

18th Annual Sunset at Sandy Hook September 15, 2006

Sunset at Sandy Hook was attended by over 200 guests who enjoyed tasty fare, fun-filled fundraising games, and music by guitarist Michael Gilhool, saxophonist Gerald Gates, and The Jazz Lobsters. Thanks to the Sunset Committee for their extraordinary leadership and creativity: **Chairperson Janine Karoly, Joanne DeCuollo, Susan Drastal, Christine Farrugia, Liz Lehmann, Elisabeth O'Connell, Debbie Schluter, and Stevie Thompson.**

Participating restaurants and caterers were: Abraham's Natural Foods, Anna's Italian Kitchen, As You Like It Catering, Bahrs Landing, Barnacle Bill's, Basil T's Brewery & Italian Grill, Chilango's Mexican Restaurant, Cold Stone Creamery, Dearborn Market, Ecco Bella, Foodini's, Gaetano's, Gourmet Picnic, Green Mountain Coffee Roasters, Hook Line n' Sinkers, The Melting Pot, My Kitchen Witch, Klein's Fish Market, The Lusty Lobster, Pasta Fresca Café & Market, Salle Tee's, Sickles Market, Tavolo Pronto, Tavolo Trattoria Italiano, Val's Tavern, Windansea, and Yumi. Awards were presented to those who have supported the event over the past five years: As You Like It Catering, Bahrs Landing, Barnacle Bill's, Gourmet Picnic, The Lusty Lobster, Salt Creek Grille, Val's Tavern, and Windansea.

A new highlight of the evening was a chance raffle to win a strand of rare South Sea Baroque pearls valued at \$4000, thanks to the donation by Gem of An Idea, Fair Haven. Owner Maureen Bay awarded the winner, Valerie Dowd Webb, and dubbed her "Queen of the Sea".

Wheel of Chance boardwalk-style game and coral display made a splash with over 60 gift certificates donated by local businesses and restaurants.



*(Left) A "sunsational" crowd at Sunset
(Below) Jersey Paddler's John Durrua and wife Jen, who donated a kayak for the silent auction*



*(Left) Ed Segall & Cindy Zipf celebrate at "sunset;" (Right) Maureen Bay and Elisabeth O'Connell announce "Queen of the Sea" with COA's Jennifer Smiga and Cindy Zipf;
(Below L-R) A tiki hut from Chapel Beach Club decorated by Guaranteed Plants & Florists; Shore Point and Coors Light's longboard door prize donation; Lusty Lobster's raw bar; WNBC-TV's Brian Thompson and COA's Kari Jermansen*



The evening bloomed with generosity thanks to:

**The Segall Family of The Sea Gulls' Nest Deck Restaurant
The Staff of Gateway National Recreation Area--Sandy Hook**

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Joe Schluter & Cindy Zipf: Chance Wheel and Coral Display
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Janine Karoly, Shore Point Distributors, The Lusty Lobster, Bahrs Landing: Sponsor Gifts

Volunteers:

The Culinary Education Center, a collaborative effort between Brookdale Community College & Monmouth County Vocational School
Red Bank Catholic High School Students
Rumson Fair Haven Regional High School Environmental Club Students
Bartenders: Rick Jones, Steve Schrenk, Joe Schuller, and Scott Thompson
Volunteer Coordinators: Jessie Barrett, Tyler Thompson
Registration Volunteers: Barbara Bennett, Elizabeth MacWilliam, Julie McWilliam, Stephanie Renn, and Jackie Yorke

