



E-NEWSLETTER

July 7, 2016

From The City of Sea Isle City, New Jersey

MAYOR'S MESSAGE:

Each year, we typically celebrate the opening of several new additions to Sea Isle City's business community. In addition to a huge ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Acme Supermarket and the opening of several other new enterprises prior to Memorial Day Weekend, we have also hailed the launch of other businesses since the summer began – some are brand new, while others are more familiar to us. On June 25, I was honored to cut three ceremonial ribbons in Sea Isle's "Uptown Business District," from 59th to 64rd Street. That day, we celebrated the re-opening of *Uncle Oogies Pizzeria* and *Rick's Breakfast House*, which are both long-standing eateries that now have new homes in the Acme Shopping Center at 62nd and Landis. Plus, we also welcomed *S.I.C. Carts* to 63rd Street, where they will be renting and selling large-wheeled beach carts this summer. Then, on July 1, we gathered at two other new businesses to cut additional ribbons and wish those owners well: *Breezin' Up*, located at 4204 Landis Avenue, and *Anchored in Sea Isle* at 4000 Pleasure Avenue – both of which sell clothing, home décor and other stylish merchandise. Clearly, there's never been a better time to shop or dine in Sea Isle City.

I hope you were with us over the long July 4th weekend, because Sea Isle City is always a great place to celebrate our nation's independence. This year, we saw record crowds enjoying a variety of terrific events – and there were smiles on faces everywhere you turned. The three-day holiday weekend kicked-off on Friday with Family Fun Night at Excursion Park, hosted by the Chamber of Commerce and Revitalization, which delighted families with Country Line Dancing and other entertainment. Then, following a Neil Diamond tribute concert at the Band Shell on Saturday night, Sea Isle City celebrated Independence Day in grand style with another well-attended Junior Olympics competition at Dealy Field on July 4th, which allowed over 600 children to enjoy a morning of running, jumping and throwing contests. Later, the evening of July 4th began with a patriotic concert at the Band Shell, which was followed by our annual Independence Day Fireworks show at 9:00 p.m. As difficult as it is to believe that the 2016 July 4th holiday has already come and gone, no one can say that we didn't make the most of it!

Yes, Independence Day Weekend was amazing! But, don't forget that the summer fun is just getting started here in Sea Isle City. Our 2016 calendar of events is jam-packed with great happenings, including weekly Concerts Under the Stars on Saturday evenings and a host of other events you won't want to miss. Whenever you're looking for something fun to do with your family, simply go to Sea Isle's Visitors website, www.VISITSICNJ.com, to learn all about what's happening this summer – or you can stop by the Welcome Center, where our friendly staff is waiting to share event information.

This week's "Shout Out" goes to the members of the Yacht Club of Sea Isle City, who once again volunteered to host Sea Isle's Junior Olympics Competition on July 4th. As is the case each year, the Yacht Club sent a small army of members to Dealy Field to organize the games and lead the children through the morning. Then, they cheerfully distributed medals to all of the winners. It was a terrific event, and the Yacht Club of Sea Isle City has proven once again that they are a terrific organization. Thank you all!

Smile...You're in Sea Isle!



Mayor Leonard C. Desiderio

CITY COUNCIL'S MESSAGE:

During the June 28 City Council meeting, Business Administrator George Savastano reported that the City is aware of water pooling on our beaches at several locations. Mr. Savastano explained that following a major beach fill project, it is not uncommon that pools such as these form and prevent water from flowing back to the ocean. The Sea Isle City Department of Public Works is addressing this issue and the City will continue to monitor the situation.

Mr. Savastano also reported that, as of June 27, Sea Isle City's Beach Tag Office has collected \$1,062,380 in Beach Tag fees and distributed 1173 free Veterans Beach Tags.

Each of the items on the June 28 Consent Agenda were unanimously approved by City Council, including Resolution 130, which approved an application to accept Federal Grant Funds for \$5000, administered by the State's Department of Law and Public Safety. Resolutions 134, 135, and 136 authorized the re-appointment of our City Solicitor, Auditor and Financial Advisor respectively. Additionally, Resolution 139 authorized the re-appointment of Councilman John Divney to the Planning Board, and Resolution 140 authorized the re-appointment of Councilman Bill Kehner to the Tourism Commission.

During the New Business portion of the June 28 meeting, Councilman Bill Kehner was nominated to serve as Council President for the next year, effective July 1. Subsequently, Councilman Gibson stated that it has been a privilege and an honor to serve as Council President during this past year, and he expressed his gratitude to the other members of City Council, Business Administrator George Savastano, City Solicitor Paul Baldini and City Clerk Cindy Griffith for their professionalism and friendship.

During the "Citizen Comment" portion of the meeting, former Sea Isle City Beautification President Alan Nesensohn thanked everyone who helped make the Beautification Committee's recent Electrical Panel Mural Project a reality, including the participating artists: Doug Beckert, Larry Hartman, Joanne Lennon, Sean Mulholland, Amanda Swallow and Daria Tatasciore. Mr. Nesensohn also thanked Mayor Desiderio and the County of Cape May for allowing the project to take place, and he expressed his gratitude to the members of the City's Department of Public Works, Environmental Commission and Beautification Committee for their support. Additionally, he thanked Sea Isle's Director of Community Services Kathy Custer and local artist Bob Fagan for their assistance – as well as the local businesses that donated food and other items to the artists, including DeNunzio's Brick Oven Pizza, Sunset Pier Restaurant, Farina & Boeshe Real Estate, The Crooked Tail Thrift Shop and Surfside Fitness.

Our next City Council meeting is Tuesday, July 12, at 10:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

Best regards from the members of City Council,

Council President Bill Kehner (wkehner@seaislecitynj.us)

John Divney (jdivney@seaislecitynj.us)

Frank Edwardi (fedwardijr@seaislecitynj.us)

Jack Gibson (jgibson@seaislecitynj.us)

Mary Tighe (mtighe@seaislecitynj.us)

PROJECT UPDATES:

In accordance with our typical practice, now that the summer season is here, we try to limit the amount of construction taking place on public property, in order to minimize the disruption to our residents and visitors, as for many, this time of the year is precious. We also are in the process of preparing and putting into place plans for the next round of capital improvements throughout the City. As these projects move forward through the design, bidding, and construction phases, we will continue to provide you with updates on their progress.

Beach Replenishment

In April, sand pumping operations concluded in Sea Isle City. The City received over 900,000 cubic yards of sand as part of the refill operations, which were undertaken following the past fall and winter nor'easters. This was in addition to the roughly 2 million cubic yards of sand received during the initial beach fill in 2015. The downtown beaches fronting the Promenade were substantially widened beyond the original design with this refill.

There remains some corrective work to dune crossovers damaged by winter storms, which will be taking place into the summer – but this should not impede access to any beaches. Our Public Works Department will be performing maintenance work on beach accesses and will coordinate with the contractors to ensure beach accesses are in good shape.

Utility Reconstruction, 36th & 37th Streets (fall 2015 construction)

On March 26, 2015 the council awarded a bid to Garden State General Construction in the amount of \$431,353.40 for the utility reconstruction of 36th Street & 37th Street from Cini Street to Landis Avenue. As of this date all work has been completed. Due to the inclement weather over the winter the area did not have sufficient time to settle, therefore, the City will reconstruct the streets in early fall of 2016.

Utility Reconstruction (various streets)

On October 27, 2015, City Council awarded a bid to RTW Construction of Southampton, New Jersey in the amount of \$744,713 for utility reconstruction at the following locations:

- 47th Street from Landis Avenue to Promenade – substantially completed.
- 49th Street from Landis Avenue to Promenade – substantially completed.
- 65th Street from Landis Avenue to Central Avenue – held until fall.
- 65th Street from Landis Avenue to Pleasure Avenue – substantially completed.
- 69th Street from Landis Avenue to Central Avenue – substantially completed.
- 76th Street from Landis Avenue to Pleasure Avenue – substantially completed.

Work to install new sanitary main, sanitary laterals, new water main and water services on 47th, 49th, and 65th from Landis to Pleasure and 69th Street is completed. All uncompleted work will resume in the fall including paving.

Roadway Reconstruction Program (various streets)

On March 15, 2016, City Council awarded a bid to Ricky Slade Construction, Inc. of Bridgeton New Jersey in the amount of \$299,437.50 for road reconstruction at the following locations:

- 44th Street from Landis Avenue to the Promenade – completed
- 46th Street from Landis Avenue to the Promenade – completed

56th Street from Landis Avenue to the Promenade – completed
Roadway elevation on selected areas of 44th Street and Venician Road – completed
This project is being closed out.

Sea Isle Boulevard

The Cape May County Board of Chosen Freeholders, at their May 13, 2014 meeting, awarded a \$12.7 million contract to South State, Inc. for the Sea Isle Boulevard Improvement project that will raise the roadway by approximately 4.5 feet and otherwise reconstruct Sea Isle Boulevard.

Traffic has been diverted to the south side of the boulevard; and the contractor has placed fill on the north side of the causeway to an average height of about 6.5 feet, which is 2 feet higher than the eventual height of the completed roadway. The additional 2 feet, which will be removed prior to the next construction phase, is surcharge to compress the underlying layers of soil. The goal is to obtain as much settlement as possible prior to paving on top of the new fill.

The current plan is to start paving of the north side this coming fall.

The entrance to the northbound parkway has been reconfigured in order to provide room for eastbound vehicles to travel around vehicles making a left turn onto the parkway entrance.

Motorists are advised to be aware of the revised traffic patterns in the construction zone and the reduced speed limit.

Streetscape Improvement on Landis Avenue

On September 8, 2015, City Council awarded a bid to Think Pavers Hardscaping of Swedesboro, NJ in the amount of \$796,648.33 for streetscape improvements on Landis Avenue from 43rd Street to 39th Street. This project includes various aspects of beautification which includes new sidewalks, paver crosswalks, traffic striping, lighting, sod, stone mulching, various tree plantings & tree grates, benches and bike racks. The block from JFK to 40th was previously completed as part of the JFK Gateway Project.

Punch list items are being completed and Landis Avenue is now open to all vehicular traffic.

Public Works Maintenance Garage – 80th Street & Central

On March 23, 2016, City Council awarded a bid to Archetto Construction of Vineland, NJ to replace the roof, siding and insulation at this location. Work has begun on this project. They are currently putting in place the ground support channels for the exterior siding of the structure. The maintenance department continues to work out of this location.

Sea Isle Branch – Cape May County Library

The Department of Public Works, in conjunction with the County Library System, Environmental Commission and the Shade Tree Committee, has been working hard to enhance the landscaping at the 4800 Park Road site. This included parking lot and walkway improvements, grading, irrigation, sod, landscaping and trees. Also included were two Terrapin gardens for nesting purposes. Signage is on order to explain their nesting habits including “fun facts.” This portion was in cooperation with Cameron Day of Sea Isle Boy Scout Troop 76 for his Eagle Project. Public Works employees and Cameron cooperated with the Historical Museum to redo the memorial garden which includes a new water feature, enhancements to the landscaping and restoration of the mast and statue.

MASTER PLAN RE-EXAMINATION:

The Planning Board sub-committee has received and reviewed the initial draft of the Re-Examination Report, which was prepared by Maser Consulting. The next step is to include comments from the sub-committee in the draft, and then forward it to the full Planning Board.

It is anticipated that the Planning Board will hold a special meeting in July to review the draft (that meeting will be open to the public and publicized as soon as a meeting date is determined). It is also anticipated that the final Master Plan Re-Examination document will be completed in the August/September timeframe, and a public hearing will be held for all to review and comment at that time.

SIGN-UP FOR EVENT CANCELLATION ALERTS:

Anyone can sign-up for event cancellation text messages by texting "sicalert" to "84483" on your smart phone. You can also sign up for event cancellation text messages and email alerts by going to the City's Visitors Website, www.VISITSICNJ.com, and clicking the "Rained Out" link on the home page. Once signed-up, you will receive alerts whenever a local concert, festival or other outdoor City event has been cancelled, postponed or re-scheduled.

JUNE 2016 POLICE REPORT:

1. Investigations Conducted: 12
2. Adult Arrests (Criminal, Disorderly Persons, Ordinance, DWI): 32
3. Juvenile Arrests: 4
4. Motor Vehicle Summons Issued:
 - Moving Violations: 109
 - Parking Violations: 515
5. Public Service Calls:
 - Assist Public/Motorist: 40
 - Medical Calls: 45
 - Property Checks: 650
 - Alarms: 40
 - Suspicious Person/Vehicle: 8
 - Escorts/Relays: 0
 - Walk-In Complaints: 0
 - School Bus Escorts: 74
 - Motor Vehicle Stops: 204
 - Fingerprint Detail: 1
 - 9-1-1 False Alarms: 63
 - Lockout Assists: 3
 - Domestic Violence Calls: 0
 - Animal Calls: 31
 - Check Resident's Well Being: 60
 - Messages Delivered: 3
 - Investigations: 12
 - Disturbances: 19
 - Thefts: 28
 - Warrants/Subpoenas: 8
 - Fights: 6
 - Noise: 47
 - Fire: 6
 - Crowd Control: 47
 - TOTAL: 1,395
6. Code Enforcement Violations: 0

The information above was provided by the Sea Isle City Police Department.

THINGS YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW ABOUT TERRAPIN TURTLES

Did You Know:

Diamondback Terrapin Turtles are currently in their Nesting Season (mid-May to mid-July) – so please be on the look-out for female Terrapins crossing our busy roads as they search for nesting spots. Since only one out of 1000 Terrapin eggs hatch and reach adulthood, you can help them to thrive by driving slowly and safely breaking for turtles. Remember: Terrapins play a very important role in the local eco-system.

What You Can Do:

If you see a turtle nesting anywhere in town, keep your distance and give her plenty of room to work. Then, please report any new turtle nest to Sea Isle Terrapin Rescue (263-7358) so they can place an “Anti-Predator” cage over the nest.

If you feel comfortable helping a turtle cross the road, please remember to carry her in the same direction she was traveling. Most importantly, always remember “Safety First” and use caution whenever you’re crossing a street.

If you see an injured turtle, please call Sea Isle Terrapin Rescue (263-7358) or the Wetlands Institute (609-368-1211) and tell them what you saw. They may be able to help the struggling Terrapin.

Check-Out the Turtle Gardens:

Behind the Sea Isle City Library, located at 48th Street and the Bay, there are two new “Turtle Gardens” (man-made habitats, where female Terrapins can create nests). The Turtle Gardens can be viewed from the library’s second floor deck, but they are off-limits to people and pets – so please keep dogs out of the Turtle Gardens.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

Sea Isle City's Department of Public Works is now hiring seasonal employees for the summer of 2016 – including nighttime janitors. Applicants must be at least 18 years old. For additional info, phone 263-6000, ext. 17. To apply online, go to <http://seaislecitynj.us/human-resources.aspx> and click the “Summer Employment Application” link.

EXERCISE CLASSES & REC PROGRAMS:

CURRENT WEEKLY FITNESS CLASSES:

TOTAL BODY FITNESS: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:00 a.m., Welcome Center Community Lodge, \$5 per class or \$40 for ten classes (263-0050).

SIT-AND-BE-FIT FOR SENIORS: Tuesdays at 4:45 p.m., and Wednesdays and Fridays at 2:30 p.m., Welcome Center Community Lodge. Please note new times for Wednesday and Friday classes. No fee required; please bring photo i.d. (263-0050).

YOGA: Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. and Fridays at 7:30 a.m., Welcome Center Community Lodge. Fee: \$10 per class. PLEASE NOTE: Friday’s Yoga classes move outdoors to the JFK Boulevard beach starting May 2. (www.njbeachyoga.com or 602-3398).

SUMMER FITNESS PROGRAMS:

BEACH YOGA: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays on the JFK Boulevard Beach (May 2 to September 30). Rain Location: Community Lodge. \$10 per class.

BOOT CAMP ON THE BEACH: Boot Camp begins with a limited schedule on the 45th Street Beach starting May 28; additional classes will be added as the season unfolds. \$10 per session.

BEACH BOXING: On the 36th Street Beach on Tuesdays and Thursdays. \$10 per class (May 17 to September 15).

For more information about these and other Recreation programs, please visit us online at <http://seaislecitynj.us/recreation.aspx> or phone the Recreation Office at 263-0050.

SUMMER OPEN-GYM HOURS:

Beginning Monday, June 27, Sea Isle City's Municipal Gymnasium, located inside the former Public School building on Park Road, will be open to the public Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. For more information, phone the Recreation Office at 263-0050.

BEACH TAG MOBILE APP:

Sea Isle City's Beach Tag Office has gone mobile! Apple mobile device users can save time by ordering their 2016 seasonal beach tags via a free app from Vibly (download the Vibly app at the iTunes store...the Vibly web link will show you how it works). Once you purchase your beach tags with the Vibly app, you can pick them up at your convenience at the Sea Isle City Beach Tag Office on JFK Boulevard, where you will simply use your mobile device to scan-in and get your tags. A nominal service fee per tag will be applied at the time of purchase. For more info, visit www.seaislecitynj.us/beach-tags.aspx.

BEACH BARD POETRY READINGS:

The public is invited to attend The 2016 Beach Bards Poetry & Prose Reading Series, which will take place on July 24, August 22, and September 19 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sea Isle City Library, 4800 Central Avenue. After the readings, there will be meet-and-greet with the artists. The Beach Bards are sponsored by the Cape May County Library. For more info, please phone the County Library at 609-463-6389.

AARP BUS TRIP TO ATLANTIC CITY:

AARP Chapter 710 will host a Bus Trip to The Tropicana Casino Hotel in Atlantic City on Monday, August 8, 2016. The cost is \$39 per person, which includes a ticket to "Magique Remixed," Tropicana's Fiesta Buffet, \$15 in slot money, and roundtrip motor coach transportation. For more info, call Joy Sumski at 609-624-2080.

TRASH & RECYCLING INFO:

Curbside trash and recycling collections take place twice each week on the following streets:

1st to 44th Street = Wednesday & Saturday

45th to 70th Street = Monday & Thursday

71st to 94th Street = Tuesday & Friday

Don't Forget: The City will not collect carpeting or other construction materials, propane tanks, tires or batteries. Sea Isle City is a Single Stream Recycling Community, which means residents can combine all of their recyclable materials (paper, cans, glass and plastics) in one curbside collection bin. Recycling is not just a good idea...it's the law in Sea Isle City.

Sea Isle City's Trash and Recycling Depot, located next to the Bridge on JFK Boulevard, is open seven days a week (7:15 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.). The Depot will be closed on holidays (except New Year's Day, Presidents Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day). The Depot will accept drop-offs of trash and recycling, however Bulk Trash is not accepted at that location. **Free Refrigerator Magnets** with a complete list of Sea Isle City's year-round trash and recycling information are now available at the Public Works Building, 3905 Central Avenue, and at the Welcome Center, 300 JFK Boulevard. For additional information about Sea Isle's trash and recycling regulations, please phone 263-6000, ext.14.

BIKING OR WALKING? IMPORTANT INFO YOU SHOULD KNOW:

Attention Pedestrians:

--By law, pedestrians must cross streets at corners and intersections. Failure to obey pedestrian signals and use crosswalks at signaled intersections comes with a \$54 fine.

--Be on the lookout for vehicles turning right on red – always look left, right, and left again before crossing any street.

--Be visible when walking at night and in inclement weather.

--Only walk sober.

--Eliminate all distractions while walking, such as texting and talking on the phone.

Attention Bicyclists:

--Bicyclists must follow the rules of the road (stop at stop signs, yield to pedestrians in crosswalks, etc.).

--New Jersey law requires anyone under age 17 who rides a bicycle, is a passenger on a bicycle, or is towed as a passenger by a bicycle to wear a safety helmet (N.J.S.A. 39-4-10.1).

--Children should only ride bikes that fit their size – not bikes they will “grow into.”

--No one should ride a bike at night without bicycle lights, N.J.S.A. 39-4-10 (a white light on the front and a red light on the rear of your bike) – and always wear brightly-colored clothing at night (reflective clothes and reflective strips are ideal).

--A bell or other warning device is a legal requirement in New Jersey. It will probably not be heard by motor vehicle drivers, but it is useful as a warning and as a courtesy to alert other bicyclists and pedestrians of your approach (N.J.S.A. 39:4-11).

--Everyone should keep their bikes tuned-up and functioning properly.

ORGANIZATIONS, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

A.A.R.P. CHAPTER 710: Meetings take place on the 2nd Thursday of the month, 1:00 p.m., Community Lodge (263-1453)

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE: Meetings take place on the 3rd Thursday of the month (September to November and March to May), 2:00 p.m., Welcome Center Meeting Room (263-7758 or 263-3914)

BOY SCOUT TROOP 76: Meetings take place on Fridays, 5:30 p.m., former Public School Gymnasium, 4501 Park Road (263-5370).

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS: Meetings take place on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m., Saint Joseph Parish Auditorium, 132 - 44th and Central Avenue (263-6171).

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & REVITALIZATION: Meetings take place on the 1st Tuesday of the month, 9:00 a.m., City Council Chambers, City Hall (263-9090).

COMMODORE CLUB: 3700 Boardwalk, on the Promenade at The Spinnaker (263-4440).

DEMOCRATIC CLUB: (263-3656).

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION: Meetings take place on the 2nd Wednesday of the month (March to November), 7:00 p.m., Public Works Building, 3905 Central Avenue (263-2081)

GARDEN CLUB OF SEA ISLE CITY: Meetings take place on the 1st Thursday of the month (March to June and September to December), 7:00 p.m., Community Lodge (263-3331).

GARDEN CLUB OF TOWNSENDS INLET: (263-3002)

HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM: 4800 Landis Avenue (www.seaislemuseum.com or 263-2992).

ITALIAN AMERICAN CLUB: Meetings take place on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:00 p.m., 309 JFK Boulevard (263-0700).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Meetings take place on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month, 7:30 p.m., Saint Joseph Parish Auditorium, 132 - 44th Street (263-1271).

PLANNING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS: Meetings take place on the 2nd Monday of the month (except holidays), 7:00 p.m., City Hall (263-1166)

REPUBLICAN CLUB: (263-1176)

RECREATION COMMITTEE: Meetings are held in the former Public School Building, 4501 Park Road, March 8, May 3, and October 4 (609-263-0050).

SCHOOL BOARD: Meetings take place at 7:00 p.m. in the former Public School Building, 4501 Park Road, on May 10, June 28, September 13 and November 8 (263-6142).

SEA ISLE CATS INC.: Visit the Crooked Tail Thrift Shop, 4208 Landis Avenue, for meeting times and dates (609-972-5887)

SEA ISLE CITY TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION: Meetings take place on the 2nd Saturday of the month, 10:00 a.m., Community Lodge (263-6817 or www.sicta.org).

SHADE TREE COMMITTEE: Meetings take place on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:30 p.m. (March – November), Public Works Building, 3905 Central Avenue.

TOWNSENDS INLET YACHT CLUB: 87th Street & the Bay (609-263-2503 or www.tiyachtclub.com).

TOWN WATCH / TOWN PRIDE: P.O. Box 17, Sea Isle City, NJ (263-8348).

TOURISM COMMISSION: Meetings take place in the Sea Isle City Welcome Center, 300 JFK Boulevard, 10:00 a.m., May 12 and October 13 (263-8687).

V.F.W. POST 1963: 301 JFK Boulevard (609-263-1711 or www.vfwpost1963.com).

WOMEN'S CIVIC CLUB: Meetings take place every Tuesday, 11:30 a.m., Community Lodge (263-8149).

YACHT CLUB OF SEA ISLE CITY: 4487 Venetian Road (263-7282 or www.ycsic.com).

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS: Meetings take place on the 1st Monday of the month (except holidays), 7:00 p.m., City Hall (263-1166).

DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION?

If you have questions or concerns, there is no need to wait for an upcoming City Council meeting to express your thoughts. You can contact the head of any City Department to obtain the answers you need. For a complete list of contact information, visit our Municipal Website, www.seaislecitynj.us, or phone City Hall at 263-4461.

RECENT PHOTOS:

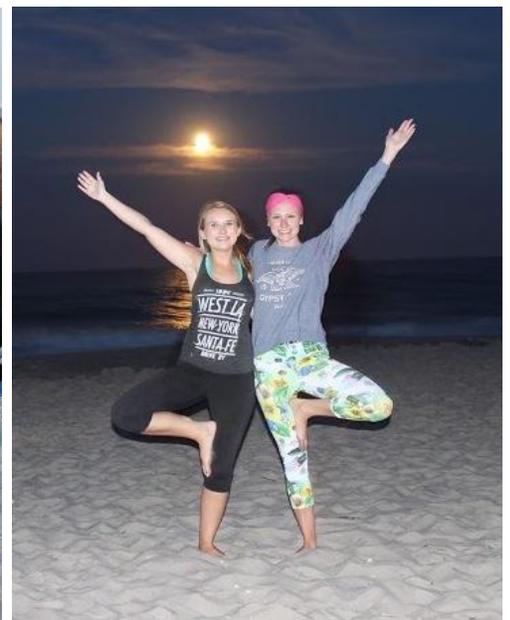
On June 20, the Beach Bards held their first Poetry Reading of the summer at the Sea Isle City Library. According to organizers (including several local writers), the evening was a “grand success.”



Shown below on June 20 after the readings are writers Therese Halscheid, Antoinette Libro Braca, Charles Bechtel and Wendy Kaplan...

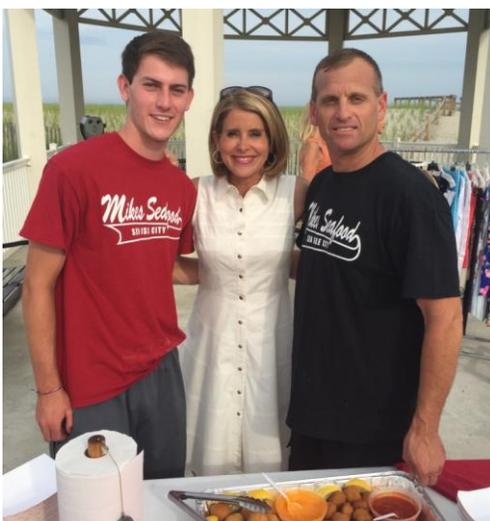


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Shown following the Turtle Release on June 25 are (from left) Sea Isle Terrapin Rescue Volunteers Steve and Susan Ahern, with Cassady Ayres, Creative Director Mary Galligan, and Caroline Ludt, of Jugglesfish Art Gallery and Drop-In Studio...



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