

# The Violet Letter

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*Look out, boys! There's a new drag in town! At the Turnabout Show last Sunday at The Ice Palace, the staff became the entertainment and the entertainers ran the show...Porsche at the DJ booth and lights, and DJ Chuck in drag as Lady Charles...you get the pandemonius picture! Here, Cocktail waiter and Porter Todd put on a dress and heels...and seemed to love it! He was a wonderful lyp-syncer! Hope to see more of him! Photo by Dell. Go to [TheVioletLetter.com](http://TheVioletLetter.com) for more photos from this event...*

**August 17 – 19** Ascension Weekend...the ultimate party on the Pines beach. And party in the Grove!

## **Friday August 17**

**5 – 7 PM** Sybil Bruncheon's Fun and GAYmes at The Ice Palace. Come laugh.

**6 PM** Lobster night is back and better than ever! Get up to Sand Castle on the Ocean for Obscenely Stuffed Lobster and King Crab legs!

**8 – 11 PM** Dan Daly on piano at the new Sandcastle on the Ocean.

**7 – 9 PM** Classic 70's Disco at Cherry's.

**8 – 9 PM** Guest Artist in Residence speaks at the Firehouse. Free!

**9 PM** DJ Susan Levine spins at Cherry's.

**9:30 PM** The Ice Palace features the many voices of Porsche singing live!

**11 PM** Dirty Go Go Boyz at Cherry's with Bianca Del Rio at Midnight.

*Thank our advertisers...they make this*

**11 PM Daniel Nardicio's** Underwear Party at The Ice Palace.

## **Saturday August 18**

**9 AM – 12 Noon** Breakfast at Cherry's! Overlooking the Bay.

**3 – 5 PM** APCG's *Around the World in 90 Minutes...* Short Stories at The Community House. Readings from several writers of new works.

**3 PM** Diving Divas with Logan Hardcore and special guest William from RuPaul's Drag Race in a Pool Show at The Ice Palace. Crazy fun!

**3 – 6 PM** Rosie the Wienie Woman at Ice Palace. Free hot dogs!

**4 PM** Lez Volleyball Tournament After Party with DJ Stacy at Cherry's. Come meet the players!

**6 – 9 PM** CGCAI Honors Awards... tickets required. Get them from a CGCAI Board Member or call Bobbi at 597-6769. This year, honoring Matt Baney, Michael Coffindaffer and Carl Luss. And special spotlight award to Wally Forstell posthumously. Dinner and dancing under the stars. All proceeds to Save Our House (for the Community House and Theatre).

**7 – 10 PM** Dan Daly plays piano at Island Breeze. Come sing along!

**8 PM** Porsche LIVE! At the Ice Palace.

**9 PM** Sandra Bernhardt performs live at The Ice Palace. With Lea DeLaria. Part of the ICON series. Tickets at [dworld.us](http://dworld.us).

**9 PM** Masquerade Bell at Cherry's with DJ Susan Levine. Get your costume on! *newsletter possible! Check the website!*

**FREE! Available at most Cherry Grove & Pines businesses...or subscribe! Just \$20 all summer long...delivered to your CG door!**



**Hedda Lettuce...unusual name for a world-famous drag comedian...appearing at Cherry's every Tuesday at 10 PM. She is very funny! She's our Queen of Green! Dell Harbin photo.**

**11:30 PM** It's FRAT-er-days at Sand Castle. Join pledge master Paul for whatever shenanigans he has up his sleeve. Happy hour on domestic beer all night...let the hazing begin!

**12 Midnight** Dancing at The Ice Palace with NYC DJ Johnny Dynell!

### Sunday August 19

**9 AM – 3 PM** Brunch at Cherry's overlooking the Bay with special menu.

**9 AM – 12 Noon** Breakfast on the ocean at Sand Castle. Inspiring sounds of flute players to start your morning!

**3 PM** Pool Show at The Ice Palace with Ariel and guests. Prepare to get wet!

**4 PM** Pure Silk Tea Dance with DJ Nancy B. At Cherry's.

**6:30 PM** Porsche sings at the Ice Palace.

**7 PM** Bingo at The Community House by APCG. Theme this week is "Drag Queen". Cash and prizes!

**9 PM** The Icon Series continues at The Ice Palace with Comedian Margaret Cho. Tix at [dworld.us](http://dworld.us).

**10 PM** Gusty Winds Show at Cherry's.

**11 PM** Bianca Del Rio at Cherry's.

**11:30 PM** America's Least Wanted perform at Sand Castle...up on the ocean. Brother and sister singing duo Al and Patty join forces with NYC's duct-taped Diva, Busted, for a night of music, comedy and mental issues. So good it should be criminal!

### Monday August 20

**12 Noon** Filming at Cherry's with porn stars jessy Ares, Landon Conrad and Derek Saathoff from The A-List NY and William Belli from RuPaul's Drag Pad.

**5 PM** It's Wacky Bingo and Burgers with Ariel at The Ice Palace! Prize\$!

**7:45 Seating, 8 PM** Dinner and Show Dining with the Divas stars Jackie Dupree singing live! With a special menu at Cherry's! Reservations required 631-597-7859.

**9 PM** Broadway at the Beach with Brandon Cutrell and pianist Joshua Stephen Kartes at The Ice Palace. Open mic musical theatre party...with famous guests from Broadway shows!

**9:30 PM** Divas Part 2 with Valentine singing live. At Cherry's.

**10:30 PM – 1:30 AM** Get cozy with Jack Aaronson on the piano at Sand Castle on the Ocean...beautiful!

**11 PM** Shequida! At The Ice Palace.

### Tuesday August 21

**4 PM** Trivia with Sal Piro at The Ice Palace. Come test your wits! Prizes!

**5 – 10 PM** 2-4-Tuesday at Cherry Lane Café with 1 appetizer, 2 entrees and 1 dessert for just \$35!

**5 to close** It's Specials Night at CG Pizza with Paula cooking...check out their menu! It changes weekly...and everything is wonderful! Includes a drink, salad AND dessert at Sweet Licks. What a deal!! Only on Tuesdays...



**Porsche entertains Friday at 9:30 Saturday at 9 pm Sunday 6:30 pm Shequida performs!! Monday 11 pm Ariel's Kamikaze Kabaret Thursday 9 Pool Shows – Logan Hardcore – Saturday 3 pm Ariel – Sunday 3 PM**

**9:30 PM** Jack Aaronson on the piano at Sand Castle on the Ocean...

**10 PM** Hedda Lettuce Show at Cherry's. She is so funny! And so green!

**11 PM** Dallas DuBois Show at the Ice Palace. She has the high kick - come see!

### Wednesday August 22

**11 AM – 12 Noon** Opera Discussion Group at the Community House. You don't need to know anything...just be interested in opera!

**6 PM** Chinese Buffet over for the year.

**9 PM** Lavinia Draper at Ice Palace. She is a unique singing comedienne! And singer...and dancer...and, well...

**10 PM to close** WIOW! Whip It Out Wednesday is back at The Ice Palace. Movies, guests... Kenny promises hot!

### Thursday August 23

**All day...all night** CG Pizza offers Employee Night! Get your discounted goodies...everything is wonderful!

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*Bianca Leigh does a minute as Norma Desmond, at Dining With The Divas at Cherry's. Photo by Dell.*

**6 PM** Cherry Lane Café offers their Rib Special...just \$17.95! My favorite!

**9:30 – 11:30 PM SHADY BINGO** and a show at Cherry's with Ginger Snapt. Prize\$! **IT IS \$100 this week!!!**

**10 PM** Ariel leads a night of comedy at Kamikaze Kabaret at The Ice Palace. Guest comedians and performers... you might become part of the show! Free!

**12 Midnight** Logan is all Hardcore at the Ice Palace. Yes, Logan is actually uncensored! OMG!!!

**Friday August 24**

**6 PM** Prime Rib Night at Cherry Lane Café...just \$24.95.

**6 PM** Lobster Night is better than ever at Sandcastle! Featuring King Crab Legs, Joe Scialo's Obscenely Stuffed Lobster.

**7 – 9 PM** Classic 70's Disco at Cherry's. Dance with a DJ on their great floor!

**9 PM** Porsche makes the night sizzle with song at the Ice Palace. Love her!

**11 PM** Dirty Go Go Boyz at Cherry's

**12 Mid** Bianca Del Rio at Cherry's. She is very funny...let the insults fly!

**Plan ahead:**

**Saturday August 25**

**11 AM – 3 PM** Archives Show at the Pavilion of The Community House.

**11 AM** Garden Club meeting at 262 Lewis (that's Boatdeck...way west). All are welcome and gardens not required!

**5 PM** Johnny Pools' Prostate Cancer Fundraiser at Cherry's. The ladies raised over \$54,000 for breast cancer...let's all help the men raise more for research too!

**Sunday August 26**

**All day – 3<sup>rd</sup>** Annual Day of Kindness, in honor of Mother Teresa's 102nd birthday. This is a global effort...take the time to be kind to someone...a smile, a kind word! It makes a difference...

**4 PM** Madonna-thon, hosted by the new Miss Cherry's Ginger Snapt with DJ Susan Levine at Cherry's on the Bay.

**Saturday September 1 Labor Day Weekend.**

*If This Piano Could Talk* – a look at the APCG shows over it's 64 year history with new interpretations, and a peek at the juicy tidbits on the stage and behind the curtain! One show only at 8:30 PM. Don't miss it! Tickets at the kiosk this Saturday 11 AM – 1 PM.



*It was an eerie site last Tuesday at The Ice Palace Pool...a performance artist from the Artist in Residence program recreated the historical event in which a Cherry Grove man stayed underwater in a body of water in the Meatrack for over 4 hours, breathing through a reed to avoid arrest and the then practice of publishing their names and photos in the newspapers to shame them. The event was monitored by a lifeguard, and filmed. What a long way we have come! Thank these pioneers for their bravery for the freedoms we have today... Photo by Dell Harbin.*



*Future Imperial Court Emperor Wendy Lewis rocks the harmonica at The Ice Palace Turnabout show. Dell photo.*

**Saturday September 8**

**10 AM – 1 PM**

Join the CG Garden Club in sprucing up the Community House Gardens. Wear gardening gloves and bring your tools. Raindate Sunday Sept. 9. All welcome!

Miss Fire Island Contest at The Ice Palace. For tix call 597-6600.

**Sunday September 9**

Miss Fire Island Award Presentations at The Ice Palace. For tix call 597-6600.

**Friday September 7**

**10 PM – 1 AM** APCG's Dragon Queen Casino at the Community House.

**Saturday September 8**

**8 PM – 1 AM** APCG's Dragon Queen Casino continues at the Community House. Maybe you'll get lucky!

**Saturday September 29**

**8 PM – 1 AM** The Art Project's annual end-of-season party is The Jet Setters Ball. Plan now for a fun costume!



**THIS WEEK AT THE ARTS PROJECT:**

**SHORT STORIES  
3 – 5 PM  
SATURDAY  
AUGUST 18**

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**Church Services** at The Community House every other Sunday (August 19, Sept. 2) at 10:30 AM. All welcome, Non-denominational.

The **Doctors House (aka Belly Acres)** is open! 9 – 10:30 AM and 3:30 – 5 PM daily. Emergency 911.

### **Ongoing Events:**

Edrie leads **Yoga** Saturday and Tuesday mornings at 9 – 10 AM at The Community House. Gray leads on Thursdays 9 – 10 AM. \$5 contribution.

**Jazz-er-cise** with Doreen. Mondays and Fridays, 9:30 AM, at the Firehouse. \$5 donation to the Fire Department.

9:30 AM Saturdays **AI-Anon** in the Boardroom of The Community House. Door just past the main entrances.

**AA** 6 PM 7 nights a week at 6 PM – at The Fire House at Bayview and Holly Walks. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor. Look up for the sign.

### **Community phone #s:**

(all area codes are 631 unless stated)  
**Emergency Police & Fire** 911  
**Suffolk County Coalition Against Domestic Violence** 631-666-7181

### **Transportation:**

**Sayville Ferry** 589-0810  
**Sayville Freight** 567-8774  
**LIRR** 231-LIRR  
**Rainbow Rides - limo to airports and Manhattan to Montauk.** Alex 737 7300

### **Restaurant & Clubs:**

**Cherry Lane Café** 597-7859  
**Cherry Grove Pizza** 597-6766  
*Call for delivery in The Grove!*  
**Floyd's delivers!** 597-FLOY(D)  
**Island Breeze** 597-6570  
**Sand Castle on the Ocean** 597-4174  
**Sweet Licks Ice Cream** 597-6464

### **Shopping:**

**Cherry Grove Hardware** 631-597-7090  
*Fax (send & receive) 631-597-9057*  
**L.I. Hardware (Ace)** 631-467-1316  
*Check the website at lihardware.com for items available...from paint to grills to plumbing and electric...and all can be delivered to the ferry!*  
**Grove Liquor Ocean & Lewis** 597-4400

### **Services:**

**Fran's Full Service** 516-967-1819  
*House cleaning, Gardening, Etc!*  
*Organizing, meeting at the boat...*  
*Anything you want – Call day or night.*  
**TPP Fire Island Wireless –Pines Pantry**  
*Daily/ seasonal wireless 631-302-6301*  
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### **Places to Stay:**

**Prudential Realty – Denise** 589-3500  
*Cell phone 407-340-4649*  
*I live in Fire Island all summer!*  
**A Summer Place Realty** 597-6140  
**Horizons on the Beach-Carla** 597-6278  
**Dune Point -Lewis & Duryea** 597-6261  
**Grove Hotel/Ice Palace** 597-6600  
**Belvedere Hotel for Men** 597-6448

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*DunePoint.com*

**T**he Bitchy Benefit with dueling divas Hedda Lettuce and Bianca DelRio, performing together for the first time, raised \$1,340 for the Dunes Fund at Cherry's! Nice work...shall I call them ladies? They ripped at each other, dug the nails in deep. All for this good cause and a laugh. And they got it! You laughed... and you gave!  
Have you seen *TheVioletLetter.com* website? And now a Facebook page (*TheVioletLetter1*)!  
A wonderful job...and it will just get better! It has lots more photos...with extra coverage of our big events. Still looking for more photos...how about yours? And someone to distribute on the Westside. t Let us know... 'Til next week... dell

Go to *TheVioletLetter.com* for more photos...all in color! And handy links.

**SAND CASTLE  
ON THE OCEAN**  
**Open at 10 AM - 7 days**  
**Fridays – The original**  
**Lobster Night is Back!**  
**Featuring the Monster's**  
**Obscenely Stuffed Lobster**

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**GROVE LIQUORS**

**631 597-4400**

**FireIslandSandCastle.com**

**631 597-4174**

**Lewis & Ocean Walks**

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