go before graduation, but she made the papers. The North Shore Sun reported her placement on the Honor Roll at U. Conn. With an above 3.5 GPA (3.7!). Keep up the

great work Erin and thanks for being a GREAT lifeguard!

Tara Fairweather, relative of the Foley's who was seen at this year's SBPOA Clam B Que, won Teen Age Miss New Hampshire in her home state. She then went on to the National competition, Teen Age Miss America, held this year in New Orleans, cheered on by many friends and relatives.

### Weddings....

Tara Scalone, daughter of Pat and Vic Scallone, married Steve Ginsberg in a lovely ceremony at the Bellport country Club. The groom is a social worker in Smithtown. The bride teaches Italian at Rocky Point High School.

Kristin, daughter of Florence McArdle and granddaughter of Marie Broberg Mc Ardle, (one of the Broberg sisters who bought into Sound Beach in 1929) was married in June to Bruce Bogart, in Carmel, California. On July 7<sup>th</sup> a luncheon for the couple was held at Lombardi's on the Sound in Port Jefferson. It proved to be a family reunion for the Mc Ardles, the Kamars and the Castros, and all their children. Everyone gathered to welcome the new member of the family ...and this extended

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family clan all started in Sound Beach!

#### **Births**

Michele and Keith Culley welcomed their beautiful daughter, Abigail Hope, on June 26<sup>th</sup>. Brother Ryan, who just turned 2, was happy to meet his new sister.

Another new arrival was Anthony James Perazzo, born on July 19th. Parents John and Michelle, Grandparents Rose and John Perazzo and big sister Brianna were all thrilled by the newest member of the family.

#### We also heard....

That Rachel Petrilak, only three years old, gave a wonderful performance in her dance recital at the Staller Center, Stony Brook University.

And that Edgar HaKobayan, a visitor from Armenia, who was staying with the Walsh family, thoroughly enjoyed his time in Sound Beach. We enjoyed him too, a very fine young man. We wish him much luck in the future.

At the beginning of the summer... Betty and John Foley enjoyed a cruise to Alaska. And the female contingent of the Cantwell clan enjoyed a delightful trip to Ireland!

since our last issue. If your news isn't here please send your information to: S.B.P.O.A., Box 213, Sound Beach, NY 11789

We're always happy to

tell you good news about

our members. Here are

some items that have

come to our attention

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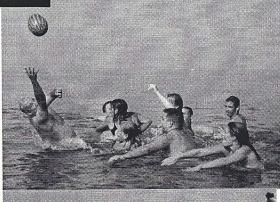
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# Special note..

Our prayers go out to Marge Battillo and her family. Marge has been quite ill. Cards can be sent to her home at 124 Rocky Point Road.

Marge is a long time SBPOA Board Member. She has done so much for Sound Beach and for St. Louis de Montfort Church.

In Marge's absence, Bonnie Boerger (849-2194) is the contact person for clubhouse rental. Thank you Bonnie for stepping in to help.



# SOUND BEACH BULLETIN

Sound Beach Property

Owners Association, P.O. Box 213, Sound

Winter/Spring 2007

### Dates to Remember:

- June 2&3 Trash and Treasure Sale
- June 9 General Meeting
- June 16 & 17 Free Beach Days
- July 21—Clam- B- Que
- July 28-Beach Party
- Aug 4—Field Day
- Aug 18—Annual Meeting
- Sept. 15—Beach Cleanup Day
- Oct 27—Halloween Party
- Dec 9—Children's Holiday Party

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### **Trash and Treasure**

Our Annual Trash and Treasure sale will be held Sat June 2 and Sun June 3rd. It's a great way to donate items no longer needed and to peruse the neighbors' trash for some treasures of your own! Drop off for items to be included in the sale is Fri June I from 10 AM to 4 PM.

# Membership - Time to Join for 2007

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Clubhouse rental is \$400 for non-members, \$200 for members and \$200 deposit for everyone. Consider the SBPOA clubhouse for your next gathering!

### Sound Beach Rocks

From Lisa Thorne (Goins):

My name is Lisa and I spent my summers in Sound Beach in the 80's and 90's. I lived in Georgia and came every summer to visit my Grandparents who lived on Port Jeff Rd. They have since passed and I haven't been back since 1999. I have wonderful memories of Sound Beach, so I like to keep abreast of what's happening and that is how I came across the latest newsletter. I had to write and tell you that you really shouldn't ever change the names of the rocks. My mother spent her summers there and she was told the names of the rocks when she was little and in turn passed them to me and my sister. Who knows how long the rocks have been named what they are or at least some variation of. I asked my mom, Betty, if she knew where the names originated from and she only really knew that they were named for their shape. I'm hoping that the names have remained the same since I was last there.

Starting from the left and going out, there is Step Rock and right beside that Submarine rock. Dogs was on the far right. Straight out is Whales, then Turtles, then Pin Point (my mom told me there was always a rumor that there is a hole that runs right thru Pin Point at the bottom)

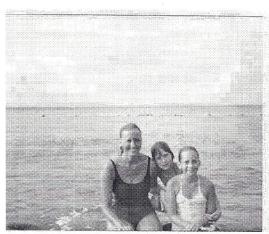
I've attached some pictures I found of the rocks and a couple of me, my mom and sister Suzanne on Submarine.

Tradition is a wonderful thing and the names of the rocks have been the same for so long and have been passed down that I really hope it continues.

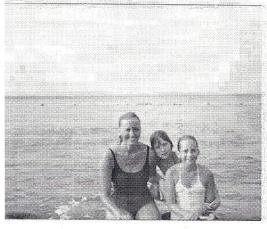
Thank you,

Lisa Thorne (Goins, when I was in SB)

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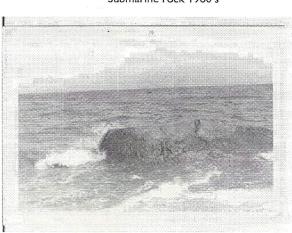


Mom, Suzanne (6), Lisa (8) 1980's



Submarine rock 1980's

Submarine rock 1950's



Dogs

### Rocks cont..

From Bob Brennan:

Seventy years ago there was considerable contention about the names of the various rocks off the beach at Sound Beach. Most of us, aged eight to twelve years had favorites and the names that I can remember "stuck" mostly by consensus rather than being made official by an authority such as the S.B.P.O.A. or any elderly fisherman who happened to be around.

Anyhow, the largest rock, off the East End beach was known as "Fishermen's Rock" to all. We could swim out to it from shore, but it was hard to climb with no easy hand or foot holds. Most of us suffered scratches from the ubiquitous coating of barnacles, so it wasn't a very popular achievement. I think it was misnamed because I never caught any fish there.

At the West End beach the rocks just barely awash at high tide were just called the Red Rocks, because of their color. Due to beach erosion those rocks are now submerged most of the time, but the youngest swimmers still treasure them.

The next most popular destination was the long rock called "Dog Head" because of it's shape, broader at the east end and narrower at the west end, generally a profile of a dog's head viewed from the side, without ears. Nearby, are two smaller rocks, one pointed and the other rounded, that were never named that I can recall. Dog-Head was an easy swim from the beach, even easier if you stopped at the end of the ropes for a breather before continuing.

Dog-head was often the halfway stop when swimming out to Whales-head" or "Big Rock", the largest rock visible from shore and shaped like the front end of a sperm Whale – or so we thought. Whales Head had most ten year olds pretty well 'swum out' by the time we reached it, starting from the shore and depending on the tide. It was best to

walk down the beach against the direction of the tidal flow and then swim directly north to let the tide bring you to the rock, when and if you calculated the lee way correctly. A miscalculation could have you swimming against the tide and that could be tiring.

Next out was "Turtle Rock". Being rounded it looked like a tortoise shell. There was never much interest in going there, except that it was there, and like the mountain, had to be conquered. Turtle was covered with both barnacles and slippery seaweed. The combination caused embarrassing situations for several teenage bathing suits as I remember.



Whales head

Farthest out was "Pin – Head" the ultimate achievement but no place to climb out of the water. So, you had to turn right around and swim back. Boring! It did cause some excitement once when a motorboat loaded with children hit it. Fortunately the kids had life jackets on and so were rescued reasonably soon thereafter.

There are two flat rocks approximately a hundred yards to the west of Turtle rock. They are barely awash at low tide, so, usually have been ignored by swimmers, terra incognita for all except fishermen. The remaining multitude of small rocks, exposed at low tide were never named to my recollection—except more recently by motor boaters and those names are seldom printed.

That's about it for our gang, growing up just before WW II. I'd bet succeeding groups of ten year olds have used the same names, pretty much because they are good descriptions and handed down by parents who grew up there too.

Hope this fills in some blanks and stirs up old memories. Yours Truly, Bob Brennan

### **News About You**

PFC Joseph Kearns is in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Marine Division at Camp LeJeune, North Carolina. He has trained to be a chef. Grandparents Audrey and John Moerlins are looking forward to sampling his dishes when he comes home on leave.

Two of Rose Solazzo's grandchildren are very musically inclined. Grandson Matthew DeCiello plays the clarinet in the Raritan N.J. H.S. band and symphonic orchestra. His sister Deanna plays

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flute and sax. Maybe they get their musical talent from Rose who has sung in the church choir for many years.

Daniel McCabe will be appearing in the play Tea and Sympathy at the Shurman Theatre in NYC. Dan plays the part of Tom Lee a lonely and misunderstood teenager in a small New England boarding school. His only friend is the wife of his chief accuser. (Those of us of a 'certain age' re-

member Deborah Kerr in a movie version) The play runs from Mar. 6 – Apr. 14

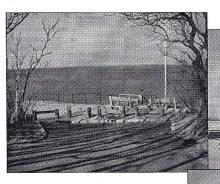
This March 12th marks the 10 year anniversary in heaven for Carol Paul. Her family decided to have a gathering in her honor so that Carol's family and friends could have the chance to catch up, reminisce and reconnect. To make the dayeven more memorable everyone took the time to write down their memory of Carol so that her family could keep them to enjoy.

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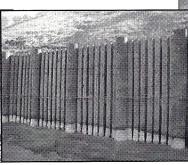
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bulkhead project!











On March 24<sup>th</sup> Marge will be honored for her 35 years of service to St. Louis de Montfort Parish. Friends and family will gather at the Annual St. Patrick's Dinner and Dance to thank Marge for all the

work she has done for the church – everything from delivering Meals on Wheels to handling the myriad of tasks of the Religious Education Office.

We the Sound Beach Property Owners Association are grateful to Marge too,

for her over 30 years of service to our organization. She has been a guiding force, a staunch supporter, and an always competent manager of our clubhouse rentals and events.

Thank you Marge – and again, Congratulations!

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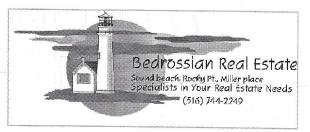
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Sound Beach September Tidal Pool by Robert Nason