

Alternate Giving Ideas

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.

Friends of the Wildwood Historical Society, Inc.

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Membership Class	
<input type="checkbox"/> Life	\$200.
<input type="checkbox"/> Business	\$50.
<input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor	\$50.
<input type="checkbox"/> Contributing	\$25.
<input type="checkbox"/> Family	\$15.
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$10.
<input type="checkbox"/> Student	\$5.

Renewal **New**
 Please check membership class and
 enclose fee with application.

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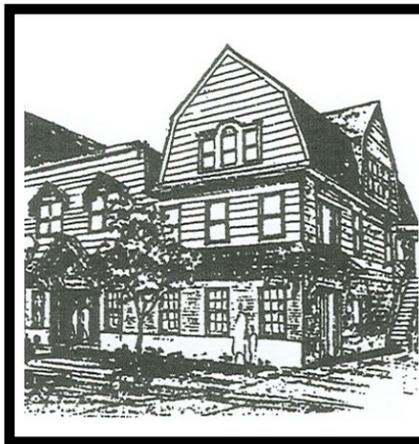
Summer, 2010

*. a message from
 the President*

We survived the blizzard of 2010 and are here to welcome the Spring!



Our annual Post Card Show, Open House and "Salute to Women in the Service" was a huge success. We were honored to host the commander of the Cape May Coast Guard Base, Admiral Cari B. Thomas, Lt. Adriene Roseti, representative from the Naval Academy, and Marine reservists Peggy Zemaitatis, Mabel Schaefer and Betty Wislawski. It was a grand day with as many people interested in the post cards under the tent, as there were people attending the symposium in our new south wing.



In closing I leave you with this thought, "Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass. It's about learning to dance in the rain."

— Anne Vinci, President

*Meet our new
 Board Members*



Klaas Kramer has five grandsons.

Klaas has a Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering and a Master's in Computer Information Systems. He served in the US Navy from 1963 to 1983. After his military service, he was employed by Lockheed Martin until his recent retirement.

His interests include travel, fishing, gardening and now the

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history of the Wildwoods. We welcome Klaas Kramer to the Executive Board of the Wildwood Historical Society.



No stranger to the Jersey shore, Mike has summered here at his parents' home since 1986.

He has a Bachelor's degree from Widener University with a major in Criminal Justice and a minor in Sociology.

Early employment included summer police officer with the Wildwood Police Department. He has also worked for the U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, The National Park Service, Delaware River and Bay Authority Police Department and is now with the Wildwood Police Department.

Mike's interest in history has made him a frequent visitor to the museum. Other interests are kayaking and running.

We are happy to also welcome Mike Eagan to the Executive Board of the Wildwood Historical Society.

Dom's Restaurant - 1960

Then!

La Piazza Restaurant - 2010

Now!

4600 Pacific Avenue, Wildwood, NJ

MEMBERSHIP

We are always looking for new members to help preserve Wildwood's history. Now is the time to renew your membership. If you have done so already, we thank you. Because of rising costs of maintenance and utilities, donations are welcome, too! Memberships help to cover the cost of mailing, notices, newsletters and notification of special events.

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Curator's Corner

by Bob Scully

For those of you interested in West Wildwood history, we have acquired many photos over the last few months from **Mayor Chuck Fredericks** and photographer **Tom Kinnemand**. Tom's were taken in the aftermath of the 1962 storm and depicts the devastation that befell this little island. Tom continues to make many of his old photographs available to us. The last group included photos of the old **St. Ann's School** coming down and the new school going up; the **Martinique** and **Elmira** Nightclub fires, the old **Bus Terminal** at Oak Avenue and the Boardwalk; classic First Holy Communion photos of the students walking across Atlantic Avenue to the church in 1959. We're told that **Jim Waldron** is leading the procession. He also gave us some scarce photos of the **18th Street Pavilion** in North Wildwood taken in the 1950s. From the **John Fulginiti** collection we have a photo taken of a public works project on the corner of Rio Grande and New Jersey Avenues in the 1930s. We also have a photo of **WHS South Jersey Champs in 1938**. The **John Clark Family** donated a number of items including photos of **Clark Motors** and WHS Class Day and Commencement pamphlets for 1931 and 1966. **Ken Grace III** gave us a photo of the boat, the *Ralph J* of Anglesea in 1912. **Karen and Bob Dougherty** dropped off a Rotomatic, automatic slide projector. It could come in handy viewing the hundreds of slides that we have in our archives. **Bob and Jane Colson Thomson** gave us a collection of family memorabilia as did **Inge Friesenborg Laine, Jeri Hoffman McDaniel, The Glenn Family** and **Dan Caterina** all the way from Arizona. After our "Salute to Ladies in the Service" event, **Jacqueline Hendrickson** gave us a photo of her mother Louise in a US Coast Guard Boot Camp photo. This is a small sample of all we have to offer. Come in and browse; you won't be sorry.

.....until next time

Visit our gift shop!

Available are books, VHS tapes and DVDs dealing with the history of the Wildwoods. New book additions include *Naval Air Station-Wildwood* by Dr. Joe Salvatore and Joan Berkey. Cost is \$22. We also have available *Wildwood By-the Sea: Nostalgia & Recipes* by Anita S. Hirsch for \$20 each.

Proceeds benefit the Museum
Also available by mail
Call for shipping and handling charges
Call (609) 523-0277



Ron Griffith Presented Award

Long time volunteer, Ron Griffith of North Wildwood was presented a plaque at the annual Post Card Show and Open House for his many years of outstanding service and dedication to the museum. At left is Ron Griffith, and Al Brannen, Executive Board Member and Past President. (Tom Kinnemand Photo)

HOURS

Closed all National Holidays
and Sundays

SUMMER HOURS

Monday thru Saturday, 9:00 - 2:00 PM

WINTER HOURS

Thursday thru Saturday, 9:00 - 2:00 PM

2010 Executive Board

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Anna M. Vinci, Editor

Reminder

The Wildwood Historical Society will be open six days a week starting June 15. Hours of operation are 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. We urge you to stop by and see the "Wildwoods your grandma and grandpa knew."

Salute to Women in the Service

A Coast Guard admiral, a Navy lieutenant from the United States Naval Academy and three Middle Township sisters who served in the Marine Corps reserve spoke about the opportunities for women in the military at a symposium held at the Wildwood Historical Society on Saturday, April 17. More than 100 area residents, some veterans, attended the ceremony.

From the left are Admiral Cari B. Thomas, commander of the Coast Guard base in Cape May; Marine reservists Peggy Zemaitis, Mabel Schaefer and Betty Wislawski who served in the 1950s and now are active in the George L. Dramis Marine Corps League, and Lt. Adriene Roseti, officer representative for the Naval Academy's Joy Bright Hancock organization at the academy. Hancock, a native of Wildwood, became a Navy captain and was a motivating factor in bringing equal status to women in the Navy. (Tom Kinnemand Photo)



Little Players Club, Annual Queen for a Day Banquet - 1958



In about 1934 a group of men got together and had a charter drawn up for a social organization known as "The Little Players Club." Once a year, the gentlemen of this club would honor their ladies by holding an annual "Queen for a Day" banquet and cook for them. Pictured above is the dinner held in 1958 at Chuck's Roundup on Cedar Avenue in Wildwood. Seated left to right: Ed Rossi, Mary Rossi, Ed Neill, Chris Neill, Sally Bonelli, Ann Suppa, Velma Suppa, Joan Troiano, Peg Gerace, Mary Turchi, Ellen Bonelli, Dot Onorato, Josephine Russo, Jackie Fulginiti, Kay Jestremski, Chester "Ski" Jestremski. Standing left to right: Phil Bonelli, Lou Suppa, Tony Suppa, Ernie Troiano, Jerry Gerace, Lou Turchi, Chuck Onorato, Butch Russo and Leon Fulginiti. (Special thanks for information and names provided by Mary Rossi and Joan Troiano. Photo from museum archives)