



# TWO RIVER PEOPLE

By Lynne Ward

## “AS IT GROWS ... A FARM TO TABLE EVENT” WAS A GRAND SUCCESS



The Monmouth County Historical Association partnered with The Parker Homestead-1665 to present “As it Grows ... A Farm to Table Event” recently held in Little Silver under a huge tent on the historic Parker Homestead grounds, adjacent to Sickles Market. The two organizations are working together to preserve and protect our vibrant, shared Monmouth County History and the event benefitted both non-profits. The event commemorated the state of N.J.’s 350th Anniversary in 2014, and was a celebration of our state’s rich agriculture and farming history. Guests were treated to a delectable farm menu designed by the David Burke Group, silent and live auctions led by Nicholas Dawes which featured unique and exciting auction packages, and live music by Rip Tide and The Bobby Lynch Band. **Bob Sickles** is the president of The Parker Homestead board of trustees, the event co-chair and the owner of Sickles Market. Bob is joined by his daughters **Sasha** (left) and **Tori**, his son **Tristan** and his wife **Leslie** (right).



From left: **Betsy Parker Ruff**, **Margaret DeMatteo**, **Robert Sickles Sr.**, **Flo Apy** and **Carol Perkins**. Betsy Parker Ruff is the daughter of Henry Parker and the niece of Julia Parker, the last generation to live in the historic Parker house.

**Tara Kelly** (left) and **Kimberly Gittines** with **Claire** (event co-chair) and **Woody Knopf**. Claire is the president of the Association’s board of trustees.



Pictured are the members of the **Monmouth County Historical Association board of trustees**.



From left: **Rick Blank**, **Senator Joseph Kyrrillos**, **Larry Roberts** and **Nick Dawes** (auctioneer, of Heritage Auctions, N.Y. and Antiques Road Show fame).



**Kelly Zaccaro**, **Janice Knopf** and **Shannon Eadon** enjoyed the festive atmosphere.



**Kris Skirkanich**, **Geri Skirkanich** and **Terry Ingram**.



From left: **Laura Wallach**, **Evelyn Murphy** (director of the Historical Association), **Claire Knopf** and **Linda Bricker**.



The crew from David Burke Fromagerie did an outstanding job including **Orlando Ramos** (right), general manager of the Fromagerie!



Fromagerie executive chef **Phil Deffina** (left) with **Doug Douty**, owner of Lusty Lobster. The food and raw bar at this event were out-of-this-world!

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## MORE FROM "AS IT GROWS ... A FARM TO TABLE EVENT"



The Parker Homestead-1665 board of trustees include **Keith Wells** (treasurer), **Jen Pardee** (secretary) and **Bob Sickles** (president).



A great group of Little Silver officials and supporters: **Debbie O'Hern**, **Assemblyman Declan O'Scanlon**, **Councilman Dan O'Hern**, **Heather O'Scanlon**, **Mayor Bob Neff**, **Cindy Neff**, **Councilman Stuart VanWinkle** and **Gail VanWinkle**.



Above: **Michael Wu** and **Kate Ketchum** with **Vikki** and **Bill Marraccini**.



Rip Tide provided great tunes for the cocktail reception with band members **Karl Pfeil**, **John O'Neil**, **Heidi Sheehan** and **Steve Russo**.



From left: **Helen Cho**, **Kristy Niro**, **Kristin Richards**, **Leslie Sickles**, **Federico Mora** and **Pat Niro**. The Niros were wine donors for the event and premier event underwriters included **Brand Aromatics**, **The Muheren Family**, **Pamela and Anthony Diaco** and **Farm Family**.

## LOVE INC HELD RECEPTION AT THE HOME OF PEGGY MOODY



The mission of Love INC is to mobilize the Church to transform lives and communities in the Name of Christ. The organization reaches out to Monmouth County residents to provide people-to-people help and programs to meet community needs, acting as a "clearinghouse" to screen requests for assistance to determine if the needs are legitimate and manageable. They also coordinate local area churches to help the poor. Fair Haven resident Peggy Moody recently hosted a reception at her home to raise funds and awareness for Love INC. Love INC board members include (from left): **Bill Ragolia**, **Mac Barnes**, **Peggy Moody**, **Carolyn Eyerman** (executive director), **Assemblyman Declan O'Scanlon**, **Kim Smith** and **Bob Planer**. In front is the adorable **Christine Ryan**.



A wonderful group of Love INC supporters: **Chris Rinn**, **Karen Geltzeiler**, **Eugenia Kelly**, **Jay Ham**, **Barbara Carton-Riker** (new president of the Fair Haven Garden Club), **Rev. Bill Riker** and **Chris Huthwaite**.



Assemblywoman **Mary Pat Angelini** (left) with **Carolyn Eyerman** and **Assemblyman Declan O'Scanlon**.



Seated from left: **Frank O'Brien**, **Charlie and Sue Avery**, **Carolyn Ayerman** and **Maureen O'Brien**.



From left: **Tom Ley**, **Cheryl Morris**, **Alan and Eloise DeRonde** (director of Elder Care, Love INC), and **James Parent** (board member).

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## “RAISE THE ROOF” WAS HELD AT SEABRIGHT LAWN TENNIS AND CRICKET CLUB



**R**aise the Roof was a fundraiser for the Oceanic Free Library in Rumson held specifically to raise money to install a new roof and to update the HVAC system so that the library can continue to serve the community of library patrons, which spans towns and generations. The sold out event was held on a beautiful evening at the historic Sea Bright Lawn Tennis and Cricket Club in Rumson. The Oceanic Library board of trustees includes (from left): **Karen Hyatt, Lindsey Hintelmann** (secretary), **Ellen Jackson-Patterson, Carolynn Miller** (VP), **Dan Mee, Rosanna Fazio** (treasurer), **Nancy Haaren-Schuster, Ed Pomphrey, Nancy Laird, Maureen Oberdorf, Ann Marie Erwin** and **Ann Rossbach** (president).



The hard-working and dedicated members of the library staff (from left): **Mandy Hintelmann, Maureen Oberdorf, Nanette Reis** (library director), **Jennifer Conklin** and **Nancy Laird**.



Junior volunteers **Annie Gehlhaus, Kate Caruso, Joy Lucey** and **Izzy Licata**.



Event supporters **Julia Dreschler, Cynthia and Doug Labrecque** and **Kara and Charlie Short**.



Another group of event volunteers: **Emma Floyd, Emily Mee, Samantha Short, John Quadarella** and **Jill Healey**.



**Suzanne and John Cahill** (couple on left) are joined by **Sarah and Ed Pomphrey, Ann Rossbach** and **Cindy Zipf**, executive director of Clean Ocean Action.



From left: **Ann and Wesley Gaus, Kortney McManus, Mackenzie Pendergrast, Megan Tencza, Mary Grubert** and **Samantha Short**.

## THE VALERIE FUND CHILDREN’S CENTER AT MONMOUTH MEDICAL CENTER MAKES NOISE TO RAISE AWARENESS FOR PEDIATRIC CANCER

**T**he Valerie Fund Children’s Center at Monmouth Medical Center (MMC) recently hosted a tree lighting honoring Make Some Noise: Cure Kids Cancer Foundation, as part of the Go Gold for Pediatric Cancer Campaign, a joint effort between Make Some Noise: Cure Kids Cancer Foundation and Monmouth Medical Center. The campaign is designed to raise awareness of childhood cancer and the need for critical research funding during the month of September, which is recognized nationally as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. The program included a tree that has been decorated in gold – the trademark color of the Make Some Noise Foundation – as well as ringing church bells and a police siren followed by a moment of silence. The decorated tree is located in front of the main entrance to MMC, A Barnabas Health facility. Pictured are **Bill Arnold** (COO, MMC), **Lt. Gov. Kim Guadagno, Dr. Frank Vozos** (president and CEO, MMC) and **Malcolm Sutherland Foggio** (founder of Make Some Noise).



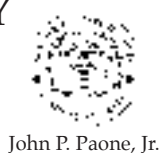
A group of Monmouth Medical Center officials with family, friends and supporters including **Dr. Meg Fisher** (in multi-colored vest, chief of pediatrics at the Unterberg Children’s Hospital at MMC).

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## HOLIDAY EXPRESS 7th ANNUAL SUNSET BENEFIT CLAMBAKE: A GREAT NIGHT AT THE BEACH



The Sunset Benefit Clambake, sponsored by Shore Point Distributing Company was recently held on the beach under a grand tent in Long Branch, adjacent to McLoone's Pier House. Holiday Express was founded in 1993 by Tim McLoone and their mission is to deliver music, food, gifts, financial support and friendship to those with the greatest need for the gift of human kindness during the holiday season and throughout the year. The event attracted over 300 people and honored Meridian Health. Holiday Express is comprised of more than 1,500 volunteers, including 100 professional rock, jazz, folk, gospel and pop musicians. Holiday Express visits, performs, and throws an interactive holiday party for more than 60 private charity programs from Thanksgiving through Christmas Eve. They visit those who are often forgotten: the mentally and physically disabled, those in addiction and recovery programs, the poor and homeless, and children with serious illnesses. Holiday Express board members present at the event include (from left): **Pat Wotton**, **Amy Broza** (secretary), **Tim and Beth McLoone**, **Terel Cooperhouse** (board president), **Donna Edington**, **Greg Steinhauer**, **Don Pignataro** (executive director), **Bill Moss**, **Maureen Staub** and **Jeff Rich**.



From above left: Executive Director **Don Pignataro**, **John Lloyd** (president and CEO of Meridian Health), **Cindy and Bob Neff** (Mayor of Little Silver) and HolEx founder **Tim McLoone**.

Silent auction chairs **Laurie Vilardi** and **Jana Beal**.



The **Holiday Express** band was amazing, as usual!

The fabulous **Layonne Holmes** and **Ashley Hadar**. Layonne is a HolEx volunteer and singer in the HolEx band and Ashley is the coordinator of business office and social media.



Shore Point Distributing Company representatives **Holly Boylan Flego**, **Joyce DeJohn** (both seated), **Ed Flego** and **Michael DeJohn** enjoyed a lovely night at the beach.



**Dr. Margaret Fisher** and **Susan Dulczak** from Monmouth Medical Center.



From left: **Nancy Byrne Reinhart** and **Peter Reinhart**, **Patty Micale**, **Dr. Anthony Micale**, **Marilyn Perricone**, **John Lloyd** and **Phil Perricone** (event sponsor).



McLoone's Pier House lended tremendous support to this event and provided fabulous food as well. Event volunteers **Mike Carson**, **Nicole Augley**, **Shawn Garrity** and **Ted Mariolis** worked the raw bar in conjunction with **Trinity Seafood**.

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