Spring Membership Meeting

Saturday, May 18, 2019
10:30 am
Continental Breakfast at 10am

Introduction of officers, directors, community leaders & new members

President's Remarks – Jay Pagano

Treasurer's Report – Henry Robin, Treasurer

FIPFD – Chief Joe Geiman

Fire Island Pines Arts Project – Steven Alan Black

Fire Island Pines Fire District – Commissioner Richard Barry

Pines Party – Ed Schulhafer & Allan Baum

Membership – Russell Saray & Tami Hausman

Seashore Defense Fund – Russell Saray

BOFFO – Faris Al-Shathir

Open forum for members – comments and questions may be directed to all community leaders and committee chairs

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Pines Marina Fire Island

Spring is upon us and after a relatively mild winter the harbor sustained very little damage. There was no damage to the poles, and except for a few boards that needed to be nailed back down, the harbor is in good shape to start our season.

Dredging will take place the last two weeks in May as usual The main dredging will take place at the mouth of the harbor and in the forward slips on the East side of the harbor. We are not certain at this point if we will have sand to sell but a blast e mail will go out to all homeowners once that decision is made.

The 2019 season is looking the best we have looked in many years. We are completely full and have started a waiting list for seasonal boaters. We have left 5 slips open on the West hook for transient boaters. We are already fully reserved for the July 4th week. We felt it was important to leave a certain number of slips open rather in order to maintain that we are still want to be a a destination and be able to accommodate as much as possible. The West hook also can be difficult for seasonal boaters due to the exposure to the weather conditions.

Last season we started using Dockwa which was an online reservation portal. We found this to be very successful especially being able to chat directly with the boater. We will continue to use this online reservation portal. We will continue with our 10% discount to all first time boaters to the Pines.

We will continue with our advertising through various boater publications both locally and East Coast.

We are extremely fortunate to have Capt. Dennis Murphy starting his 19th season with us as our Harbor Master.

Wishing everyone a safe and wonderful 2019 season.

Jim Vandernoth
Harbor Chair.

Capt. Dennis Murphy
Harbor Master.

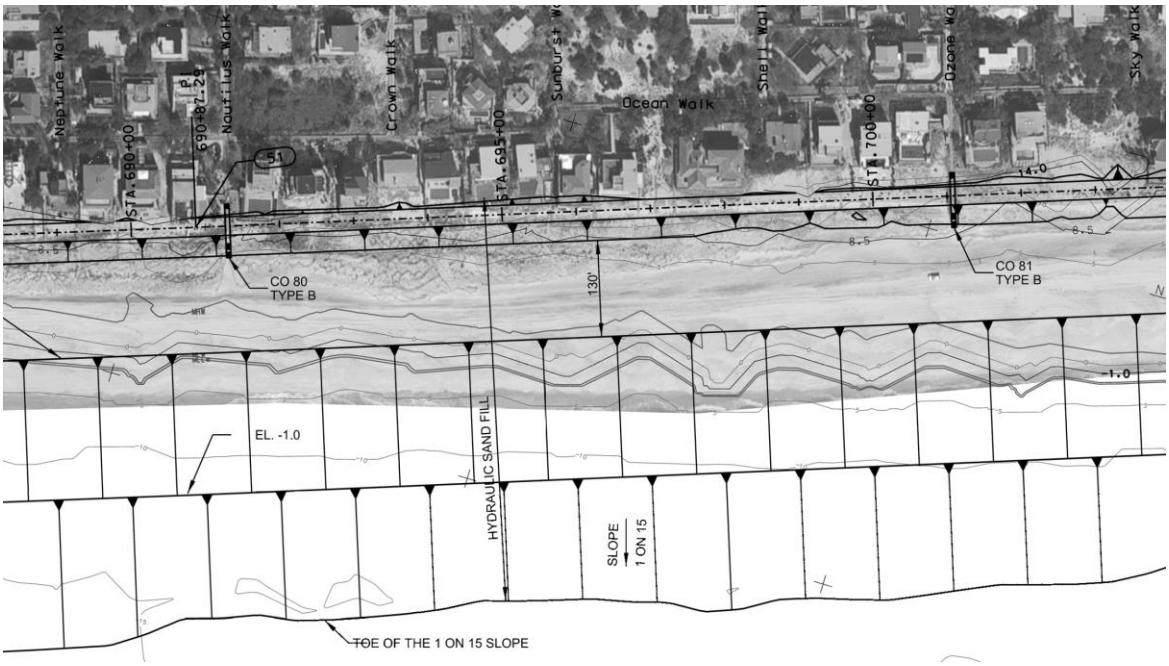
Fire Island Pines
SEASHORE
DEFENSE
FUND

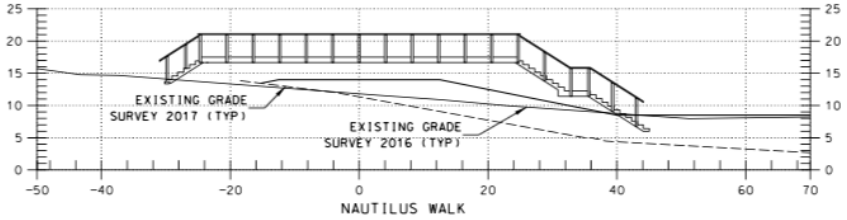
Return of the Dune!

Mother Nature fired her first, very powerful warning shot on August 26, 2011—Hurricane Irene. Very soon thereafter, FIPPOA relaunched the Seashore Defense Fund (SDF) in recognition that our dunes and beaches—our most precious resource—were at serious risk. No beaches, no dunes, no Fire Island Pines. We rallied. We responded with a massive beach scraping. We installed thousands of feet of sand fencing and planted thousands of grass seedlings. We continued the work to fill SDF's coffers knowing that Mother Nature has a mind of her own.

October 29, 2012, **2,392 days ago**—Superstorm Sandy—the second-costliest hurricane in United States history. The Pines was devastated but we fought back. While homeowners rebuilt, SDF and FIPPOA focused on the dune and our beaches. Working with local government we once again installed sand fencing, planted grass, cleaned the beaches of tons of debris and found yet another temporary solution—TrapBags. They fought a good battle but they weren't designed to last for six years. Our beach is at its most vulnerable and looks like crap. The sand replenishment could not come sooner. Over 1,000,000 cubic yards are on the way.

For seven years, FIPPOA and SDF have worked tirelessly; pushing for the FIMI (Fire Island to Moriches Inlet) dunes reclamation project to be completed. Financed with $60 million in federal funding; once completed the Pines and all our sister Fire Island communities will be sitting behind a new dune built on a scale that dwarfs any beach reclamation project in the past. The good news— the return of the dune is finally in our sights. Homes have been moved, remodeled and pools replaced. Our community is resilient! The Pines will have the largest manmade barrier between it and the Atlantic since its founding in the early1950s. It is hard to wrap your arms around the scale of the replenishment. Take a closer look at this aerial shot and drawing. Note the sand will be dredged into the ocean, too. The beach from north to south will be the length of a football field. The new public beach access walks will be fortified to withstand severe storms. Coast Guard Walk and Fisherman Walk will be ADA accessible.





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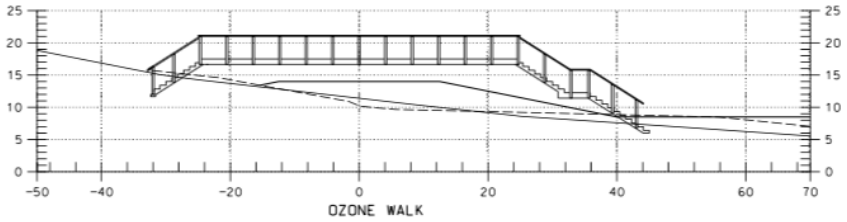

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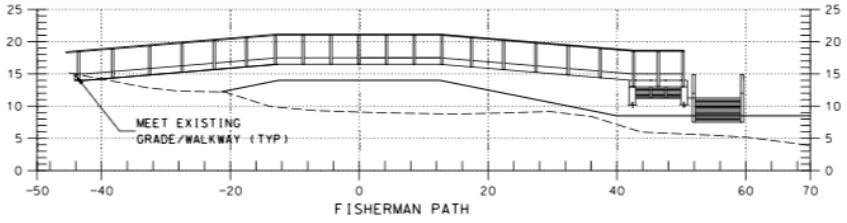

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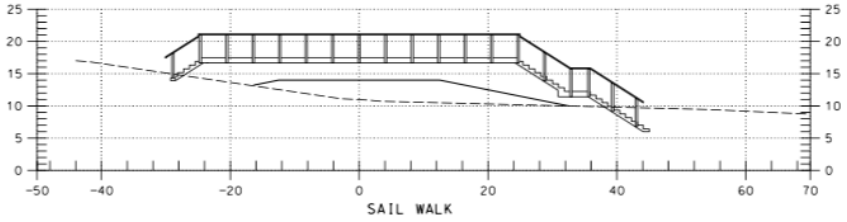

SAIL WALK

However, it is not yet time to celebrate. We need to remain vigilant and commit ourselves to doing everything in our power to prepare, preserve and protect our new dune once it is installed. One thing that is certain is bigger and stronger storms are inevitable. Once our dune is restored there are no guarantees of whom will maintain it. Keeping the coffers filled is key. We will also continue to raise community awareness of the fragility of our dune and what each of us can do to protect it.

There is one thing above all that we can do. We must commit ourselves, our friends, renters, and visitors to our community to preserve the dunes by not walking on them. These signs will be back up as soon as our as our beach is restored.



The 2019 hurricane season will soon be upon us. Support the Seashore Defense Fund with your dollars and by pledging to be personally responsible for keeping the dune healthy—now and in the future. Check out our website and consider a donation, too. http://seashoredefensefund.org. Or, purchase a SDF tote bag at The Pines Pantry. The Pines Pantry and The Pines Liquor Shop continue their partnership with us. They have championed our cause since the beginning. Thank you!

Every time you take a few extra steps to reach the beach by a public access stairway take pride that you are supporting the Seashore Defense Fund. You are an active soldier in the ongoing battle to save our dune and community.

Happy summer!

Russell Saray SDF, Chair

FIRE ISLAND PINES VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
P.O. BOX 193 **SAYVILLE, NY 11782**

TO: The FIPPOA Membership

FROM: Chief Joe Geiman

DATE: May 18, 2019

RE: Spring Meeting

I would like to welcome everyone back to another season in Fire Island Pines. As the Fire Island Pines Fire Department celebrates its 60th year of service to this community, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the dedicated men and women of the Fire Department. Their dedication, commitment and service to our community should be an exemplary example of the best of volunteerism that exists in all of us.

In 2018 there were 36 alarms reported for Fire Island Pines: 5 – Structure Fires; 2 – Electrical Hazards; 2 – Hazardous Conditions (Gas Leaks); 1 – Chief's Investigations; 1 – Water Rescue / Medical Emergency; 1 – CO Alarm; 1 – BBQ Fire; 4 – Residential Automatic Alarms; 8 – Commercial Automatic Alarms; and 11 – Mutual Aid calls to Neighboring Fire Departments.

I again remind everyone that Hurricane Season starts June 1st. And Hurricane Season does not end until November 30th. It is important, especially with our current beach conditions, that everyone make themselves familiar with our communities Hurricane Preparedness Plan. If you would like to obtain a copy of the Plan, please go to our website at **www.fipfd.org** and click on **Hurricane Prep** to download a copy.

Our 12 Water Rescue Bags in the Pines will be in place before Memorial Day. In the event of a water emergency, please follow the instructions on the Water Rescue Boxes. It is important that you do not swim alone and never at night. If you find a Water Rescue Bag has been tampered with or damaged, please notify the firehouse at **597-6860**. We will take care of any problems at our earliest convenience.

This year the fire department will continue its intensive training program for all our Firefighters and Fire Auxiliary members. Training's will be conducted throughout the community. So, we apologize in advance for any inconvenience we may cause residents during our training sessions. Again, there will be a total of twenty-three (23) drills in Fire Island Pines, our neighboring communities and at the Suffolk County Fire Academy in Yaphank. Drills will continue throughout the remainder of the 2019 season ending in the middle of October.

Your fire department continues looking for new members to serve as Firefighters or Fire Auxiliary members. Our recruitment drive is always looking for more good men and women. One new member was added to the fire department roster last year, and two more are already pending this season. Remember, we are an **all volunteer** fire department. So, if you think that you have what it takes to be a member of the Fire Island Pines Fire Department call us at **597-6860** and leave a message or visit us at our website at **www.fipfd.org** and click on **Join the Department**.

****REMEMBER**** **-** This year's 11th Annual Community BBQ and Open House is Saturday, July 13th from Noon to 2:30 pm. As always, there will be good food and drink, great music by our favorite resident DJ Mike Borowski, raffle prizes, and T-Shirts for sale. So, come and have a good time and help us celebrate 60 years of service to the Fire Island Pines community.

A quick reminder to all those Residents that have Boardwalk Vehicles and/or Roadway Vehicles. Fire Vehicle access is always an issue here in the Pines. So, whenever possible please keep the boardwalks and Burma Road clear for fire department vehicle access.

Thank you
Be careful and stay safe,
Joe Geiman
Chief of Department

Fire Island Pines Fire District
P.O. Box 193
Sayville, New York 11782

May 18, 2019

Dear Community Members:

The Fire Island Pines Fire District has remained busy over the winter season in our responsibility of managing the Fire Department facilities. We have continued our yearly testing of equipment and have been busy with outfitting the Water Island Protection District in a coordinated effort with our Fire Department. We have had new responsibilities since the Suffolk County Water Authority completed the extension of a water main from the Pines to Water Island.

Our newest truck, 5-28-4 has been paid for in full this year with your tax dollars. We will continue our policy of using reserve account monies for capital purchases, such as a State mandated radio system which was recently purchased. It will be activated in June of this year. We continue to purchase bunker gear (turnout gear), air cylinders and fire detection aids used to locate fire within a structure.

We wanted to thank, Lisa Monjardo who has served as our Treasurer/Secretary for the last eighteen months and we welcome Patrick Forrett as our new Treasurer/Secretary.

At our July 9th, 2019 Board Meeting, there will be an election for a new Commissioner. The position will be effective as of January 1, 2010 and will have a term of five-years. If there are any State registered voting members of the community who have an interest in the position, please reach out to us at commissioners@fipfd.org

We ask all contractors and members of the community to not park vehicles on boardwalks, and the roadways. There have been many issues by the freight dock where some of our vehicles cannot pass. This impedes our ability to respond to a fire in a timely manner.

We wish to thank the community for their continued support and wish them a safe and happy summer.

Sincerely,

Richard W. Barry, Chair
Douglas Teague, Co-Chair
Rosemary Coluccio
Frank Corradino
Walter Boss

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CARECENTER

P.O. Box 5333
Fire Island Pines NY 11782-0959
www.pinescarecenter.org

May 2019

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As the Pines Care Center (PCC) starts the 2019 season, we want to thank the community for its generous support, which enables the continued provision of routine medical services in the Pines.

This year we have commitments from doctors to offer their services almost continually, starting earlier than usual (May 17th) and running through the end of September. We continue to offer services and many medications at the PCC free-of-charge, a direct result of your request and generosity. In 2018, 16 paid doctors saw approximately 500 patients in the clinic, while they also attended to many out-of-office calls.

The PCC relies on the Pines community for financial support. We ask that you make a contribution to the PCC. You can make a contribution at *pinescarecenter.org*, or you can mail in your contribution using the following form, or you can drop the form off at the Doctor's Office at 577 Coast Guard Walk.

If you're acknowledged in the Donor's List on our website as one of our supporters in 2018, we sincerely thank you and hope you will continue your commitment this year. If you have not contributed in the past, we encourage you to join your neighbors and service providers who help ensure that we are able to enjoy our time in the Pines with the peace of mind in knowing that medical services are nearby if needed.

If you have an emergency, please remember to call 911 first, and then the doctor at PCC at (631) 597–6160. Our doctors will be available for routine office visits most days in the summer season from 11 a.m. to noon, and from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

And please attend our **PCC Opening Party on Sunday, May 26th, from 5-7PM at Whyte Hall**. Everyone is invited, admission is free, and drinks are free.

Sincerely,
The Pines Care Center Board of Directors

Stephen Hayes, President
Demetrios Sengos DDS, Vice President
Jane Groveman – Paul Hopkins III – Albert Lepage – Ron Martin – Karen Nicosia, RN
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You may make your donation by check or by credit card.

If by credit card:
Please charge my Pines Care Center contribution to my:

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Spring 2019

Dear Fire Island Pines Neighbors:

The Greater Fire Island Pines Chamber is a group of select businesses supporting the growth of the Pines Community. The organization was incorporated in 2002 and currently consists of over 46 local businesses, all duly licensed and insured at time of membership if applicable. All members of the Greater Fire Island Pines Chamber of Commerce are dedicated to serving the needs of the community by providing essential professional services and supporting the community's infrastructure.

In addition to each individual member so serving the community through their vocations, the Greater Fire Island Pines Chamber of Commerce seeks to provide the community with advocacy and a liaison with local officials, to help the community realize important goals and to enhance the environment within which we work.

During the last two years the Chamber has worked closely with members of the FIPPOA Boulevard Committee in organizing and enhancing the contractor areas along FI Boulevard. Over this past winter we worked with FIPPOA and the Highway Department to stabilize the muddy areas of the Boulevard with stone, we have already hosted the Annual Kentucky Derby party and will be sponsoring a second event in September.

The Greater Fire Island Pines Chamber welcomes you to the 2019 Season and looks forward to continuing our work within the community.

Sincerely,
Douglas Teague
President

PINES CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Serving the Fire Island Pines Community Since 1966

IINFO@PINESCONSERVATIONSOCIETY.ORG

WELCOME BACK EVERYONE

WE ARE EXCITED ABOUT OUR PLANS FOR 2019 BUT FIRST SOME UPDATES:

- PCS SUCCESSFULLY CONTINUED THE REMOVAL OF DEAD PINE TREES FROM THE RIGHT OF WAYS OF ALL PINE'S BOARDWALKS
- WITH THE REMOVAL AND CHIPPING OF (42) TREES THIS WINTER.
- PCS HAS COMPLETED ITS ANNUAL TREE OFFERING WITH BOTH NATIVE TREES AND THE TRADITIONAL BLACK PINE. WE WILL BE DELIVERING 50 PLUS TREES THE WEEK AFTER MEMORIAL DAY.
- PCS WILL BE ADDING TO ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN 2019.

NOW HERE'S WHAT WE HAVE PLANNED:

- THANK YOU FOR YOUR POSITIVE OVERWHELMING RESPONSE TO OUR NATIVE PLANT TOUR. WE ARE CONTINUING OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH NATIONAL PARK SERVICE (NPS) AND LOOK FORWARD TO PROVIDING A BAY TOUR WITH NPS. STAY TUNED FOR DATE AND MORE INFORMATION AND ADDED FEATURES TO THE TOUR. PLEASE SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK SO THAT WE CAN ONCE AGAIN EXPLORE THE NATURAL ECOSYSTEM OF FIRE ISLAND, TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY.
- OUR TRADITIONAL FALL FUNDRAISER BRUNCH WILL BE HELD THE SUNDAY OF LABOR DAY WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 1ST. WE ARE PLANNING ON THE RETURN OF OUR SILENT ART AUCTION AS PART OF THE BRUNCH. WE HAVE ALREADY SECURED SEVERAL VALUABLE PIECES FOR THIS YEAR'S AUCTION. THE BRUNCH WILL ONCE AGAIN BE CATERED BY OUR OWN BILLY CARROLL OF WILLIAM CARROLL EVENTS.

IT'S THROUGH YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT THAT WE ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE THESE EVENTS AND SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THIS SUMMER.

SCOTT AHLBORN / PRESIDENT PCS

BOARD MEMBERS

VINCENT CERICOLA, KENT DILLON, GARY GROFF, BOB HOWARD, JOHN KRAWCHUK, STEVE NORRING, RUSSELL SARAY, JIM STREACKER, LORI ZELLER,

FIRE ISLAND PINES ARTS PROJECT

Dear Friends & Neighbors,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Fire Island Pines Arts Project (FIPAP), I want to welcome you back to the Pines.

FIPAP is excited to announce our new website is up and running. You can renew your membership, become an underwriter, volunteer to house a cast member, signup to be an artist at the Art Show, and purchase tickets to any of our events. Please visit us at fipap.org for more details.

Our 2019 season starts off with our extremely popular Unplugged Series. We begin on May 25 with our first Unplugged at 5pm with Carly Ozard – A Broadway Tribute. Carly played Magenta in last year's hit, THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW. A powerhouse vocalist, Carly will perform an intimate show packed with outstanding Broadway hits.

We continue our joint venture with Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS, with Broadway Bares Fire Island on June 1. Always a special event, those scantily clad boys and girls return for a show created especially for the Pines. Show times are 7PM and 9PM.

On Saturday, June 15 at 5pm, we continue our Unplugged collaboration with Harry Inglis and Glencourse Music with music for string trio.

On Saturday, August 3, we are proud to host our 17th Annual Biennial Art Show at Whyte Hall. This is a chance to view and purchase fine art pieces created by Pines artists. FIPAP Sponsors and Underwriters gain access to a special preview/hors d'oeuvres hour prior to the general sale.

Our third Unplugged event will take place on Saturday, August 10. Metropolitan Opera Baritone Yuppeng Wang and MET accompanist Bryan Wagorn will perform at 5PM.

After a long hiatus, we are excited to welcome back Tony's Shorts 2019 on Saturday, August 17. Programed, directed and produced by Tony Impavido, Tony will delight us with a collection of international classic and contemporary short films guaranteed to make you smile. Cocktails are at 6:30PM and film at 7PM.

On Labor Day Weekend, FIPAP presents THE 25th ANNUAL PUTNAM COUNTY SPELLING BEE, a musical with music & lyrics by William Finn and a book by Rachel Sheinkin. An eclectic group of six mid-pubescents vie for the spelling championship of a lifetime. While candidly disclosing hilarious and touching stories from their home lives, the tweens spell their way through a series of (potentially made-up) words, hoping never to hear the soul-crushing, pout-inducing, life un-affirming "ding" of the bell that signals a spelling mistake. Six spellers enter; one speller leaves! Performances are on Saturday, August 31 at 6PM and Sunday, September 1 at 6PM & 9PM.

And finally, our fourth Unplugged will take place on Saturday, September 7 at 2PM featuring the classical guitarist Richard Savino and a special guest singer.

FIPAP is always looking for volunteers to help with our many projects. There are many behind-the-scenes tasks like assisting with ticket sales, helping out at Whyte Hall with the show, or just cleaning up after one of our events. If you would like to get involved, please visit our website at fipap.org.

We look forward to seeing you at a FIPAP event this summer!!!

Best wishes,
Steven Alan Black, President

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FIRE ISLAND PINES
Historical Preservation Society

We continue to grow on both social media platforms Facebook and Instagram. Our website content also is growing as we continue to add new historical information. This makes our site a resource for many wanting to learn about not only the Pines, but Cherry Grove also. We receive over 200 hits daily. We began last season with our 1970's Aerial exhibit "Where Ocean meets Sky" at Whyte Hall with a great turnout. Then our 6th annual Souvenirs event at the Tea Dance at the Blue Whale. Pairing the iconic DJ Robbie Leslie with some of our current DJs seems to be a winning combination where not only do both have a great learning exchange, but we get a multi-generational event. Throughout the season we sell our vintage logo merchandise at our Pop-Up location. This income helps pay for our website management and allows us to create new events. We ended the season with a bang selling out Whyte Hall to its largest capacity with our showing of the Studio 54 documentary. This coming fall we will begin work with LIU and Professor Gregg Hunter under a grant we are part of to begin digitizing some of our archives. We are grateful to the community that continue to support this important work.

This coming season we are celebrating a historic moment in Pines history with the 40th anniversary of the party called "Beach." We are releasing a commemorative book and will hold a "Boardwalk Talk" panel discussion with the creators Ron Martin and Scott Bromley and participants Walter Boss and France Joli. We then will celebrate with a special Souvenirs "Beach 40" edition at Low Tea at the Blue Whale with DJ Robbie Leslie and a special performance by France Joli. This all happens on Saturday July 6th.

Bobby Bonanno, President
Scott Bromley, Vice President
Bo Fridsberg, Secretary
Wayne Heyser, Treasurer

Congregation B'nai Olam
Fire Island Pines

Congregation B'Nai Olam was pleased to provide High Holiday services for it's 46th year in Fire Island Pines. We welcomed all members of the community to our services and the Rosh Hashanah lunch at Whyte Hall. We had a smaller but intimate gathering for Yom Kippur services. Please watch the community bulletin board for Shabbat gatherings on the last Friday of the month starting in June. We also want to congratulate our Rabbi, Hara Person as The Central Conference of American Rabbis (CCAR) announced her as the organization's new chief executive. If you would like more information about our congregation or it's services, please feel free to email us at Pinescongregation@gmail.com.

Marc Berman
President
Congregation B'Nai Olam

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Catholic Mass

at the beach

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Fire Island Pines

Cherry Grove &

Water Island

Whyte Hall Community Center

Sundays @ 12:30pm

June 16th - Sept. 8th

ALL are Invited

