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### In addition ....

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 Membership for 2009 –  
 won by Tom Casey

# SOUNDS FROM THE BEACH

The Newsletter of the Sound Beach Property Owners Association P.O. Box 213 Sound Beach, N.Y. 11789

Fall 2008

## Dates to Remember:

November 22– Potluck Dinner

December 14—Children's Holiday Party

March 1 2009— date dues should be paid to keep number and space on kayak rack



Clubhouse rental is \$400 for non-members, \$200 for members and \$200 deposit for everyone. Consider the SBPOA clubhouse for your next gathering! Call Bonnie at 849-2194 to reserve a date.

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## Kayak Rack

A big THANK YOU goes out to all the folks who helped build the kayak racks! The number of kayaks has exploded this year, with a couple canoes and rowboats thrown in for good measure. What a great way to exercise, socialize and enjoy our wonderful beach.

The SBPOA recommends **REMOVING** your boat by the middle of November at the latest. Winter storms can wreak havoc on our shorelines and the potential for losing your boat to a storm is



much greater during this time. In addition, the racks that we worked so hard to build will be more likely to make it through any storm nature may throw at us,



WITHOUT boats attached. If you would like to keep your number and your spot on the rack we are asking that you **renew your membership** for 2009, by **March 1, 2009**. If you do not renew by this date we cannot guarantee a spot for your boat. Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

## Potluck Dinner

Join us for a night of congeniality with friends and neighbors at our Covered Dish Pot Luck Dinner **Saturday Nov 22 at 5:30**

**p.m.** at the clubhouse on Malba Drive. We provide the table settings, soda and dessert, you bring a covered dish and refreshment that suits

your personal drinking pleasure.

## Beach Clean Up

On Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 40 students from Rocky Point High School, went down to the west ramp for international coastal clean-up. The group consisted of members of the B.A.N.N. club (Be a Nicer Neighbor) under the

guidance of RP teacher, Mr. Brooke Bonomi (who is also a member of SBPOA) Many different items were found including parts of a car! They all worked hard to help keep our beach clean.



# Marge Battillo—The Passing of a Legend *Tom Whiten*

The firehouse bulletin board reads, "In loving Memory of Margaret Battillo, 45 years of service, Ladies Auxiliary", purple and black bunting is draped along the front of the firehouse, flags all over Sound Beach fly at half-mast, Davis funeral home is filled to capacity, viewing after viewing, honor guards standing rigid and majestically at her side, St Louis De Montfort Church is filled to capacity for the funeral mass, pews are identified for the organizations members whose hearts she so endeared, an American flag hangs draped from a cable strung between two fire trucks. Who is this lady named Margie

Battillo (as I was once corrected when I called her Margaret) who has drawn out so many to pay their respect and say their final good-bye? She was a woman married to Sound Beach, in heart and soul, until death do us part.

Margie was a board member of the SBPOA for over 40 years, coordinating clubhouse rentals and relentlessly promoting Sound Beach and the SBPOA. She loved her family, her church and her community; her passing will create a void in the lives of so many. May she rest in peace.



...Marge Battillo was an integral part of this community we all love and she will be greatly missed..

# Tursellino Anniversary

On June 15, a group of people gathered on the dock of the "Martha Jefferson" waiting to board and begin the celebration of Jean and Bill Tursellino's 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. On their 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, and 50<sup>th</sup> it was their children who had hosted the parties. This time it was Jean and Bill who hosted the party to thank all their family. It was a motley crew, their ten children (8 girls and 2 boys) 8 husbands, 16 grand-children and 2 great grand children. There were

also the four members of the wedding party who have all spent their childhood through college years in Sound Beach: Jane Sweeney Weith (Maid of Honor), Matthew Tursellino (Best Man), Christine Mehlmann Wylie (Bride's Maid), John Wylie (Usher). This group have continued to be close friends with Jean and Bill throughout the years. If raising a large family was not enough to keep this couple busy, they have never too busy to help our community any time they have

been asked. For over 26 years Bill was a member of the Rocky Point School Board and served the S.B. P.O.A. in many positions as many of his children did during their teen years. Bill not only contributed so much to our community but for over 25 years he was a New York City Fire Department Captain. We are grateful to this family for all they have contributed to our community. We wish them health and happiness for many years to come.

*Jane Weith*

# SBPOA Board



Many thanks to Linda Cuomo and John Foley for their years of service as members of the SBPOA Board. A warm welcome to new

members Hardy Schmidt, Tom Casey, and Mimi Hodges.

# Halloween Party

Thanks to Nancy, Hope, Liz and Andy for decorating the Clubhouse and arranging the Halloween party this year. A big thank you also goes out to Veronica (Sissy)

Lane for cooking all of the delicious food for the party. Costumed kids enjoyed food, games, prizes and dancing.



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### News About You

3 Daniel White graduated from Chaminade and will be attending Catholic University on a football scholarship

3 Erin Metcalf graduated this past spring from the University of New Haven. She plans to pursue her Master's in accounting at the same school.

3 Matthew DeCiello, grandson of Rose Solazzo, graduated from Bridgewater Raritan HS in NJ this past June. He played clarinet in the HS Marching Band, Wind Ensemble and Orchestra Winds. He also performed with the Raritan Valley Symphonic Band, and is now attending Muhlenberg College in PA, where he was awarded a Presidential Scholarship and a Talent Grant for Music.

3 Sarah Fris graduated from high school this year and is attending Alfred University.

3 Mary Ellen and Marty Fullam were busy this past spring with two college graduations and one high school graduation. Joseph Fullam graduated from Stevens Institute in NJ and Allison Petrone graduated from Gordon College in MA. Dennis Foley graduated from Comsewoque HS.

3 This summer Halley Kretschmer travelled to Costa Rica with the volunteer program Rustic Pathways. For two weeks she lived with the indigenous Maleku tribe, working on

various community service projects; painting houses and teaching English to children.

3 Jenny McCabe spent several weeks in Spain, living with a host family. She took courses at a nearby university. She was part of a group of 12 from school sharing this experience.

3 Recently met Pat O'Neill, a long time SBPOA member at the playground in SB. She was babysitting her grandson who was keeping her on the run. The little boy, John Joseph O'Neil was named after his father – a former Sound Beach lifeguard. His mom is Marie and his sister is Juliana. Pat's daughter, Jennifer also a former lifeguard – has three children; Alyssa-7, Michael-5, and Sean- 20 months. The years sure go by quickly!

3 Sound Beach is a place where generations keep coming and coming. This came to mind the other day when we met Merilee Hoge coming down to the beach with her two children Maggie and Jack. Going back, Merilee's mother is Greta Healy and her grandmother was Margaret Kuntner- whose husband Rudy was the first president of SBPOA! Her sister Lorilee Crafta has four children; the oldest James Crafta graduated from high school this year and is attending Hamilton College.

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### Bernadette Criscio

As many of you are already aware, this past January Sound Beach lost one of its' long time "summer residents" – Bernadette Criscio. She'll be remembered for years to come for her great sense of humor, Italian cooking and for telling it like it is. On behalf of my

entire family I would like to extend our sincere appreciation to our Sound Beach family for all of your love and support.

DeDominic & Grasso Family

### Eileen Cantwell

3 Gloria and Rudy Yorio welcomed a great granddaughter Mia Rose Yorio in March. Son Rudy Yorio married Suzanne LaBelle on a yacht. They became engaged earlier on a diving excursion, while underwater!

3 Betty and John Foley journeyed to Hawaii in August for the wedding of John's son.

3 Dorothy Villaran celebrated her 86<sup>th</sup> birthday with her family at the Hartlin Inn. Hank Sien has been friends with Dot for over 80 years!

3 Cathy Mc Clernon's son, Kevin was recalled to Iraq.

3 Kearns, son of Jean and Joey Kearns, brother of Jessica and grandson of Audrey and John Moerlins is also stationed in Iraq, although he was lucky to be granted a short leave to Camp Lejeune recently. The family has been active in the Port Jefferson based Jacob's Light Foundation. This nonprofit organization sends care packages to American soldiers. On Flag Day of this past year the family was part of a ceremony that raised an American flag that had been shipped to and flown in Iraq and returned to Sound Beach. The Flag is a part of the new memorial that is the first phase of the Sound Beach Civic Association's plan to create a larger Veterans' Memorial.



### Clam B Que



Ellen and Bruce Kretschmer and their hardworking crew of friends and family once again put on the Annual Clam B Que fundraiser at the Clubhouse. As always the event was full of delicious food and drink, dancing and socializing. A great time was had by all!! Thank you Ellen and Bruce—you are amazing! Sound Beach appreciates all you do!

### Buy a Brick for the Clubhouse

Consider purchasing a brick for the clubhouse walkway. It's a great way to contribute to the improvement of the SBPOA clubhouse and make a lasting dedication, thank you or memorial to a loved one. The cost is \$50 a brick. Fill out the form provided and return with your check for \$50.00 to:

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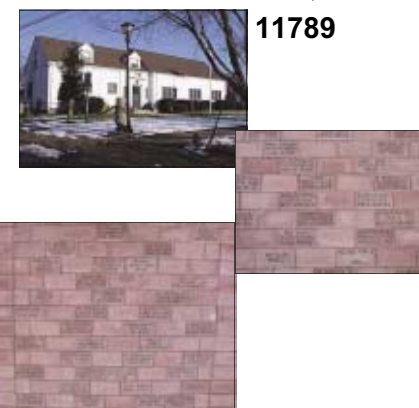
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# Field Day

Great big thanks goes out to Betty Carbo for running Field Day this year!! It was a Fabulous Field Day Luau!!

Unfortunately on Saturday the weather did not cooperate and volunteers had to rescue Field Day and all of the various paraphernalia from blowing out into the Sound! It was a day to remember! The next day everyone who was able was back with twice as much enthusiasm and willingness to help, as well as extra ideas to make the day even better than planned; including Andy who brought his Luau music, and Ellen with a margarita maker.

Betty would like to thank all of the countless volunteers who carried everything up and down the stairs not once but twice!

Special thanks to:

- # Andy and his crew for the gigantic 16 foot picnic table.
- # Ellen and her crew for doing the cooking.
- # Jerry and Andy for their excellent beer tapping expertise and equipment.
- # Jan and Corin for eagerly selling raffle tickets.
- # Erin and all of the beach guards for help and for doing an excellent job of running the games.
- # John for his Hawaiian theme idea, as well as building the cool Tiki Bar and Palm trees!
- # The moral support offered by all.

