Annual Lessons of History Distinguished Lecture Series comes to Cape May Oct. 13

Writer and historian Lee Pollock presents ‘Roosevelt and Churchill: The Friendship That Saved the World’

A deep friendship forged in desperate times that changed the course of history: Franklin Delano Roosevelt and Winston Churchill, national leaders and allies, worked side-by-side across the Atlantic against Adolph Hitler and the threat of worldwide domination by fascism during World War II. This bond became one of the most important in history and a testament to the tremendous power of international cooperation and steely resolve.

Join historian Lee Pollock for the 8th Annual Lessons of History Distinguished Lecture on Sunday, Oct. 13 at 5 p.m. at Cape May Convention Hall, 714 Beach Ave., and learn about this fascinating relationship between two giants of history. Hear from one of the premier experts on Winston Churchill how this unique friendship saved the world.

Pollock is a writer, historian and public speaker on the life and times of Winston Churchill. He has served as Executive Director of the International Churchill Society, which was founded to preserve Churchill’s legacy for future generations. Pollock also spearheaded the development of the National Churchill Library in Washington, D.C. His responsibilities included publishing “Finest Hour – The Journal of Winston Churchill,” and organizing the annual International Churchill Conference. He is the author of “Action This Day: Adventures with Winston Churchill.” A native of Montreal, Lee is a Fellow of the National Churchill Museum and a Director of The Chicago Architecture Foundation. He contributes to the Wall Street Journal Op-Ed pages regularly on Churchill subjects.

Admission for the lecture is $40 for adults and $15 for students and teachers. Admission to the event includes a Meet the Speaker reception at Cape May Convention Hall. To purchase tickets, visit www.capemaymac.org or call 609-884-5404.

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RECENT HAPPENINGS

Spring Wrap-Up

Our Spring season kicked off in the most appropriate way with a very well attended Volunteer Orientation on April 3 at Cape May United Methodist Church. Volunteer Program Manager Ayeshah Dickerson, with help from MAC’s very active Volunteer Team, planned and executed a content-filled morning for our growing volunteer corps. Just a week later on April 8, many of the same faces gathered in the Penthouse Ballroom at the Grand Hotel for our annual Volunteer Recognition Reception, sponsored by Sturdy Savings Bank. Mayor Chuck Lear and Assemblymen Bruce Land and Matt Milam joined us to celebrate the value of volunteerism in our community.

We kicked off Spring Celebration on April 26 with two special events. We opened our major Summer exhibit, The Iconic Cape May Lighthouse, curated by Ben Miller. The narrative and historic images come from the pages of Ben’s book, The First Resort. Members of the Photography Club of Cape May, under the leadership of Dottie Rogers, added contemporary images of the tower to round out the exhibit. We also dedicated the Daniel Barbera Barn, named in honor of MAC’s former CFO and a significant donor to the organization. Dan joined the staff fresh out of Stockton University in 1994, modernized MAC’s financial controls, acquired his MBA and CPA and after 10 years moved on to fame and fortune (see Donor Profile on page 5).

Spring Celebration marked a big uptick in activity for the month before Memorial Day Weekend. We offered Murder Mystery Dinners each Saturday night. Jackie Fazio came up with a new fun mystery, Bumped Off and Bottoms Up. More than 300 guests enjoyed the cast’s antics.

Spring Celebration featured lots of new offerings. The Spring Celebration Garden Tour allowed more than 160 tour-goers to step past the frontage and explore the private plants and blooms of five of the Cape May area’s most dedicated gardeners. Working with Kelsy Wise and the Sweet Sirens, we added two nights of Vintage Vaudeville Revue to our calendar. Performing at Aleathia’s, the ladies gave us both laughs and legs. Other events included the popular and delicious Chocolate Lovers Feast at the Washington Inn and Brunch & Bingo at the Beach at Aleathia’s, a partnership with Lace Silhouettes and the Cotton Company.

The largest single event of Spring Celebration was the Sip Into Spring Festival. Once again, the grounds of the Physick Estate took on a festive air with live music from local musicians C. Lynne Smith and Michael Flanigan, local food vendors, craft beer, wines and spirits, demonstrations and kids activities. MAC Museum Education Director Melissa Palmer and crew helped scores of kids make flower paperweights and cards for their moms, while Marge Katity of Katity Farm Creations demonstrated the art of weaving.

Our Friends affinity groups provided lots of activities this Spring. On May 1, the Friends of the Physick Estate presented storyteller Ellouise Shoettler, who recounted her experiences as a young mother working for passage of the ERA. Shortly after that, the group traveled to Winterthur to see the “Costuming the Crown” exhibit and tour the majestic home and gardens. The Friends use the proceeds of these events to underwrite (CONTINUED ON PAGE 10)
Carriage House Café & Tearoom
Open Daily through Oct. 31 (except Aug. 3, Sept. 14) 12noon-4pm:
Enjoy gracious, yet casual, dining with a café menu that includes signature
sandwiches, salads and tea sandwiches, homemade soups and quiche, plus a
Classic Tea Luncheon and Afternoon Tea, with loose tea service and specialty
teas from Philadelphia’s House of Tea. Takeout also available. Call 609-224-6064.

VAUDEVILLE IS KING!
REY’s Victorian Vaudeville
Tuesday, Aug. 6 through Thursday, Aug. 15, nightly: 7pm: A diverse display designed to dazzle
and delight! Songs! Dances! Act! Jokes! Magic!
Come to the grounds of the Emlen Physick Estate, 1048 Washington St. – the perfect place for one and
all to step back into a sweater, simpler time and
enjoy REY’s valentine to Victorian Vaudeville under the
evening sky. $25 adults; $20 seniors and kids
over 12; students $15.

Vintage Vaudeville Revue
Thursday, Oct. 10 & Friday, Oct. 11: 8pm: Venture into the world of Vaudeville for a splendid
night of laughs and legs. The Sweet Sirens will bring you back in time with entertainment that
will educate, edify, amaze and uplift. Aleathia’s Restaurant, The Inn of Cape May, 7 Ocean St.
Food and beverages available for additional purchase. This is a limited event; advance purchase
recommended. $30.

23rd Annual Food & Wine Celebration
Sept. 13-22: Taste the best in the “restaurant capital of New Jersey” with special events centered on
great local food, beer, wine and spirits that celebrate Cape May’s extraordinary chefs de cuisine! New
deliciousness in 2019! Good Earth Organic Eatery:
Italian Vegan; Cape May Airport Culinary Tour;
Small Bites & Flights Pairing Dinner with Mudhen
Brewery; Fisherman’s Tour & Lunch; and Flights
of Cheese at Seaside Cheese. Don’t miss popular
favorites such as Grilling At the Vineyard, Chocolate
Lovers Feast at The Washington Inn, Chefs’ Dine-
Arounds, Cape May Wine Trails and more.

Harvest Brew Fest
Sept. 14: 10am-6pm: Enjoy craft beers at the
Physick Estate and celebrate South Jersey during
this all-day outdoor festival that spotlights all
things local! Enjoy local food vendors, local artisans, local craft beers and local musical talent. Taps
flow beginning at 10am. Free admission and parking. Proceeds benefit ongoing restoration of MAC’s
historic sites. With generous support from Paramount Air Service.

GRAVEYARD, GHOSTS & MANSION COMBO TOUR
Wednesday, July 10: 8pm; Wednesday, Aug.
14: 7:30pm; Thursdays, Oct. 10, 17 & 24: 6pm:
Take a trolley ride to the Cold Spring Presbyterian
Cemetery to spend time at the graves of Dr.
Emlen Physick and his family. Return to the
Physick Estate and listen to EVPs (electronic voice
phenomena) recorded there by staff and tour-
goers. Tour begins and ends at the Physick Estate,
1048 Washington St. $40.

NATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE DAY
Wednesday, Aug. 7: 9am-2pm: Celebrate
National Lighthouse Day and enjoy family
activities at the base of the lighthouse including
pirate-hat making, games, music and craft
vendors. Adult admission to climb $10; children
(ages 3-12) climb free on this day. Free admission
to the grounds.

DINNER & FULL MOON CLIMBS
Fridays, Aug. 16 & Sept. 13, Saturday, Oct.
12: 6:15pm: Here’s an exclusive chance to see
the light of the full moon from atop the Cape
May Lighthouse! Board the trolley at the Emlen
Physick Estate and travel to The Red Store in Cape
May Point for Chef Lucas Manteca’s Tasting Menu
experience. After dinner, hop back on board the
trolley for a ride to Cape May Lighthouse, where
you will climb to the top to marvel at the full
moon from the watch gallery, weather permitting.
Reservations necessary; limited to 22. $85.

CHEFS’ DINE-AROUNDS
Sunday, Sept. 15, Monday, Sept. 16 &
Thursday, Sept. 19: 6pm: Unforgettable five-
course gourmet feast! Five premier Cape May
restaurants each serve a course paired with a
different wine from the evening’s sponsoring
winery. A winery representative accompanies the
group and explores the subtleties of the pairing
with each dish. A trolley shuttle transports you
between courses. Reserve early for these very
special evenings; limited to 34 people per night.
$125 (gratuity included).

GOOD EARTH ORGANIC
EATERY: ITALIAN VEGAN
Tuesday, Sept. 17: 5:30pm or 7:30pm seatings:
New in 2019! West Cape May’s Good Earth
Organic Eatery, 600 Park Blvd., offers a 4-course
Italian vegan dinner, including soup, salad,
entrée and dessert, accompanied by a lecture
on “Healthy Eating in the Modern Era.” Noted
in 2018 as a “Hidden Gem of the Jersey Shore” by
food critic Craig LaBan. Beverages available at
additional cost. $50 (gratuity included).

CAPE MAY AIRPORT & CULINARY TOUR
Wednesday, Sept. 18: 10am: New in 2019!
Cape May Airport on Breakwater Road, Erma, is no
longer just for aviators, it’s a foodie destination
as well! Board a MAC trolley at the Emlen Physick
Estate and visit this vibrant area for a self-guided
tour of Naval Air Station Wildwood museum and
its amazing collection of painstakingly restored
aircraft, along with a visit to the Cape May
Peanut Butter and Cape May Olive Oil Company
for delicious samplings. Discover more local
culinary favorites with a $10 gift certificate to the
Taco Shop and a $10 gift certificate to Cape May
Brewing Co. $45.

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Cape May Fall Designer House Tour
Sept. 21: 11am-3pm: Design lovers – this is for you! Step across the private thresholds of four magnificent Cape May homes in a variety of styles, from seaside cottages to coastal mansions, all open to the public for one day only. Relish the beautifully designed interiors created by local and regional designers during this exclusive event. Visitors receive a booklet with descriptions of the houses and a map. $30. With generous support from

47th Annual Victorian Weekend
Oct. 10-14: Celebrate Cape May's National Historic Landmark status as the city with the highest concentration of Victorian seaside, wood frame buildings in the country. Step back in time to Victorian era fun with Vintage Vaudeville Revue, play during An Afternoon of Victorian Parlor Games, see magnificent kitchens on the Taste of Cape May Kitchen Tour, delve into Victorian drinking (!) with Drunken History at Nauti Spirits and learn about The Roofs of Cape May. Don't miss Victorian Weekend favorites such as the annual Crafts & Collectibles Show, Murder Mystery Dinners, a Brush Walk, and … more!

Taste of Cape May Kitchen Tour
Oct. 12: 11am-3pm: New in 2019! See where family chefs perfect their homemade dishes inside four of Cape May's magnificent homes. These elaborately designed kitchens will dazzle, amaze and inspire you. This tour also includes a delicious tasting at each location from some of the area's great commercial kitchens: Cape Island Foods, Exit Zero Filling Station, The Ebbitt Room and Iron Pier Craft House. $30.

Halloween Happenings
Oct. 18-Nov. 2: Take a walk on the 'spirited' side of historic Cape May with more than two weeks of specially-themed tours and events including Ghost Walk with Craig McManus, Scarecrow Alley, a Dept. 56 Halloween display, Séance at the Physick Estate, Historic Haunts Tours, Phantoms of the Physick Estate evening and daytime tours, and more, including Victorian Killers & Monsters in the Cafe, an Exposé of Victorian Spiritualism and H.H. Holmes: The Monster Behind the Man. Usher in the spooky (terrifying?) season!

Sherlock Holmes Weekends
Oct. 25-27 & Nov 1-3: Grab your deerstalker hat and join Sherlock and Dr. Watson with an entire cast of characters as they attempt to solve "Sherlock Holmes and the Wake at the Wedding" at the Inn of Cape May. Spill out into the streets of Cape May to search for clues and compete for prizes! Full packages are $115 per person and include a welcome reception, performances, tour and luncheon. Weekend overnight packages are also available. The Search for Clues Tour is Saturday, Oct. 26 and Saturday, Nov. 2 and may be purchased separately for $15.

SMALL BITES & FLIGHTS PAIRING DINNER WITH MUDHEN BREWING CO.
Wednesday, Sept. 18: 5pm or 7pm: New in 2019! This brewery is one of the region's newest destinations. Guests will receive a tour of the brewery as well as their Flagship Flight (four 5-oz. tasters) paired with 2 small bites of the chef's choice, or a Brewers Choice Flight (four 5-oz. tasters) paired with 2 small bites of the chef's choice. $50.

FLIGHTS OF CHEESE: CHEESES FROM AROUND THE WORLD
Saturday, Sept. 21: 7pm: New in 2019! Join owner Stephen White at Seaside Cheese in West Cape May, and sample cheeses originating in a variety of cultures and traditions from around the world. Learn about the special characteristics of each. Includes soup, salad and dessert! $25.

PHANTOMS OF THE PHYSICK ESTATE: THE CURSE OF H. H. HOLMES
Fridays, Oct. 18, 25 & Nov. 1: 7:15pm, 8pm, 8:45pm; Saturdays, Oct. 19 & 26 and Nov. 2: 6:30pm, 7:15pm, 8pm, 8:45pm: New in 2019! In the last years of the 19th century, H. H. Holmes was America's first serial killer. Now, two new artifacts from this madman have materialized at the Physick Estate, but they bring with them a terrible darkness. ... Come to what some call the "haunted" Physick Estate for this immersive theatrical performance that includes scary images, strobe lights and other effects. Audience discretion is advised. Emlen Physick Estate, 1048 Washington St. $20.

PHANTOMS OF THE PHYSICK ESTATE: VICTORIAN SPIRITUALISM HOUSE TOUR
Saturdays, Oct. 19 & 26 and Nov. 2: 12:30pm, 1:45pm, 3pm: Victorians were fascinated by spiritualism and the occult. Visit the "haunted" Physick Estate and learn from your guide about this Victorian obsession. You will even hear an electronic voice phenomenon (EVP) captured within these walls, and understand why they are reputed to host more than the living. Appropriate for all ages. Emlen Physick Estate, 1048 Washington St. $15 adults; $8 children (ages 3-12).

BEHIND THE SCENES: H. H. HOLMES: THE MONSTER BEHIND THE MAN
Sundays, Oct. 20 & 27: 2pm & 8:30pm; Thursday, Oct. 31: 9pm: New in 2019! The world over knows the name of Jack the Ripper, but in the dark streets of Chicago in the 1890s, there lurked another monster, perhaps even more sinister. While touring the 1879 Physick House Museum, dive into the depraved depths of the life of H.H. Holmes, America's first serial killer, learn of his important connection to Philadelphia, and realize how terrifying it was for Victorians to read about this horrific killer in the news of the day. Emlen Physick Estate, 1048 Washington St. Audience discretion is advised. $20.

TALES FROM THE DARK SIDE (OF VICTORIAN LIFE) AT NAUTI SPIRITS
Thursday, Oct. 24: 12noon: New in 2019! A fascination with "the bizarre" was in fashion in the Victorian age, across the nation and from horror novels, exhumations, hauntings and demonic possessions, hear of the dark ribbon that threads the lacework of Victorian history. $20 (includes a boxed lunch from the Carriage House Café & Tearoom).
MAC DONOR PROFILE: Daniel Barbera

Since the summer of 1999, visitors to the Physick Estate have wondered about the quaint barn that had been moldering away in the far back corner of its parking lot. This barn has been recently restored, thanks in part to the largesse of MAC’s former Chief Financial Officer, Daniel (aka, “Danny”) Barbera.

When the challenge of finding additional office space at the Physick Estate became urgent in 2014, the MAC Board determined that this barn was the most viable option. At the end of 2016, contractors faithfully restored the exterior while creating two modern offices and a restroom in the interior. The first week of October in 2017, MAC's Tour and Group Tour Managers, along with MAC’s Museum Education Division, moved into the two new offices.

Since then, MAC was extremely fortunate to have received a commitment of $25,000 from Barbera in support of the restoration. In honor of that generous donation, MAC celebrated with a naming ceremony for the “Daniel Barbera Barn” on Friday, April 26.

Dan has a special connection to MAC, as one of its most consequential employees from 1994 through 2005. He started as MAC’s transformative former CFO, Dan Barbera (center) was thanked for his $25,000 naming gift for the “Daniel Barbera Barn” at the Physick Estate by MAC President Tom Carroll (left) and Director Michael Zuckerman.

Comptroller, and grew into the key position of Chief Financial Officer. “He made a huge difference to the organization in his tenure at MAC,” said MAC Director Michael Zuckerman.

“One of Danny’s most important and long-lasting accomplishments was creating a financial forecasting system, still used today, that allows MAC’s Management and Budget Team to obtain cash forecasts for the organization on a weekly basis,” he said.

Dan said the organization provided him a unique opportunity for rapid career growth.

“MAC is an amazing organization that does such a good job at preserving a very important and often forgotten era in American history,” Dan said. “I support MAC and all of its efforts to do this. However, this is very personal to me. MAC provided me with an opportunity to lead a finance team and gain invaluable experience at a very young age. Michael [Zuckerman] helped to get the best out of me in my formative years as a young executive. Both Michael and MAC truly helped me become successful in many ways. That is a debt that I can never truly repay, but I will try by supporting MAC and its mission.”

“It is wonderful to see my name at the Physick Estate, an estate that I walked the grounds just about every day for over a decade,” he said. “But to me this is only a beginning point. I hope to be able to contribute for many years to come. I have no doubt that the organization will have plenty of opportunities to consider over the years, and I hope to be a part of the many generous donors that can be called upon to help the organization meet these goals.”

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

MAC and the Coast Guard Community

There is amazing activity at the Northeast end of our community that many people in our quiet, peaceful Victorian town are really unaware of. Every Tuesday evening, several busloads of young men and women arrive at the Coast Guard base and find themselves face-to-face with a life-changing experience.

Almost immediately, the evidence of their civilian lives -- their clothes, phones, hair -- disappear and they enter into an experience that they will someday tell their grandkids about in great detail. Eight weeks after their arrival, surrounded by cheering family and friends, they graduate as a Seaman Apprentice in the United States Coast Guard, our country’s oldest sea-going service.

Eighty percent of the members of today’s Coast Guard have been through this Cape May experience and it is etched in their memories. Many eventually return to Cape May and are surprised to find our fascinating, historic community that they never experienced. A fair number even retire here and become active community members and members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

“Coasties,” as they enjoy being called, leave Cape May to serve in all parts of the country and around the world. Often their service puts them in harm’s way as they struggle to save lives and property and intercept drug importation. According to the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Boating Resource Center, on an average day, the Coast Guard conducts 109 searches and rescues, saves 10 lives, seizes 169 pounds of marijuana and 306 pounds of cocaine worth $9,589,000, and investigates six vessel casualties. Since 1915 when the Lifesaving Service and the Revenue
Welcome New Members

Family: Lisa & Bob Anderson of Glenwood, NJ; Derek & Sarah Brandon of N. Cape May, NJ; Tracy & Brian Bulger of Freehold, NJ; Candice & Ryan Carroll of Lansdale, PA; Elizabeth & Jared Carroll of Coatesville, PA; Kelly & Jess Cary of Allendale, NJ; Lawrence & Alicia Cellucci of Villas, NJ; Michael Dsorney & Jessica Martins of Fanwood, NJ; Gary Eberly of Coatesville, PA; Audra & Steve Ferkic of Brownsburg, IN; William Hui & Cynthia Lam of Staten Island, NY; Brian & Kate Kilmer of Gillette, NJ; Gary & Carol Langstaff of Cape May Court House, NJ; Beth Meagher & Jamie Evans of Washington, DC; Joann & Jack Mui of Brooklyn, NY; Theo & Heather Paparo of Manheim, PA; Tammy & Daniel Ragone of Baldwinsville, NY; Erika & Brent Reinheimer of Bowmanstown, PA; Annette & Ricky Thompson of Altoona, PA; Matthew & Candice Throne of Manchester, PA; James & Linda Vipperman of Williamstown, NJ; James & Jennifer Waldin of Sicklerville, NJ; Sue & Rich Young of Shadyside, OH; Carol Yuen & William Tom of Woodbridge, NJ.

Joint: Laura & Edward Cole of Port Norris, NJ; Steven & Elaine Covington of Yorktown, VA; Ronald & Michele Darling of Parsippany, NJ; Howard & Maureen Duff of Garden City, NY; Jeremy & Carrie Eshelman of Stevens, PA; Randy & Denise Eshelman of Denver, PA; Sabatino & Kimberlie Flammini of Wildwood Crest, NJ; John & Kathleen Kapusnick of Cape May, NJ; Michelle Foulitz & Rebekah Kreider of Willow Street, PA; Mark & Eileen Gallagher of N. Cape May, NJ; Verna Gates & Kenneth Wright of Monroeville, NJ; Trudie Glazewski & Margie Mangiaracina of Chalfont, PA; Patricia Graves & William Smith-Graves of Huron, OH; James & Christina Greenzweig of Hamburg, NY; Linda & David Guedelnsberger of Rydal, PA; Joan & John Harper of Lindsay, ON; Jane & David Huelg of N. Cape May, NJ; Arthur & Maureen Jacobus of Manassas, NJ; Arshad & Peroza Jawad of Iselin, NJ; Ada Kaganer-Zaydens & Michael Zaydens of Paramus, NJ; Kimberly & Alex Kowalski of Somerdale, NJ; Wayne & Patricia March of Reading, PA; Maribel Marrero & Wifredo Hernandez of Egg Harbor Township, NJ; Tom McDonnell of Hopewell Junction, NY; Marcella Meddick & Ava O’Connor of New Providence, NJ; John & Susan Mendenhall of Cherry Hill, NJ; Bryan & Diane Morgan of Bebington, England; Robin & John Morris of Rio Grande, NJ; Jack & Carol Nolan of Palmyra, PA; Clare & Mark Pagliettini of Middletown, NJ; George & Diana Peterson of New Monmouth, NJ; Heather & Jim Rossi of Milford, CT; Suesan & John Rotella of Villas, NJ; Timothy & Alexandra Ryan of Villas, NJ; JoAnn Vivino & Joan Sawyer of Marmora, NJ; Mark & Lynda Siddle of West Chester, PA; Robert Siniakian & Stephanie D’Angelo of Manalapan, NJ; Kevena & Starlah Espinosa of Harrisburg, PA; Tim & Karen Waters of Williamstown, PA; Christine & Norah Woodell of Middletown, PA; Peter & Nadda Yun of Weehawken, NJ.

Individual: John Diak of Pottstown, PA; Carole Evangelista of Cape May, NJ; Jerilyn Hobdy of Cape May Point, NJ; Alexandra Peterkin of Cape May Beach, NJ; Dolores Phillips of Cape May Court House, NJ; Justine Preis of Cape May, NJ.

Sponsor: Michele & Fritz Werder of Littitz, PA.

From the President

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Cutter Service were combined and named the Coast Guard, more than 1,700 enlisted men and women have lost their lives in service to their country. Creating a memorial to honor them has been a long time in the making, but the memorial was finally completed and dedicated in April of this year in no better place than where their service began: USCG Base. With the help of Chief Warrant Officer Dave. I am sure many of our members would like to see the memorial, which you can do during the summer Sunset Parades at the base. With the help of Chief Warrant Officer Jake Cuomo, we are also offering a trolley trip to the memorial and a tour of the base on August 15 at 2 pm (1400 CG time). We will meet at the Physick Estate to board the trolley. Please sign up by calling Anna Leeper at 609-224-6045. Each visitor will be required to show a photo ID. I will definitely be there, too!

-- Tom Carroll, President

(Editor’s note: Tom came to Cape May with the Coast Guard in 1969, served as physical education director at the Training Center, and retired from the Reserves in 1993)

Student: Laura Beningo of Marmora, NJ; Nicole Bumbera of Hamilton, NJ; Deirdre Coakley of Yorktown Heights, NY; Alissa Fisher of Schenectady, NY; Greta Greenzweig of Hamburg, NY; Kirsten Greenzweig of Hamburg, NY; Rebecca Nathan of Villas, NJ; Melanie Ragone of Baldwinsville, NY; Jorbn Santer of Stevens, PA; Gabrielle Urban of Galway, NY; Drezick White of Stevens, PA; Irellyn White of Stevens, PA.

FRIENDS OF THE CAPE MAY MUSIC FESTIVAL

Grandparents: Dani & Roger Barsny.
Joint: Stanley & Anna Bonk of Cape May, NJ.
Individual: Donna Locke of N. Cape May, NJ.

FRIENDS OF THE CAPE MAY LIGHTHOUSE

Family: Rose & Bart Battista of Sicklerville, NJ; James Miller of Ottsway, PA; Andrew & Laurene Topping of Philadelphia, PA.
Joint: Phyllis Beck of Cape May Court House, NJ; Judith & Joe Bertotto of Cape May, NJ; Wayne & Marleah Doyle of Coopersburg, PA.
Individual: Kathy Sieczkowski of Corpus Christi, TX.

FRIENDS OF THE PHYSICK ESTATE

Individual: Ann Disare of Moorestown, NJ.

FRIENDS OF MUSEUM EDUCATION

Individual: Denise Santagata of Villas, NJ.
Staff: Ron Frech.

Congratulations to:

Jody & Cheryl Alessandrine, on the birth of a granddaughter; MAC President Tom Carroll, on his receiving a New Jersey State Governor’s Jefferson Award for Public Service; Group Tour Manager Sue Gibson, on her graduating from the Leadership Cape May County course offered by the Cape May County Chamber of Commerce; Sue Lotozo, on her daughter Bela’s receiving her Masters in Architecture degree from Tulane University; Sue Priester, on the birth of her granddaughter, Isabel Elizabeth; Jim & Lisa Quirk, on the marriage of their daughter, Noel (general manager at Jessie Creek Winery); MAC Director Michael Zuckerman, on his receiving a Lifetime Achievement Award from the South Jersey Cultural Alliance and a Golden Baton Award from the Bay Atlantic Symphony.

Condolences to:

Beth Acker, on the death of her brother; Bill & Cathy Bezaire, on the tragic death of their granddaughter, Alannah; Alda McGee, on the death of her husband and MAC Trolley Driver, Bill McGee; Ben Miller, on the death of his grandmother; the family and friends of Jo Tolley, a passionate fan of the Cape May Music Festival.
CHRISTIAN MEMBERS
OF THE 2020 SOCIETY
($25,000 pledges over 5 years)
Curtis Bashaw
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Steve and Sandy Sheller
Sturdy Savings Bank

You can help ensure MAC’s future by becoming a
GOLD MEMBER of the 2020 Society with a $4,500 pledge over 3 years

2020 SOCIETY DONATIONS
• Charter Members ($25,000 pledge): Tom & Sue Carroll.
• $5,000 Platinum Donor: Daniel Barbera.
• $2,500-$4,999 Gold Donors: The Priester Foundation, The Queen Victoria Bed & Breakfast (Doug & Anna Marie McMain).
• $1,000-$2,499 Silver Donors: Bill & Barbara Killeen, The Mad Batter (Mark Kulkowitz).
• Under $100 Donors: John & Nancy Bailey, Robert McLaughlin, Joan Viguers.

CAPE MAY MUSIC FESTIVAL DONORS
(since the last Newsletter)
• Solo Sponsor ($4,000): WWFM The Classical Network (David Osenburg).
• Senior Partner Sponsor ($3,000): Congress Hall Hotel (Curtis Bashaw).
• Duo Sponsors ($2,000): OceanFirst Bank (Katherine Durante), The Virginia Hotel (Curtis Bashaw, Jordan Rowan).
• Trio Sponsors ($1,500-$1,999): Cape Publishing (Bernie Haas), Princeton Strategic Communications (Norris Clark), The Bedford Inn (Paula Murray & Roxanne Went).
• Quartet Sponsors ($1,000-$1,499): The Mission Inn (Wendy Collins & Laura Shaddock), Willow Creek Winery (Barbara Bray Wilde).
• Conductor’s Circle ($500 - $999): Barbara Rittenhouse, John & Janice Rose.
• Presenter’s Circle ($250-$499): Steve & Lynnie Braun.
• Friends (Under $100): Anne Burrows, Chris Dubois, Patricia Everett, Adrienne & William Gallagher, Barbara Golla, Mary Beth & Alexander Hager, Al & Martha Maffeo, MaryAnn & Gus Mosso, Lydia & George Pagliaro.

CAPE MAY MUSIC FESTIVAL DONORS
George’s Angels Concert
• Trio Sponsor ($1,500-$1,999): ACIR (John & Sunday Grasso).
• Quartet Sponsor ($1,000-$1,499): Elaine & Bill Winter.
• Presenter’s Circle ($250-$499): Steve & Lynnie Braun.
• Friends (Under $100): Anne Burrows, Chris Dubois, Patricia Everett, Adrienne & William Gallagher, Barbara Golla, Mary Beth & Alexander Hager, Al & Martha Maffeo, MaryAnn & Gus Mosso, Lydia & George Pagliaro.
Donations

George's Angels: Friends (Under $100)

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Donations

- Sandi & Dave Adams for donating miscellaneous DC 5V charging cables to the IT Department, and a commercial grade garment rack for the costume room.
- Joyce Barth, for a $50 donation in memory of Pamela Sigafuso.
- Lee & Jill Bellarmino, for donating $202.80 to purchase a costume for the “Day in the Life of Dr. Physick” tour.
- Lillian Campise, for a $50 donation to the Cape May Lighthouse in memory of Perry F. Buckley, Sr.
- Adrienne Calonder, for a $6 donation to the Physick Estate.
- Cappy’s Seaside Pizza and Steak, for a donation of food for one of our staff training sessions.
- Maggie O’Brien Carter, for donating a treasure trove of photos from her mother’s (Winnie O’Brien) famous Victorian Fashion Shows, from the late 1970s through the mid-80s.
- Buc Cawley, for donating $100 to reserve the VFW Hall as a rain site for our Armed Forces Day Ceremony.
- Chris & Dave Cleman, for a $50 donation to the Lessons of History Lecture Fund.
- Jan & Peter Dwyer, for a $200 donation to operations.
- Sharon Falkowski & Ronald Holman, for a $100 donation to the Friends of the Cape May Music Festival.
- Rosemary Fehrle, for a $50 donation to the Cape May Lighthouse in memory of Perry F. Buckley, Sr.
- The Flying Fish Studio (Susan Lotozo), for donating Festival Staff and Volunteer T-shirts.
- Susan Gibson, for donating miscellaneous DC 5V charging cables to the IT Department.
- Matt & Barbara Glenn, for a $60 donation to the Lessons of History Lecture Fund.
- Ellen & Tony Green, Kate Hagen, Bett Halbauer, Sarah & John Marcelliano, for a $70 donation to the Cape May Lighthouse in memory of Perry F. Buckley, Sr.
- Henry Sawyer Inn (Barbara Morris), for providing accommodations for a member of the Thales Trio.
- Inn of Cape May (Beth Eastman), for donating accommodations for the Friends of the Physick Estate performance by Ellouise Shoettler.
- Dottie & Mal Knapp, for sponsoring the performance by Ellouise Shoettler for the Friends of the Physick Estate.
- Anna Leeper, for donating craft supplies for the Museum Education Division.
- Eliza Lotozo, for donating her mileage to and from Travel Shows in March.
- Jean-Andree Nelson, for donating a dozen outfits to our costume collection.
- PNC Financial Services Group (Hugh McStravick), for a $10,000 donation to the Craft Beer, Music & Crab Festival.
- The Queen Victoria B & B (Doug & Anna Marie McMain), for providing accommodations for a member of the Thales Trio.
- Neva Sachar, for donating a large quantity of her late husband, Lenny’s, photographs of the Cape May Lighthouse.
- Mary Stewart, for a donation of $50 in supplies for the Sip Into Spring Kids Craft Table.
- Jill & Bud Waisbren, for a $100 donation to the Lessons of History Lecture Fund.
- West Windsor-Plainsboro North P.E. Department, for a $50 donation to the Cape May Lighthouse in loving memory of Perry F. Buckley, Sr.
- West Windsor-Plainsboro North High School Take Time to Care, for a $50 donation to the Cape May Lighthouse in memory of Perry F. Buckley, Sr.

Assistance:

- Lou McAtee and the 4-H Club’s Kitchen Phanatics, for cleaning up the parking area of the World War II Lookout Tower on Community Day (June 9).
- Tina & William Angstedt, for helping with the set up for the George’s Angels’ brunch.
- Reverend Jeanette Block and Cape May Methodist Church, for use of their hall for our 2019 staff kick-off dinner, Volunteer Orientation and Lunch & Learn programs.
- Jill Bellarmino, for organizing our third floor library in the Physick Estate and assisting with the Physick Estate Inventory.
- Wendy Collins, for participating on MAC’s Social Media, Website, Video and Branding Teams.
- Janet Coupland, for volunteering to be the guide on the Cape Mayhem staff tour.
Congratulations Volunteers of the Month

MAY:
Joel Gonzalez, Col. Shawn Welch and Paul Cusano

JUNE:
Ana Grace Fangayen

JULY:
Cape May Photography Club and Dottie Rogers

* Pastor Jeff Elliott and Cape May Lutheran Church, for use of their hall throughout our staff training schedule.
* Pat Everett, for providing cake for the Lunch & Learn programs.
* Donna Flegal, for entering MAC events onto online media calendars.
* Rosalie Gallagher, for helping to inventory our costumes, and working on the Graveyard, Ghosts & Mansion Tour script.
* Judy Gatt, for helping with the inventory of the Physick House Museum collections.
* Carol Hartman, for helping with the inventory of the Physick House Museum collections, organizing the costume room, laundering blouses and tour office curtains, working on the Graveyard, Ghosts & Mansions Tour Script and providing the cake for Dr. Physick’s Birthday Party.
* Carol and Dan Hartman, for locking and unlocking the Lutheran Church on the days we had staff training and for providing cookies for the Lunch & Learn programs.
* Mary Stewart, for helping organize the costume room.
* Pary Tell, for moderating our ADA staff training workshop.
* Donna Vassallo of ACCC, for moderating a customer service staff training workshop.
* Carol Vinci, for providing paper products for the Lunch & Learn programs.
* Susan Wiggins, for undertaking office tasks for the Volunteer Program.
* Ernestine Zeli-Bove, for selling musicians’ CDs at the George Mesterhazy concert.

Volunteers


Cherry House Haunted Tales & Investigation Tour Volunteers: Carolyn Owens, Rosemary Rombado.

Coast Guard Community Festival Selling MAC Table Volunteers: Bill Currie, Sue Currie, Cathy Hay, Jan Randle.

Data Entry Volunteer: Donna Flegal.

Development Team Volunteer: Janet Coupland.

Friends of the Cape May Music Festival Advisory Team: Sharon Falkowski, Ralph Cooper, Heather Furlin, Judy Gatt, Carol Hartman, Trish Kraemer, Brenda Leonard, Ron Rollett.

Friends of the Cape May Music Festival Bakers: Melissa Palmer, Donna Szemcsak, Mary Stewart.

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, Carole Sick, Mary Stewart.

Friends of the Physick Estate Dr. Physick’s Birthday Party Volunteers: Dory Coe, Judy Gatt, Carol Hartman, Barbara Lamont.

Group Tour Volunteers: Dorothy Buccialia, Joan Conway, Christine Fecteau, Lorraine Filter, Carol Haggas, Barb Jacobs, Ginny Passon.

Lighthouse Challenge Volunteer: Tony LaSalle.

Lunch & Learn Volunteer Bakers: Kathy Brady, Corbin Cogwell, Pat Everett, Judy Gatt, John Pekich, Dianne Riehl, Vivian & Don Rogers, Mary Stewart.

Maintenance Volunteers: Mike Baldacchini, Jan Dwyer, Roger Henry, Carol Lindsay, David Morais, Joe Noll.

We honored veterans from World War II through the present at our May 18 Armed Forces Day Ceremony at the World War II Lookout Tower.

Museum Education Volunteers: Dory Coe, Mary Stewart.

Self-Guided Physick Estate Tour Volunteers: Les Aungst, Barbara Caldwell, Susan Brozina, Sue Carroll, Jan Dwyer, Chris DuBois, Theresa Harris, Roger Henry, Ruth Anne Stewart, Ernestine Zeli-Bove.

Sip Into Spring Volunteers: Janice Ablett, Nick Agresta, Bill Angstadt, Tina Angstadt, Cathy Baldacchini, Ernestine Zeli-Bove, Christine Fecteau, Jim Del Grosso, Chris Dubois, Pete Dwyer, Donna Flegal, Lynne Glasser, Scott Griffith, Alex Hager, Mary Beth Hager, Carol Haggas, Carol Irwin, Robert Irwin, Kathleen Javitz, Mary McKenney, Ted McKenney, David Morias, Kathy Morias, Jan Randle, Mary Sahns, Anne Stephany, Karen VanVarick-McGuire, Mary Walchak, Mark Wheaton.

Spring Celebration Garden Tour Homeowners: Lee & Jill Bellarmino, Marty & Lenore Bowne, Dan & Mary DeWaters, Hope Gaines & David McKenzie.

Spring Celebration Garden Tour Volunteers: Tina Angstadt, Mel Bateman, Pat Bowman, MaryJane Bryant, Eileen Cassidy, Chris DuBois, Jan Dwyer, Susan Esposito, Carole Lindsay, Mary Ann Mosso, Virginia Passon, Vivianne Rogers, Cathy Stambaugh.

Staff Advisory Team: Joyce Barth, Anne Burrows, Janet Coupland, Kathleen Familetti, Rosalie Gallagher, Carol Hartman, Loretta Hughes, Barbara Lamont, Carol Macmillan, Brian McGrath and Harry Schmidt.

Underground Railroad Meeting Volunteers: Alex Breve, Janet Coupland, Kathleen Familetti, Judy Gatt and Barbara Lamont.


World War II Tower Armed Forces Day Ceremony Speakers: John Bailey, Rev. Jeanette Block, Rich Chiemingo, CWO Jacob Cuomo, Cape May Mayor Chuck Lear, Assemblyman Matt Milam, Lower Township Deputy Mayor Frank Sippel, Freeholder Director Jerry Thornton.

Recent Happenings

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Physick Estate restoration projects.

The Friends of the Cape May Lighthouse had an excursion, as well. Their Exploring Our Natural Habitats Tour took visitors to the Rutgers Aquaculture Innovation Center and 2 Mile Beach and included a pizza and salad buffet at Lucky Bones, and a presentation by the Friends of the Cape May National Wildlife Refuge on Ghost Crabs.

The Friends of the World War II Tower hosted MAC’s annual Armed Forces Day Celebration at the Tower on May 18. Rich Chiemingo, the group’s new coordinator, planned and emceed the ceremony. Assemblyman Matt Milam, CWO Jacob Cuomo, Freeholder Director Jerry Thornton, Cape May Mayor Chuck Lear and Lower Township Deputy Mayor Frank Sippel joined us to pay tribute to those who served. The event has become bittersweet as we have fewer and fewer of our World War II vets with us each year.

In exciting news, we can announce the formation of our fifth Friends group - the Friends of Museum Education. Headed by coordinator Melissa Palmer, the group presented its first program, Packing for the Titanic, presented by Mary Stewart, on May 8. The group has as its mission sustaining learning as a life-long endeavor.

Not to be outdone, the Friends of the Cape May Music Festival presented three programs this Spring. Coordinator Sharon Falkowski recruited the Thales Trio for a concert in April and partnered with Wendy Collins and Laura Shaddock of the Mission Inn to present classical guitarist Phil Goldenburg. The Friends’ final program was Musical Desserts, which also closed this year’s Music Festival. Featuring Eliot Bailen and Susan Rotholz of New York Chamber Ensemble fame, the program in the Carriage House Café & Tearoom was the perfect culmination of several weeks of beautiful music.

Speaking of the Cape May Music Festival, our 30th annual edition gave us three weeks of memorable musical experiences. We opened on Memorial Day Weekend with a rousing program from the Atlantic Brass Band, under the baton of Sal Scarpa. Beautiful weather that evening allowed us to hold the concert in the Victorian bandstand in Rotary Park. We more than filled the park with avid music fans. On Tuesday, we adjourned to the Episcopal Church of the Advent for the first of three concerts by the members of the New York Chamber Ensemble. That first concert featured music from Mozart to Rossini to Ellington or Orbison. Fans filled the church all three nights. The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra Chamber Players took to the stage on May 30. This year, we enjoyed “Viennese Blends” from members of their wind quintet. The Bay Atlantic Symphony, under the baton of Jed Gaylin, completed our classical music offerings with a varied program that included Mendelssohn’s Octet and several pieces for flute.

Paula Johns, a long time Cape May favorite, joined us for a tribute to Dionne Warwick and Burt Bacharach. She had our audience at Willow Creek Winery enthusiastically singing along. Another group that encouraged sing-along was the Cats Pajamas. This five-person group has toured nationally and abroad and brought their unique, high energy brand of a cappella to Cape May Convention Hall in a free concert co-sponsored by the City of Cape May. Covering groups from the Temptations to Queen and even touching on the roots of Doo Wop harmonies, they surely energized the audience.

The theme of the George Mesterhazy Tribute Concert on June 9 was “Come Rain or Come Shine,” and featured tunes from the Great American Songbook and more. Barry (Continued on page 12)
1. THE SCHMIDT RESIDENCE
1236 Cape May Ave. was designed by Fenwick Architects and Dragonfly Interiors and completed in 2016. The objective was to optimize the lot size with a structure that provided the best in open concept living with 10-foot ceilings and high-end finishes. The layout provides a first floor master suite and two second floor en suites. A separate carriage house garage frames a lovely garden, complete with a small pool and spa. Good things come in small packages!

2. SHADES OF BLUE
“Shades of Blue” at 1311 Maryland Ave. was designed by Asher Slaunwhite Architects and built in 2017 by D.L. Miner Construction. This newly-built, cedar shake home is everything the owners dreamed about when they decided to replace the original 672 square foot Coast Guard cottage. Working with Jim Barnes of D.L. Miner, several steel beams allowed them to create an open floor plan, surrounded on three sides with floor-to-ceiling windows. With much help from Euro Line Designs, they made the most of every little nook and cranny in the home. Nothing is more classically coastal than a blue and white color palette. The detailed millwork is shown off throughout this four-bedroom cottage. The tree-lined back yard and blue stone patio provide an exceptional space for entertaining and listening to the ocean in the evening.

3. SHORE TO PLEASE
Rich and Suzanne Panettieri of Doylestown, PA are delighted to show you a piece of paradise located at 1136 Cape May Ave. Kim Russell of Classic Coastal built this beautiful home, uniquely recognizable by its large mahogany Key West shutters. This 5 bedroom, 5½ bath home features custom workmanship and a creative design for the growing family. The first floor offers an open space layout that encourages the family to gather for entertaining. A chef-envied kitchen is complete with a Thermador six-burner gas range and two dishwashers. The enclosed porch overlooks an inviting pool, a travertine patio, and plenty of grass to set up a game of croquet. This beautiful summer home is “Shore to Please.”

4. THE TRUE LOVE
This home at 1308 Maryland Ave. was designed by Christina Amey Architect LLC and built and expertly decorated by Kim Russell, Classic Coastal. The True Love was designed and built with family fun, laughter and love in mind. The large gathering spaces, gourmet kitchen, comfy porches and expansive back yard provide plenty of room for large family gatherings. The salt water pool, tiki hut and full-house audio system bring the party outside for all to enjoy. This home is loaded with beautiful woodwork, decorator touches, and custom built-in spaces. Do not miss the custom built bunk room! Family memories will be made in this beautiful home for generations to come.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 21, 2019: 11AM-3PM
A self-guided tour of four of Cape May’s finest, privately-owned homes, showcasing the creativity of local and regional designers.
Tickets $30
Order tickets at www.capemaymac.org or call 609-884-5404
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Miles served as music director and created a beautiful thematic show, featuring George’s trio mates Tim Lekan and Bob Shomo and a few other close friends. Paula Johns’ entrance onto the stage singing “It’s Raining Men” brought the house down.

During the Festival, we offered three Bach’s Lunches in the Carriage House Café & Tearoom, featuring members of the Bay Atlantic Symphony. Mary Lou Newman and Sonny Troy played for a Champagne Brunch at Aleathia’s Restaurant. Donors to the Festival enjoyed the hospitality of Chris and David Clemans at their beautiful home, catered by the creative folks at the Washington Inn.

As if these activities aren’t enough, we conducted a fund-raising on-line auction to raise supplemental funds for the Festival. Marketing Assistant Leslie Weidel organized this event, creating imaginative auction packages with goods and services donated by local business supporters. All in all, it was a very busy and productive three weeks. We’re grateful to all the local businesses and donors who supported the Festival, to the venues that open their doors for us, to the volunteers who came out to usher and help with house management and to the many people who purchased tickets to the concerts. We couldn’t do it without you!

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Education Wrap-up

Spring sprung in the Museum Education Division with presentations to 3,363 students and 2,826 adults. Topics ranged from tried and true musical favorites such as Rich Chiemingo’s Sinatra Serenade, to several requests for Women’s History programs presented by Mary Stewart and Melissa Palmer. “What to Wear: Packing for the Titanic” brought interest and members to our newly formed Friends of Museum Education. History came alive with our new take on the “Time Capsule Tour: The Presentation.” Visitors got to listen to and mingle with Nelly Bly (Mary Stewart), Gambler/Race Car Driver (Dory Coe), Rum Runner (Ron Burczewski), and Lighthouse Keeper (Rich Chiemingo). They were joined by a Curious Tourist (Melissa Palmer) and finally, learned the MAC story from a Preservationist (Mike Urbanski). Our “Temperance Debate” was also very popular as veteran debaters Tom Bocket and Dory Coe were joined by our new living historians, Garrett and Amanda Brough. Our April Lucky Bones Lunch & Learn was a great success with Melissa Palmer’s “Victorian Fathers of Sci-Fi and Horror,” and there were a few familiar MAC faces in the audience. (Thanks to the Adamses for supporting us and joining in the fun!) Tea History was a popular topic in May with presentations “Tea: More Than a Beverage” (Helen Mashuda), and “Tea RX: Just What the Doctor Ordered.” We have been getting crafty, with activities for parents and children at our festivals. Special thanks to Mary Stewart, Karen Maguire and Cathy Baldacchini for your work at our crafts and game tables. A warm welcome to new educators, Donna Szymcak, Sonja Hipple, Mike Urbanski, Helen Mashuda and Tim Van Tran, while we bid safe travels to our friend and educator Ron Burcewski. We are also happy to welcome back Mal and Dottie Knapp, who have generously offered to join us again in the Museum Education world. It’s been quite a fruitful Spring here in Museum Education as we continue to grow!

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