The Violet Letter

Volume 6 Issue 16 * The weekly who's who and what's to do for Cherry Grove * Sept. 7 – 14, 2012 Submit listings, photos and ads to Dell Harbin, Box 4016 Cherry Grove NY 11782. Phone 631-597-7208. Email Violet.Letter@yahoo.com Check our new website! The VioletLetter.com! Like us on Facebook!



Last weekend's If This Piano Could Talk presentation at the Community House was filled with twists and turns! A star was born...Gerri MacWhinnie took to the stage in her debut performance as Lydia the Lunch Lady, front and center, while the cast sang Food, Glorious Food around her! Left to right: arm of Sherri Rase, SallyAnn Piacentino, Dale Lally, James Lyons, Pat Wagnis, Tim Webster, Dell Harbin, Ruth Freedner (hidden behind Gerri), Susan Freedner, Eric Coyne and Lyn Belensky. What we couldn't see was the original performance by our own Jeanne Skinner...Gerri's mother! That was in 2002 in Sal Piro's Class Reunion. Although the new projector worked perfectly in rehearsal, it refused to operate during the show. But then, came to life at the last number to show Philomena's Send in the Clams. Amazingly, about 95% of the audience stayed in their seats to watch the clips on the newly revived computer! Thanks fans! Photo by JustLorraine. For lots more photos, go to The Violet Letter.com!

Friday September 7 Miss Fire Island Weekend!

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!

6 PM Prime Rib Night at Cherry Lane Café...just \$24.95. Last one this year!

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

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

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 The last of the season Dirty Go Go Boyz at Cherry's with Bianca Del Rio at Midnight. And you thought she would never end!

Saturday September 8

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

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!

10 AM Flora and Fauna Tour with A Park Ranger and Dockmaster Paul Jablonski. Meet in the center of town.

1 PM Miss Fire Island Contest and Awards at The Ice Palace. Call 597-6600 or get tickets at the door.

4 PM Tea Dance at Cherry's with DJ Susan Levine.

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

9 PM DJ Stacy at Cherry's. No cover!

10 PM – **1 AM** APCG's Dragon Queen Casino at the Community House. Free admission on Friday only!

11 PM Underwear Party The Ice Palace. Music, dancing and more!

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!

Sunday September 9
9 AM – 3 PM Last one of the season!
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!

2 PM Miss Fire Island Coronation Ball.at The Ice Palace. Community invited. Free if you say "Sal sent me"! Come meet the new royalty!

4 PM Tea Dance at Cherry's on the Bay with DJ Sue Levine.

5:00 PM Dancing at the world famous Ice Palace with DJ Chuck. No cover!

6:30 PM Porsche sings at the Ice Palace. She's the girl of a million voices!

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 ductaped Diva, Busted, for a night of music, comedy and mental issues. So good it should be criminal!

Monday September 10

5 PM It's Wacky Bingo and Burgers with Ariel at The Ice Palace! Prize\$! Last one of the season! Free Hot Dogs and Burgers.



Porsche entertains Friday at 9 pm Sunday 6:30 pm Shequida performs!! Monday 11 pm Last one of the season! Miss Fire Island! Contest & Awards – Saturday 1 PM Coronation Ball – Sunday 2 PM



Demi Tasse made a grand entrance in If This Piano Could Talk...and gave a grand performance as Norma Desmond. Photo by JustLorraine.

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

11:30 PM Shequida! At The Ice Palace. And it's the last one of the season!

Tuesday September 11

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...and only 4 more weeks!

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

Wednesday September 12 11 AM – 12 Noon Opera Discussion Group at the Community House. You don't need to know anything...just be interested in opera! **5 – 11 PM** Pasta night at Cherry Lane! Jacque and Donna make their homemade Italian food. Free wine with dinner! Even Italian music!

10 PM to close WIOW! Whip It Out Wednesday is at The Ice Palace. Movies, guests... Kenny promises hot! And this is NOT the last of the season! Oh no!

Thursday September 13

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

9:30 – 11:30 PM BINGO and a show at Cherry's with Ginger Snapt. Prize\$!

Over \$200 in prizes this week!!

Friday September 14

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 with a DJ on the great floor by the Bay!

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

Plan ahead:

Saturday September 15

3 PM Cherry Grove Writers Read – a free reading of their works by Jack Dowling and Joyce Yeager, and of new work by Dan Clancy by Gay Nathan, John Behan and Phil Stoehr. At the Firehouse, upstairs.

9 PM Christmas at Cherry's and Sand Castle! It will be cozy and delicious! And extravagant...and tasty!

10 PM Porsche sings live at The Ice Palace. The girl of a milli voices!

Saturday September 22

9 PM CandyLand party at Cherry's...a party not to be missed! The Chocolate will flow! Celebrate Jacque's birthday!

Saturday September 29

8 PM – 1 AM The Art Project's annual end-of-season party is The Jet Setters Ball. Tickets at the kiosk or from a Board Member. Great food...dancing! Wear a great jet-setter costume...it's at The Ice Palace...all decorated up!

9 PM Halloween Party at Cherry's. Costumes...decorations and more! One of the best parties of the year! They really go all-out with the décor!



cake...and there was not a crumb left! Paula and Frank's Silver Spoon Caterers fed the hungry Check

Thespians. Photos by JustLorraine.

Saturday October 6

9 PM Survivor's party at Cherry's. Did you make it through the season? Party with all the other battered and bruised but still standing survivors!

next week's Violet Letter for end-ofseason events as well as hotel, restaurant and bar closing dates. You can always check TheVioletLetter.com online for the latest info, too! And there are lots more photos on the web...this week...a review of Joey Arias Live at the Arts Project.



The Arts Project held a Toga Tea, hosted by Roland Michely at his ocean front home. Here Past APCG President CeeJay Rosen shares a moment with Roland. The food was delicious...by Philomena! Photo by Dell Harbin. For more photos...and more info...go to TheVioletLetter.com!

Cherry Grove PIZZA

Open 11 AM Daily until the last ferry boat leaves...or later!

Pizza and Heroes

- Antipasti & Salads
- Spaghetti, Ziti and Lasagna
- Manicotti, Stuffed Shells
- Chicken or Eggplant or Shrimp Parmigiana
- · Beer Wine

We Deliver! Ocean Walk 597-6766

& Sweet Licks Ice Cream!

597-6464

Tuesday is Paula's seafood & pasta specials! And you get a FREE wine or beer AND a chip for FREE Ice Cream at Sweet Licks! Thursday is Employee Day & Night - 50% off dinners and 25% off all else for full time Grove employees.

Just Sola

Prudential sold Jeanne Skinner's home in Sayville. Denise Dell Harbin was the listing agent. As the representative of Jeanne's estate, daughter Gerri said "Prudential really brought it home!" I was glad I could help. Gerri! Jeanne was such a wonderful part of our lives!



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The **Post Office** is still open 3 days per week (Tues, Thurs.10 AM – 1 PM and 2:30 – 3:30 PM, mail leaves on 4:00 PM ferry; Sat. 10 AM -2 PM with mail going out on the 1:45 PM boat). Betty offers P.O.services. Cash or checks only. We really need this vital service. Help us keep a P.O.! They judge the PO on volume...so buy all your stamps here! Get your change of address in by Sept. 15 please! Forms available at the P.O.

Church Services at The Community House are over for the season!

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 Al-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. 2nd Floor. Look up.

Community phone #s:

(all area codes are 631 unless stated) Emergency Police & Fire 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

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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 deliver 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. Also...don't forget the Winter Watch!



THIS WEEK AT THE ARTS PROJECT:

> DRAGON QUEEN CASINO FRIDAY 10 PM - 1 AM SATURDAY 6 PM - 1 AM

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 597-644

ACCOMODATIONS ON THE OCEAN AT LEWIS AND DURYEA 631-597-6261

Dune Point. com

Services:

TPP Fire Island Wireless -Pines Pantry Daily/seasonal wireless 631-302-6301 Philomena's Sweet Treats 597-6806 Cakes, cupcakes and so much more!



Bella was a knock-out in If This Piano Could Talk! Really... Photo by JustLorraine. For more pictures of this show...including Tony Bondi, Linda D. and Barbara Hirsch, our trio of Eric, Dale and James Lyons, Pat and Lyn, the Freedner twins Susan and Ruth, Robin. SallyAnn, Tim and Martha, Gerri, Sherri, Demi, Porsche, our new musical genius Darius, go to The Violet Letter.com Thanks to all for a valiant effort... especially to all the unseen helpers... Matt and Allison, Ellen, Wendy, and Laura for the tech work! Xoxo dell

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