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Fire Island Dance Festival Celebrates 20th Year

By Nicole Brems

Hundreds of spectators joined the dancing community to celebrate the Fire Island Dance Festival's 20th anniversary July 18th-20th.

This year's event weekend raised a record total of \$533,860 for Dancers Responding to AIDS. The shows are set to the backdrop of the Great South Bay in the Fire Island Pines.

With distinguished careers as performers and choreographers, Jerry Mitchell and Larry Keigwin shared hosting duties. According to their bios, Mitchell is the two-time Tony winning director and choreographer of the 2013 Tony-winning Best Musical, *Kinky Boots*. Keigwin is artistic director of one of the country's most electrifying dance companies, KEIGWIN + COMPANY, and this year made his Broadway choreographic debut with the hit musical *If/Then*.

The breathtaking show included world premieres of works choreographed by Joshua Bergasse, Marcelo Gomes, Nick Kenkel, Patrick Makuakne and Troy Schumacher.

The show featured 48 professional dancers, in 10 acts, who entertained sold-out crowds with ballet, modern, Broadway and even traditional Hawaiian dance, opened with a performance of *Romeo and Juliet*.



Photo credit: Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS facebook page

In the show, there was something for every type of dance. My favorite performance was titled, "Stairway to Paradise," the 7th dance of the night.

According to the description of the dance on the DRA website, "Sara Mearns, principal dancer for New York City Ballet, traded her pointe shoes for sassy heels, lighting up the stage in a slinky, sexy Broadway showstopper. Mearns was supported by eight spectacular male dancers, who lifted, tossed and twirled the bright-eyed ingénue. "Stairway to Paradise," set to a jazzy Gershwin song, was created by

Emmy Award-winning choreographer Joshua Bergasse, who will make his Broadway choreographic debut with this fall's revival of *On the Town*."

"At moments like this, we must take time to remember all talent, creativity and friendships we've lost, while celebrating the progress we've made and the opportunities we have to make a difference for those who need our help the most," said Denise Roberts Hurlin, founding director of Dancers Responding to AIDS. "We could not have achieved as much as we have without the unwavering support

of the Fire Island Pines community, our generous donors and sponsors, the immensely talented dancers and choreographers and our committed core of tireless volunteers."

Though AIDS has changed significantly over the past 20 years, the festival will continue.

In its 20 editions, Fire Island Dance Festival has raised more than \$3.8 million to help ensure that those who need it most can receive lifesaving medications and health care, nutritious meals, counseling and emergency financial assistance.

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Letter From the Editor

Happy August Fire Islanders!

With this issue we are welcoming the beautiful month of August. It's hard to believe that it was only a few months ago that we were welcoming snowstorm after storm, seemingly forever buried in snow. Now we have been enjoying the warm sun beaming on the beautiful beaches of Fire Island for a couple of months.

In this issue I am pleased to announce that the Chronicle has added new writers to our paper, Rose Levine, a long-time Fire Island writer, and Mitchel Volk, an experienced meteorologist who has been writing about Fire Island for the past few years. I'm very excited for them to join the Chronicle.

In the coming weeks there are many events that I will have reporters attending. If you have an event coming up, please let me know so that I can have someone cover it. Here at the Chronicle we pride ourselves on covering events from the Lighthouse to Davis Park.

-Nicole Brems
Owner/Publisher

Windswept Update

by Mike Pedersen

Discussions over the rebuilding of the Windswept building hit another bump with Village officials citing rising financial costs as the primary concern in the July 19 meeting of the Board of Trustees.

“Over \$250,000 has been spent on Windswept already and we are nowhere near moving back into it again,” said Mayor James Mallott. “There will be another million dollars that we will need to make that building usable again.”

The Windswept building was destroyed almost two years ago after Hurricane Sandy wreaked havoc across Fire Island. Since then, the lot has been used to store Youth Group property but the building is unusable.

While Youth Group has held repeated fundraisers and the forum over a restoration has been ongoing since the storm, there is no timeframe for the completion of the project.

“We’re talking about doing all these other kinds of projects and we have to prioritize,” Mallott said, continuing that he wasn’t sure if the Windswept building was needed for Youth Group to function and if it was a wise allocation of taxpayer dollars.

Another issue was that the Village said that the financial paperwork given by Youth Group was not acceptable as it is not a

certified financial order.

“I appreciate the documents you give me, but they don’t mean anything, they’re not certified” said Clerk/Treasurer Steven Brautigam.

Certified audited financial statements are expensive to provide, and being that Youth Group is a non-profit organization, there were concerns over the cost, as well as Youth Group officials saying that they did not have to provide certified documents in the past.

“The requirements that it be certified have been in there at least five years,” said Ken Gray, village attorney.

Gray also said that the lot, which the village owns, needs to show signs of economic benefit to show that it’s a good investment.

Steven Einig, a former trustee, said that Youth Group could show economic value because of the summer camp they provide.

“Youth Group is the largest employer on [Fire] Island,” Einig said, explaining that Youth Group hires many kids and former campers as camp counselors.

Despite the current location of talks of a restoration, the project has not had the door closed on it, and discussions will continue.

Fire Island Association Discusses Mosquito Problem

By Mike Pedersen

Appearances of Asian tiger mosquitoes on Long Island and the first reported case of dengue fever last November have caused concerns over the possibility of occurrences on Fire Island, but no such cases have been reported on Fire Island thus far according to the Superintendent of Fire Island National Seashore Chris Soller.

Soller addressed the current mosquito issues at the July 19 meeting of the Fire Island Association, confirming that the Asian tiger mosquito had also spread across the bay.

The Asian tiger mosquito, an invasive species from Japan that appeared in the United States in the 1980s, is a concern as rather than biting later in the day like

other mosquitos, it bites during the day. It is one of the major transmitters of dengue fever, which can be deadly. Its name comes from the black and white striped pattern of its body.

Suffolk County Department of Public Works’ Division of Vector Control has been spraying the village every Wednesday night since July 2, and will continue throughout the summer.

“This month hasn’t been too bad, but we’ll see next month,” said Mayor James Mallott, adding that August has been the month where the mosquitoes have come out in full force.

It is also advised that any standing water should be removed as soon as possible to inhibit possible breeding grounds for the mosquitoes.

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Rose's View

Cherry Grove

By Bob Levine

The season is flying by with all the shows, parties and fundraisers; we are kept pretty busy in the Grove. We had a very successful Doctors Fund show, "Scenes From The Cutting Room Floor" directed by Donald LaBohn. He coordinated a cast of Cherry Grove performers who all knew how to entertain. Ginger Snap who performs at Cherry's in Cherry Grove and at Lips in NYC, was a new favorite who stopped the show with a rendition of Mary Poppins singing, "A Spoon Full Of Sugar." The sets were designed and created by George McGarvey and assisted by Bruce Miller and Dale Lolly. Many thanks to Richard "Urban Sprawl" Cooley who helped many cast members with make-up and hair. The audience was enthusiastic. The cast party was held at The Tikki Bar at The Island Breeze, with food catered by Cherry Grove Pizza. As in the past, Donald LaBohn & Evan Kane had a cast brunch on Sunday with bagels and lox and all the trimmings. We all had a great time.

Audrey Hartmann had at least 150 people attend a cocktail party on July 19th at her home. It seemed like everyone in Cherry Grove was there. Freddie Machado and his crew cooked, served and cleaned up. In attendance were: Doreen & Bobbie, Mitch Volk & Dan Karis, Peter Chace & Charles Mehr, Tim Terrico, Kelly Gunn, Gerri Locquasto & Lynn Moyer, Joyce Yaeger & Danielle Burenstein who just returned from a 10 day business trip to Rowanda, Patricia & Diane, Jack Rouullo & Richard Cooley, Shirley Munnell, Brian Clark & Troy Files, Roland Michely & Joe Anania, Bud Henriksen, Phiomena & Michael and many, many more familiar Grove faces. Audrey had a house full of weekend guests. Linda, Jill, Brenda, Debbie & Claudia. Joel Ulster & Michael Hertzman who recently sold their house, made a special trip to

the Grove so they could attend the party. They just returned from a vacation in Sitges, where they own an apartment. In fact they shipped many possessions to Spain that they had in their Cherry Grove home.

Joanne Tavis & Lois Pissani were married on the beach on July 18th. They had a small intimate reception officiated by Rev. Elena O. Maradi.

Jack Rouullo took a week off from the Grove to spend time in his South Beach apartment. It was quick and fun.

Mel Rock & Don Robb had Mel's nephew Joe Accettura and his lady friend Robin Scalfari from Newburgh, NY as their houseguests. This was Robin's first visit to the Island.

Tim Terrico is on a very exciting business trip. Mexico City, Los Angeles, San Jose, and Santa Cruz. Back to the old grind real soon.

Pines boys: Jack Stackell, Evan Getz, Michael O'Rourke, Tony Simone, Ty Kuppung were enjoying dinner at Top Of The Bay.

John Dalbert and Bridget Baier from Davis Park stopped by Roseland for a brief visit, while they were in Cherry Grove. Bridget's late mother, Mary Lou Baier was the Davis Park columnist years ago for our local newspaper.

Peter Chace had a birthday celebration dinner party for his partner Charles Mehr. Roseland household including our guest Tony Sette Ducate and George McGarvey were invited. Prior to dinner, Ron Cooms and his guests Jack & Shelly joined us.

We miss seeing Gay Nathan & Julie Paradise this season. Julie had surgery in Phoenix, AZ and is now re-cooperating at their home in Santé Fe, New Mexico. Hurry back to Cherry Grove.

Joan Van Ness & Lorraine Michels are vacationing in Maine and Cape Cod for a few weeks. They repeat this trip yearly. Lorraine will be one of the Honorees at the Cherry Grove Honors dinner on August 23rd. Other honorees: are Don & Judy Hestor, Allison Brackman and posthumously Jeanne Skinner. The tickets are for sale now for \$125.00 at desk, which is set up in downtown CG. Limited capacity.

The Cherry Grove Garden Club had their meeting at Mel & Don's house. They planned a Bake Sale in honor of the late David Blaustien to be held at the Community House on Sunday August 31st from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The Garden Tour on July 5th proved to be a very successful event.

CGCAI is offering a new 2014 Ruby Red Mustang Convertible V-6 car raffle for \$100.00. Drawing will be at the Route 66 party at Blueberry Hill on August 2nd. Tickets for the party are \$75.00 available at desk in center of Cherry Grove. Raffle prize courtesy of Blueberry Hill, Cherry Grove Community Association and Evelyn Danko & Valerie Perez.

At the Cherry Grove Community Association meeting, Toni Cesta updated us with the progress of the Community House. The construction will begin in October. They have raised close to One Million Dollars, but they still project another \$250,000.00, which is needed to complete the project. Guest speaker FINS Superintendent Chris Soller was quite impressed with Cherry Grove. He told us we had the best Dunes on the Island, (which we know). We've had the Dune Fund Committee since the late 40s. They do work hard to maintain a high level. We are also celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the National Park Service on Fire Island. I remember in 1964 when many people from all communities attended

a town meeting in Brookhaven to protest against Robert Moses who wanted to put a four-lane highway through Fire Island, which would have destroyed us. Luckily it was vetoed.

Daniel Nardicio has brought the Ice Palace entertainment level to a major cabaret venue. His Icon series features super stars, Linda Eder, and Linda Lavin who have already appeared this season. Jackie Hoffman will appear on August 9th. Christine Ebersole will appear on August 16 in "Strings Attached." Half of the proceeds will go to SOCH. George McGarvey is co producer. He is lending his talents once again, doing the set design. Tickets available at: www.dworld.us, the Ice Palace office and Gostoso in the Pines.

Richard Newman a resident of CG recently fell on the walk. Within minutes the EMS was there to provide medical attention and shortly thereafter the helicopter took him to North Shore LIJ Hospital. He's fine now. The new EMS system and the NSLIJ are doing a great job in the Grove. In an emergency call 911. They respond and are on the spot with in minutes.

The Arts Project is offering an Opera Discussion Group at the Community House every Wednesday 11:00 a.m. - 12 noon. Hosted by Jim Crapotta. Free and open to all. "Sunrise At Hyde Park" by Tom Wilson Weinberg will be the next program at the Community House. On August 8th & 10th the annual Art Show will be held at the Community House. On August 30th & 31st will be the premier of "Déjà Vu" a show by Demi Tasse with an all-star.

Rose's View

Fire Island Pines

By Bob Levine

When I was a child my parents, my brothers and I packed the car and drove to the "country" which took about 2 hours from NYC. My parents rented a house, or in those days it was called a bungalow or cottage. It was on the grounds of a big hotel where they had a pool, a playhouse, and all the amenities that would attract people for a vacation out of the city. We would spend the entire summer, while my father left on Sunday and came back Friday evening. It sounds like the Pines. Well it was the Pines, but in South Fallsburg, NY. In those days it was called the Borscht Belt in the Catskills. The location was different than Fire Island and the times were different than today, yet it really was similar to the Pines on Fire Island as we know it today. In the Pines, you can dine at the Blue Whale, The Cultured Elephant, The Bistro, and The Pines Pizza. One could enjoy Disco and other entertainment at Sip N Twirl, Whyte Hall and the Pavilion. We have live entertainment and the fun continues week after week. DJ's spinning in the Pines are: "John Putnam and his Used Blues" appear at the Blue Whale for brunch. So you see, the Borscht Belt was the forerunner for our lifestyle today.

A new business venture "Slate Roof Creamery" began with the brainstorm of Pines Resident Dr. Mark Ricigliano and his two close friends, Ric Morris and Jim Kelleher. Mark loves to cook and they came up with a wonderful idea. It is now being produced and being sold at the Pines Pantry. Packaged in a beautifully wrapped ramekin, the product is organic butter

- all natural, gluten free, all locally sourced with cherry or sea salt caramel, "Cherry Butter" or "Sea Salt Carmel Butter." At present, there are only 2 flavors, but Mark as Chief Culinary Officer and his operations manager Ric Morris are working on developing additional flavors with Jim Kelleher their Marketing Manager. The product is made and shipped from Historic Chester Springs, PA. I told Mark "If You Can Make It Anywhere." This item should take off nationally when it will be sold in high-end food markets throughout the U.S., once they get the distribution "Spread the Goodness Freely."

The 20th Anniversary of Fire Island Dance Festival was brilliant on July 18th- 20th. Produced by and benefiting Dancers Responding To AIDS, a program of Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS. Two major Broadway director/choreographers were the co-hosts. Jerry Mitchell who won the 2013 Tony Award for "Kinky Boots" as Best Director and Larry Keigwin choreographer for the present Broadway production "If/Then" and for the upcoming Broadway production of "On The Town" opening in the fall. This year \$533,135 was a record breaking total raised. In July 1995 at the first Fire Island Dance Festival produced by Hernando Cortez and Denise Roberts Hurlin they raised \$7,939 a record at that time. The Dance Event has become a major part of the Pines calendar each season. A natural backdrop of sky and the Great South Bay was soothing on the eyes especially when the Ten Dance companies performed with handsome young men and

women in the foreground. Tony Award winner for "Fosse" and Ballet Dancer Desmond Richardson had to cancel his performance due to an accident. His replacement was Jon Bond of the Cedar Lake Contemporary Ballet. Other performers were, Sara Mearns dancing with 8 boys to the Joshua Bergasse choreography of "I'll Build A Stairway to Paradise," Ailey II famous piece, "Wade In the Water" (excerpt from Revelations), MOMIX, Complexions Contemporary Ballet, NA LEI HULU I KA WEKIU, BALLETCOLLECTIVE, Kristine Bendul, David Elder, and Ryan Worsing, Nick Kenkel, and Marcelo Gomes and Luciana Paris made for a stunning evening. Tom Viola Executive Director of Broadway Cares spoke of the history and the process and progress of DRA. He introduced Founding Director Denise Roberts Hurlin, Sara Cardillo, Christopher F. Davis, and many other staff members from BC/EFA were on hand to help and put together a fantastic program and cocktail party. Celebrity hosts of past years were: Mark Tewksbury, Kate Shindle, B.D. Wong, Sean Lavery, Christopher Sieber, Alan Cumming, Michael Benjamin Washington, Ana Gasteyer, Whoopi Goldberg, Michael Mcelroy & Phylcia Rachad, Caroline Rhea, Bruce Vilanch, Bebe Newirth, Tina Fey and Mo Rocco. Many thanks to Eric von Kuersteiner & Tony Roncalli. Jack Schlegal, Evelyn Danko, Sayville Ferry Service, Mike & Laura Hartstien, Curtis Strohl & Jack Quinn, Ariodne Villarreal, Jim Vandernoth, Cherry Grove Community Association, Karen Boss, Tommy Esposito, Jay Pagano, Ken Pollard and all of you who helped physically

and financially. We look forward to DRA21.

Tony LaRocco & Bill Moore spent a few days in Provincetown. They enjoyed a change from the Pines.

Happy Birthday Kent Dillon and Albert Russo.

Mark Ricigliano had Pines residents, Bill Matthews & Michael De Falco for the weekend as his houseguest, while their house was being rebuilt. In the meantime, they just returned from Rome, London and other exotic European ports. They all came to the Grove for lunch at Sand Castle, and then visited Roseland. Other Pines guys having lunch in the Grove at Island Breeze were: David Mark Wess, Stuart Davis, Dave Petruzzella & Jose Hernandez, with Wall-e.

Bill Karam a photographer will have an exhibition on August 10th at 231 Bay Walk at the home of Gil Neary.

Daisy Jopling "Strings On Fire" will appear on August 2 at 6:00 p.m. This is the 2nd "Unplugged Series" sponsored by FIPAP. Daisy is a jazz/rock/classical violinist. Tickets \$30.00 - limited seating. The concert will be held at Barbara Sahlman's home at 502 Bass Walk.

CGCAI meeting continued

Other topics such as the Arts Project, the Doctor's Fund, the Dune Fund and the Memorial Fund were discussed. The Arts Project has many upcoming events, especially throughout the month of August.

A Fire Department update was given by Chief Steve Williams. He discussed the fire in Cherry Grove in June. Its cause of the fire was inconclusive. But the Chief reminded everyone to please get your electrical checked, especially after having a storm like Hurricane Sandy. If you still haven't had your electrical checked since the storm, be sure to do so. The fire truck is in the process of getting a new pump truck built. The truck, which has to be custom built, will cost about \$120,000. Williams also reminded the meeting that the department is open to members to join the 56 current members. He also asked for homeowners to please cut the trees in front of your houses to make sure there is room for the fire trucks to get through. On many walks, especially the walks that have been rebuilt, trees are hanging very low over the walk, interfering with fire trucks that may need to pass, along with being in the way of pedestrians. If the trees aren't trimmed soon, someone will be coming around to do it.

The next CGCAI meeting will be held in late September. If there are any questions about the meeting, the members of the CGCAI board are open to discussing it. All contact information can be found on their website.



FERRY SCHEDULES

Dunewood Ferry

June 20 thru September 2

Leaves Bay Shore Leaves Dunewood
Monday thru Friday

7:00 am		7:40 am
9:25 am		10:05am
11:10 am		11:50 am
1:00 pm		1:40 pm
3:00 pm		4:30 pm
5:30 pm		6:10 pm
6:45 pm	Fridays only	7:15 pm
7:25 pm	Monday-Thursday	7:55 pm
8:10 pm	Fridays only	8:40 pm
9:10 pm	Fridays only	---

Saturday and 8/31

9:30 am		10:00 am
10:50 am		11:20 am
12:10 pm		12:50 pm
1:30 pm		2:10 pm
2:50 pm		3:30 pm
4:10 pm		4:50 pm
6:00 pm		6:40 pm
7:30 pm		8:10 pm

Sunday and 9/1

9:30 am		10:10 am
11:10 am		11:50 am
12:50 pm		1:30 pm
2:05 pm		2:35 pm
-		3:30 pm
4:05 pm		4:45 pm
5:20 pm		6:00 pm
-		7:20 pm
-		8:05 pm

Atlantique

June 20 thru September 1

No service to Atlantique Tuesday 9/2

Leaves Bay Shore Leaves Atlantique
Monday thru Friday

9:50 am		10:35 am
11:50 am		--
3:00 pm	Fridays only	3:30 pm
4:15 pm		5:30 pm
6:45 pm	Fridays only	7:25 pm
8:10 pm	Fridays only	8:50 pm
9:10 pm	Fridays only	

Saturday and 8/31

9:30 am		10:10 am
10:50 am		11:30 am
11:50 am		3:30 pm
4:30 pm		5:30 pm

Sunday and 9/1

9:50 am		10:30 am
11:50 am		3:20 pm
-		5:30 pm
-		7:10 pm

Watch Hill Ferry

June 23 thru September 1

Monday thru Friday

8:45 am		9:15 am
10:15 am		11:00 am
12:30 pm		1:15 pm
3:10 pm		3:50pm
5:00 pm		5:45 pm
7:00 pm	Friday only	7:45 pm

Saturday and Sunday (7/4 and 9/1)

8:30 am		9:05 am
10:00 am		10:45 am
12:00 pm		12:45 pm
1:45 pm		2:30 pm
3:30 pm		4:15 pm
5:30 pm		6:30pm
Saturday only & 7/4 10:00 pm		

Fair Harbor

June 20 thru
September 2

Leaves BS Leaves
FH

		Friday		Saturday and 8/31		Sunday and 9/1	
Monday thru Thursday		-	6:10 am				
		7:00 am	7:30 am	7:00 am	7:30 am	7:00 am	7:30 am
		9:25 am	9:55 am	9:30 am	10:00 am	9:30 am	10:00 am
-	6:10 am	11:10 am	11:40 am	10:50 am	11:20 am	11:10 am	11:40 am
7:00 am	7:30 am	1:00 pm	1:30	12:10 pm	12:40 pm	12:50 pm	1:20 pm
9:25 am	9:55 am	pm		1:30 pm	2:00 pm	2:05 pm	2:40 pm
11:10 am	11:40 am	3:00 pm	--	2:50 pm	3:20 pm	3:10 pm	3:45 pm
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5:30 pm	6:00 pm	8:00 pm	8:30 pm	9:00 pm	9:30 pm	7:30 pm	8:15 pm
7:25 pm*	8:05 pm*	9:10 pm	--	10:50 pm	11:20 pm	8:50 pm	9:25 pm
9:10 pm*	9:40 pm*	10:30 pm	11:10 pm				
10:50 pm	* Thursday only						
* trips will not run Sept 2							

FERRY SCHEDULES

Ocean Beach Ferry

Leaves Bay Shore	Leaves OB	6:10 pm	6:45 pm
Monday thru Friday		6:50 pm	7:20 pm
	6:00 am	7:30 pm	8:00 pm
7:00 am	7:35 am	8:10 pm	8:40 pm
8:15 am	8:50 am	9:00 pm	9:50 pm
9:25 am	10:10 am	9:50 pm	10:20 pm
10:15 am	10:55 am	10:30 pm	11:00 pm
11:00 am	11:40 am	12:00 M	12:50 am
11:50 am	12:30 pm		
12:45 pm	1:25 pm	Saturday and Sunday	
1:30 pm	2:05 pm	Sat sched 8/31/ sun sch 9/1	
2:45	3:20 pm	7:00 am	7:50 am
4:05 pm	4:45 pm	9:10 am	9:45 am
4:50 pm Wed & Thurs	Only 5:30 pm	10:00 am	10:35 am
5:30 pm	6:10 pm	10:45 am	11:20 am
6:50 pm	7:30 pm	11:15 am	11:50 am
8:10 pm	8:50 pm	12 noon	12:30 pm
9:30 pm	10:10 pm	12:30 pm	1:00 pm
10:50 pm	11:40 pm	1:05 pm	--
		- Saturdays only 1:40 pm	
Friday		1:30 pm	2:00 pm
	6:00 am	2:10 pm Saturdays only --	
7:00 am	7:35 am	2:30 pm	3:00 pm
8:15 am	8:50 am	3:30 pm	3:40 pm
9:25 am	10:10 am	4:10 pm	4:40 pm
10:15 am	10:55 am	5:10 pm	5:50 pm
11:00 am	11:40 am	6:20 pm	7:00 pm
11:50 am	12:30 pm	7:30 pm	8:10 pm
12:45 pm	1:30 pm	-	9:40 pm
1:45 pm	2:25 pm	9:00 pm not run 9/1 --	
3:10 pm	3:50 pm	10:20 pm not run 9/1 11:15 pm	
4:10 pm	4:50 pm	-Saturdays only & 8/31 1:00 am*	
5:10 pm	5:50 pm	* special \$16 one-way cash fare or \$9 with a ticket	

Ocean Bay Park

Leaves Bay Shore	Leaves OBP	9:10 am	9:50 am
Monday thru Thursday		10:00 am	10:40 am
Mondays and 9/2 only	6:10 am	10:45 am	11:15 am
7:00 am	7:40 am	11:20 am	12 noon
8:20 am Mon only	9:00 am	12:10 pm	12:50 pm
9:25 am	10:05 am	12:50 pm	1:30 pm
11:00 am	11:40 am	1:50 pm	2:30 pm
12:50 pm	1:30 pm	2:50 pm	3:30 pm
2:50 pm	3:30 pm	3:50 pm	4:30 pm
4:10 pm	4:50 pm	4:50 pm	5:30 pm
5:30 pm	6:10 pm	6:10 pm	6:50 pm
6:50 pm	7:35 pm	7:30 pm	8:10 pm
8:15 pm not run Sept 2nd	9:00 pm	9:00 pm	9:40 pm
9:45 pm Wed & Thurs only	10:25p	10:20 pm	11:20 pm
Friday		Runs 8/30, 8/31 Only 1:00 am*	
7:00 am	7:40 am	*Special \$16 one-way cash fare, or \$9 with a ticket	
9:20 am	10:00 am	Sunday and 9/1	
10:45 am	11:30 am	7:00 am	7:45 am
12:15 pm	1:00 pm	8:40 am	9:20 am
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3:10 pm	3:50 pm	11:15 am	11:55 am
4:10 pm	4:50 pm	12:30 pm	1:10 pm
5:10 pm	5:50 pm	1:15 pm not run Sept 1 --	
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June 20 thru September 2

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Sunday and 9/1

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2:05 pm	2:35 pm
3:10 pm	3:40 pm
4:15 pm	4:45 pm
5:20 pm	5:50 pm
6:25 pm	6:55 pm
7:30 pm	8:00 pm
8:50 pm	9:45 pm

Seaview

June 20 thru September 2

Leaves Bay Shore	Leaves Seaview
Monday thru Thursday	
Mondays and 9/2 only 6:00 am	
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8:20 am Mondays only	8:50 am
9:25 am	9:55 am
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2:50 pm	3:20 pm
4:10 pm	4:40 pm
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FI Pines

SAYVILLE FERRY SCHEDULES

Cherry Grove

Summer Schedule June 27- September 7

Leave Sayville Leave FI Pines

Mondays (Except 9/1/14)

5:45 AM	6:10 AM- will not run 9/1 and 9/2
7:00 AM	7:25 AM
8:00 AM	8:45 AM
9:30 AM	10:00 AM
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3:30 PM	4:00 PM
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8:30 PM	9:00 PM

Tuesdays & Wednesdays

7:00 AM	7:25 AM
8:00 AM	8:45 AM
9:30 AM	10:00 AM
11:30 AM	12:00 PM
1:30 PM	2:00 PM
3:30 PM	4:00 PM
5:30 PM	6:00 PM
7:30 PM	8:00 PM

Thursdays (Except 7/3/14 - Use Friday Schedule)

7:00 AM	7:25 AM
8:00 AM	8:45 AM
9:30 AM	10:00 AM
11:30 AM	12:00 PM
1:30 PM	2:00 PM
3:30 PM	4:00 PM
5:30 PM	6:00 PM
7:30 PM	8:00 PM
8:30 PM	9:00 PM
10:15 PM	10:40 PM

Fridays & 7/3/14 (Except 7/4/14 - Use Saturday Schedule)

7:00 AM	7:25 AM
8:00 AM	8:45 AM
9:30 AM	10:00 AM
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6:30 PM	7:00 PM
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8:00 PM	8:30 PM
8:30 PM	9:00 PM
9:30 PM	10:00 PM
10:30 PM	11:00 PM
12:00 AM	12:25 AM

Saturdays, Sundays & 7/4/14 & 9/1/14

8:00 AM	8:30 AM
9:20 AM	9:45 AM
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Summer Schedule June 27- September 7

Leave Sayville Leave Cherry Grove

Mondays (Except 9/1/14)

5:45 AM	6:10 AM- will not run 9/1 and 9/2
7:00 AM	7:25 AM
8:00 AM	8:25 AM
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1:30 PM	2:00 PM
3:30 PM	4:00 PM
5:30 PM	6:00 PM
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8:30 PM	9:00 PM

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays (Except 7/3/14 - Use Friday)

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9:30 AM	10:00 AM
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1:30 PM	2:00 PM
3:30 PM	4:00 PM
5:30 PM	6:00 PM
7:30 PM	8:00 PM
8:30 PM	9:00 PM- Thursdays only
10:15 PM	11:00 PM- Thursdays only

Fridays & 7/3/14 (Except 7/4/14 - Use Saturday Schedule)

7:00 AM	7:25 AM
8:00 AM	8:25 AM
9:30 AM	10:00 AM
11:30 AM	12:00 PM
1:30 PM	2:00 PM
3:30 PM	4:00 PM
4:30 PM	5:00 PM
5:30 PM	6:00 PM
6:30 PM	7:00 PM
7:30 PM	8:00 PM
8:30 PM	9:00 PM
9:30 PM	10:00 PM
10:30 PM	11:00 PM
12:00 AM	12:45 AM

Saturdays & 7/4/14 & 8/31/14

8:00 AM	8:30 AM
9:20 AM	9:45 AM
10:20 AM	10:45 AM
11:20 AM	11:45 AM
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2:15 PM	2:45 PM
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5:15 PM	5:45 PM
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7:15 PM	7:45 PM
8:15 PM	8:45 PM
9:15 PM	9:45 PM
11:00 PM	11:30 PM
12:30 AM	1:00 AM
1:30 AM	2:00 AM

Sundays & 9/1/14(Except 8/31/14 - Use Saturday Schedule)

8:00 AM	8:30 AM
9:20 AM	9:45 AM
10:20 AM	10:45 AM
11:20 AM	11:45 AM
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6:15 PM	6:45 PM
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8:15 PM	8:45 PM
9:15 PM	9:45 PM

Davis Park-Leja Beach- Ocean Ridge Ferry Schedule

June 27 thru September 2

Lv Patchogue

Lv Davis Park

Monday thru Thursday

6:15 am Monday only	6:40 am
7:30 am	8:00 am
11:30 am	12:15 pm
1:15 pm	1:45 pm
3:20 pm	4:00 pm
6:35 pm	7:00 pm
8:30 pm*	9:00 pm*
10:00 pm*	10:30 pm*

* will not run after 8/28

Friday

7:30 am	8:00 am
10:15 am	10:45 am
11:30 am	12:15 pm
1:15 pm	1:45 pm
3:20 pm	4:00 pm
5:30 pm	5:55 pm
6:35 pm	7:00 pm
8:30 pm	8:55 pm
9:30 pm	10:00 pm
10:30 pm	11:00 pm

Saturday & July 4th

7:30 am	8:00 am
10:15 am	10:45 am
11:30 am	12:00 pm
12:45 pm	1:15 pm
2:00 pm	2:30 pm
3:30 pm	4:20 pm
5:30 pm	5:55 pm
6:30 pm	6:55 pm
8:00 pm	8:30 pm
9:30 pm	10:00 pm
11:15 pm	12:00 am

Sunday

7:30 am	8:00 am
10:15 am	10:45 am
11:30 am	12:00 pm
12:45 pm	1:15 pm
2:00 pm	2:30 pm
3:30 pm	4:20 pm
4:45 pm	5:20 pm
5:45 pm	6:20 pm
6:45 pm	7:20 pm
7:45 pm	8:20 pm
8:45 pm	9:30 pm
10:00 pm	10:30 pm

Sailors Haven Ferry Schedule

June 21, 2014 - September 1, 2014

Leave Sayville

Leave Sailors Haven

Monday - Friday

*9:30 AM	*10:00 AM
11:15 AM	11:45 AM
1:15 PM	1:45 PM
*3:15 PM	*4:00 PM
5:00 PM	5:30 PM

Saturdays, Sundays & Holidays

*9:20 AM	*9:45 AM
10:30 AM	11:00 AM
11:45 AM	12:15 PM
1:30 PM	2:00 PM
*3:45 PM	*4:15 PM
5:00 PM	5:30 PM
6:00 PM	6:40 PM

*Will run rain or shine. All other trips may be canceled in inclement weather. Please call for a weather update if in doubt: (631) 589-8980.

Water Island Ferry Schedule

June 16- September 1

Leave Sayville

Leave Water Island

Mondays

(except Sept 1st)

4:30 PM Starts June 23 4:50 PM

Thursdays

July 10th - August 28th

7:00 PM

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Fridays & Thursday, July 3rd

Will not run July 4th

12:30 PM	12:50 PM
6:30 PM	6:50 PM
8:30 PM	8:50 PM

Saturdays & Friday, July 4th &

9:30 AM	9:50 AM
3:30 PM	4:00 PM

Sundays & Labor Day, September 1st

3:15 PM	3:45 PM
*6:15 PM	*6:45 PM

* Will not run Sunday, August 31

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60					61			62						
63					64					65				
66					67					68				

ACROSS

- 1. Magicians
- 6. Dry
- 10. Mobile phone
- 14. Watchful
- 15. At the proper time
- 16. Margarine
- 17. Noteworthy
- 19. Exploded star
- 20. Renter
- 21. Disencumber
- 22. Hurried
- 23. Pertaining to burning
- 25. Clairvoyants
- 26. Anagram of "Mail"
- 30. Sour
- 32. Ex-spousal support
- 35. Terrestrial
- 39. Treeless plain
- 40. Scanty
- 41. Sightseeing industry
- 43. Cite

- 44. Inveigle
- 46. Feudal worker
- 47. Platform
- 50. Gleam
- 53. Alert
- 54. An Old Testament king
- 55. Have as a guest
- 60. Dogfish
- 61. Instigator
- 63. Encounter
- 64. Ancient Peruvian
- 65. Units of distance
- 66. Small island
- 67. Matured
- 68. Concerning (archaic)

DOWN

- 1. A crumbling earthy deposit
- 2. Away from the wind
- 3. Precious stones
- 4. Historical periods
- 5. Caused by streptococci
- 6. American Dental Associ-

- ation
- 7. Direction
- 8. Unlawful
- 9. Not the original color
- 10. Sanctify
- 11. Run away to wed
- 12. Pry
- 13. A lot
- 18. It unlocks doors
- 24. Beam
- 25. Femme fatale
- 26. Spar
- 27. Countertenor
- 28. Place
- 29. Make pregnant
- 31. A Greek territorial unit
- 33. Express a thought
- 34. Where a bird lives
- 36. Auspices
- 37. A noble gas
- 38. Sea eagle
- 42. Lost
- 43. Japanese apricot
- 45. Opportunity
- 47. Mystic

- 48. Domesticates
- 49. Disney mermaid
- 51. Zero
- 52. Colonic
- 54. Diva's solo
- 56. Conceited
- 57. Doing nothing
- 58. Adolescent
- 59. At one time (archaic)
- 62. Wander aimlessly

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Bike Safety Tips

By Christie DeVercelly

With summer is full swing and bicycle riding being a popular mode of transportation across Fire Island, it is important to know bike safety tips to ensure a happy and safe summer. Keep these tips in mind while you enjoy your adventures this summer.

WEAR A HELMET

This may seem obvious to precautionary bike riders, but wearing a helmet is the easiest thing a bike rider can do to ensure their safety. Especially for children, a helmet is essential to their safety while bike riding. A helmet is an easy affordable way to avoid any bumps on your child's head. Helmets can be purchased at department store or sporting goods store. If the helmet is for a child, it can be purchased at any children's toy stores too.

AVOID WEARING HEADPHONES

Many people enjoy exercising or riding their bike while listening to music but wearing headphones can create a risk. Although it is not a law on Long Island yet, wearing both earbuds of a set of headphones while riding a bike is illegal in New York City and other large cities. To help keep yourself alert while riding a bike, make sure that any music is on low volume and that at least one earbud is out of your ear.

KEEP AWAY FROM SANDY TRAILS

Sandy trails do not offer much traction on the tires of a bike and can sometimes lead the rider to lose control and fall. In certain areas of Fire Island, it is difficult to avoid sandy areas. When you are in these areas, be sure to be extra careful. Some sandy spots can be very soft, leading to the bike sinking into the sand instead of staying on top. If riding a bike becomes too difficult due to the amount of sand on a sidewalk or path,

it is best to get off the bike and walk it home. It might take an extra few minutes to get where you need to be but safety should always come first.

DRINK LOTS OF WATER

Bringing a water bottle is often forgotten when going for a bike ride. With the heat and humidity on Fire Island during the months of July and August, it is important to stay hydrated, especially while exercising. Drinking lots of fluids while exercising can help keep your body temperature low to avoid heat stroke during the hot summer months. Try to bring a (hopefully reusable) water bottle on your next bike ride!

FOLLOW NORMAL TRAFFIC RULES

While bike riding, it is important to stay to the right to avoid any incoming walkers or riders. In New York, bike riders must follow normal motorist traffic rules including stop signs, traffic lights, and yield signs. Keep to the right while riding your bike down any path, street, or boardwalk to go with the flow of others going in the same direction. It is actually illegal to ride on the same side as any oncoming traffic! This helps not only your safety, but others around you. Particularly on Fire Island, it is important to keep in mind that there ARE cars on the island during certain times of the year. Even though there aren't traditional roads on Fire Island, cyclists are still required to move aside for cars.

KNOW WHERE BIKE RIDING IS PERMITTED

Bike riding is permitted only in certain areas across Fire Island. Fire Island towns in Brookhaven, between and including Ocean Bay Park and Davis Park, do not permit bike riding during any time of the day and year. Other towns, such as the Village of Ocean Beach and the Village of Saltaire, require bikes to have special permits. Failure to have a permit can result in being ticketed. Be sure to check local

ordinances before heading over to Fire Island with your bicycle.

RIDE IN THE MORNING OR EVENING

One of the most important safety tips for a bike rider is to avoid bike riding in the afternoon when temperatures are the highest. Bike riding in the humidity is no fun! It may seem like a good idea but after a few minutes, heat exhaustion or heat stroke can jeopardize your safety. Try bike riding early in the day or in the evening, when temperatures are dropping and it feels cool outside.

USE A BIKE LOCK

Without a bike lock, bikes can be easily stolen and without any trace of evidence. Bike locks are great to prevent thieves and to keep your bike safe. Bicycling Magazine says that most cable locks are the same and are very effective, especially for low crime areas. Bike locks are very affordable and usually range between twenty to thirty dollars.

BE ON THE LOOKOUT

This tip applies to walkers around you too. It is important that riders are aware of their surroundings and this requires that cyclists and walkers pay attention while making predictable movements. Riders should not stop short because they could hurt themselves and another rider if someone were following closely behind. Walkers should also pay attention to riders and be aware of their movements. When you do pass a pedestrian while on a bicycle be sure to not pass too closely. Passing too closely increases the risk of an accident between the rider and pedestrian. The pedestrian can be taken off guard if a bike gets too close. With the rocky and uneven terrain in many towns, it is very common that pedestrians will trip while walking. Be aware of that while riding passed a pedestrian.

DO NOT TEXT AND RIDE

Do not text and ride! This

is important for riders of all ages. Riding a bike requires both hands and your eyes to be focused on the road ahead of you. It is important for you to pay attention to others while you are riding your bike. It is extremely dangerous when a cyclist is not paying attention to their surroundings and they could potentially hurt someone or themselves. Phone calls and texts must wait until a cyclist is stopped and off to the side of a path or road.

USE REFLECTORS

Many people ride bikes at night because the temperature is cooler, but remember to wear or use reflectors! This is important because although you may see someone, this does not mean they see you. To avoid any accidents or crashes, reflectors should be worn in the early morning hours before the sun has risen and after the sun has gone down. Make your presence known!

WEAR KNEE AND ELBOW PADS

This tip is specifically for young bike riders because they are prone to scrapes or bruises. Knee and elbow pads can protect children from any accidental injuries. Children are prone to falling simply because they are new riders. Padding on their knees or elbows can prevent any injuries and perhaps even a broken bone. Typically, these safety pads can be bought at a children's toy store.

USE HAND SIGNALS

Hand signals are a great tip because a bike rider can let anyone around them know their next move. Bringing more awareness to you and your actions while riding a bike is always helpful. This can help prevent any sort of crash whether it be little or small. This heads up signal, whether the other riders or walkers completely understand them or not, allows anyone to notice you moving. Hand signals can vary for turns or stops.

How The Upcoming El Niño Will Effect Fire Island

Mitchel Volk M.S. Meteorology

Since there is a good chance of an El Niño developing later this year, it is time to discuss how this event might affect the weather on Fire Island. El Niño conditions, which tend to occur every 3-5 years, are characterized by unusually warm ocean temperatures in the central and eastern regions of Equatorial Pacific and normally peak during the Northern Hemisphere's "cool season." Stronger events tend to occur every 10-15 years.

El Niño conditions have important consequences for global weather patterns, Fire Island included. During the later summer months along the U.S. East Coast and Gulf Coast, it tends to suppress conditions for hurricane development over the main development region (MDR) and the Caribbean region. The MDR is located between the coast of West Africa and the Windward Islands of the eastern Caribbean. According to Kevin Trenberth, senior scientist at the National Center for Atmospheric Research, hurricanes that form in the MDR tend to be the strongest and largest ones, and El Niño tends to mean greater shear -- wind speeds that increase with height -- in the upper levels of the atmosphere during hurricane season which in turn suppresses the development of tropical systems over these regions because it blows the tops off of thunderstorms and displaces the center of the storm aloft by not letting the storm to build energy. However, as we saw with hurricane Arthur, even though a hurricane is less likely to form under these conditions one still can.

During the winter El Niño causes major changes in the jet stream. The jet stream determines the track and strength of storm development in the middle and upper latitudes. The potential effects of an El Niño on the jet stream are usually correlated with its strength (i.e., the degree of deviation from normal water temperatures experienced). A weak to moderate El Niño will increase the odds for an above normal snowfall for our region because storms will be more likely to track up the East Coast at a time when more arctic air is available to generate frozen precipitation. During a moderate to strong El Niño the storm track is basically the same, but the supply of arctic air is less to none, thereby increasing the odds of below normal snowfall, but above normal rain. El Niño increases the odds of east coast storminess and precipitation, as shown by Figure 1 (diagram to upper right)

A strong El Niño can also bring higher sea levels and storm surges to the East Coast according to an NOAA study that examined the impact of El Niño on water levels over past 50 years.

The study, prompted by the unusual number of destructive storm surges along the East Coast during the 2009-2010 Niño winters and led by Bill Sweet, Ph.D. examined water levels and storm surge events during the 'cool season' of October to April for the past five decades at four sites representative of much of the East Coast: Boston, Atlantic City, N.J., Norfolk, Va., and Charleston, S.C. From 1961 to 2010, it was found that in strong El Niño years, these coastal areas experienced nearly three times the average number of storm surge events (defined as those of one foot or greater). The research also found that waters in those areas saw a third-of-a-foot elevation in mean sea level above predicted conditions. "High-water events are already a concern for coastal communities. Studies like this may better prepare local officials who plan for or respond to conditions that may impact their communities," said Sweet. "For instance, city planners may consider reinforcing the primary dunes to mitigate for erosion at their beaches and protecting vulnerable structures like city docks by October during a strong El Niño year." These findings suggest that coastal communities along the East Coast, such as Fire Island, may be at risk of destructive storm surges in future El Niño years.

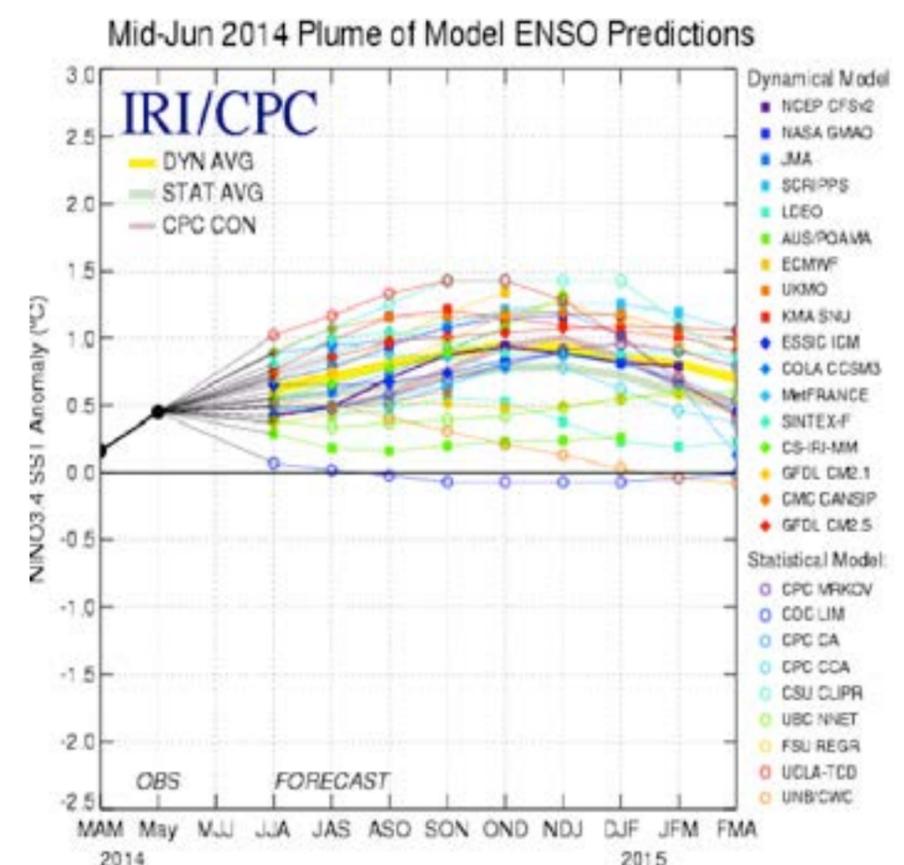
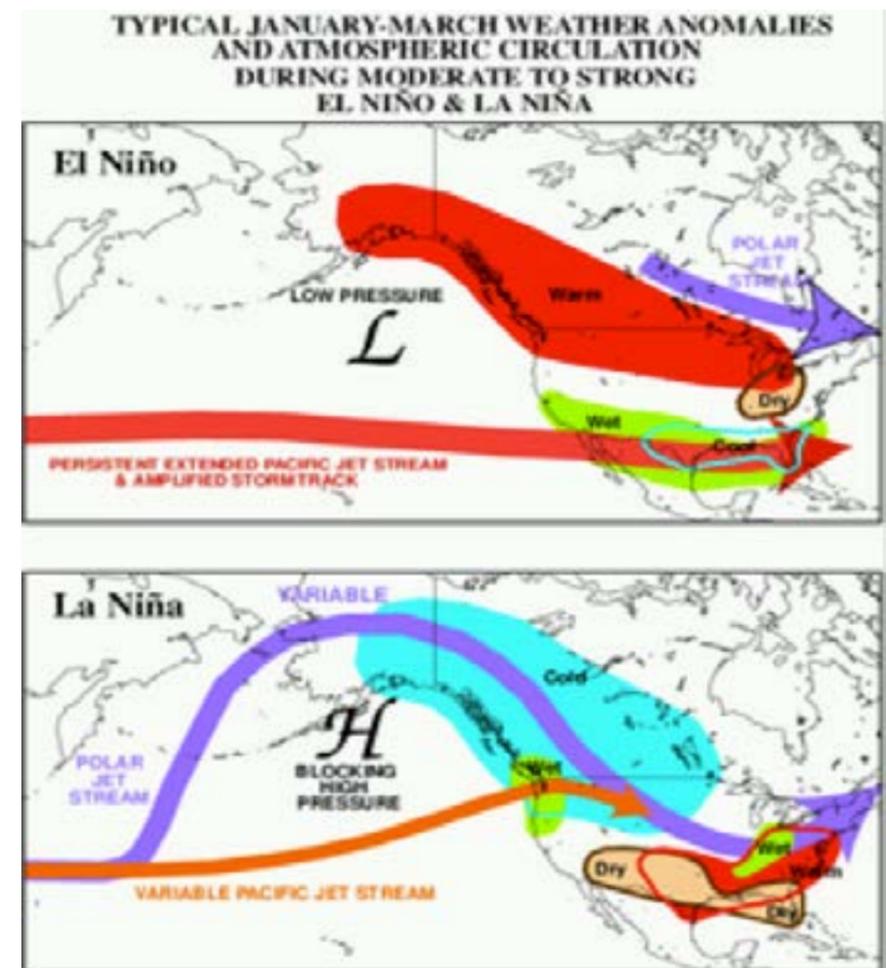
So what can we expect this upcoming fall and winter? As shown below, at this point we are expecting a weak to moderate El Niño.

Figure 2 (to the lower right) Forecasts of sea surface temperature (SST) anomalies for the Niño 3.4 region (5°N-5°S, 120°W- 170°W). Figure updated 17 June 2014.

Most models are now predicting a weak to moderate El Niño. Earlier runs of the models during the spring were predicting a strong El Niño. So the current model trend is for a weaker one. As shown above the

computer models prediction for the Niño 3.4 SST. The Niño 3.4 SST region consists of temperature measurements from between 5° N – 5° S and 120° – 170° W, and this is the most important region of SST to follow in making an El Niño, prediction. Other indices are used, but are too technical for this discussion. An index between 0.5 and 1.0 is a weak El Niño, while one between 1.0 and 2.0 is a moderate El Niño. Above 2.0 it is a strong El Niño.

Using this one important criterion there will be a decrease chance for hurricanes this season and a cold snowy winter for Fire Island and the NYC area. Of course there are other factors in making the upcoming fall and winter forecast and they will appear in upcoming articles in the Fire Island Chronicle.



Cherry Grove Community Association Meeting

By Nicole Brems

The Cherry Grove Community Association met on Sunday July 20th for a general meeting.

After approving the minutes for the previous meeting, the treasurer's report was given. According to the report, \$13,000 in memberships has been raised to date. The membership for this year is also at 175, a number counted prior to the meeting.

Next on the agenda was fundraising. In recent years, the community has had a large focus on saving the community house. SOCH was started in 2011 and fundraising is still going on to raise money to renovate the community house. The fundraising goal for this season is \$250,000. With the previous parties this season, including the Moroccan Mirage party on July 12th, which raised \$54,000, the community is well on the way to the goal.

The phase one of the renovations on the community house has already been completed, they include structural updates and other updates that aren't noticeable when sitting inside. The next phase is set to begin

this fall and will include renovations to the first floor of the community house.

Upcoming SOCH events include the Route 66 party, which be held at Blueberry Hill on August 2nd, and the Honors Party, which will be on August 23rd. At the Route 66 party, there will also be a 2014 ruby red Mustang convertible auctioned off to those who bought tickets.

The new EMS program was also discussed at the meeting. The program has been very successful, with 15 total calls in May and June and 12 calls in July to the date of the meeting. The response time in July is down to 4 minutes.

According to Ken Osman, the spokesperson of the EMS program, spoke about an incident on July 16. "A local summer resident walked into our Doctors Clinic at NSLIJ complaining of Chest Pains and other Heart Attack related symptoms. Our Doctor called Suffolk Counties 911 system and asked for the Paramedic to respond. Through agreement with our Paramedic and our Doctor she also called the Paramedic on her cell for a response. Our Para-

medic responded in 3 minutes with a full compliment of Advanced Life Support equipment and narcotics on our new vehicle and started an immediate EKG on the patient. Showing positive signs of a Heart Attack, our Paramedic and Doctor started an IV and administered the proper Life Saving narcotics provided by our Paramedic to stop this heart attack while also transmitting an accurate EKG to the receiving hospital BEFORE the patients arrival after transport by Suffolk County Marine Boat."

The EMS program will continue through the end of September. An important point of the program was discussed, the funding. Because this season was considered a trail period, it was able to run on donated funds. In the future, the program will need to be funded through tax money, whether it is through the Town of Brookhaven or through the Fire Department. If the program is run through the Fire Department it will be possible for the program to run only in the summer months. Taxes would increase for the homeowners approximately \$125 per house. The future of the program is still being discussed,

but before taxes will increase it will go to a vote at some point later in the season.

The boardwalk work has been put on a pause and will be continued in late September/early October.

An important topic discussed about an hour into the meeting was the dock condition. The Town of Brookhaven came out earlier in the season to complete an assessment of the existing dock in Cherry Grove. It was established that the dock, which is still being paid for on property owners' tax bills, will need to be rebuilt. The results of the assessment were only received in the week prior to the meeting, so at this point a future schedule is unknown. Cherry Grove will need to meet with Brookhaven to discuss the future of the dock, bonds and other funding will need to be found, bids will go out for the work and then the actual construction can begin. The earliest the construction can start is Fall 2015, but could be longer depending on the funding and bidding process.

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But in my opinion, they're attracting more insects to your patio area than would have been there to begin with. They remind me of budget versions of the highly expensive and science-fictiony ultra-violet "zappers" of the 70s that you could pay a fortune for at the garden center, and then hoist into a tree near the house. Did they annihilate any winged miscreant who wandered into their wiry web of manmade lightening? Oh yes!...and I suppose there are those in the backwoods who got "hours of enjoyment" watching the proceedings. But the racket and the flashing was certainly distracting from any normal conversation..... and again, the ultra-violet bulbs were designed to bring the victims, not repel them! Yes, it's true, Noah Snurd of Poke-A-Ma-Hola, Arkansas was paying his own utility bill doing the community-at-large a favor by killing vast numbers of pests, but he was actually importing them from miles around! I had a sophisticated friend in the Hamptons who bought four of those "zappers" when they first came out! He installed them in the corners of his flagstoned terrace overlooking the ocean for an evening banquet. There was caviar and champagne, laughter and music, gossip and flirting.....and then... the screaming! The AWFUL SCREAMING! Insects by the hundreds began to hurl themselves into those aluminum faux-pagoda lanterns and either burst into flame or explode into cindered shrapnel that landed in people's crab ceviches.... I made the mistake of standing too close to one of them in my white floor length Norma Kamali, and the static charge turned me into the Bride of Frankenstein! Once we

were taken to triage areas to assess our injuries, we realized that our host may have created a rare entomological vortex by concentrating four, count'em FOUR of those insect crematoriums on one single patio!!..... National Geographic, Wild Kingdom, and Ripley's Believe It Or Not all wanted to bid for exclusive rights for the "true story".....Variety said it best!...HAMPTONS HIDE-AWAY HELL FOR HOY-POLLOI!! (It took me two weeks to get my hair back into its naturally cute little page-boy!)

So there you have it. I've done it all! Seen it all! Been eaten by it all! If I'm not an expert by now, who is? Take any of this advice, and save yourself from the mosquito marauders! As for me?....I should have done those old OFF commercials and gotten paid for sticking my arm into those terrariums full of mosquitoes for TV. I could have made a fortune!.... Or at least more than a quarter an hour! Xoxoxo!

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History

Odyssey of the Artemis

By Lilly Rose Malcolmson

In Greek mythology Artemis was the goddess of the hunt. Not so much a predator, but a solitary figure, gathering what was needed to survive. During the Trojan War it is said she caused great ocean unrest to stave off naval troops. So it seems only fitting that a vessel with her namesake bear silent witness interesting events that would transpire for a slice of time in waters of the Great South Bay.

1920 is when the 18th Amendment went into effect. Also known as the Volstead Act or Prohibition Era, this legislation banned the sale, production, importation and transportation of alcoholic beverages throughout the United States. It did not take long to realize this philosophy had generated serious backlash across the country. In southern states it gave rise to the making of home-brewed moonshine, big cities produced

gangsters like Al Capone, and on Long Island it was rumrunning.

Long Island's rumrunning industry was born out of necessity. The baymen's life was never an easy one, even during the Roaring Twenties, later the Great Depression would make it harder still. There was good money to be made if one were agreeable to the idea of being a courier – meeting larger ships in international waters 12 miles out to sea, and delivering the precious cargo to desolate pockets along the shore. Fire Island proved to be an especially desirable location being a sparsely populated sandbar that was just another short boat ride to a wealth of speakeasies across the bay.

Out of necessity comes invention and the Artemis is generally famed as the fastest of rumrunner speedboats. Outfitted with two motors and a powerful Liberty aircraft engine, she was

a classic “custom buster” outrunning the slow and clumsy Coast Guard patrol effortlessly. She became their white whale.

Then one night shortly before Labor Day Weekend a Coast Guard cutter CG-808, also known as the Black Duck was put on an interception mission. By then the Coast Guard had gotten savvy and confiscated rumrunner watercraft like the Black Duck were put back into service to smoke-out boats like the Artemis. The interception was more than the Coast Guard bargained for as the Artemis and the Black Duck met on a collision course.

There was damage from the crash but both boats remained operable. Black Duck chased Artemis and assaulted her with over 500 rounds of machine gun fire and still she outran her pursuer. Crewmembers were discovered the next day recovering from multiple gunshot wounds in a local hospital and

arrested. Seized under repair in a Port Jefferson shipyard, and Artemis was also soon recommissioned into Coast Guard patrol duty as well.

Prohibition proved to be a great social failure and repealed in 1933. The Coast Guard would eventually sell the Artemis as surplus and she would live a stable, but less glamorous life as a ferryboat servicing the Seaview line for several decades. In the late 1960's she was sold again and renamed the South Bay Courier working a Dunewood ferry franchise. She left the Great South Bay in the 1970's to become a private water taxi in New York Harbor. It is said she still rides somewhere up in the Finger Lakes. Yet it will always be as a rumrunner that her legacy as a huntress lives on.

Fitness

A Happy, Healthy Life Is A Balancing Act

by Kim Maliadis

What does fitness mean to you? Is it a low Body Mass Index? Fitting into skinny jeans? Building muscle and burning fat? Is it Cardio endurance that allows you to run a marathon? All of these things most definitely describe fitness. But is this the full picture? To me physical fitness is only part of it all. To really be a fit person you must live a life that balances a healthy body, mind and spirit. So how do you keep your life in balance?

I think we all get out of balance at different times in our lives. It's easy to let it happen. The demands of work, life, and family are a part of everyone's life. But finding the balance in all these areas is a must to live a healthy and happy life. Too much energy or time spent in

any one area leaves a void in the other. Spending quality time in all of these areas of your life are the key to bringing balance to your life. Physical exercise is important but so is the mental and spiritual side of health and happiness.

Too many people are burnt out from work, stressed with the daily responsibilities that come with being an adult. Kids are stressed out with school, or competitive sports. Obviously these are just a part of life today. But if you balance out work and play, physical exercise and rest, the good and bad, the yin and yang, the black and white, you'll be happy and healthy. Balance is the key.

Can you imagine spending all of your time in one area? What

happens to your family if you spend all your time at work? or the gym? What happens to your body if you spend all your time home? Find the balance that works for you. Living a healthy lifestyle includes all the areas of your life.

I remember attending a seminar many years ago. They had us draw a small circle in the middle of a piece of paper, then lines coming from the circle which represented all the parts of our life. The longer the line, the more important that particular part of our life was to us. Then we connected the end of the lines with a larger circle. The speaker then told us if our life was balanced what you should have is a picture of a wheel, with the spokes of the wheel (the areas of our life) being all the same length. Mine

weren't. I had some work to do on certain areas of my life.

Optimally, we all want to be happy and healthy. Life's priorities will change as you grow. I know mine have. Find your balance and you'll find your happiness.

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SYBIL SEZ!!

DON'T BUG ME!!!!.....

Dear Sybil, I'm one of those poor blondes who seem to attract every kind of bite at the beach, and none of them are from a handsome lifeguard! It's only July, and I'm covered in mosquito bites and maybe some other gnat, blackfly, chigger, and "no-see-ums" too. HELP!!! HELP!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Sincerely, Itchy.

Dear Sincerely Itchy.... (oops! Sorry!) ...just Itchy! You've come to the right place! Mummy isn't a blonde, but there's something in my chemistry that has always made me a tasty treat for the world's predators, especially among the six-legged set! If only I had as many admirers among the older, doddering nobility of minor European principalities and duchies. They could nibble on me as much as they liked, and I could have as many jewels as Madame Arnfelt in *A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC* or Aunt Alicia in *GIGI*, and half the itching! But no! I've ended up being one of those poor girls at the barbecue who loses a pint of blood at the relish tray. I will stand in a group of partiers and everyone will be cool and collected, but I'll be so covered with mosquitoes, it'll look like someone clubbed me with the pepper grinder! When I was young, my grandparents actually used me as a bug attracter at their croquet picnics...my job was to stand on a pedestal with two flashlights and be a living target for every mosquito within 300 yards of the buffet tables. I was to use the flashlights to signal them in for a safe landing... on me! I got a quarter an hour. If only we had known back then some of the science and the easier remedies for mosquitoes and their cohorts! Well, we do now, and I for one am no longer anemic from June through the end of September thanks to these tried and true tricks!

1) Mosquitoes are attracted to the carbon dioxide we exhale, to the warmth of our bodies, to the smell of various soaps and perfumes, and to dark clothing.... Be sure to dress

in very light colors or preferably white clothes! Who would have thought that the chicest fashion choice might also save your skin??...literally!. Although many experts will suggest eating garlic or drinking apple cider vinegar in quantities for days before a party, I find that that is just too extreme. Who wants to time themselves to sweat out "bug repellent"? Ridiculous! BUT! The evidence for using fragrance as a weapon is overwhelming, but it has to be the right fragrances!..... there are scores of stories of people mixing a few drops of essential oils like citronella, citrus and mint, eucalyptus, lemongrass, witch hazel, or my very favorites, lavender or vanilla extract in a small spray bottle of water. Tea tree or neem oil will also work beautifully. Spray yourself and your clothes paying particular attention to your "pulse points" (behind your ears, around your throat, underarms, wrists, inside of elbows, groin area, back of knees, and ankles). Most folks love the way any of these concoctions smell and are glad to use generously after the shower. You can also mist your bedclothes with any of them to keep all insects away from you just in case there's a small hole in that screen at the rented beach cottage! If you don't have access to a health food or a "new age" notions store, raid your laundry room! Most dryer sheets, slightly moistened and rubbed lightly but thoroughly all over the body and face will chase all bugs away, including gnats and blackflies. Avon's Skin So Soft still is one of the great "accidental" double-use product stories of all time! Who would have thought that an "affordable" skin moisturizer sold by a door-to-door vender could turn into one of the best insect repellents as well?...and now it comes in the "grease-free" formula too!

2) Environmentally, you can start the battle by removing any standing water in your garden/patio area. Look carefully! Not just in the birdbath or the splash pool that the kids accidentally punctured and have left deflated in back of the tool shed

for two months! Mosquitoes will thrive in a dog dish under the porch or tossed aside garbage can lid that's too cracked to still use. Before we started spraying the world indiscriminately and killed everything, (thank you Rachel Carson!) dragonflies, frogs, toads, and bats were our biggest allies against all sorts of harmful insects, especially mosquitoes. Our eco-friends' numbers have been decimated by local community boards who believe that "nuking the neighborhood" is the most expedient choice. Sadly, all we're learning is that mosquitoes happen to be among the first species to adapt to and recover from chemical onslaughts, while their enemies may be seriously endangered afterwards, and slow to recover. The more technologically advanced we humans become, the more we learn that the best strategy against our insect-foes in the natural world is using nature itself. Let's try to encourage the return of a wider diversity of wildlife out at the beach and in the countryside. It may sound crazy, but gardening centers and the internet are now selling special "bat boxes" which can be put up in the eaves of your house or garage, or in the tree outside your window to bring a little Bela Lugosi touch to your garden! Bats are shy and of no danger to humans, but they rain havoc on mosquitoes! Imagine a chic little Electrolux vacuum cleaner swooping around at dusk sucking up hundreds of gnats, flies, mosquitoes...all the Insect-World's vampires that see YOU as Miss Mina with no crucifix around your neck!! Ironic, isn't it, that a bat in your garden might be the Fearless Vampire Killer that saves YOU from destruction!?

3) There are a few more tricks for your garden/patio area that will help greatly. Citronella candles; the kind that come in little tin buckets for the industrial-minded, **OR** in attractive glass holders like they use to give away at Sunoco stations in the 1950s are what grandma counted on! And she was oh so right! Place a few of these around the perimeter of

your eating area. They create a wall of confusion and exclusion to the bug-crowd! No one wants in!!! And have you got a green thumb...or, um, whatever? Use it! If you've got a garden, plant it with marigolds, ageratums, lavender, lemon balm, lemon thyme, pennyroyal, bee balm, catnip, citronella grass, basil, sage and rosemary! All are good choices to grow in pots or beds..... but be careful! Don't assume that you can also rub flowers or leaves on your skin directly as a repellent. Some of these are so powerful that they can actually cause irritation. Check online about their particular qualities. Better to let them just stand as beautiful and powerful sentries!! Of course the herbs are perfectly safe, and terrific for picking for recipes while they deter the pests! And if you're barbecuing, a bundle of rosemary or sage can be tossed right on the coals to help flavor grilled food and play havoc with winged intruders! As your friends gather round the grill to smell your latest Food Network find, the Bug-Luftwaffe will be fleeing in droves!

4) Lastly, I have heard of a couple of other strange insect repelling devices that I have mixed feelings about. A zip-lock clear luncheon bag filled with water and some flakes of tin foil or a couple of pennies hung in a doorway?!?! It sounds too strange to be real, but I have actually seen it work! Mostly for flies though. And it has to be in a very well lit area for the effect of the sparkling water and metal to catch and disturb the eyes of the insects.... But try it yourself and see! One thing I will say for it, it doesn't attract the insects to you! On the other hand there are the homemade CO2 soda bottle insect-traps made with water or ginger ale, sugar, yeast, etc, etc, etc....yes!! They work, although they're vile to look at as they begin to fill up and turn black with thousands of mosquitoes and every other species of bug in the surrounding 200'.

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