

EVENTS

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Thanks to the Beach Ball Committee (pictured above):

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Gourmet Picnic served crowd-pleasing fare



Children make crafts with Blue Tulip



Beachy fun for all ages!

Annual Beach Ball Was a Big Hit!

Over 200 friends braved the rain and celebrated beachside under the big top and raised over \$38,000 at COA's Annual **Family Beach Ball for the Ocean**. The event was held on Sunday, May 18, and hosted by The Jackson Family and the Ship Ahoy Beach Club in Sea Bright. The event also raised awareness about the looming liquefied natural gas (LNG)

ports proposed off the coast (*see related story*). Cindy Zipf urged the crowd to help reach our goal of 25,000 citizen petition signatures against the proposals.

Guests enjoyed beachy fare by Gourmet Picnic, seafood by Lusty Lobster and Fisherman's Dock Co-Op, smoothies by Surf Taco, ice cream by The Sweet Cow, delectable cookies, raspberry bars, and cupcakes by The Flaky Tart, tiki bar refreshments from Hunterdon Brewing Co. and Island Margaritas, and festive ferns and florals by Guaranteed Plants & Florist.

Families moved to the reggae beat of Random Test, participated in a "Flip Your Lid" beach hat contest, and enjoyed sand sculptures by Bill Cichone. Children made their own volcanoes with Look What I Can Do and decorated their own tote bags with Blue Tulip. Special thanks to "Flip Your Lid" judges: Nick Brown and COA's youngest committee member Casey Wolfe.

The Beach Ball fundraiser was a huge success! Auctions raised over \$10,000 and included unique prizes such as a "Cowabunga" Catered Party for 30 people by Gourmet Picnic and Lusty Lobster, a signed Eli Manning *Sports Illustrated* Cover, a day for six at Ship Ahoy Beach Club, two fantastic packages from Tiffany and Co., and much more!



Under the Big Top -- Beach Ball Mania!



Beach ball fun and giggles



Megan Gilhool, "Flip Your Lid" Beach Hat Winner, and Judge Nick Brown

Beach Ball Sponsors:

Skee Ball: Hoagie Haven, Hunterdon Brewing Co., Gordon N. Litwin, Matzel & Mumford, Medallion Financial Corp., New Jersey Natural Gas, Shore Point Distributors, Peek a and Art Tildesley Family, Torcon, Inc.

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Beach Ball Underwriters:

Sperry Tents of New Jersey - Tents

Tracy and Nick Brown - Reggae Band

Artistic Tile - Decorations

Resources Real Estate - Posters and Signage

Monmouth Memorial Park

Casey and James Wolfe - Children's Games



Andrew and Gavin Mencinsky of Surfers' Environmental Alliance



Beach Cruiser Bike Race: Cruisin' for a Clean Ocean

Ted Shred's 2nd Annual Beach Cruiser Bike Race on May 10 was a blast for everyone and a successful day of outreach and fundraising for the ocean!

The race was an enjoyable ride through Sandy Hook toward Fort Hancock with over 100 people racing. The event concluded with an after-party at Ted Shred's Headquarters in Highlands, NJ. Prizes were awarded for speed and for the "Coolest Cruiser."

Refreshments were donated by Surf Taco Coastal Cuisine, Shaka Shaved Ice and JR's. Families enjoyed music by Barry and the Penetrators of Belmar, and The Cool and Deadly of Brooklyn, NY. Jetty Apparel and Katin were on hand with great clothing, with portions of proceeds going to Clean Ocean Action and Boarders without Borders.

Many thanks to event sponsors Ted Shred's Original Surf Wax Candle Co., Katin, Simple, Surf Taco Coastal Cuisine, Jetty, Spellbinders, Barewires, Universe Graphics, JR's, Exkate, Goldtinker of Deal, and The Peddler of Long Branch.



Caroline, Ed, and Indigo Jane Hennessey with COA's Cindy Zipf at the conclusion of the race



2007 Champions compete again!



COA volunteers Cory Herrala and Tyler Thompson



Racers in Ted Shred's Beach Cruiser Bike Race, Gateway National Recreation Area, Sandy Hook



Special thanks to "Barry and the Penetrators," Belmar and "The Cool and Deadly," Brooklyn

Join us at Blue Tulip for a shopping event to help raise funds for Clean Ocean Action.

Thursday, June 5, 2008
All Day

Mention you're shopping for Clean Ocean Action
15% of the proceeds from your purchase will be donated to help Clean Ocean Action improve the degraded water quality of the marine waters off the New Jersey/New York coast

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Atlantic City Electric Continues Partnership with COA



A team from Atlantic City Electric participated in the Beach Sweeps in Atlantic City. The company is a 2008 sponsor of Atlantic City, Brigantine, Cape May, and Sea Isle City sites. Also, AC Electric announced that COA is one of three organizations to benefit from the company's 3rd Annual Fall Charity Golf Classic, on September 8 at the Marriott Seaview Country Club Resort. AC Electric's actions "fore" the ocean and community are a hole-in-one.