

# The Cape Connection

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## President's Letter

The snowy winter has made many of us anxious for the summer to arrive. The Board of Directors worked hard to develop a budget for next year. While we were able to hold the line on fees, we feel it is necessary to replenish the visionary fund. To that end we are increasing the contribution to the fund over the next five years. Along with the work on the budget, plans for construction projects to repair some neglected areas and summer activities were planned. Last year, in an effort to extend the summer, a group of neighbors got together for snacks and a fire on the beach during September. We have made arrangements to be able to have the September evening gatherings again.

I would like to thank Ray Danner, Tom Dennis, Matt Danner, Don Danner, Larry Sramowicz and Dan Vucolo for taking the lead on repairing the steps at the back gate. There were some other projects that were planned but they have been placed on hold.

The entertainment committee has developed a calendar of activities for the coming season and it is listed in the newsletter. Your participation in these events will strengthen our community and ensure another successful year in the Cape. Each of these events requires careful planning and quite a bit of work to organize. Volunteers are always welcome to assist the Board in each of these events. This offers an opportunity for you to participate in the development of new relationships and sense of family with other members of the community, which has always been a hallmark in Cape Breton.

A listing of the committee chairs is enclosed in the newsletter and we encourage you to contact them if you would like to help by serving on their committee or with any ideas or suggestions you might have for the upcoming year.

We look forward to another successful year in the Cape, but this is only possible with the combined effort of every member of our community working together to continue the magic we have created. That makes the Cape a special place.

RayTopoleski, President

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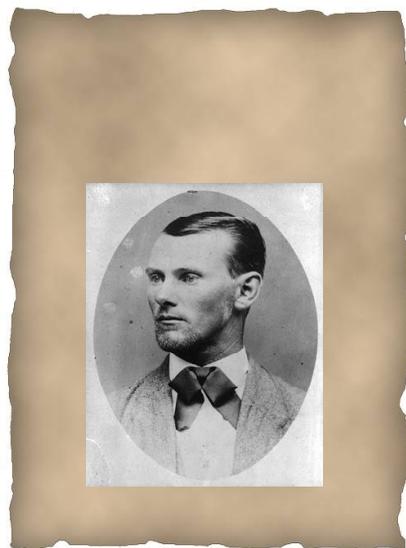
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Now that we have finally left our cold, snowy winter behind it is time to look forward to the summer. The Membership Committee would like to ask everyone's help to locate possible new members. Please let us know if anyone new moves into Cape Breton so we may pay a welcome visit. We are all representatives of the Cape Breton family so please be welcoming to all of our neighbors new and old. We would love to have anyone interested in being on the Committee to please join us.

Maria Pilipski  
732-477-6978  
Membership Committee Chair

# Beach

We are looking forward to another great summer on the beach with family and friends.

To get prepared for the upcoming beach season, we are planning to have Beach Clean-up this upcoming weekend on Saturday, May 17th at 10 am with a rain date of May 18th. The steps to the beach are in the process of being rebuilt, so activity has already begun! Please try to come down and lend a hand during beach clean up, even if it's for a short time. There is a lot to do and many hands will help to get the job done. Please check out the entertainment section for all our upcoming events, but one that someone of you might not be aware of, is our second annual Memorial day party. We wanted to start the season off a little earlier last year and this kick off party was a great success. This summer season (July and August), be sure to join us on Saturdays for lunch from 12 noon till 2 p.m. at the Crabby Shack. This is a nice time to catch up with your neighbors and enjoy some good food! As always, check the beach bulletin board for water testing results and other important community notices. Remember, beach badges are required all year long on the beach and the dock, so please wear them proudly. Let's all do our share in keeping the beach clean and safe.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call Dan Siebenmann at 732-389-4518 or Tina Topoleski at 908-910-5723 as well as any of the other directors. The Beach Committee hopes everyone has a safe and fun summer at Cape Breton Beach!

Tina Topoleski and Dan Sieberman



# Dock Committee

Well another cold winter has come and gone. It's time to start thinking about the warmth of summer. It looks like the dock survived the ravages of winter pretty well. We still plan on doing more to the dock, but this year we felt we needed to switch our efforts to a more needy safety issue - the stairs on the beach by the little gate and hopefully some repairs to the fire lane bulkhead.

Once again, I rounded up our crack team of backyard engineers, enthusiastic reconstructionists, and Seal Team #3. We dismantled the old stairs and jack hammered out all the old concrete. New footings are being poured and completely new stairs are being built. We hope that safe new stairs will keep people coming to the beach with no fears of falling or tripping. When we finish the stairs, we will switch our focus to fixing the fire lane to make that safe.



I particularly want to thank Larry Sramowicz, Tom Dennis, Ray Danner, Matt Danner, Don Danner and Jacques Herman for all their efforts.

As soon as we get the bubblers removed, the dock should be ready for occupants. If you are interested in a boat slip, please call Dan at (732) 895-2321 or Don at (848) 482-1104.

Dan Vucolo & Don Danner  
Dock Co-Chairs

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## **CBHC on the WEB**

Come visit our website at [www.CapeBretonNJ.org](http://www.CapeBretonNJ.org), where you will find information about upcoming events, committees, want ads, current members and more. New features are being added all the time, so check back frequently. If you have something to add, send your submission to: [info@capebretonnj.org](mailto:info@capebretonnj.org).

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**Membership**

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Tina Topoleski

**Clubhouse**

I am happy to announce yet another good year for the Club House Committee. All our parties to date have been fun filled successes. I want to give thanks to all the members that have helped and contributed their time in the planning and preparation for each event. Without the collaborative efforts of the community these functions would not be the great events they have always been. If you are interested in club house rentals for upcoming events please feel free to reach out to us. Dates are filling up fast.

Club house rentals go as follows:

Rental without Kitchen: \$125.00  
Rental with Kitchen: \$200.00

For rentals, you can contact me at 732-921-4520.

Thank You,  
Ann Hermann  
Chairperson



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

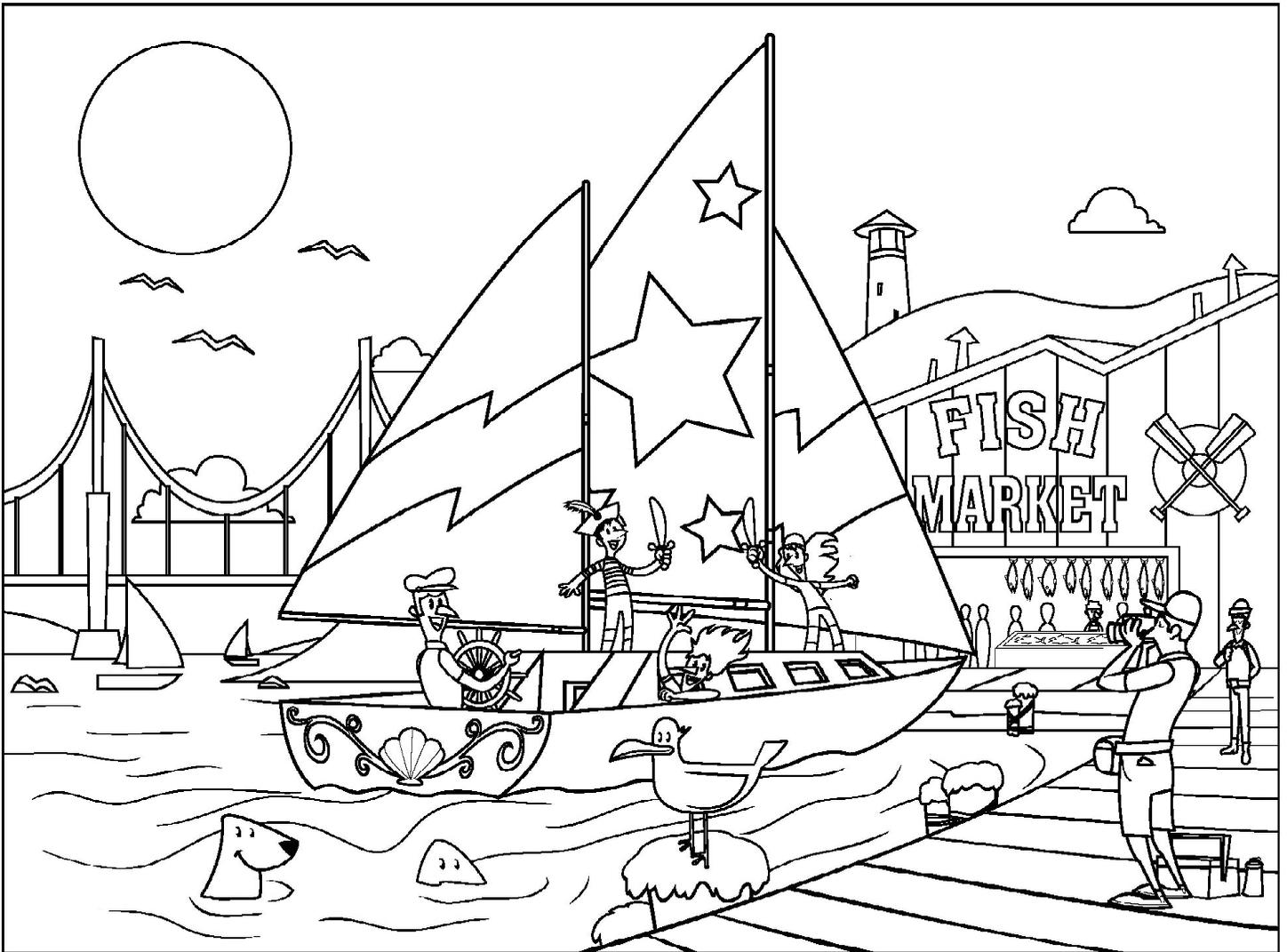
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>CAPE BRETON 2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS</b>						
						<b><i>Beach Opens</i></b>
						<b><i>Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup></i></b>
						<b><i>Memorial Day Gathering</i></b>
						<b><i>Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup></i></b>
						<b><i>Stockholder's Meeting</i></b>
						<b><i>Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> @ 11:00 AM</i></b>
						<b><i>July 4th Carnival</i></b>
						<b><i>Saturday, July 5<sup>th</sup></i></b>
						<b><i>Pancake Breakfast</i></b>
						<b><i>Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup></i></b>
						<b><i>Luau</i></b>
						<b><i>Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup></i></b>
						<b><i>Fish Fry</i></b>
						<b><i>Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup></i></b>
						<b><i>Boat Rally</i></b>
						<b><i>Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup></i></b>
						<b><i>Clubhouse Dinner</i></b>
						<b><i>Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup></i></b>
						<b><i>Stockholder's Meeting</i></b>
						<b><i>Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup> @ 11:00 AM</i></b>
						<b><i>Bonfire Evening of Fun</i></b>
						<b><i>Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup></i></b>
						<b><i>Bonfires at the Beach</i></b>
						<b><i>Saturdays in September</i></b>
						<b><i>Ship Wreck Party (Pot Luck)</i></b>
						<b><i>Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup></i></b>
<b><i>The rain date for the Memorial Day Gathering, July 4<sup>th</sup> Carnival and Luau will be May 25<sup>th</sup>, July 6<sup>th</sup> and August 3<sup>rd</sup> respectively.</i></b>						

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# Activities for Kids of all Ages



## Nautical One-Liners

The vegetable never taken aboard ship is a leek.

He would have become a sailor but he didn't want to make waves.

Schooner or later sailors engage in rudder nonsense.

A sea captain navigating through a narrow channel was in dire straits.

Why did the admiral decide against buying a new hat? He was afraid of cap sizing.

Old sailors never die, they just get a little dinghy.

The "Titanic" didn't have enough lifeboats, but that was the tip of the iceberg.

