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The Wildwood Historical Society, Inc. and the Boyer Museum were made possible through the contributions of many individuals in our community.

The gifts you make today help preserve the memories of the past. Please consider the Historical Society in your will.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor .....	\$50.
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## The Boyer Museum

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### ..... a message from the President



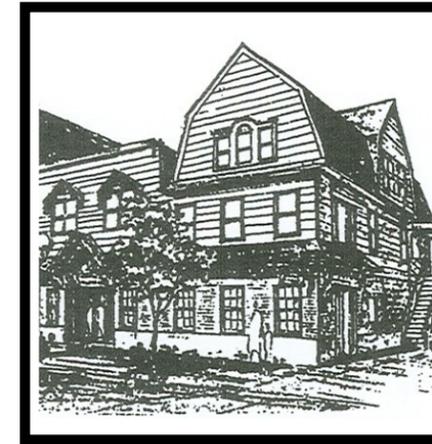
Hello! My name is Anthony Canzano and I am serving as Board President for 2005. I have been visiting Wildwood most of my life and as early as twelve years of age I recognized the interesting history of the island.

In 1996, I became a local resident and also involved with the museum. I began volunteering by sorting through endless boxes of loose photos and 35mm slides. Four years later we gained new albums and updated existing albums by adding many new photos. Some of the albums I worked on were Hunt's Pier, Hunt's Theaters, and boardwalk amusements. Admittedly, the history of the boardwalk is my main interest.

During my tenure, I have helped convert the gift shop room into the Boardwalk Room by adding photos from the 35mm slides, three ride models that I have constructed, and many artifacts have been added, such as signs from Hunt's Pier to the brake handle from the Jack Rabbit Roller Coaster.

On behalf of my fellow Board Members, I would like to thank you for supporting the Wildwood Historical Society. We continue to receive photos, artifacts and information everyday to add to our collection. As we see the island changing from boarding homes and motels into condos and townhouses, we realize how important it is to have a museum like ours to preserve our past.

It is sad to see our island change so quickly, and so many people appear to be against the change. However, I see this as history repeating itself. Old hotels and rooming houses gave way to motels and hotels during the 1950's. Now, those buildings are giving way to condos and new hotels once more. The museum has two very large, and growing albums full of demolished buildings. When you feel you cannot remember what building stood on a particular lot,



Preserving the history and memories of the Wildwoods . . .

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or can't recall the name of a particular motel or hotel, feel free to come in and enjoy a piece of history.

It is an exciting time for the Wildwood Historical Society. We have begun talks about expanding the museum into the adjacent parking lot to gain more room for our ever growing collection. We are also working on developing new open houses and programs focused on youth and getting kids interested in the history of our island. We are also moving the National Marbles Hall of Fame to the Greater Wildwood Chamber of Commerce building on Pacific Avenue. This move will free up a tremendous amount of wall space and make the marbles history, artifacts and information more accessible to those interested.

Finally I would like to share with everyone our mission statement. "It is the mission of the Wildwood Historical Society, Inc. to gather, preserve and present the history of 'The Wildwoods' to the public in an interesting and informative manner."

Anthony Canzano  
Board President

## Plan Ahead! Great Gift Ideas

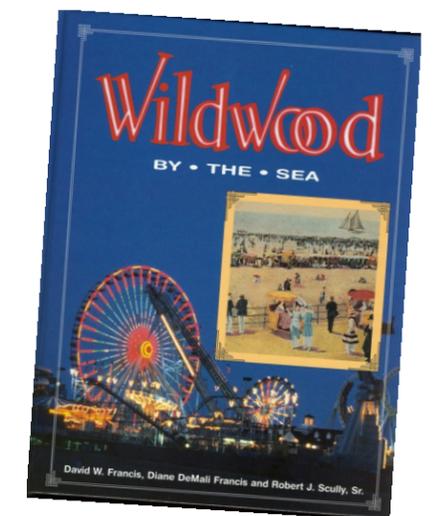
**The Video** - "Wildwood, The History of An American Seashore Resort" is available for sale in both VHS and DVD. The film is a 60 minute visual voyage through the history of our island from the settlement in the late 1800's through the present. The film also includes rare video footage and photos of the island.

**The Book** - "Wildwood By-The-Sea" Get this historical pictorial of the boardwalk now because it will not be re-printed.

**The Other Book** - "The Wildwoods in Vintage Post Cards" The beach, boardwalk, buildings, harbors, streets, with full description of each pictorial.

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Proceeds benefit the Museum



Sightseer Toy Tram Car is now available at the Museum!

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