E-NEWSLETTER June 9, 2016

From The City of Sea Isle City, New Jersey

MAYOR'S MESSAGE:

It's always wonderful to be in Sea Isle City – especially during this time of year, when each day brings new people to town and smiling faces can be found everywhere you turn. The promise of summer is in the air, and I am constantly reminded of how fortunate I am to live in a fine community such as ours.

If you were here during Memorial Day Weekend, you know we had picture-perfect weather and that many people were in town to enjoy "the unofficial start of summer." It was truly one of the best holiday weekends anyone could hope for. Unfortunately, however, Mother Nature was not as cooperative on Memorial Day Monday as she was earlier in the weekend. Nonetheless, our annual Memorial Day Ceremony was a great success, even though rain showers forced us indoors to the public school gym. I'd like to thank the many people who helped honor our nation's fallen military heroes on May 30th, including Commander Chick Haines, Ladies Auxiliary President Marie Gardner and Chaplin Vince Conte from VFW Post 1963 – along with the many other veterans who were in attendance. I am also grateful to our County Sheriff Gary Schaffer and County Clerk Rita Marie Fulginiti, who graciously spoke about the importance of Memorial Day; Dean Dunlevy and New Jersey Junior National Teenager Shanna McCool, who provided us with uplifting patriotic music; Deacon Liam O'Clisham and Pastor Melissa Doyle-Waid, who led us in prayer; the members of Boy Scout Troop 76, who, in many ways, symbolize the bright future of America; numerous representatives from Sea Isle's Police, Ambulance and Fire Departments; and the many patriots who sat and stood in the audience. It's obvious that in Sea Isle City people understand the true meaning of Memorial Day.

One week later, on June 4, my family was privileged to host the 2016 Gerard A. Desiderio Heart Walk / Dog Walk on the Promenade. The yearly walkathon, which was named in honor of my late brother, raised money for the Deborah Heart and Lung Center, a fine organization that provides excellent medical care to cardiac patients and never bills them for services rendered. My thanks go to everyone who made the Heart Walk a reality, including the members of the Sea Isle City Italian-American Club Women's Auxiliary, who co-hosted the event, and many other supporters who are too numerous to mention here. Thank you all for helping save lives at Deborah – and for helping remember Gerard in a very special way.

Clearly, the season is off to a great start. Looking ahead, it won't be long before school is out for the summer and families are happily frolicking on the beach each day of the week. As is the case every year, there will be no shortage of activities and entertainment options in Sea Isle City during the summer of 2016. Even before the final school bell rings this semester, there will be events happening in the days ahead that you won't want to miss. For example, this weekend the Larick's family will host their annual Peyton's Promise Run and Walk, which raises funds for medical research at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Then, Skimmer Festival takes place on Saturday and Sunday, June 18 and 19. This year's Skimmer Weekend promises to be bigger and better than ever, with new amusement rides and hundreds of vendors on Saturday, and a huge Antique Auto Show and other entertainment on Sunday (Father's Day). So, get ready to enjoy yourself – it's going to be an amazing year!

This week's "Shout Out" goes to Alan Nesensohn and the other members of Sea Isle's Beautification Committee for hosting a public art project that resulted in colorful murals being painted on electric panel boxes throughout town. That project, which was delayed again and again because of bad weather, took more than two years to come to fruition. However, during the past couple of weeks, the artists were finally able to display their skills; and now you can enjoy their handiwork along Landis Avenue at the intersections of 29th, 33rd, 44th, and 63rd Streets. There's also a new mural on JFK Boulevard immediately next to the Promenade – and we expect one or two other electric boxes will be similarly beautified in the not-too-distant future. My thanks go to each of the artists, who donated their time and talent during this project, and everyone on the Beautification Committee for their unending devotion to our community.

Smile…You're in Sea Isle!

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Mayor Leonard C. Desiderio

CITY COUNCIL'S MESSAGE:

The May 31 City Council meeting opened with a report from Council regarding a current public art project that involves murals being painted on electrical panel boxes along Landis Avenue. Additionally, the Council complimented the Administration for the preparations that took place prior to – and the overall success of – the recent Memorial Day Weekend. Unfortunately, due to inclement weather, this year's Memorial Day service had to be moved indoors. Nonetheless, rain could not dampen the spirit of that annual event, which is always very well attended by the public.

City Council also received a very thorough and satisfactory report on Sea Isle's current school budget from Board of Education President Dan Tumolo. During his presentation, Mr. Tumolo informed Council that the school board is supporting the creation of student programs that focus on Wellness, Suicide Prevention, Drug Awareness, Creative Innovation, and S.A.T. Preparation Reimbursement. Additionally, Mr. Tumolo stated that of the 188 students residing in Sea Isle City, 83 attend the Ocean City School District, 43 attend Bishop McHugh Regional Catholic School, and the rest attend Wildwood Catholic, Saint Augustine and Holy Spirit High Schools. Council was also very interested to learn that 75% of our students attending the Ocean City School District are on the honor roll.

Also on May 31, two ordinances were introduced on first reading: Bond Ordinance 1592, which appropriated $560,000 for a new fire truck; and Ordinance 1593, which amends parking requirements in certain sections of town. Both ordinances are scheduled for second reading, public hearing and final adoption on June 14 – as is Ordinance 1591, which was introduced on May 25 with a proposed amendment to the current Floor Area Ratio (FAR) requirements for new construction homes.

Each of the Resolutions on the May 31 Consent Agenda were approved unanimously by City Council, including several resolutions that authorized new labor contracts for various municipal employees. Those labor contracts, which had been negotiated throughout the past winter and spring, will be valid until December 2018. The employee salaries agreed upon in the new contracts are provided for in the City's budget.

Our next City Council meeting will take place on June 14 at 10:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

Best regards from the members of City Council,

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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. In any event, all beaches will be open for the coming season.

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

On March 26, 2015, 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.

Utility Reconstruction, various streets:

On October 27, 2015, 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
- 65th Street from Landis Avenue to Pleasure Avenue – substantially completed.
- 69th Street from Landis Avenue to Central Avenue – in progress, with completion shortly.
- 76th Street from Landis Avenue to Pleasure Avenue – substantially completed.

Work to install a new sanitary main, sanitary laterals, new water main and water services on 47th, 49th, and 65th from Landis to Pleasure is substantially completed.
Work to install new water main & sanitary main, sanitary laterals and water services on 69th th is underway. All uncompleted work will resume in the fall. The photo below of 69th Street was taken on June 8…

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 – substantially completed
- 46th Street from Landis Avenue to the Promenade – substantially completed
- 56th Street from Landis Avenue to the Promenade – substantially completed
- Roadway elevation on selected areas of 44th Street and Venicean Road – substantially completed

This project is substantially completed; the project is being closed out.

Bulkhead Construction, 80th Street and 93rd Street:

On August 25, 2015, City Council awarded a contract to Colonnelli Brothers, Inc. of Hackensack, New Jersey in the amount of $199,880 for the construction of bulkheads at the above locations. Larsen Marine, Inc. has been hired as a subcontractor. After some delays, the mobilization of this project occurred on March 15. The 93rd Street location is substantially completed. The 80th Street Bulkhead is substantially completed. Punch list items will be addressed shortly.

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, 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 Street was previously completed as part of the JFK Gateway Project. Punch list items are in progress and Landis Avenue is now open to all vehicular traffic.

Public Works Maintenance Garage – 80th Street & Central:

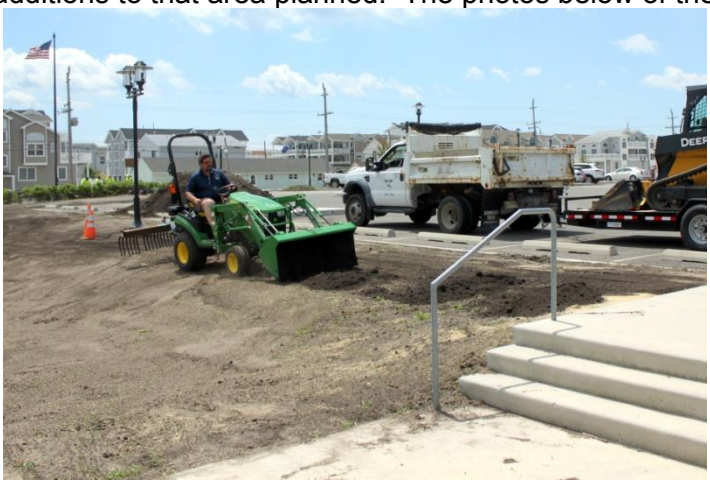
On March 23, 2016, Council awarded a bid to Archetto Construction, of Vineland, NJ, to replace the roof, siding and insulation at this location. Work will commence once all permits are in place and materials have been secured.

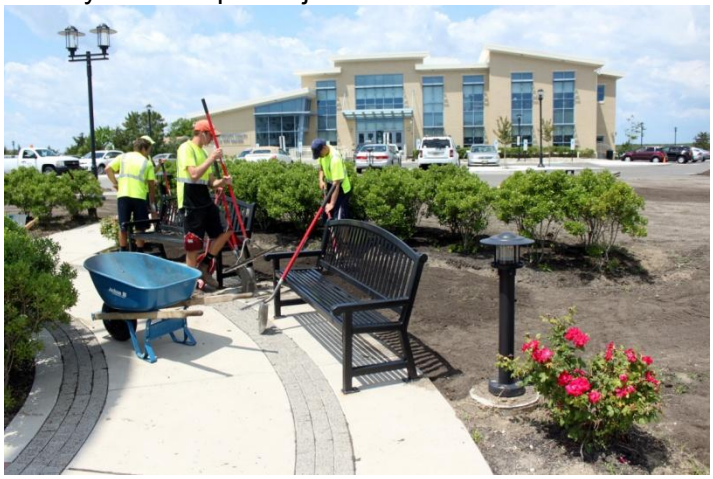
Sea Isle Ambulance Corps Building:

On November 18, 2015, a bid was accepted from Baruffi, Bros. Inc., of Vineland, for needed stucco work to the exterior of the Volunteer Ambulance Corps building in the amount of $9,975. Due to the need for warmer weather conditions, work did not begin until April 8, 2016; and is progressing as weather permits. The Public Works Department is also doing exterior improvements to the garage door surrounds, sanding and painting exterior doors, and necessary interior repairs to this facility. The stucco work as of this date has been completed.

Sea Isle Branch of the 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 Central Avenue site. This includes parking lot and walkway improvements. Phase One included grading, irrigation, sod, shrub 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 Scout Project. Public Works employees and Cameron cooperated with the historical museum to redo the memorial garden, including a water feature, enhancements to the landscaping and restoration of the mast and statue. More improvements are upcoming with many beautiful additions to that area planned. The photos below of the Library Landscape Project were taken June 8…





Townsends Inlet Bridge:

The TI Bridge was opened to traffic prior to Polar Bear Plunge Weekend, and remains open.

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.

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 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.

IS SEA ISLE CITY YOUR FAVORITE BEACH?

It's time to vote for Sea Isle City in the New Jersey Sea Grant Consortium's "Favorite Beach Contest." It only takes one-minute to cast your vote – so click the link below and vote today! You can also share this link with your friends so others can do the same…http://njseagrant.org/njfavoritebeach/

FLOOD INSURANCE INFO OUTREACH:

Whether you are confused about coverage options or need assistance with flood mapping, you can get the guidance you need with on-the-spot mitigation reporting and Flood Insurance Premium information during a Flood Insurance Information Outreach on Saturday, June 18, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00p.m., on the 3rd Floor of

City Hall, 233 JFK Boulevard. Property owners should bring their Elevation Certificates and Current Flood Insurance Policies. For more details or to reserve a spot, please phone 866-599-7067.

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.

The Sea Isle City Beach Patrol is also hiring summer employees. The test for prospective lifeguards will take place on Saturday, June 11, and Sunday, June 12. For more info, go to the Beach Patrol's website: www.sicbp.com.

SKIMMER FESTIVAL EVENTS:

Don't miss Sea Isle City's largest summer festival on June 18 & 19 (Father's Day Weekend)…

Saturday, June 18, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.:

- Seaside Vendors Market along the Promenade.
- Food Court at JFK and the Promenade.
- Live Music and Free Family Entertainment at Excursion Park.
- NEW THIS YEAR – Free Amusements Rides at Excursion Park during the day.

Saturday Night, June 18, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.:

- Skimmer Family Dance Party at Excursion Park Band Shell
- Amusement Rides at Excursion Park (small fee required).

PLEASE NOTE: **Jitney Service** will be available on Skimmer Saturday starting at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, June 19:

- Antique Auto Show along the Promenade (north of JFK), 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- *The Snake Brothers Band* will perform on the Promenade at JFK Boulevard, 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon
- Free Guided Trolley Tours, Excursion Park, 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Auto Show Award Ceremony on the Promenade at JFK, 1:00 p.m.
- Antique Auto Parade along Pleasure and Landis Avenues (south of JFK) 1:30 p.m.

For more info about Skimmer Festival, go to www.VISITSICNJ.com or phone 609-263-8687

FULL MOON YOGA:

NJ Beach Yoga will host a free "Full Moon" Yoga class on Monday June 20, 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. on the JFK Boulevard Bach, where participants can practice Moon Salutations while watching the moon rise over the ocean. This free community event is open to the public. For more info, visit www.njBeachYoga.com or phone 609-602-3398.

MUNICIPAL BICYCLE AUCTION:

The City's annual Bicycle Auction has been rescheduled to Tuesday, June 28, at 11:00 a.m. in City Hall's West Parking Lot, 233 JFK Boulevard. On-site registration for bidders begins at 10:00 a.m., followed by the Bike Auction at 11:00 a.m.

HOW YOU CAN HELP 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.

Baby Terrapin Release:

At 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 25, Jugglefish Art Gallery & Studio on 63rd Street will host a special event featuring information about Terrapin Turtles and a "Turtle Art Project" for people of all ages. Afterwards, follow members of Sea Isle Terrapin Rescue on a short walk to the marshes behind Dealy Field, where baby Terrapin Turtles will be released into the wild. The rain date for this event is June 26.

DON'T MISS THESE EVENTS:

--Skimmer Festival Weekend: Saturday and Sunday, June 18-19 (www.VISITSICNJ.com or 263-8687).
--Jim McLaughlin Memorial Tennis Tournament: Saturday, June 18, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Rain Date: June 19), Dealy Field Tennis Courts (263-2271).
--Sea Goal Cup: Saturday, June 18, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Dealy Field Hockey Court (215-483-9340 or http://www.playphillysports.com).
--Full Moon Yoga: Monday, June 20, 8:00 p.m., JFK Boulevard Beach (609-602-3398 or www.njBeachYoga.com)
--Sara the Turtle Festival: Wednesday, June 22 (Rain Date: June 23), 7:00 p.m., Excursion Park, featuring family-friendly environmental events and activities (609-263-8687 or www.VISITSICNJ.com).

--Sea Isle City Food Truck Festival: Friday-Sunday, June 24-26, KIX-McNutley's on 63rd Street (609-318-4504 or www.seaislecityfood.com).
--Sea Isle City STOMPS Cancer 5K Run / Family Walk: Saturday, June 25, 9:00 a.m., JFK Boulevard & the Promenade (http://bringinghopehome.org/event/sicstomp2016/ or 484-580-8395).
--STOMP Fest: Saturday, June 25, 12 noon – 3:00 p.m., LaCousta Lunge, JFK and Landis Avenue (http://bringinghopehome.org/event/sicstomp2016/ or 484-580-8395).

For a complete list of events taking place in Sea Isle City, visit us online at www.VISITSICNJ.com or stop-by the Sea Isle City Welcome Center at 300 JFK Boulevard.

MAY 2016 POLICE REPORT:

1. Investigations Conducted: 17
2. Adult Arrests (Criminal, Disorderly Persons, Ordinance, DWI): 18
3. Juvenile Arrests: 0
4. Motor Vehicle Summons Issued:
   - Moving Violations: 83
   - Parking Violations: 378
5. Public Service Calls:
   - Assist Public/Motorist: 29
   - Medical Calls: 36
   - Property Checks: 587
   - Alarms: 25
   - Suspicious Person/Vehicle: 21
   - Escorts/Relays: 2
   - Walk-In Complaints: 1
   - School Bus Escorts: 93
   - Motor Vehicle Stops: 206
   - Fingerprint Detail: 1
   - 9-1-1 False Alarms: 28
   - Lockout Assists: 3
   - Domestic Violence Calls: 5
   - Animal Calls: 20
   - Check Resident's Well Being: 7
   - Messages Delivered: 0
   - Investigations: 7
   - Disturbances: 12
   - Thefts: 17
   - Warrants/Subpoenas: 2
   - Fights: 6
   - Noise: 24
   - Fire: 1
   - Crowd Control: 16
   - TOTAL: 1,149

6. Code Enforcement Violations: 9

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

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. Pleases 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.

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 Viply (download the Viply app at the iTunes store…the Viply web link will show you how it works). Once you purchase your beach tags with the Viply 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 June 20, 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.

GIVE BLOOD ON JUNE 16:

Help prevent a summer shortage and give blood during an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, June 16, 1:00 to 6:00 p.m., at the Sea Isle United Methodist Church, JFK Boulevard and Central Avenue. Appointments are preferred but walk-ins are welcome. For more info, phone Norma at 609-263-8025 or register online by visiting www.redcrossblood.org (enter the sponsor code: "sea isle umc").

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 Venicean 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:

Even though rain showers forced Sea Isle City's 2016 Memorial Day Ceremony indoors, a large crowd of patriots was present inside the former Public School gymnasium to honor the men and women who died while serving in our Nation's Armed Forces. Led by Mayor Desiderio, the ceremony included many City and County dignitaries – along with numerous members of VFW Post 1963…

County Clerk Rita-Marie Fulginiti, VFW Post 1963 Commander Charles Haines and VFW Ladies Auxiliary President Marie Gardner were among those who offered inspiring words…

Deacon Liam O'Clisham delivered a stirring Invocation; and New Jersey Junior National Teenager Shanna McCool sang our National Anthem…

Leonard Desiderio, Sr. and Bob Bowman were among the veterans who participated in the wreath-laying ceremony; and Pastor Melissa Doyle-Waid offered an inspiring Benediction…

VFW Post 1963 Color Guard kept Old Glory flying high…

As always, Boy Scout Troop 76 was well-represented on Memorial Day…

On June 4, the Desiderio Family and Friends hosted the 2016 Gerard A. Desiderio Heart Walk/Dog Walk along the Promenade to raise money for the Deborah Heart and Lung Center. Hundreds of people participated – along with some very friendly dogs that were permitted to be on the Promenade during the event. Each group or organization that participated in the Heart Walk wore a colorful event tee-shirt. Shown below wearing mint green are members of Team Desiderio…

The Republican Women of Cape May County (and friends)…

VFW Post 1963…

First Bank of Sea Isle City…

The Sea Isle City Italian American Club Women's Auxiliary co-hosted the Heart Walk…

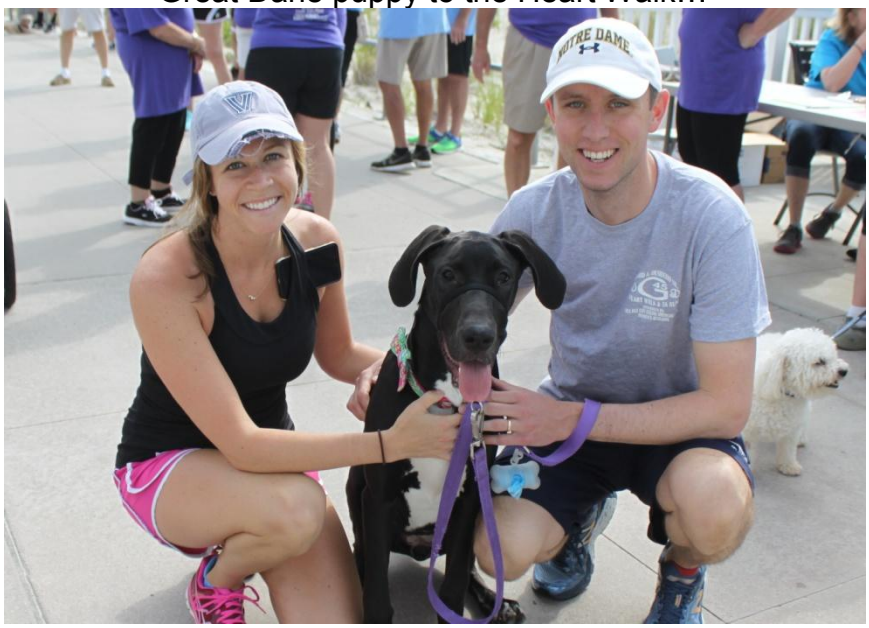
Team City Hall…

The Commodore Club…

Sea Isle City's Volunteer Ambulance Corps…

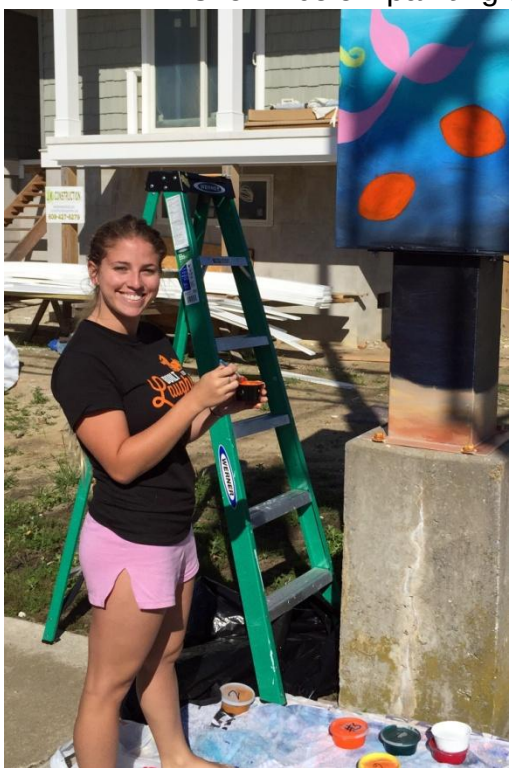
Janet Halasek, John & Michelle Klasik, and RJ Seib were all smiles during the Heart Walk…

Sean & Clare Bennett, of Philadelphia, brought their
Great Dane puppy to the Heart Walk…

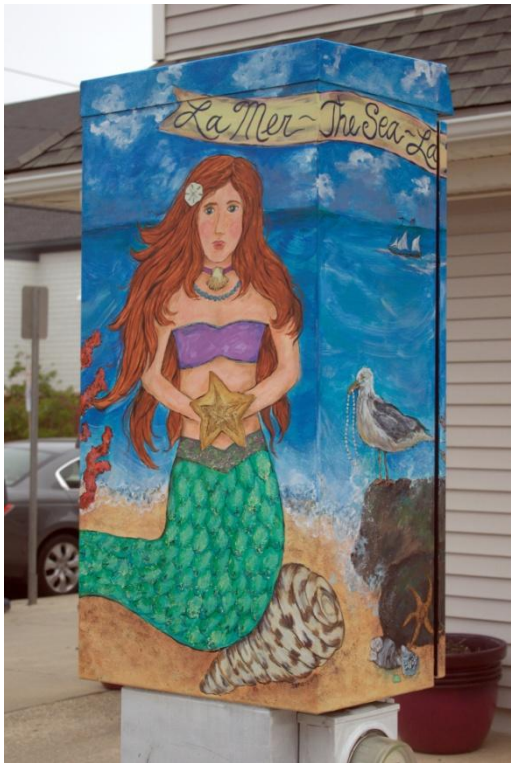


The Promenade was filled with colorful tee shirts…

Sea Isle City's Beautification Committee recently hosted a Public Art Project that led to murals being painted on electric panel boxes throughout town. The artists, who were chosen by the Beautification Committee, each have a connection to Sea Isle City. Look for the newly painted works of art along Landis Avenue and on JFK Boulevard next to the Promenade. Amanda Swallow, of Stratford, NJ is shown below painting the box at 29th Street…



Larry Hartman, of South Orange, NJ, painted flying turtles on the 33rd Street Box (below, at left); and Daria Tatasciore, of West Chester, PA, adorned the 44th Street box with a classic mermaid…



Douglas Beckert, of Ocean City (below, at left) painted a mermaid sitting on a lifeguard stand at 63rd Street (be sure to look for the "Creature from the Black Lagoon" lounging on a beach blanket on this detailed mural); and Joanne Lennon, of Media, PA, painted a beach scene on the electric box located adjacent to the Promenade on JFK Boulevard….

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