

# Bay Head Historical Society

*Serving Bay Head, Mantoloking and Lovelandtown  
P. O. Box 127, Bay Head, NJ 08742*

## Newsletter ~ Fall 2014

Greetings Members, Friends and Neighbors,

The Loveland Homestead Museum is wrapping up another successful season. This has been a busy summer of experimentation, trying something new and different. Our major show "FOLK ART OF BARNEGAT BAY" was accompanied by several local folk artists demonstrating their Barnegat Bay crafts; notably basketry, spinning, quilting and decoy carving. These events were well attended and we plan to continue them in the future.



Gary Bell and Brad Holloway

This was followed by a show from our own collection, augmented with a display of old cameras from local collectors, titled "HISTORY THRU THE LENS". As one visitor wrote, "Through the lenses of generations of cameras, viewers experience the lives and relationships of Bay Head more than ten decades ago. This private photography collection of the late William Schoettle absorbs its viewers into the summer days of white linen dressed, boaters, and the bygone modesty of woolen swimsuits. Cathie Coleman, museum coordinator and curator, installed "HISTORY THRU THE LENS" with a harmony and a clarity which take museum visitors through an evocative keyhole of time."



Opening the Friday after Thanksgiving, November 28, 2014, will be "THE HISTORY OF DUCK BOATS AND THE DUCK BOAT CHAMPIONSHIP WORLDS". Local artist, Kate Cutler's atmospheric duck boat paintings in watercolor and acrylic medium, and David Hunziker's photographs of the duck boat races at Mantoloking Yacht Club are the core of this exhibit. This is a great place to entertain those holiday guests.

As I previously reported, the Loveland Homestead Museum did sustain damage two years ago from Superstorm Sandy. We were recently fortunate to receive an informal review by an engineer from DW Smith Associates, *Greengineering*, who strongly recommended some repair work. We also need to upgrade lighting, electrical systems, plumbing and storage facilities. A **capital campaign** is being organized to finance these repairs and renovations. We would appreciate donations, volunteers and ideas to further this campaign.

I hope you all have an enjoyable holiday season and join us in our holiday celebration on Sunday, December 7, 2014.

Doris Czarnecki

President





*You are Invited to  
Bay Head Historical Society's  
Annual Holiday Party  
Sunday, December 7, 4 to 6 pm  
at the home of  
Dorothy and Donald Monks  
820 East Avenue, Bay Head*

*Preservation Awards will be presented.*

*Members only*



What's the Connection?

Is there a connection between  
"Minnesota Fats" and Bay Head?  
For a bit of history, see back page.



## SPOTLIGHT: OUR TEEN HELPERS

Three high school student workers were of great assistance in making the museum function smoothly this year.

Katherine Kervick worked hard cataloging, documenting information and helping hang an exhibit at the Bay Head Chapel to celebrate their 125 anniversary and the "History Thru the Lens" exhibit.

Kyle and Shane McAlidin volunteered their time most weekends of the summer in our garden. Under the direction of Board of Trustees member, Tom Van Nostrand, they planted and maintained our first ever vegetable garden, which provided us and our resident ground hog with some good eating!

Thank you, Katherine, Kyle and Shane for all your hard work!

## PHOTO PROJECT COMPLETED

Bay Head Historic District photographic project has been completed. Darren Erbe has taken pictures of all the properties in the District. This will serve us well as a post Superstorm Sandy record. Feel free to visit the Loveland Homestead Museum to read thru the National Registration of Historic places and look at the new photographs. If the museum is closed, you may contact us through the Constant Contact section on our website and request an appointment.

## BHHS LOGO CONTEST - \$100 PRIZE

Have fun, be creative, and even collaborate with your family and friends to design the Bay Historical Society logo. The logo may be used on many things; stationary, tee shirts and the website. Anyone can participate, and our local schools are especially encouraged to submit entries. To learn more about the Society, feel free to stop by the Loveland Homestead Museum at the corner of Bay and Bridge Avenues any Saturday or Sunday from 1-4pm until December 21, Or you may contact us through our web-site [www.bayheadhistoricalsociety](http://www.bayheadhistoricalsociety). Keep in mind the March 1, 2015 submission deadline for all entries. Remember to include "Bay Head Historical Society" as part of your logo. Be sure to include your contact details. Submit all entries to:



BHHS LOGO CONTEST

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## Jackie Gleason

The building now known as the Sandy Rail was originally built as the Madison Hotel, serving guests who arrived at the nearby railroad station. Through the years the building has served as a boarding house, restaurant, and pool hall. It now houses the BHIA and other offices and shops with apartments on the second floor. It has been reported that during its pool hall days, Jackie Gleason was known to have been a visitor, probably running the table at least once or twice. Gleason went on to portray Minnesota Fats, one of the great legends of the game of pool in the classic film "The Hustler".



Bay Head has a rich and wonderful history that is well worth saving. We can not accomplish the task without your help. Please consider making a donation or lending a helping hand. Let us know if you have special talents or interests. Contact us at [www. BayHeadHistoricalSociety.com](http://www.BayHeadHistoricalSociety.com), We look forward to hearing from you.

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**Renew your membership, make a donation:** Your contributions are very important to help restore and maintain our valuable collections, as well as our buildings and grounds. Income allows us to continue to present exhibits and programs which are interesting and educational. Your donation is tax deductible; your check is your receipt. BHHS is a tax-exempt corporation (223219135). Mail your check to BHHS, P.O. Box 127, Bay Head, NJ 08742

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