Cape May Music Festival: 30 years and counting!

They say time flies when you’re having fun. We have had quite of bit of fun over the last 30 years enjoying the artistry that the Cape May Music Festival has brought to town. We expect more of the same for our 30th anniversary season, which opens on Sunday, May 26 at 7pm at Rotary Bandstand when the Atlantic Brass Band returns with a rousing program, perfect for Memorial Day Weekend. Free admission.

The New York Chamber Ensemble, the group that helped us launch the festival in 1990, will perform three concerts crafted by the Ensemble’s Artistic Director, Eliot Bailen. On Tuesday, May 28 at 8pm, featured guests include Ted Rosenthal and Eddie Barbash in a “Chamber Jazz” program that includes music from Mozart to Roy Orbison. The ensemble will return at

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Our Winter season started off with the rather daunting challenge of removing all the holiday decorations in the Physick House and Carroll Gallery and all over the grounds. That amounts to thousands of lights and box after box of decorations. Most of the chore falls to Maintenance Director Paul Smargiassi, exhibit designer Jean Barraclough, Curator Gail Capehart and Registrar Ben Ridings and a score of volunteers. It does come down more quickly than it goes up and is, of course, necessary in order be ready for tours and the installation the winter exhibit. “Collecting History: Personal Collections of Cape May’s African American Community,” co-sponsored with the Center for Community Arts, opened on Monday, January 21, and illustrates the lifelong passions of several local individuals. The exhibit shows us that it’s not just the object that holds curiosity, but the story it has to tell. The exhibit included never before seen personal collections of dolls, stamps, postcards, hats, books, art and pocket watches along with items from John Nash’s collection. Our thanks go to Mayor Chuck Lear for helping us officially open the exhibit.

We were happy to stretch the season again this year, adding Historic District Trolley Tours Fridays through Mondays in January and February to give our visitors more to do. This tour program was underwritten by four of MAC’s good business partners- Carroll Villa/Mad Batter, Congress Hall, The Grand Hotel and The Queen Victoria B & B.

Presidents Weekend was busier than usual. Director of Visitors Services and Special Events Janice Corkery and her crew planned and executed a full schedule of activities. Along with the ever-popular Crafts & Collectibles in Winter (nearly 2,000 attendees!), our visitors enjoyed a Cape May Wine Trail, a Cape May Wine School, a Chocolate Lovers Feast and Brunch & Bingo at the Beach. It truly was a case of something for everyone. The Cape May Lighthouse reopened for the season and we offered a full schedule of Historic District Trolley and Emlen Physick Estate Tours.

The following Sunday, February 24, the MAC family gathered at FiNS Bar & Grille for the Sunday Social. FiNS’ owner Jeff Gernitis generously included us in his wonderful gift to Cape May’s non-profit community. Thanks to Jeff’s support and that of Members, staff and friends who came to enjoy Mimosas, Bloody Marys and a special brunch menu, we raised $2,600 for the Cape May Music Festival.

The Friends of the Physick Estate had a busy winter. In January, the group presented a Valentine’s Day Card-making Workshop. Dottie and Mal Knapp first presented a short PowerPoint program on the history of the day and then encouraged our attendees to unleash their inner artist. In March, Barbara Lamont organized benefit Physick Estate Tours on the first three Fridays, lining up volunteer guides for each date. Admission to the tours was a donation of non-perishable items for the Community Food Closet.

Sherlock Holmes and company reached our sandy shores on March 15 for the first of our three annual Sherlock Holmes Weekends. They joined an enthusiastic group of amateur sleuths at the Rose Room at the Inn of Cape May and plunged headlong into the weekend. This was the debut of our new

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Sip Into Spring Festival
Saturday, May 11: 10am-4pm: Celebrate Spring’s rebirth on the beautiful grounds of the Physick Estate featuring family activities, Mother’s Day crafts, demonstrations, live music, food, wine, craft beer, a crafts & collectibles show, and more! Free admission.

Armed Forces Day at the World War II Lookout Tower
Saturday, May 18: 11am: All are invited to join the Friends of the World War II Lookout Tower in patriotic ceremonies honoring all veterans. Free Tower admission, 10am-3pm.

Spring Celebration Garden Tour
Saturday, May 18: 1pm-4pm: New in 2019! Here is your invitation to step past the frontage and explore the private plants and blooms of some of the Cape May area’s most dedicated gardeners. See their private landscape designs, and take home ideas for your own gardens. Smell and see what’s blooming in different seashore locations dominated by sunlight, ocean breezes, sand and salt, but each uniquely situated. $20.

Cape May Spring Designer House Tour
Saturday, June 15: 11am-4pm: It’s a design lover’s dream! Step across the thresholds of professionally designed, magnificent seashore homes in the Cape May region that are open to the public exclusively for this occasion. Be inspired by a variety of beautiful interior décor ideas. Visitors receive a booklet with descriptions of the houses and a map. Tickets $30.

Cape May Hops Festival
Saturday, June 22: 10am-6pm: This all-day outdoor family festival on the grounds of the Physick Estate features blues, brews and BBQ! Enjoy local breweries, live music on the outdoor stage, and food vendors serving up some tasty BBQ favorites, plus a crafts and collectibles show and kids activities. Admission to the grounds is free. Sponsored by Paramount Air Service.

NEW PHYSICK ESTATE GUIDED TOUR THEME

Begins Friday, April 26: Did you know that celery was a hugely popular and pricey treat for many Americans in the late 19th century? Join us for a guided tour of the Physick House Museum with “What’s For Dinner? Victorian Food and Foodways” — the new tour theme beginning this Spring during guided tours of the 1879 Emlen Physick Estate. Explore some of the many ways Victorians shaped our modern cuisine and left indelible marks on the foods we enjoy today.

FRIENDS OF THE PHYSICK ESTATE present “PUSHING BOUNDARIES-STORIES OF COMING OF AGE IN THE 1950s AND THE FIGHT FOR EQUAL RIGHTS”
Wednesday, May 1: 2:30pm: Join the Friends for afternoon tea at the Carriage House Café & Tearoom and this one-woman living history program bringing to life the saga of coming of age during the 1950s. Ellouise Schoettler is known for her stories of “heart and humor.” $25.

FRIENDS OF THE CAPE MAY MUSIC FESTIVAL present PHIL GOLDENBERG, GUITAR

JAZZ BRUNCH AT THE ESTATE FOR MOTHER’S DAY
Sunday, May 12: 10:30am: Celebrate Mother’s Day under the tent at the Carriage House Café & Tearoom with brunch and enjoy live jazz from The Great American Songbook, featuring Mary Lou Newnam and Sonny Troy. Free parking. $30.

FREE ADMISSION ON MOTHER’S DAY & FATHER’S DAY
Sundays, May 12 & June 16: Moms and dads are admitted free at two of Cape May’s historic sites, the Cape May Lighthouse and the World War II Lookout Tower, on their respective holidays, Mother’s Day, May 12, and Father’s Day, June 16. Visit capemaymac.org for schedules.

BACH’S LUNCHES
Wednesdays, May 29, June 5 & 12: 12:30pm: Enjoy a delicious tea luncheon followed by a mini-concert from members of the Bay Atlantic Symphony, at the Carriage House Café & Tearoom tent. Reservations required. $35.

CHAMPAGNE JAZZ BRUNCH AT ALEATEHA’S
Sunday, June 2: 10am-12noon: Linger over a Sunday morning champagne brunch buffet at Aleathea’s Restaurant, 7 Ocean St., with selections from The Great American Songbook performed by Mary Lou Newnam and Sonny Troy. $35. Tickets are sold through the Inn of Cape May, at 609-884-5555.
Kids Programming
There’s so much that kids love about Cape May MAC! Check out these fun and educational activities for children!

Family Fun Days at the Lighthouse: The 1859 Cape May Lighthouse is a beacon for fun! Enjoy kid-friendly activities, performers, entertainment and crafts vendors at the base of the lighthouse. Wednesdays, July 3-31 and Aug. 14 & 21, 9am-2pm. Free admission to the grounds.

National Lighthouse Day: Enjoy family activities at the base of the Cape May Lighthouse including pirate-hat making, games, music and a crafts & collectibles show. Wednesday, Aug. 7, 9am-2pm. Free admission to the grounds.

Physick Estate Scavenger Hunt: Go on a clues hunt and discover answers to questions as you search the grounds of the 1879 Emlen Physick Estate, 1048 Washington St., one of the best examples of Victorian Stick Style architecture in the country. Available daily, year-round. $5 per packet (only one packet is needed per family).

Physick Estate Children’s Tours bring to life the world of more than 125 years ago. These guided tours of the 1879 Emlen Physick Estate, 1048 Washington St., are especially suitable for children. $10 for adults, $8 for children (ages 3-12). Mondays, July 2 through Aug. 26 at 11:15 am.

Children’s Trolley Ride through Cape May’s Historic District is especially suitable for your youngsters. Sundays through Thursdays, June 30 through Sept. 1 at 4 p.m. (trolleys depart from the Washington Street Mall Info Booth). $10 for adults, $8 for children (ages 3-12).

Cape May Family Treasure Hunt: Uncover the city’s architectural elements from a kid’s perspective during this self-guided activity. The packet includes a clues sheet and map. Available daily, year-round. $5 per packet (only one packet is needed per family). Co-sponsored by MAC and Preservation New Jersey.

8th Annual Craft Beer, Music & Crab Festival
Saturday, Aug. 3: 10am-6pm: Come to the grounds of the Physick Estate, 1048 Washington St., and experience what CBS NY named a NJ Top Five Summer Festival! This family-friendly event features local craft beers to wash down favorite summer picnic foods such as steamed crabs, crab cakes, steamed shrimp, pulled pork, and more. Enjoy crafts and food vendors, and more for all ages, with live music all day on the outdoor stage. A Victorian-style circus features jugglers and acrobats! Free admission. Bring home a commemorative pint glass or T-shirt. Proceeds benefit MAC’s educational outreach programs. Sponsored by PNC Bank with support from Gold Coast Production, Nobel Food Services and Paramount Air Service.

Dr. Physick’s Birthday Party & Croquet Challenge
Wednesday, June 5: 11am-2pm: Join the Friends of the Physick Estate and celebrate the 164th birthday of Dr. Emlen Physick, Cape May’s illustrious Victorian citizen, on the grounds of the 1879 Physick Estate. Join him for free cake and a croquet challenge. Free.

Community Day
Sunday, June 9: Cape May County residents and Coast Guard personnel enjoy free admission to climb the Cape May Lighthouse and the World War II Lookout Tower, visit the Emlen Physick Estate, or take a Historic District Trolley Tour or Combination Trolley/Physick Estate Tour. Show proof of county residency. Children under 18 need only be accompanied by an eligible adult. Community Day is sponsored by Sturdy Savings Bank.

“Musical Desserts!”
Friday, June 14: 5pm: The Friends of the Cape May Music Festival invite you to an encore performance by members of the New York Chamber Ensemble to cap off this year’s Cape May Music Festival. Enjoy great music and light refreshments in the casual comfort of the Carriage House Café & Tearoom. Reservations necessary. $20 adults, $15 Friends, $5 students.

Dinner & Fireworks
Thursday, July 4: 6:15pm: Here’s an exclusive chance to see the area’s Independence Day fireworks from atop the Cape May Lighthouse. Travel by trolley from the Washington Street Mall Information Booth to the Red Store in Cape May Point for a delicious dinner prepared by Chef Lucas Manteca. After dinner, hop back on board for a short ride to the Cape May Lighthouse, and climb to the top to watch the fireworks from the watch gallery. Reservations necessary. $100.

Breakfasts with the Pirates
Tuesdays, July 9 & 23 and Aug. 6 & 20: 9:30am: Children hear a pirate story over a yummy breakfast and then don pirate vests and eye patches to go on a pirate-y treasure hunt full of surprises on the grounds of the Emlen Physick Estate. Reservations suggested. $20 adults; $18 children (ages 3-12).

Fairly Tale Breakfasts

Christmas in July at the Cape May Lighthouse
Thursday, July 25: 10am-2pm: Santa visits the lighthouse in board shorts! Bring the children to visit with Santa and get an early start on their lists. Enjoy kid-friendly activities, entertainment and crafts vendors at the base of the Cape May Lighthouse. Free admission to the grounds. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cape May Lighthouse.
Brown & Brown of New Jersey, LLC, has been a long-time financial supporter of the Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts & Humanities (MAC). The agency is the successor firm to Pashley Insurance, which started insuring MAC in 1982. For more than 36 years, these firms have been vital MAC partners in helping to sustain and strengthen the organization and its staff, who work every day promoting the preservation, interpretation and cultural enrichment of the Cape May region for its residents and visitors.

“We understand and appreciate the importance of preserving and sharing our region’s rich history,” said Brown & Brown Executive Vice President Stephen Rankin, “which is showcased through MAC’s tireless efforts. MAC is a driving force for cultural enrichment in our area. Brown & Brown is proud to continue the long-standing relationship we have maintained with MAC, dating back to our predecessor, the Pashley Agency.”

Every year since 1990, Pashley and Brown & Brown have been solo sponsors of the annual Cape May Music Festival, now in its 30th year. The festival brings outstanding classical, jazz, popular, a cappella and brass band music to Cape May each spring, with three and a half weeks of extraordinary musical performances at low or no cost. Keeping these ticket prices at an affordable level would be impossible without the financial support of Brown & Brown, which helps underwrite the costly programming.

“We believe and support MAC’s cultural enrichment mission, especially the Cape May Music Festival,” Rankin said. “Through sponsorship of the Cape May Music Festival, we are helping to ensure MAC’s continued, long-standing tradition delivering a great community experience through music and the arts.

“Brown & Brown, starting as a family business with strong ties to its community, has not lost its focus on the importance of community involvement and preserving what makes our area so unique,” Rankin continued. “Without organizations like MAC, we can lose a historical understanding of our area and what has evolved over the decades to make the area what it is today. We are proud to continue our support for MAC, its employees and countless volunteers.”

Thank you, Brown & Brown, for your generous contribution that allows MAC to sustain the high artistic quality and affordable ticket prices of each year’s Cape May Music Festival!

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Last Fall, I was enjoying a pleasant morning walk in New York’s Central Park. I paused to study a group of workers, many with their green Volunteer shirts on, systematically painting a long row of benches. It was impressive! The lead person put masking tape on the dedication plaques, three followed up with sand paper, next came the wipe-down and drop clothes, then several folks worked carefully with dark green paint and the final crews placed caution tape and wet paint signs. Best of all, they were really having fun with conversations, jokes and probably gossip, as well.

I approached the gentleman who seemed to be in charge. With great pride, he said his crew had an average age of 70, they worked about three hours one or two days a week and their reward was personal satisfaction and knowing that they are helping to keep up a world-class park. Now, if this sounds familiar, you must already be a volunteer at MAC. If not, please keep reading.

Since I am hitting my mid-70s, I tend to pay more attention to articles on good health. The recommendations are always to eat well, exercise regularly and take advantage of companionship and social activities. Adopting a pet is also recommended (my rescue cat Stormy is in my lap watching me type right now and I am sure he wanted me to add this suggestion). I believe all this advice is excellent and I think that MAC, over our almost 50 years, has helped many of our volunteers enjoy companionship and social activities related to their involvement with MAC. Certainly, Sue and I feel a great sense of satisfaction with our many years of working with MAC and the entire Cape May community.

Volunteering at MAC is certainly not new and although we now have 150 employees, they are far outnumbered by our almost 300 volunteers. It was volunteers who really saved the Physick Estate from demolition and, believe me, it was a close call. Recently, I found the signed demolition permit for the Emlen Physick Estate in the Cape May City Construction Office. It was signed by the Building Inspector, indicated payment of $50, and no other review or other consideration was required. Our last-minute saviors were mostly members of the Cape May County Art League, headquartered in the Carriage House. It was those volunteers who started the massive cleanup of the house and grounds and also wrote the grants and raised funds for purchasing and repairing the estate. It was many of the same volunteers who formed a political party and won the majority of Cape May City Council seats to ensure that we had the government support for this bold project.

Now, half a century later, we don’t put as much pressure on our volunteers, but we love and appreciate every one of them. We also believe that the feeling is mutual since many of our volunteers seem to feel a sense of pride in being part of an amazing organization. Are you tempted to get involved or even more involved? Our wonderful Volunteer Program Manager, Ayeshah Dickerson, would love to hear from you. You are only a phone call (609-224-6029) away from a great experience!

-- Tom Carroll, President
Welcome New Members

Business: Najia Arts & Holistic Retreats (Judith Huczko) of Upper Darby, PA; Eric & Jacqueline Strohl (wannarub.com) of Collegeville, PA.

Family: William & Katie Davis of Hatboro, PA; Christopher & Beth Sheridan of Naperville, IL; Michael & Kathleen Sheridan of San Antonio, TX.

Grandparents: Nancy Jenks & Mimi Nestor of Inwood, WV; Margaret Wanamaker of North Cape May, NJ.

Joint: Ronald & Cheryl Amos of North Cape May, NJ; Susan Denecke & Lois Jacobs of Cape May Court House, NJ; Wendy Eisenhofer & Luigi Cianci of Inwood, WV; Margaret Wanamaker of North Cape May, PA; Christopher & Beth Sheridan of Naperville, IL; William & Katie Davis of Hatboro, PA; Eric & Jacqueline Strohl of Collegeville, PA.

Lighthouse Exhibit — (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

Jean Barraclough, “The Iconic Cape May Lighthouse: From the Pages of the First Resort” exhibit opens Friday, April 26 at 7pm at the Carroll Gallery in the Carriage House of the Emlen Physick Estate. You are cordially invited to this free exhibit opening. The exhibit is open daily, through Sunday, November 3; times vary. Admission is free.

Individual: Michael Baldacchini of Cape May, NJ; Suzana Beites of Villas, NJ; Helene Bertino of Villas, NJ; Kathy Jean Brady of Cape May Court House, NJ; Joseph Brower, of North Cape May, NJ; Margaret Butwin of Philadelphia, PA; Susan Camp of Egg Harbor Township, NJ; Catherine Gordon of Philadelphia, PA; Anne Oliver of Cape May Court House, NJ; John Pekich of Dennisville, NJ; Eva Pennock of Villas, NJ; Janet Sikora of Villas, NJ; Christine Smiley of Stone Harbor, NJ; Katherine Stickney of Avalon, NJ.

FRIENDS OF THE CAPE MAY MUSIC FESTIVAL

Joint: Wayne & Elizabeth Anthony of Bernardsville, NJ.

Individual: Lee Shupert of Cape May Point, NJ.

Congratulations to:

Mayor Chuck & Karen Lear, on the birth of a granddaughter, Scarlett Rose; our PNC Bank “Angel,” Hugh McStravick, on the birth of a daughter, Eliza Jane; former Maintenance staffer Chris & Sylvia Zammit, on the birth of a daughter.

Condolences to:

Senator Bob Andrzejczak, on the death of his mother; the family and friends of former Cape May Mayor Mickey Blomqvist; the family and friends of Cape May Lighthouse Keeper Perry Buckley; former Retail Associate Dorothy Donovan, on the death of her husband, Bill; MAC benefactor Jeff Gernitis, on the death of his wife, Marie; former Group Package Manager Margo Lassner, on the death of her husband, Franz; the family and friends of Marc Mappen, former Director of the New Jersey Historical Commission; Lighthouse Keeper Mayhugh Tees, on the death of her brother.

Winter Wrap-up — (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2)

playwright Emily Pruna and by all accounts, she is upholding the standards set by our previous author, her uncle John Alvarez. We had a husband and wife tie for the Clueless Wonder! Frank and Marianne Solak from Ossining New York, in a wonderful display of partnership, tied for this award. Our Grand Prize Winner was a veteran attendee of 19 years but first-time winner and local! Karen Bohme from North Wildwood, NJ won tickets to come back in 2020 and a cash prize of $100. We also partnered with East Lynne Theater Company to sell tickets for their Sherlock Holmes radio play.

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Education Wrap-Up

The Museum Education Division started the year strong with presentations to just under 2,500 students this January alone. Topics ranged from tried and true favorites like Rich Chiemingo’s Doo Wop Music and Bob Heinly’s Titanic talks, to several requests for Melissa Palmer’s new program, MLK and Civil Rights in Cape May. February was filled with love, with a variety of Valentine’s Day themed programs. Mary Stewart presented Victorian Courtship to the Star of the Sea Just Friends group. Rich and Melissa delivered our first ever Sing-Along Love Songs at Victoria Manor and Autumn Lake Healthcare with music, singing, and at times…dancing. West Cape May Elementary School enjoyed a custom program entitled William J. Moore: the Hero Next Door, which is a wonderful addition to our programming on both African American and local history. With help from the Center for Community Arts, our Underground Railroad program was presented at Cape May City Elementary, West Cape May Elementary and at the Shores of Wesley Manor. (Volunteer Ted Bryan went above and beyond the call of duty for a quick tech lesson in a WaWa parking lot to deliver this. Thanks, Ted!) Tales of Old Cape May was a popular request at Sandman School, Wildwood Middle School, Cape Trinity School and Cape Christian School. Our Winter Lunch & Learn series saw packed houses with presentations on the Titanic, Lessons from the Mexican-American and Philippine Wars, and a record-breaking 106 attendees for Mark Allen’s lecture on the Amelia Earhart Mystery. We saw the debut of Dory Coe’s living history program on Dr. Anna Hand, and a new Short History of St. Patrick’s Day, with music from Melissa. Rich was an instructor at Boy Scout University, letting scouts and leaders know all about the history of our Lighthouse. Elan Zingman-Leith kicked off our Lucky Bones Lunch & Learn series with Victorian Vices in January and was followed by the successes of Alex Breve’s Hollywood Movie Classics, and a collaborative presentation with the Greater Cape May Historical Society entitled Love Letters. Mary introduced our offerings to the North Cape May Senior Club. The winter has been cold but our hearts have been warmed by outreach services to more than 3,000 kids and 1,000 adults…and new clients such the North Cape May Senior Club, Our Lady of the Angels Seniors, and the Boy Scouts of America.

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• Charter Members ($25,000 pledge for 5 years): Mary & Ted McKenney, NJM Insurance Group.
• $100-$499 Friend Donors: Christofer DuBois.
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• Solo Sponsors ($4,000-$9,999): Brown & Brown of New Jersey (Steve Rankin and Matt Hook); Cape May Star & Wave (David Nahan), Priester Family Foundation (Sue Priester).
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• Conductor’s Circle ($500 - $999): Myles & Leslie Martel.
• Presenter’s Circle ($250-$499): Donna & Joe Antonowicz, Jill & Bud Waisbren.
• Friends (Under $100): Barbara Caldwell, Bill & Sue Currie, Georgia & Donald Embs, Scott Griffith, Barbara Heinrichs, Al & Martha Maffeo, Maria & Eugene Mancuso, Frank & Jeanne-Marie McCall, Thomas & Ellen Palumbo, Jaklyn & Joaquim Ramos, Maria Repici & Tom Quigg, Robert & Dianne Riehl, Viviante & Don Rogers, Steven Sammartino, Barbara St. Clair.

CAPE MAY MUSIC FESTIVAL DONORS: GEORGE’S ANGELS
• Presenter’s Circle ($250-$499): Edward Rick Doering.
• Friends (Under $100): Les & Bobbi Aungst.

Ably led by Volunteer Program Manager Ayeshah Dickerson, our April 3 Volunteer Orientation session packed the Methodist Church Hall.

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• John & Sylvia Baer, for a $1,000 donation to the Kuhner Garden.
• Cathy Baldacchini, for donating a wireless keyboard.
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• Cabanas, for donating dishes and a coffee maker to the Carriage House Café & Tea Room.
• Kaitlin Hoesch Casper, for a $100 donation to the Cape May Lighthouse in memory of John F. Hoesch.
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• The Grand Hotel (Bob Belansen), for donating their parts of a vintage Azimuth scope, which graces the top viewing level of our World War II Coastal Artillery Lookout Tower — to the delight of Rich Chiemingo, Coordinator of the Friends of the Lookout Tower and its thousands of visitors.

Assistance:
• Carol Baldan, for compiling audiences survey reports.
• Jill Bellarmino, for reorganizing the museum’s reference library.
• Helene Bertino, for providing cookies for the Lunch & Learn programs.
• Kathy Brady, for providing cupcakes & lemon squares for the Lunch & Learn programs.
• Cape May United Methodist Church, Rev. Perry Buckley, Sr. for the Cape May Lighthouse.
• James & Patricia Rafftaesath, for a $20 donation in memory of Patricia Carnes.
• Francis & Jane Roddy, for a $35 donation to operations.
• Craig & Donna Rothman, for a $100 donation to the Friends of the Cape May Music Festival.
• Selective Insurance, for a $500 donation.
• Evan Shipman, for a $50 donation in memory of Patricia Carnes.
• Janice & Paul Stridick, for donating their Lamplighter Tour commission back to the organization.
• Sturdy Savings Bank (Jerry Reeves), for a $7,500 donation.
• Doug & Jane Taylor, for a $100 donation in memory of Pamela Sigafoose.
• Weddings by the Sea (Catherine Walton), for an in-kind donation of merchandise for the Carriage House Museum Shop.
• Joan & Dane Wells, for a $250 donation to the World War II Tower in memory of Jerry Gaffney.
• Betty Wieslawski, for a $25 donation in memory of Pamela Sigafoose.
• Marie Wszolek, for a $30 donation.
• Joan Conway, for helping with set-up, break-down and clean-up of Lunch & Learn programs.
• Corbin & Lynda Cogswell, for providing coffee cakes for the Lunch & Learn programs.
• Janet Coupland, for creating Physick House Information Sheets for each room.
• Bill Currie, for donating Scotch tape to help us complete the Group Tour Marketing mailing.
• Pat Everett, for providing coffee cakes for the Lunch & Learn programs.
• Rosalie Gallagher, for straightening up the costume room.
• Judy Gatt, for providing cake and cookies for the Lunch & Learn programs.
• Carol Hartman, for organizing Halloween props for the Tour Division and straightening up the costume room and leading the annual inventory of the Physick House Museum collection.
• Roger Henry, for his weekly polishing of the brass on the trolleys during the winter.
• Barbara Hubmaster, for assisting with hospitality for the Valentine’s Day card making workshop for the Friends of the Physick Estate.
• Kathleen Johnson, for providing cake and cookies for the Lunch & Learn programs.
• Dottie & Mal Knapp, for leading the Valentine’s Day card-making workshop for the Friends of the Physick Estate and donating supplies.
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Congratulations Volunteers of the Month

FEBRUARY: Wendy Collins
MARCH: Rainbow McAtee
APRIL: Carmen Alessi

- **Barbara Lamont**, for organizing the Friends of the Physick Estate Benefit House Tours.
- **John Pekich**, for providing hoagies for the Lunch & Learn programs.
- **The Queen Victoria Bed & Breakfast (Doug & Anna Marie McMain)**, for donating accommodations.
- **Vivianne & Don Rogers**, for providing cake, chocolate-covered pretzels and cookies for the Lunch & Learn programs.
- **Carole Sick**, for baking brownies for the Valentine’s Day card-making workshop for the Friends of the Physick Estate.
- **Mary Stewart**, for providing cookies for the Lunch & Learn programs.
- **Patty Wallace** for providing assorted teas for the Lunch & Learn programs.
- **Arlette Wright**, for volunteering as Manager on Duty for a Cape May Wine Trail.

**Sherlock Holmes Search for Clues Tour Inns:** The Bedford Inn (Archie & Carol Kirk), The Blue Rose (Joan & Thomas Keating), The Henry Sawyer Inn (Barbara Morris), The Queen Victoria B & B (Doug & Anna McMain).

**Volunteers:**

Christmas Recap Volunteers: Joyce Barth, Al Bennett, Tom Bocket, Dory Coe, Janet Coupland, Ann Disare, Kathleen FamiLetti, Mary Fox, Rosalie Gallagher, Denise Green, Carol Hartman, Eunice Hudzik, Barbara Lamont, Ellie McDevitt and Harry Schmidt.

Crafts & Collectibles in Winter Volunteers: Maryann Mosso, Virginia Passon, Don & Vivian Rogers.

Collections Inventory Volunteers: Jill Bellarmino, Rosalie Gallagher, Judy Gatt, Peggy Gora, Carol Hartman.

**Friends of the Cape May Music Festival Advisory Team:** Heather Furlin, Ralph Cooper, Ron Rollet, Judy Gatt, Carol Hartman, Tricia Kraemer.

**Friends of the Physick Estate Advisory Team:** Sue Carroll, Eileen Cassidy, Dory Coe, Judy Gatt, Peggy Gora, Carol Hartman, Dottie Knapp, Barbara Lamont, Margo Lassner, Carol Sick.

**Friends of the Physick Estate Benefit House Tour Guides:** Joyce Barth, Al Bennett, Kathleen FamiLetti, Carol Hartman.

**Graveyard, Ghost and Mansions Tour Planning Volunteers:** Rosalie Gallagher, Carol Hartman, Barbara Lamont.

**Group Tour Marketing Mailing Volunteers:** Doug Boyd, Dory Coe, Joan Conway, William & Sue Currie, Christine Fecteau, Lorraine Filter, Barbara Jacobs, Virginia & Ted Passon.

**Halloween Planning Volunteers:** Joyce Barth, Rosalie Gallagher, Carol Hartman, Barbara Lamont, Harry Schmidt.

**Hot Lunch Program at the First Baptist Church of Wildwood Volunteers:** Cathy Baldacchini, Jean Bbaraclough, Barbara Hubmaster, Charles Kealy, Anna Loober, Eliza Lotozo, Mary Lutz, Vicki McBride, Mary Stewart.

**Institutional Memory Project Volunteers:** John Baldan, Mary Mc Ardle.

**Lessons of History Team:** Lee Bellarmino, Tom Carroll, Myles Martel, Lynn Martenstein, Mary Mckenney, George Schu, Chris Traficante.

**Museum Education Volunteers:** Mark Allen, Dory Coe, Mary Stewart, Elan Zingman-Leith.

**Sherlock Holmes Search for Clues Tour Volunteer:** Carole Irwin.

**Staff Advisory Team Volunteers:** Joyce Barth, Janet Coupland, Kathleen Familetti, Rosalie Gallagher, Carol Hartman, Barbara Lamont and Harry Schmidt.

**MAC staff who volunteered to serve hot lunch at the First Baptist Church of Wildwood included Anna Loober and Cathy Baldacchini on the left and Melissa Palmer, Barbara Hubmaster and Eliza Lotozo on the right.
1-HARBOR HEAVEN
“Harbor Heaven,” at 33 Harbor Cove, was constructed in 1993 as only the second private home in the Cape May Harbor Village community. It was designed by John Oliveri. In 2003, it was completely renovated and expanded by Paul Kiss (also of the Oliveri firm) to take full advantage of the sweeping harbor views. A custom pool and outdoor kitchen completed this beautifully-appointed, family-friendly retreat which has hosted several events for Cape May Stage and the Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts & Humanities (MAC). The owner will have pictures of the original structure on site during the tour so all who visit will be able to appreciate this amazing transformation.

2-HIGH TIDES
This harbor front enclave at 3 Harbor Cove, designed by award-winning architect John Oliveri and built by Leigh Cassidy, seamlessly blends modern sophistication with natural coastal elements and beautiful living spaces with panoramic water views from all rooms. Renovated in 2016, 3 Harbor Cove has three levels of exterior verandas for viewing colorful fishing boats and sailboat regattas. Lovely gardens surround the pool and outdoor entertaining area.

3-THE HUNTER RESIDENCE
Overlooking Cape May Harbor and Fishermen’s Memorial Park at 1460 Missouri Ave. is this exquisite, custom-designed and professionally-decorated home. The owners worked hand-in-glove with their architects, builder and designer to create this spectacular seaside retreat, while maintaining the footprint of the former residence. The open floor plan, cathedral ceilings and luxurious amenities grace rooms and living spaces inside and out, designed to capture dramatic harbor views. Decks and wrap-around porches provide the perfect outdoor space for entertaining, along with an inground pool.

4-SANDCASTLE ON THE CAPE
The “Sandcastle on the Cape” at 1350 Texas Ave. is a one-of-a-kind home sitting front and center on the Cape May Harbor. This custom-designed home has been carefully constructed to take advantage of the unrivaled, magnificent views of the large property and the harbor views. It offers a dramatic three-story entry, cathedral ceilings, floor-to-ceiling windows, gourmet chef’s kitchen, a third floor master suite, designer bathrooms, whole-house sound system and an infinity pool. The grounds are professionally landscaped and are meticulous.

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7pm on Sunday, June 2 with the “Best of Baroque” and on Thursday, June 13 with a program of Mendelssohn and Mozart. The Chamber Music series is rounded out with a performance of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra Chamber Players at 8pm on Thursday, May 30 featuring wind music by Mozart, Beethoven and Strauss. All Chamber Music concerts take place in the Episcopal Church of the Advent.

The Bay Atlantic Symphony under the baton of Jed Gaylin returns at 8pm on Thursday, June 6 at the First Presbyterian Church. Jed has titled the program “High Flutin’” and has included pieces from Bach and Mendelssohn. Members of the Bay Atlantic perform on Wednesdays, May 29, June 5 and June 12 for intimate Bach’s Luncches at 12:30pm in the Carriage House Café 

For Jazz lovers, the Festival has several treats in store. On Sunday, June 2 at 10am, you can enjoy a Champagne Jazz Brunch at Aleathea’s Restaurant, with Mary Lou Newnam on saxophone, clarinet and flute and Sonny Troy on guitar performing selections from the Great American Songbook. Paula Johns joins us on Tuesday, June 4 at 8pm for an intimate concert at Willow Creek Winery in a tribute to Dionne Warwick and Burt Bacharach. The 8th Annual George Mesterhazy Tribute Concert is scheduled for Sunday, June 9 at 7pm at Cape May Convention Hall. The theme this year is “Come Rain or Come Shine,” and Music Director Barry Miles and the George Mesterhazy Tribute Concert musicians promise classic songs that will surely brighten your day!

Our a cappella concert this year features The Cat’s Pajamas. Since 2005, this five-person group has toured nationally and abroad and has brought their unique, high energy brand of a cappella to hundreds of thousands. They have been featured on Next Great American Band, America’s Got Talent and season 3 of NBC’s The Sing-Off. This concert takes place at 8pm on Tuesday, June 11 in Cape May Convention Hall. Admission is free thanks to our partnership with the City of Cape May.

As our season closer, The Friends of the Cape May Music Festival present “Musical Desserts” in the Carriage House Café & Tearoom at 5pm on Friday, June 14. Members of the New York Chamber Ensemble will add the “icing to the cake” on this year’s festival.

We are grateful for the many local businesses and individuals whose contributions are essential to balance our budget. And last but not least, a heartfelt thank you to the scores of loyal concert-goers and volunteers who make it all worthwhile.

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